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34th Service Group

IV Air Service Area Command

Fifth Air Force



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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP (AVN)
46th Service Group
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HISTORY OF ORGANIZATION

PART I

Activation To Dec 7, 1941

This organization was activated at Selfridge Field, Michigan on Feb 15, 1941, pursuant to authority of General Order No. 3, Hq. GHQ Air Force, dated Feb 8, 1941, and was then designated, 24th Signal Platoon, AB.

Lt. Bieritz was a reserve officer and had been in command of a civilian Conservation Corps Camp. The eleven enlisted men comprising the cadre had been transferred from the 515 Signal Co. Avn., stationed at Selfridge Field.

During its period of organization the platoon was quartered in a temporary barracks at Selfridge Field, and in addition to the business of getting organized, its personnel performed duties in the Signal supply depot, and in the posts Radio, Teletype, and Telephone Communications system. At the same time there were assigned to the organization 11 recently inducted selectees who were undergoing basic training at Selfridge Field, but who did not join the organization until the completion of their basic training three weeks later. These men had received no specialized Signal Corps training, but one had had civilian experience as an electrician and service man, and another had been an amateur radio operator for several years and held commercial radio operators licenses.

On June 24, 1941, the platoon was transferred to Baer Field, Fort Wayne, Indiana, to take permanent station with the 46th Air Base Group (now 46th Service Group). The trip was made by motor convoy, the outfit arriving at Baer Field that same day.

The mission of the platoon at Baer Field was that of supplying all communications other than tactical for the Air Base Group, and the Air Base itself. These services were comprised of telephone, teletype, administrative, radio, and message center.

At the time the organization arrived at Baer Field, the base was still in the process of construction. The runways were not yet completed, the streets were only marked out, and the whole area was a sea of mud. There was very little official activity which was fortunate, since only about 5 percent of the personnel had any idea whatever of the procedure or technique of operating an air base communication system. Most of the potential section leaders, (of which the original cadre was comprised), were on detached service to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, either learning their jobs, or brushing up on them. Consequently the whole task fell to the group of new men whose sole knowledge of things military consisted of the rudiments of close order drill.

The base telephone system consisted of a PBX switchboard and commercial

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dial-type phones. Since only one man had ever operated a switchboard, it was necessary to employ an instructress from the telephone company until the men had learned the job. After a week's instruction, all men had become competent to handle a shift on the switchboard.

Privates Ford and Mathews were assigned the duty of operating the message center and the Western Union, and Postal Telegraph Agencies. All official and private messages were handled at first through these agencies and by long distance telephone. Later a TWX machine was installed, and the companies Radio set, an SCR 188-A was set up. Although unfamiliar with this type of radio equipment, and unversed in army radio procedure, Ford and Mathews reported the station into the First Air Force net, and operated this, as well as the other aforementioned communication facilities successfully 17 hours a day for some week's until additional personnel arrived.

On July 23, 1941, nine enlisted men arrived from Fort Monmouth, N.J., where they had received training in various signal corps specialities. These men included, radio, teletype, and switchboard operators, message center clerks, cryptographers, and telephone linemen. This brought the platoon strength to one officer, and 22 enlisted men.

From this time, until the organization left for maneuvers, the normal garrison duties were performed. In addition, instruction in fundamental electricity was given to those personnel not already familiar with the subject. During this period morale was very high. Food, and living conditions were good, there was a well-stocked P.X., a theatre, library, and recreation building on the base. Fort Wayne was a wonderful soldier's town, and three day passes were plentiful.

August 20, 1941, the platoon left Baer Field along with the other organizations which made up the 46th Air Base Group, to take part in the Louisiana maneuvers. The group proceeded by motor convoy to Natchitoches Air port Sub-Airbase as part of the red army. The duties performed here were the same as those at Baer Field, except that they were performed under something approximating actual field conditions. Most of the men were, for the first time since their induction, eating field rations out of mess kits, and living in tents. Weather conditions were foul, and at one time the entire camp area was flooded. Anti-Malaria measures were needed, and were taken. In spite of these sudden discomforts, and what were at that time thought to be hardships, morale remained high. The men were interested in their work and enjoyed doing it.

At Natchitoches, staff sergeant Byars performed the duties of acting first sergeant, and chief telephone lineman, Sergeant Hawley served as platoon clerk and supply sergeant. The radio station was made N.C.S. for the administrative net linking the Natchitoches Sub Air Base with air bases at Jackson, Mississippi, and Shreveport, Louisiana, and the Sub-Air Base outside Shreveport. During the time the field was flooded the radio station was also used to direct air traffic into the field, there being no tower radio on the field at that time. This work was handled satisfactorily without impeding the regular flow of traffic over the administrative net.

At the conclusion of the Louisiana maneuvers the platoon proceeded with the 46th to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and on October 7, 1941, took station

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at Pope Field, Fort Bragg, to participate in the Carolina maneuvers, this time with the Blue army. The duties performed here were essentially the same as those at Natchitoches. Living conditions here were similar to those in Louisiana, except that cold weather made necessary the use of wood stoves in the tents. Some tents caught fire, and burned, and many had large holes burned in them as a result of sparks from the wood fires. This trouble was corrected through the use of spark-traps on the stovepipes. Hot showers were available at Pope Field, the food was good, and fine recreational facilities were provided at Fort Bragg. The morale however had dropped considerably. There were several reasons for this. The men had expected to return to their home base at the conclusion of the Louisiana maneuvers, and were disappointed at not having done so. Also, the citizens of Fayetteville were definitely antagonistic toward soldiers, and it seemed as though the Fayetteville police, and Fort Bragg military police were cooperating in an effort to prevent the ordinary G.I. from enjoying himself. The chief factor responsible for this decline in morale was the policy then being followed of superimposing basic training upon the regular duties. It was felt that close order drill, calisthenics, compulsory athletics, and weekly inspections were uncalled for under field conditions and in a situation where all the environmental factors involved in a shooting war were supposed to obtain. However the maneuvers finally ended with the blues victorious, (or was it the reds?), and the platoon returned to Baer Field, arriving there December 3, 1941.

The arrival at Baer Field was marked by a high spirit of elation, and optimism throughout the ranks. All thought the rigors of camp life and travel by motor convoy were a thing of the past, and there was much talk of receiving 15 day furloughs. Moreover, the selectees, and one year enlistees were looking forward to their return to civilian status in six to seven months. Four days later the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. All leaves, and passes were cancelled and all of the organizations personnel who could be rounded up were confined to the post. This news wiped out all the happy optimism about furloughs with which the men had been promising themselves. They then realized that the fickle finger of fate had got them in the end.

PART II

DEC 2, 1941 TO DEC 31, 1942

On December 17, 1941, the 24th Signal Platoon departed from Baer Field en-route by rail to Muroc, California, bombing and gunnery range, (Special order No. 123, 1st A.F. dated Dec 16, 1941), along with other organizations making up the 46th Air Base Group. Only ten days had passed since the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, and the men had been exceedingly pressed for time in which to settle their personal affairs, cancel Christmas plans, do a limited amount of Christmas shopping, write letters, send telegrams, make long distance telephone calls, and pack up, and mail to their homes all their personal effects not G.I. This was aggravated by the fact that they were confined to the post for a large share of the time. In addition, the business of getting ready for shipment all the platoon equipment, the drawing and issuing of certain items of personal equipment to be taken care of. During this time the platoon continued to operate the post's communication system, the traffic on which had enormously increased.

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The base administrative radio station, the equipment of which was platoon property, was operated until the last possible moment before being closed down, and the equipment crated, and loaded aboard the train,

Morale was high despite the disappointment resulting from upset Christmas plans. The advent of war had given the men a new conception of their worth. They now felt themselves to be of vital importance to the nation, rather than unwilling participants in a stupid game. Their participation in maneuvers had given them confidence in their ability to function as a unit. Esprit de Corps was strong. There was considerable unwarranted optimism, the common opinion being that the Japanese were an inferior foe who, by their audacity in attacking the United States, had virtually committed national suicide. Few thought the war with Japan would last more than six months.

The platoon arrived at the Muroc bombing and gunnery range, Dec 22, 1941. Camp was set up near the field. At that time, there were less than half a dozen buildings on the base. These were wooden barracks which were being used for administrative purposes. The latrine, and lavatory facilities in three of these buildings were the only ones available for the use of the several thousand troops stationed there, making it necessary to wait in line for the use of them. The construction of outdoor latrines alleviated this situation somewhat, but the washing, and shower problem was not solved during the time the organization was there. The only way one could be reasonably sure of getting a warm shower was to wait until 3 or 4 A.M., when the rush had usually slackened.

The outfit was stationed at Muroc a little over one month, and during that time all personnel were confined to the post except for six hour passes to a small town nearby. These passes came around about twice while the outfit was there.

The camp was being guarded by the 127 Infantry company, an itchy fingered outfit who made sneaking out without a pass an unhealthy undertaking. Several men who failed to halt fast enough were shot and killed by these zealous guards, but there were no casualties in the 24th Signal.

Lt. Bieritz was assigned assistant signal officer for the base. The platoon operated the message center, telephone system, and teletype circuits. an administrative radio station was set up and operated between Muroc, and March Field. In addition, platoon personnel assisted in installing a runway lighting system on the field and in this time, the outfit was securing all the equipment it could lay its hands on preparatory to going overseas.

On January 28, 1942, the outfit left Muroc enroute to the port of embarkation, (San Francisco), and the following night embarked on the U.S.A.T. Hugh L. Scott. The Scott sailed January 31, 1942.

Sergeant Hawley, who had been sweating out an appointment to O.C.S. for seven months, Privates Surprise and Miller had their appointments come through while they were waiting at the docks to go aboard. Their B-bags were already stowed away on board and came across with the organization.

The Hugh L. Scott was an ancient 12,500 ton liner(ex- S.S. President Pierce), which had been converted to transport troops, and supplies. The conversion was accomplished by installing in the cargo holds, canvas tiers in such a way that by stacking one above the other, the same tonnage of soldiers could be carried in the hold as was formerly carried in cargo.

The ship had been designed to carry 200 to 300 passengers, on this trip it carried nearly 3000 troops. The living space allotted to the entire enlisted personnel of the 24th Signal platoon, (26 men), was, by actual measurement, less than that of the average hotel room. There were no provisions for ventilating the holds and the stench was unbearable. Many preferred sleeping on the bare deck in all kinds of weather to risking asphyxiation in the hold.

Only two meals a day were served, lunch and dinner. The average lunch consisted of a cup of weak tea, a slice of pineapple, and one or two cookies. Dinner was usually a spoonful of stew or beans. On one occasion there was a near riot in the messhall when some rotten mutton was served in the stew. Three of the platoons personnel escaped the rigors of this starvation diet by serving as signal men of the bridge. For this work, they were allowed to eat in the crew's mess, where the fare was excellent.

The events of the passage are fairly well covered in the following article, written by correspondent, Vern Haugland, for the Associated Press:

"When the history of this war is written, one of the brightest chapters will deal with the transport of men, planes, and arms across the dangerous waters of the Pacific, a remarkable Naval achievement.

Each convoy, and each separate ship has its tale of daring, of encounters with the enemy, or of successfully dodging the attacks.

I came over on the first large convoy to make the non-stop voyage to Australia. Surviving four abortive submarine attacks. Our party of remodeled liners, fast freighters, and naval vessels, dexterously sidestepped the enemy through 10,000 miles of submarine infested ocean.

The zig-zag journey took the better part of a month.

Submarines sneaked into attacking range four times. Each time they were chased away or sunk before they could inflict any damage.

All of the attempted attacks occurred on the South Pacific in broad daylight within two weeks. The fourth attack occurred when the convoy was less than 300 miles from Australia, the third, a few days earlier was the most daring.

Depth charges were dropped upon the attackers at such short range that the shock was strongly felt aboard ships of the convoy.

The submarines did not come to the surface.

The men took the danger in stride, displaying amazing calmness.

Carefully drilled in preparation against attack from undersea, the surface, or the air, they followed loud-speaker orders quickly and efficiently whether the command was to clear decks, or stand by lifeboats.

Dodging all islands, we sighted land only once between America, and Australia. Even that was at a great distance, just blue peaks of what seamen said was an uncharted island, dim on the horizon, somewhere south of Tahiti.

All radios were silenced during the trip. The complete lack of war news created considerable strain, and there was much conjecture as to the fate

of the Philippines, how Singapore was holding out, and what might be doing in Libya, and Russia.

Despite the weeks of inactivity, there was no lessening of morale. The soldiers, most of them in their early twenties, and making their first ocean voyage, were cheerful and cooperative all the way.

At the start of the voyage many thought they were going to Hawaii, and even to South America."

The convoy arrived at Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, February 25, 1942, where the troops were disembarked and camped at Ascot Race Course. The platoon remained in Brisbane for a week recuperating from the voyage, while cargo was being unloaded from the ship. During this time the personnel acquainted themselves with Australian money, and customs.

On March 3, the group re-embarked on the Scott and proceeded to Melbourne, Victoria, arriving there March 8. From Melbourne they proceeded directly to Ballarat, Victoria, where they took station. Here the troops were billeted in private homes. There were no regular duties performed at Ballarat during the eight days the platoon was stationed there. The outfit had close order drill, and calisthenics for about two hours a day, the rest of the time being spent in pursuit of recreation.

In these early days of the Yankee invasion of Australia things were vastly different than they were soon to become. The Japs were knocking at the back door of the country, and aside from the poorly equipped Australian Militia, Australia was defenceless. The citizens looked on the newly arrived American troops as their saviours, and outdid themselves in extending their hospitality. The American soldier had not yet become the chief source of the Australian National income, and consequently prices were normal, and commodities plentiful. These factors, plus the characteristic freedom in sexual relations enjoyed by Australians, made the country seem a real paradise to the sea-weary personnel of the platoon, and there was much talk of settling there after the war, Tempus Edax Rerum!

On March 16, 1942, the organization departed from Ballarat, and proceeded by rail to Mt. Gambier, S.A., arriving there on the morning of the 17th, and taking station at the airfield there. Here the men got their first look at The Royal Australian Air Force, which in those days consisted largely of Ansons, and Tiger Moths. The time at Mt. Gambier was mostly spent in making preparations for duty in northern territory.

The outfit left Mt. Gambier, on April 9, 1942, and proceeded by motor to Terowie via Adelaide. At Terowie, the trucks and personnel were loaded aboard the narrow gauge railway train which took them across the desert to Alice Springs, N.T., from Alice Springs they proceeded by motor convoy to Bore # 3, N.T. via Barrow Creek, Banka Banka, and Dalywaters, they arrived at Bore # 3, April 16, 1942.

The trip was one of many discomforts. Meals consisted of iron rations served by dividing the men into groups of five and allotting each group a can of bully-beef, a can of peaches, or pears, a can of marmalade, and a package of hardtack. Water was available for drinking only, and there wasn't too much of that. The Red Desert dust was inches thick on everything, and

penetrated clothing, barracks bags, and equipment. Dust respirators or gas masks had to be worn at all times while the convoy was in motion, and headnets had to be worn against the flies during the stops.

No one has ever been able to determine just what the mission of the Air Base Group was at Bore # 3, the nearest airfield being thirty miles south at Dalywaters. There was nothing whatever at Bore three, except the well, and the group performed no other duty than that of maintaining itself. The Signal Platoon set up its message center, and radio station, and established contact with Birdum, Katherine, Pine Creek, Adelaide River, and Darwin, but very little traffic was handled. Telephone lines were laid to Dalywaters, and Birdum. There was nothing to defend, and no enemy within a thousand miles, outposts were established, and camouflaged machine gun nests were set up covering the entrance to the camp area, and the brush trail which ran behind the camp. The platoon was very poorly equipped for defense at this time, its weapons consisting of one pistol, and seven rounds of ammunition per man. These were later turned in and replaced by rifles, and sub-machine guns.

The two factors which contributed most towards making life unpleasant in the northern territory were the flies, and the purging qualities of the Bore water. The flies occurred in such astronomical numbers that headnets had to be worn throughout the day. They had absolutely no fear of man, and could not be shooed away by brushing at them. They would cluster by the hundreds on one's person, and on his mess gear, and food, and one had either to get used to the flavor of flies, or go without eating. The presence of these flies in the food, may or may not have been the reason why there were no cases of death by starvation.

The bore water was very alkaline, and produced severe, and persistent diarrhea in all personnel. This condition existed throughout the northern territory, and no means of alleviating it were found during the six months the organization spent in the region.

The organization subsisted almost entirely on dehydrated, and canned rations, although fresh meat was sometimes obtained by hunting parties which bagged an occasional water buffalo or kangaroo. A few pigs were also secured by trading with the Aborigines.

On May 20, 1942, the group moved to Dalywaters, and took over the maintenance of the base. The Signal platoon continued operating the message center, and the radio station, and in addition set up, and operated a telephone system. Life was made a little easier by an Australian canteen which sold beer each night, one bottle per man, otherwise conditions were similar to those at Bore # 3.

July 15, 1942, the group left Dalywaters, and headed, by motor convoy, for Batchelor Field, N.T. The trip took two days, and was made over roads, and trails which, by comparison, would have made the Burma road look like a super-highway. One man from Hq and Hq Squadron was thrown from a truck and seriously injured on this trip. The convoy arrived at Batchelor on July 16, 1942.

There was considerably more activity at Batchelor, and the group went

to work for a change. The signal platoon set up the message center, and radio station in a building on the field, and began operating. Shortly afterwards a teletype machine was installed giving the field another channel for communications with the other stations in the M.I. net. The operation of the base telephone switchboard was taken over from the R.A.A.F., which had been operating it. Many new lines, and a new switchboard were installed.

The food at Batchelor was better, there were fewer flies, and the men were more satisfied than at any other time since they had been in the N.T.

On August 10, 1942, the designation "Air Base Group", was replaced by "Service Group", and the platoon was accordingly redesignated "24th Signal Company, Service Group".

August 23, 1942, the group left Batchelor Field, and took station at Pine Creek, N.T. This station was another bore 3, as far as accomplishing any mission was concerned. There was an emergency landing field, but only two aircraft landed there during the 26 days the group was stationed there. One of these was a commercial transport which landed to let off a passenger, and the other was a P-40 whose pilot dropped in to visit his brother. The company set up its usual communication facilities, but very little traffic was handled.

The group left Pine Creek September 18, 1942, en-route to Mareeba, Queensland. It traveled by motor convoy to Mt. Isa, N.T., and from there by rail to Mareeba, the entire trip taking 13 days.

At Mareeba, the company received a new table of organization, which called for a signal supply section, and a radio repair section. These were set up, but were not completely staffed until additional personnel authorized under the new T/O arrived.

On October 17, 1942, a detachment of 13 enlisted men was formed in anticipation of detached service. Experienced personnel from each section were assigned to the detachment.

The new personnel arrived, and joined the organization November 4, 1942. This brought the company strength to 1 officer, and 58 enlisted men. These personnel had been only roughly trained in their signal corps specialities at the time they joined the organization. This was especially true in the radio operating, and radio repair sections. Consequently classes were started in these sections, and after a few weeks of instruction the new personnel had become sufficiently skillful to perform useful duty in their sections.

About this time the 19th bomb group was relieved by the 43 bomb group at Mareeba. The 43 bomb was short on communications personnel, and called upon the signal company for assistance in handling its communication. Several Cipher clerks, Radio, Telephone, and Switchboard operators were furnished.

Lt. Bieritz was promoted to Captain November 19, 1942.

Life at Mareeba was made pleasant by copious supplies of cold beer and good food.

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PART III

JAN 1, 1943 TO FEB 1, 1944

On January 6, 1943, the 24th signal company detachment composed of 28 enlisted men, left Mareeba for service in New Guinea. They arrived at Port Moresby Jan 14, with the 481 Service Squadron, which was part of the service group for which the company provided signal communications. Since Captain Bieritz, was the only officer assigned to the company at that time, no officer went with the detachment. Tech. Sergeant Bohatch was in charge, and, after taking station at Jackson Strip, Lt. Pierce of the 1927th QM Truck Co., at the same station, took care of the administrative needs of the detachment. Tech. Sergeant Bohatch set up the necessary communications system, and supply, and maintenance sections, showing fine initiative, and aggressiveness in doing so. During the nights of Jan. 22 through 27, these men went through their first air raids, Jackson Drome being raided by the Japanese.

On February 7, the 24th signal company, also arrived in New Guinea, with the 61st Service Squadron. Camp was set up at 14 mile strip. The company experienced its first air raids when the Japanese bombed the strip on the nights of Feb. 21, and 22.

Shortly all the detachment at Jackson Airbase was returned to the company, leaving only a few telephone operators, and linemen with the 481st Service Squadron. This was done in order to set up one complete signal supply section, and a complete radio maintenance section. Tech. Sergeant Haun, was in charge of the radio maintenance section. Considerable difficulties in obtaining supplies were encountered, and lack of test tools, and equipment made radio maintenance tough. All units, tactical, and service, at 14 mile strip, and 17 mile strip were taken care of, though not properly, for lack of supplies and equipment.

On March 20, the company moved to Dobodura. This was their first experience in moving by air. Camp was set up in real jungle, next to Hq, squadron, 46th Service Group, and the 61st Service Squadron, now also at Dobodura. First Sergeant Holubetz, and the entire company temporarily assumed the duties of engineers, and undertook the job of providing housing, and operation quarters out of the jungle, where only a few months before, the Japs had operated similar installations. Communications then were set up for the group, which consisted of Hq and Hq squadron, 61st Service Sq., 480th Service Sq., 1159th QM., 1927th QM Truck Co., and the 1618th Ordnance Co. Tech. Sergeant Mathews, supervised the installation of a radio transmitting station, which soon went into operation. Tech. Sergeant Mathews, and the men in his section pioneered for the company, in logging operations, to get lumber for the radio shack. Logs were sawed at the thick and thin lumber company, (Operated by the 43rd Engineers). At first the message center, under the leadership of Staff Sergeant Ottiger, operated in the radio shack. Later, when traffic became greater, this section moved into a trailer discarded by one of the tactical units. This was renovated, and placed conveniently near group headquarters. Sergeant Brinniger was placed in charge of telephone installation and did a fine job in wire laying, and maintenance. He was shortly promoted to Tech. Sergeant. The signal supply section started functioning here, better than at any previous time.

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On April 25, 2nd Lt., William R. Rushmore Jr., reported to the company. This finally gave the outfit two officers. Lt Rushmore, took charge of the supply, and maintenance sections.

At the same time the company arrived in Dobodura, the 49th Fighter Group, was the only tactical unit here for the company to service in supply and maintenance. Soon the 3rd Bomb Group arrived, and then the 19th Bomb Squadron.

The radio repair section first came in contact with it's work on I F F sets, used by the tactical units. Test equipment, parts, and supplies began to come in, and the radio repair section really went to work. At this stage the camp area had been improved, so that living conditions were pleasant, and all the men were more satisfied than at any previous time in New Guinea. All men had plenty of work, and felt they were contributing to something worth while. Working on equipment that made actual contact with the enemy gave great satisfaction.

Several months saw two troop carrier squadrons, another fighter group, and three more medium bomb squadrons come in. Three more service groups arrived, but no signal personnel with them.

On May 5, 1943, the organization was redesignated the 1024th Signal Co.

The new tactical units made necessary a larger signal supply set up, and a new radio maintenance shop. Both sections were gradually expanded until finally, signal supply had three 20 x 50 warehouses, and radio repair had a 28 x 30 building, two ordnance trucks, and one K-9 truck. During the companies busiest months the following organizations were serviced by the signal supply and radio maintenance sections;

Hq. Sq. 375th Troop Carrier Gp.
56th troop carrier Sq.
57th " " "
58th " " "
745th Coast Artillery (AA).
744th " " "
565th " " Sig Air Warning Bn.
583rd C.F.E. " " "
87th Station Hospital.
1615 Ordnance.
1618 " "
1619 " "
49th Fighter Controll Sq.
33rd Bomb Controll Sq.
7th Fighter Squadron.
8th " " "
9th " " "
43rd " " "
432nd " " "
435th " " "

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80th Fighter Sq.
 69th " "
 310th " "
 311th " "
 Hq. 475th Fighter Group.
 Hq. 58th " "
 Hq. 22nd Bomb Gp.
 Hq. 43rd " "
 Hq. 380th " "
 19th Bomb Sq.
 408th " "
 63rd " "
 64th " "
 65th " "
 529th " " (Temporary)
 530th " "
 319th " "
 320th " "
 321st " "
 400th " "
 17th Recon Sq.
 82nd " "
 VD 1 Naval Photo Sq.
 78th Airdrome Sq.
 1st " "
 61st Service Sq.
 100th " "
 480th " "
 481st " "
 389th " "
 1041st Signal Col (Signal Supplies).
 1090th " "
 440th Signal Construction Co. A.
 1159th QM Co.
 1914th QM Truck Co.
 1927th " "
 1127th MP Co.
 1126th " "
 863rd Eng Bn. Avn.

Air and Water shipments of armoured cable to Second, and Third Air Task Forces were also handled.

During it's busiest time the company serviced approximately 75% of the above organizations at once.

Many of these organizations had no personnel to install, and maintain their telephone lines. This work was handled by the company's Line crew. At present in the main telephone system for the 46th Service Gp., the company has installed, and maintained some 85 lines, operating on two BD-96 switchboards at the main central, and two BD-72 boards at the Air Force QM Central. Tech. Sergeant Brininger, who deserves most of the credit for this

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work, recieved the Legion of Merit, for the fine job he had done. His citation follows:

"Tech. Sergeant Brininger, serving as line chief for his company at an advance base, installed the communications system for the service units in this area. His careful planning, and speedy execution of his plans, with entire disregard for his personal comfort, and normal working hours, assisted materially in the successful completion, and subsequent maintenance of the telephone system."

In June, Captain Robert C. Sweeting was assigned to the company, taking over communications and supply duties.

About the first of September, 1943, the company was reorganized under a new T/O, calling for three officers and 97 enlisted men, an increase of 27 enlisted men. Replacements were very slow in coming, at first, but by the beginning of 1944, the company had nearly reached its full strength. In addition, 3 Radar Teams are assigned, and 26 Radar maintenance men, and 3 officers are attached. Two of the assigned radar teams are at present on detached service at forward areas, one at Cape Gloucester, and one on Goodenough Island. Lt. Brandt is attached for duty, and is at present in charge of the attached radar men. Their duties consist of maintenance work on all radar units in this area. They are also operating a radar supply section under Lt. Ingling.

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**Historical Resume
of
102⁴TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP**

The historical highlights of the 102⁴th Signal Company Service Group of the 59th Air Service Group, now stationed in the Tacloban area of Leyte Island, Philippines, from its activation until 31 December 1944 is as follows:

15 Feb 1941- Unit was activated at Selfridge Field, Mich. as the 24th Signal Platoon, AB, under command of 1st Lt. Herman W. Biertz.

21 June 1941- Transferred to Baer Field, Indiana and attached to the 46th Air Base Group, where it operated communications at the field.

20 Aug 1941- Ordered to Louisiana for 1941 maneuvers, taking station at Hatchitoches, La.

7 Oct 1941- Ordered to Pope Field, Fort Bragg, N.C. to participate in the Carolina maneuvers.

3 Dec 1941- Returned to Baer Field.

17 Dec. 1941- Left Baer Field for Muroc (Calif.) Bombing and Gunnery range, arriving Dec 22 1941. Here preparations were made for overseas duty.

28 Jan 1942- Left for Port of Embarkation at San Francisco.

31 Jan 1942- Sailed for Australia aboard the USAT Hugh L. Scott.

25 Feb 1942- Arrived at Brisbane and on 17 March 1942 was sent to Mt. Gambier, S.A. to make preparations for duty in Northern Territory. On 9 April Company took temporary station at Bore #3, N.T., moving to Daly Waters on 20 May 1942. On the 15 of July the outfit moved to Batchelor Field, N.T. arriving there on the 16th.

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historical Resume
1024th Sig. Co.,
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27 Feb 1944- The Company's first rotation quota left for the U.S.

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AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt. Sig. Co.,
Commanding.

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Picture of Commanding Officer,
Capt. Austin A. Webb.

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP

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The outfit arrived Tacloban Area, Leyte P.I., Nov 17, where it acted as Supply Depot for the Leyte area, servicing many organizations for all signal needs.

The 24th of June 1945 Leyte disappeared from view and Okinawa showed up from out of nowhere.

The outfit departed Okinawa 11 Sept. 1945 and arrived at its present location, Yung Dang Po, Korea 18 Sept. 45. The 1024th Signal Company is now acting as an Air Force Depot for the entire Korean area servicing, storing, and issuing parts for all units in this locality.

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SHELBY C. ALWARD
1st Lt., Sig., C
Commanding

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FEB 44

(Official designation, including number of unit and of each echelon in chain of command)

AIR FORCE 5 Air Force
COMMAND IV Air Service Area Command
WING _____
GROUP 46 Service Group
SQUADRON _____
BATTALION _____
COMPANY 1024 Signal Co. S.S.
DETACHMENT K
PLATOON _____
UNIT _____
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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP (AVN)
46th Service Group
APO 503

Historical Data for Period of February, 1944

With the initiation of the Rotation of Personnel program during the month of February, company morale hit a new high. The program provided for the return to the United States of personnel having served eighteen months or more overseas under a monthly quota system. The fortunate officer and men who filled our March quota were Captain Bieritz, T/Sgt Haun, T/Sgt Mathews, and T/Sgt Brininger. It was a happy day, the 27th of February, when these men left to return to the "old country" after over two years service overseas.

¹Shortly prior to leaving Captain Bieritz was relieved of assignment this organization and assigned to 912th Signal Co. Depot (Avn). ²Captain Austin A. Webb assumed command 11 February, 1944. WO Medlock was assigned this organization and assumed his duties as Radio Officer.

¹par 14, SO 22, Hq, FAFSC, APO 925, 22 Jan 1944.

²par 13, SO 22, Hq, FAFSC, APO 925, 22 Jan 1944.

Austin A. Webb

for AUSTIN A. WEBB,
Capt, Sig Corps,
Commanding.

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(Official designation, including number, of
unit and of each echelon in chain of command)

AIR FORCE: 5th Air Force
COMMAND: IV Air Service Area Command
WING: _____
GROUP: 46th Service Group
SQUADRON: 389th Service Squadron

AREA: _____
BATTALION: _____
CENTER: _____
COMPANY: 1024th Signal Co. SG (Avn) (Atachd)
DEPOT: _____
DETACHMENT: _____
DISTRICT: _____
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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP (AVN) APO 503

Historical Data for Period of March, 1944

The end of March marked the first anniversary of the 1024's arrival in Dobodura and found the once major air base at APO 503 reduced to a rear echelon supply base. Only a skeleton force remained after a majority of the tactical units had moved up taking the service units with them. The move helped to relieve the heavy load which the 1024th had been carrying as a service group; however transshipments continued to pour in and out of the signal supply section which was acting as a sub-depot. Personnel were shifted into signal supply from other sections to take care of the shortage. Lt. William R. Rushmore, relieved from duty this organization, was replaced by Lt. John R. Boyesen.

Attached radar personnel, many of whom moved north during the month, made several radar installations on ICP's in Oro Bay. A radar installation on a DUKW was also in the process of being made. Lt. Seldon O. Morgan took charge of Signal Sub-Depot #1 (Radar) which continued to ship and receive large quantities of equipment.

The long association with the 46th Service Group was temporarily suspended, at least, on the 26th of March when the group officers and Hq and Hq Squadron moved up, ice cream freezer and all. The 389th Service Squadron took over the 46th's camp area and the 1024th was attached for administration and rations.

The 1024th, long a sponger for chow, PX supplies, and movie entertainment, decided to set up its own mess hall, PX, and acquire a movie projector. To date the mess hall is near completion, the PX is established, and the movie projector is in the offing.

With the technical assistance of Lt. William G. Ingling, WO Robert O. Medlock, M/Sgt Harold J. Squire, T/Sgt Stephen R. Ford, and T/3's Olin G. Rose and Sylvio E. Renault, and the cooperation of Special Service, GOFHER, radio station sponsored by the 1024th for entertainment of troops in the area, made her maiden broadcast and now broadcasts a daily program of Jam and Jive.

Little mention has been made of the organization's recreational activities; therefore, the following resume: The first semblance of a spirited athletic program appeared when the "old 24th" was doubled in strength on November 4, 1942. Previously, athletic activities were confined to an occasional volley ball game and even more rarely a softball game. The softball team which was to become the main source of organizational pride was begun actually at Mareeba. The games were played for high stakes--a keg of beer, which was shared by both teams after the contest.

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Our one venture into the field of touch-tackle was a very successful one. On New Year's Day of 1943, Harold L. Willey, Hayes L. Gier, Carlton R. Brininger, Maurice A. Carter, and Eugene S. Treiber sparked an inexperienced team to victory in the Kangaroo Bowl at Marceba. With Only one afternoon of practice to run off a few plays and limber up, we met the champion touch-tackle team of the area and in a thrilling, hard played contest, won decisively.

Softball became the sport to hold our interest eventually. At Dobo-dura a crack team was formed and, with justifiable pride, we were a winning combination more often than not. We participated in several leagues and were continually high in the standings. Interest in the team, aside from the individual players, has increased to the point where the majority of the organization look forward to each contest and cheer the team on.

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(Official designation, including number, of
unit and of each echelon in chain of command)

AIR FORCE: 5th Air Force
COMMAND: IV Air Service Area Command
WING:
GROUP: 46th Service Group
SQUADRON:

AREA:
BATTALION:
CENTER:
COMPANY: 1024 Signal Co Serv. Gp. CA
DEPOT:
DETACHMENT:
DISTRICT:
DIVISION:
PLATOON:
REGIMENT:
REGION:
SCHOOL:
SECTION:
UNIT:
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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP (AVN)
APO 503

Historical Data for Period of April, 1944.

During the month of April, 1944, the 1024th stood by and watched other organizations move to advanced bases, leaving it almost alone in this area. With such a small force left behind to carry on as a rear echelon, its work was greatly reduced. The signal supply section shipped large quantities of equipment to the advance bases. Due to the lack of incoming supplies, its stock was rapidly diminishing. The men in the signal supply section are to be highly praised for the speed and efficiency they have shown in handling the transshipment of equipment.

Radio Station, GBS GOPHER, which is maintained and operated by the 1024th is steadily growing in favor in this and all nearby areas. Programs are being made up by the many requests phoned in from other organizations. Some of the main attractions have been: the contest of announcing between the girls of the American Red Cross, the jive talent program from the theater of the 389th Service Squadron, the Sunday church services by Chaplain Hamilton, and many other programs such as these. Reports are coming in that the programs are being picked up and enjoyed by organizations stationed over three hundred miles from the GOPHER station. Corporal William F. Pegg and Technician Fifth Grade Theodore L. Listerman have been added to the staff. Staff artists Robert L. Maranville and Technician Fourth Grade LaVerne L. Malott, hill-billy performers, are growing in popularity among GOPHER listeners.

The organization is mourning over the cancellation of furloughs to Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, and other places in Australia. Although the ten day furlough to Machay, Qld are now being granted, most of the men are still determined to wait for the furloughs of fifteen days to come through.

The 1024th organized its own softball league consisting of four teams of approximately equal strength. Although the teams are just getting started, there have been some very exciting games with such scores as 2-1, 3-4, and 4-4. Almost every man in the organization is participating either by playing on a certain team or by cheering his team on.

HEADQUARTERS
IV AIR SERVICE AREA COMMAND 78663
APO 713 Unit #1

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AUSTIN A. WEBB,
Capt, Sig C,
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DESIGNATION SHEET

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AIR FORCE: FIFTH AIR FORCE
COMMAND: IV Air Service Area Command
WING: _____
GROUP: _____
SQUADRON: _____

AREA: _____
BATTALION: _____
CENTER: _____
COMPANY: 1024 Sig. Co. SG
DEPOT: _____
DETACHMENT: _____
DISTRICT: _____
DIVISION: _____
PLATOON: _____
REGIMENT: _____
REGION: _____
SCHOOL: _____
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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP AVN
APO 503

29 May, 1944.

Historical Data for Period of May, 1944

The second group of enlisted men to be returned to the United States under the rotation policy left the organization on 11 May, 1944. They were 1st Sgt Holubetz, M/Sgt Squire, S/Sgt Faulkner and S/Sgt Holachuk. Restrictions placed on promoting enlisted men to fill vacancies prevented appointing a new First Sergeant, but S/Sgt Carter, was made acting First Sergeant.

The Company was reorganized under T/O 11-237 less all Radio Reporting Maintenance Team personnel, and during the month 15 enlisted men including 5 aircraft radio technicians were transferred to other organizations. One replacement was received and 2 men, Pfc Parlee, and Pfc Rubin were transferred to O.C.S.

The organization took over operation of the teletypewriter service between Doboedura and other Air Force installations in New Guinea which consisted of one printer machine. The organization is now operating all Air Force communications in the area except airplane flight control services.

The Supply Section received and transhipped around 100,000 lbs of Air Corps Signal Equipment arriving at Oro Bay.

Ten day furloughs to Mackay, Q'd. were started around the first of the month, but after 6 men got there, transportation was frozen, and they could not get back, or others leave.

The organization's entertainment radio station "Gopher Broadcasting Co.", continued to operate with increased program material and received favorable reports from Port Moresby, Nadzab, Pischhafen and Saidor.

Attached is a copy of the telephone communications net of the Doboedura area during the most active period of the organization's service in this area.

Attached: Telephone Directory

Austin A. Webb
AUSTIN A. WEBB,
Capt., Sig C.,
Unit Historical Officer.

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MEMORANDUM

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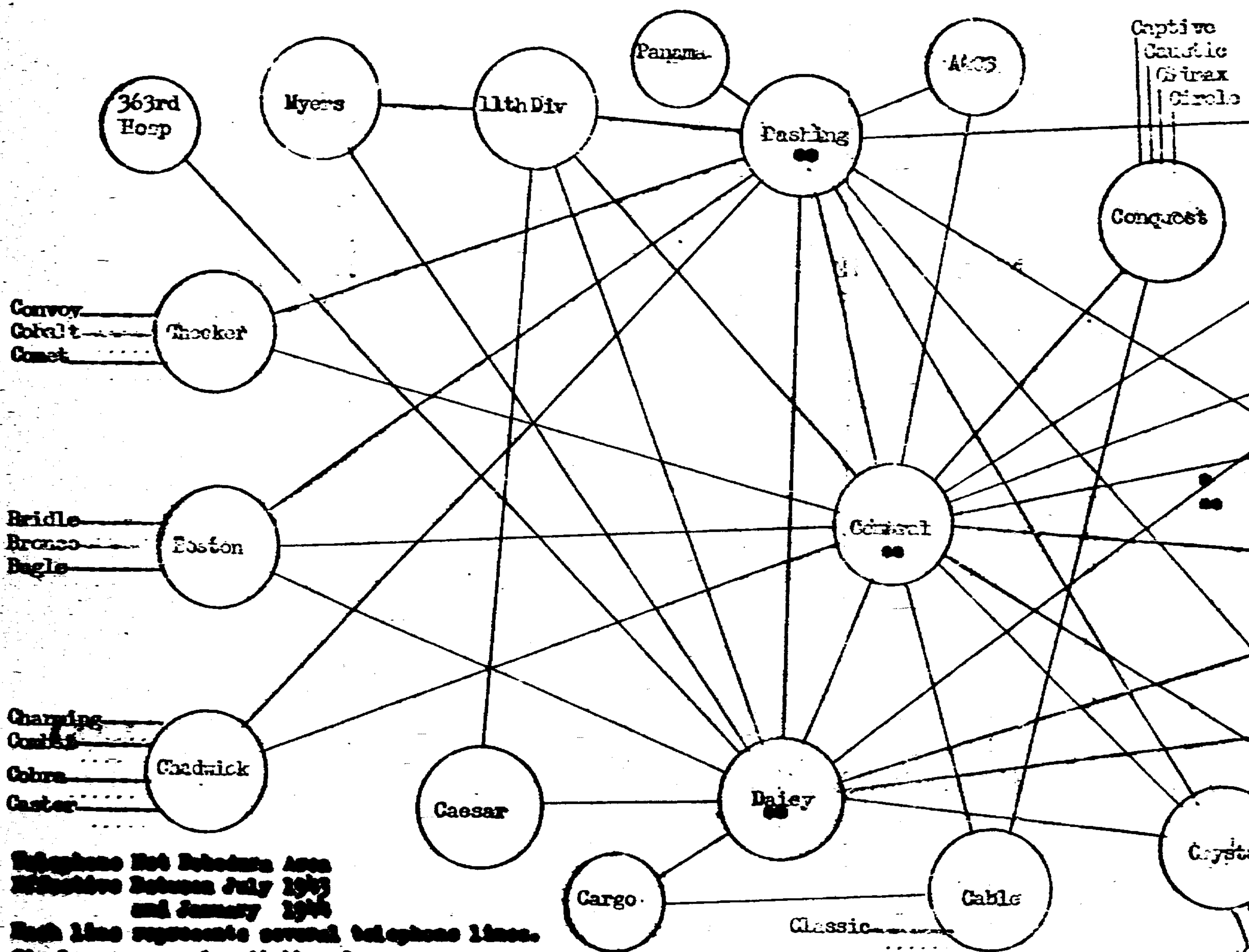
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Telephone Net Schedule Area
Effective Between July 1943
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Each line represents several telephone lines.
Circles represent switchboards.

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CODE NAMES OF SWITCHBOARDS

AACS.....AACS
ACK ACK HQ.....CAESER
AIR TRANSPORT OFFICER.....DAISY
AIR FREIGHT FORWARDING 4th OPS.....CENTRAL
AIR FREIGHT FORWARDING 4th CAMP.....DAISY
AIR FORCE SUPPLY.....R
AIRDROME SQ 78th.....DAISY
ALERT TENT STRIP #1.....BASE OPS
ALERT TENT STRIP #15.....BOSTON
AUSTRALIAN AIR MAINTENANCE.....ADV
AMMUNITION DUMP DODO.....DASHING
AMMUNITION DUMP (EMBI).....DAISY
A. I. O. 503.....BASE OPS
ATTACK GROUP 3rd.....CHADWICK
ATTACK SQ 8th.....CHADWICK
ATTACK SQ 13th.....COMBAT
ATTACK SQ 89th.....COERA
ATTACK SQ 90th.....CASTOR
AUSTRALIAN DIVISION 11th.....CENTRAL

BASE OPERATIONS STRIP #4.....BASE OPS
BAKERY.....DAISY
BOMB GROUP 22nd.....CABLE
BOMB SQ 19th.....CARGO
BOMB SQ 33rd.....CLASSIC
BOMB GROUP 43rd.....CHECKER
BOMB SQ 63rd.....CARBIDE
BOMB SQ 64th.....CONVOY
BOMB SQ 65th.....COBALT
BOMB SQ 403rd.....COMET
BOMB GROUP 90th.....CRYSTAL
BOMB SQ 319th.....CLIPPER
BOMB SQ 320th.....CONCORD
BOMB SQ 321st.....CASCADE
BOMB SQ 400th.....CANFIELD
BOMB GROUP 945th.....CONQUEST
BOMB SQ 498th.....CAPTIVE
BOMB SQ 499th.....CAUSTIC
BOMB SQ 500th.....CLIMAX
BOMB SQ 501st.....CIRCLE

CHEMICAL CO 892nd.....GOPHER
COMBAT MAPPING UNIT-20th.....BASE OPS
COMBAT CAMERA UNIT-5th.....CHADWICK
COMM TEAM X-2.....CENTRAL
CONTROL TOWER #4.....BASE OPS
CONTROL TOWER #7.....BASE OPS
CONTROL TOWER #12.....BOSTON
CONTROL TOWER #15.....DAISY
U.S. ADV BASE "B".....MYERS

ENGR BN 43rd HQ & SUPPLY.....PANAMA
ENGR 43rd (2nd BN).....DAISY
ENGR BN 864th.....DAISY
ENGR BN 1913th.....DAISY
ENGR MAINT DET 477th.....DAISY

FIRST AIR TASK FORCE.....CENTRAL
FIGHTER GROUP 58th.....BAFFLE
FIGHTER SQ 6th.....BANJO
FIGHTER SQ 310th.....BALLED
FIGHTER SQ 311th.....BANNER
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FIGHTER SQ 431st.....BRIDLE
FIGHTER SQ 432nd.....BRONCO
FIGHTER SQ 433rd.....BUCKLE

FIGHTER CONTROL SQ 47th.....DASHING
FIGHTER SECTOR 10th.....DASHING
FIGHTER SQ (NIGHT) 41st.....CENTRAL
FIGHTER SQ 80th.....BOSTON
FIGHTER RECCO SQ 82nd.....CENTRAL
FIGHTER RECCO SQ 1st.....BOSTON

GAS DET 1A AND 4B.....CHADWICK

HOSPITAL 87th STATION.....DAISY
HOSPITAL 302nd STATION.....DAISY
HOSPITAL ULADA BRANCH.....DAISY

M. P. CO 1127th.....DASHING
MALARIA SURVEY 4th.....CENTRAL
MALARIA CONTROL 13th.....DAISY
MALARIA CONTROL 14th.....GOPHER
MED AIR EVAC TRANS SQ 804th.....DAISY

ORDNANCE CO (S&M) 1615th.....49th SVC
ORDNANCE CO (S&M) 1618th.....CENTRAL
ORDNANCE CO (S&M) 1658th.....BOSTON
ORDNANCE CO (S&M) 1919th.....DAISY

PETROLEUM OFFICER.....BASE OPS
PHOTO LAB (FATF).....CENTRAL
PLOT PLAT "A" CO "A".....DASHING
PROVOST MARSHAL.....BASE OPS

QM CO BOAT 1001st.....CENTRAL
QM AIR FORCE.....FLATEBUSH
QM CO TRK 1914th.....49th SVC
QM CO TRK 1927th.....FLATEBUSH
QM CO TRK 2027th.....FLATEBUSH
QM CO TRK 2495th.....FLATEBUSH
QM CO TRK 3741st.....DAISY
QM CO SG 1083th.....FLATEBUSH
QM CO SG 1159th.....FLATEBUSH

R. S. 501.....DAISY
RED CROSS FIELD DIRECTOR.....GOPHER
RED CROSS CANTEN.....BASE OPS
RADIO TEAM #5 832nd SIG SER CO.....CENTRAL
RADIO TEAM #6 832nd SIG SER CO.....CENTRAL
RADIO INTEL DET 126th.....CENTRAL
RADIO INTEL DET 138th.....DELORES
RATION DUMP.....DAISY

SIGNAL AN BN 565th.....DASHING
SIGNAL AN BN 583rd.....MYERS
SIGNAL CO DEPCT 807th.....BOSTON
SIGNAL CO SG 1024th.....GOPHER
SIGNAL CONST BN 50th.....DAISY
SIGNAL CONST BN 440th.....CENTRAL
SERVICE GROUP 46th.....GOPHER
SERVICE SQ 49th.....DAISY
SERVICE SQ 61st.....GOPHER
SERVICE SQ 100th.....DAISY
SERVICE SQ 339th.....GOPHER
SERVICE SQ 480th.....GOPHER
SERVICE SQ 481st.....GOPHER
SAN MILL AIR FORCE.....DASHING

TERMINAL CARRIER STATION.....CENTRAL
WEATHER CENTRAL (F TF).....CENTRAL
WEATHER STATION STRIP #4.....BASE OPS

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COMMAND: V Air Force Service Command
WING: _____
GROUP: 389th Service Squadron (Det)
UNIT: 1024th Signal Company Service Group

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP AVN
389th Service Squadron (Det)
APO 503 Unit 1

10 August, 1944.

HISTORY OF ORGANIZATION

(From 15 June to 31 July 1944)

With the exception of rifle practice in which the entire company participated from 24 to 27 June; welcoming five brand new privates fresh from the states and saying farewell to Technical Sergeant Stephen R. Ford, Staff Sergeants Adolph T. Ottiger, Norbert E. Ramsdell and Carl C. Sanovich, who left for the United States on 28 Jun 44, the organization did little other than "sweat out" the anticipated move to forward areas.


AUSTIN A. WEBB,
Capt., Sig C.,
Commanding.

**1004TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP AVN
909th Service Squadron (Det)
APO 503 Unit 1**

10 August, 1944.

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**ARTHUR A. WHEB,
Capt., Sig C.,
Commanding.**

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DESIGNATION SHEET

AIR FORCE: Fifth Air Force

COMMAND: Fifth Service Command

WING: _____

GROUP: Fifth Service Group

SQUADRON: 1024th Signal Co. SS Avn

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP (AVN)
389th Service Squadron (Det)
APO 503 Unit 1

2 September 1944.

HISTORY OF ORGANIZATION

(From 1 August to 31 August 1944)

Seventeen (17) MM fresh from the states joined the organization 5 Aug 44. For the first time since activation the company was full strength. This addition brought the assigned total to ninety-eight (98) MM, three (3) officers and one (1) warrant officer. With the exception of two (2) motor men these new men were all radar repairmen.

A soft ball team was organized within the air corps units and the 1024th "Gophers" beat the 1618th Ordnance S & M Co (Avn) the first game. No other games were played since the alert to move forward looked like the real thing and the last few days of the month were spent in straightening out the few "loose ends".

General Order No. 63, headquarters, Far East Air Forces (P), APO 925, dated 13 July 1944 was received the early part of the month awarding Master Sergeant Andrew J. Bohatch 35012458 the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific area from 1 October 1942 to 1 January 1943. Master Sergeant Bohatch is still section leader of the radio repair section.

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AIR FORCE: Fifth Air Force
COMMAND : V AFSC
GROUP : 6th Service Group
UNIT : 1024th Sig Co.
PERIOD : September 1941

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP AVN
64th Service Group
APO 704

10 October 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Data for Period 1 September to 30 September 1944.

TO : Commanding General, Fifth Air Force, APO 710. ATTN Historical
Section. (THRU: Commanding Officer, 64th Service Group, APO 704)

1. All the men in the organization experienced the first real hard work in months during the first five days in September. After being on the alert for 3 months, the rumor became the real thing. The George H. Flanders, a Liberty ship, was at Oro Bay waiting to be loaded, and it took a good part of the entire organization working 24 hours a day to complete the loading and to "break camp". All the equipment, 100 EM, and 5 officers were aboard and raring to go by 1900 hours of the 5th of September.
2. Captain Webb at company formation presented Master Sergeant Andrew J. Bohatch, 35012458, with a copy of General Order #63, Headquarters Far East Air Forces (P), APO 925, dated 13 July 1944 which awarded him the Bronze Star Medal. This was in lieu of medal or ribbon which were not available. Sgt Bohatch and Tec 3 Howard C Hansen, 36156742, were left behind. Their rotation orders had arrived and they left the same day by air for the Rotation Detachment.
3. The least said about the boat trip the better. Someone "snafued" the details and there were so many vehicles on the deck that there wasn't enough room for all the men to make bunks on deck. They slept under, in and on top of trucks. The holds had room for only a few. However there was one bright side, the food was good. Fresh eggs were served several mornings. In fact breakfast was so good that each organization had to furnish a checker to prevent men coming through twice.
4. The boat left Oro Bay 0430 the morning of the 7th, arrived at Humboldt Bay 0600 on the 10th, sailed again the following afternoon, and arrived at Noemfoor Island 0600 on the 13th. The men unloaded in amphibious trucks which carried them into shore where they were transferred to 2 1/2 ton trucks and moved inland 7 miles to our new camp site.
5. It appeared as if our stay on Noemfoor would be a short one. After working hard for several weeks to set up the camp, portable buildings, and to start the supply and repair sections functioning, the alert to move again was received. The end of September found the company in a familiar situation, "sweating out" the next move. So men from the message center who were loaned

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to other organizations were the only ones working at communications work.

6. Four more lucky men, T/Sgt Donald A. Preston, S/Sgt Barton A. Bruce, Tec 3 Hayes L. Gier, and Sgt Bernard E. Upper, left on the rotation plan for the states. Not to be outdone, WO Robert O. Medlock, Cpl Charles L. Miller, and Tec 5 Harold Boxer left the 22nd for school in Sydney.

7. Four replacements were received from the States during the month.



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AIR FORCE: FIFTH

COMMAND: FIFTH AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

GROUP: 59TH SERVICE GROUP

UNIT: 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP

PERIOD: 1 OCT TO 31 OCT 44

HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION BEEN CHECKED? YES

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Service Group
APO 72

22 November 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Data for Period 1 Oct 44 to 31 Oct 44.

TO : Commanding General, 5th Air Force, APO 710. ATTN Historical Officer. (THRU: Commanding Officer, 59th Service Group, APO 72).

1. The unit did not operate in its assigned function during the month of October being alerted for movement under Fifth Air Force Movement Order Number 645, dated 30 September 1944.

a. The major portion of the personnel of the organization were kept busy on details moving aviation gasoline drums and refueling activities for the 13th Air Force. Other personnel were occupied by repairing boxes for shipment of organization equipment. Six communications men were loaned to the 1089th Signal Co and Headquarters, Fifth Air Force Service Command.

2. Signal Supplies carried by the organization were reduced by about one half by issue to the 1089th Signal Co and 13th Air Force units who could not obtain supplies from the 1089th Signal Co.

a. The main items issued were SCR 522 radio sets, W-110 field wire, flashlights and batteries. Some obsolete SCR 274 radios and radar equipment was shipped to Air Force Signal Depots.

3. During the month one officer was relieved from attached and one officer was relieved from assigned. One enlisted man was transferred to the hospital, two enlisted men were sent home on rotation, one enlisted man was sent home for discharge under essential occupation provisions, and one enlisted man left the company for 30 days Temporary Duty in the U.S..

a. Personnel strength:	Ground	
	EM	Off
Beginning Period	95	4
Net Loss	3	1
End Period	92	3

4. During the month all personnel were required to practice fire both the carbine and the 45 caliber sub machine gun.

5. Morale during the period was not too high due to the excessive

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amount of labor details and slow mail service the latter part of the
month.



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Unit Historical Report

Designation Sheet

AIR FORCE: FIFTH

COMMAND: FIFTH AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

GROUP : 59TH SERVICE GROUP

UNIT : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP

PERIOD : 1 NOV 44 TO 30 NOV 44

HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION BEEN CHECKED? YES

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Service Group
APC 72**

HISTORICAL DATA FROM 1 NOV 44 TO 30 NOV 44

During the month of November the organization moved from Noemfoor Island, NEI, to Leyte, Philippine Islands where it set up operations as an assigned unit of the 59th Service Group, APC 72, per sec 11, SO 92, hq. VAFSVC, dtd 11 Nov, 44. The campsite is situated one mile south of San Jose in the Tacloban area.

On Nov. 5, while still at Noemfoor, moving orders were received and the work of breaking camp began immediately. Two days later the company's personnel of three officers and 87 enlisted men and all equipment were put aboard the USS LST 666 with Capt. Austin A. Webb of this organization as troop commander of the ship. At 0825 Nov 8 the ship departed from Arizona Jetty, Noemfoor, arriving the next day at Windy Island.

After several hours the convoy weighed anchor and headed to sea for the Philippines. Considering the dangerous waters through which the convoy proceeded morale in general was high during the trip as the personnel was eager to establish themselves in the Philippines. Food and accommodations were good.

At 0820 on Nov. 15 the ship arrived at Dulag Beach, Leyte. All personnel speedily went to work unloading equipment. By 1720 all equipment was on the beach at a temporary campsite 300 yards up-shore. Lack of trucks at the unloading point necessitated extra handling of bulk equipment. Due to the short time allowed to unload some equipment received rough handling.

On the morning of Nov. 17 the organization left Dulagin motor convoy traveling 20 miles to the present campsite in the Tacloban area. Despite inclement weather and swampy terrain a mess tent and other necessary shelters were thrown up by nightfall in the coconut grove area. The next few days were taken up with the construction of semi-permanent buildings and housing quarters of bamboo and canvas. A corduroy road, footwalks and other improvements were built in the area. Civilians partly aided in this work and were also employed in building bamboo floors and frames for personnel tents.

Due to the immediate need for communication lines and for repairing and supplying radio equipment, primary consideration was given to the setting up of operations. Some telephone lines were put in and operating in four days. The radio repair and supply sections were performing their operational functions in nine days.

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Historical data, 1024th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 72, 1 Nov 44 to 30 Nov 44 (Cont'd).

First among considerations in setting up operations was the urgent need for communications. The line crew immediately went to work stringing lines and setting up switchboards in the area. A switchboard set up in the 59th Service Group area is serving 23 offices and shops for 13 organizations and is operated by personnel of this organization.

Teletype lines and additional telephone trunk lines are being laid as the need arises. Approximately 2 miles of 10 pair rubber cable and 20 miles of field wire has been laid which services among other groups, the Tacloban airstrip, 308th Bomb Wing and the Air Corps Quartermaster. Particular credit is due the linesmen who accomplished their assignments despite heavy seasonal rains and construction work in the district which handicapped them in many ways.

Radio repair section is extremely busy repairing all types of radio equipment. Among organizations thus far serviced by this department are the 348th, 49th, 421st Fighter Groups and 110th Reconnaissance Group and the 308th Bomb Wing. The Signal Supply section is likewise busy issuing and exchanging equipment for the above mentioned units and in keeping our radio repair and telephone repairs sections as well as other Air Corps units supplied with all necessary equipment.

The teletype section is once again in operation maintaining and operating a line between the 308th Bomb Wing and the 59th Service Group. Message Center personnel are also occupied 24 hours a day in their cryptographic duties.

During the month 2 men were sent home on Rotation, one transferred to Australia, and another departed for 30 days Temporary Duty in the U.S. In the meantime one man was assigned and two men were attached.

Personnel strength:

	Ground	Off.
Beginning period	92	3
Net Loss	2	0
End Period	90	3

During the period the organization has undergone many aerial attacks both day and night, and despite loss of sleep all functions have been carried out in an efficient manner. The morale has been high due to the fact that the men are busy doing the work for which they have been trained, and aerial attacks have proven the essentialness and value of the work they are performing.

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DESIGNATION SHEET

AIR FORCE : FIFTH

COMMAND : FIFTH AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

GROUP : 59TH SERVICE GROUP

UNIT : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP

PERIOD : 1 DEC 44 to 31 DEC 44

HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION BEEN CHECKED? YES.

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Service Group
APO 72

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP 59th Service Group APO 72

HISTORICAL DATA FROM 1 DEC 44 to 31 DEC 44

During the period of this report the operational activities of the Company reached one of the highest peaks in the history of the organization. Radio Repair, Signal Supply and the telephone and line departments were exceptionally busy with little indication that there would be any slackening off in the near future.

Practically every Air Force unit in the Tacloban area has been serviced by this organization and equipment for several U.S. Navy units has also been repaired. The personnel demonstrated an efficiency that had not been put to the test on such an increase in business, since the early days of the Dobo-dura campaign, and has managed to keep abreast of all demands.

Radio Repair Section

In this 30-day period the Radio Repair Section, under Master Sergeant Odin G. Rose, serviced 20 Air Force units and four Naval units.

Following is a list of these organizations:

348th Fighter Group
49th Fighter Group
110th Reconnaissance
345th Bomb Group
43rd Bomb Group
421st Night Fighter
547th Night Fighter
15th Air Depot Group
3rd Airdrome Squadron
305th Airdrome Squadron

481st Service Squadron
405th Signal Co. AVN
5299 Signal Co.
14th Rescue Boat Squadron
389th Service Group
308th Bomb Wing
110th Service Squadron
3rd Bombardment Group
574th Signal AW Co.
598th Signal AW Co.

U. S. Navy Units

Fleet Air Wing #10
CASAU 9

Communications Unit 431
USS Dashiell
USS Hopewell

Besides repairs to meters, rectifiers, special service sets, amplifiers, and motion picture projectors, major repairs were made to 414 sets listed below.

Type Set	No. Sets
NC-100	2
BC-191	5
BC-224	5
BC-312	5
BC-342	17
BC-348	7
BC-453	2
BC-375	10
	<u>53</u>

Type Set	No. of Sets
SCR-274	7
SCR-522	200
BC-624	2
BC-639	1
BC-659	2
SCR-695	98
PE-94	31
Miscell.	20
	<u>361</u>
Grand total	414

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1024th Signal Co.
Historical Report (cont'd)

Functioning under the direction of 2nd Lt. John E. Boysen, the Signal Supply section headed by T/Sgt. Henry Teel and 8 other enlisted men are handling a heavy volume of orders. This section rendered assistance by issuing signal supplies, exchanging serviceable for unserviceable items or accepted equipment for repairs from at least 61 different units of the Army Air Forces, the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Marine Corps.

Supplies were also transshipped for other organizations, picked up from air shipments and from Base K Signal section.

10 Fighter Squadrons (includes 7 Day fighter sqds)
(2 Night fighter sqds.)
(1 Marine night fighter Sqd.)

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1024th Signal Co.
Historical Report (cont'd.)

Radio Operating Section

Established to supplement teletype communications, a radio station was set up by this organization on 15 December. Under the direction of Tec 3 James H. White, who recently assumed the post of Chief Radio Operator, the station was in operation on less than 36 hours notice. Using the call sign of 5DX, assigned to the 59th Service Group, the station operates with KU5 of the V AFSC at Dulag on a frequency of 2900 KCs. Traffic was heavy during the first week but has dropped off to an approximate average of ten messages a day.

Four operators are assigned to duty at the station. Now housed in a tent in the 59th Group area, plans are being formulated to erect a more substantial building.

Central Switchboard and Teletype

Due to imperfect planning it was found that there was no organization assigned to take over operations of the communications system of the 308th Bomb Wing when that headquarters moved.

Operation of the Central switchboard and teletype board in the Tacloban area was therefor taken over during the month by a detachment from this Company of 12 men in charge of 1st Lt. Seldon O. Morgan. The primary duty of this detachment is to man the telephone and teletype switchboards. Incident to the operation of these boards was a large amount of line testing, assigning and jumper-connecting cable pairs, and clearing trouble on through lines. Radio repairmen and clerks were pressed into duty as operators.

Heavy repair work for these lines is handled by a platoon from the 440th Signal Co., equipped for this work.

Motor Repair

Frequent requests for the repair of small motors and generators, prompted this organization to set up a motor repair section as part of the motor pool. Under the direction of S/Sgt. Glenn E. Selle, over 10 units were serviced for various groups in the area. These included 4 PE-43 battery chargers, and 6 PE 75 generators. Most of the Company's welding jobs are handled through this department by S/Sgt. Everett King who also welded and installed a shower and several incinerators in the area for the period of this report.

Telephone Repair

This department with T/3 Laverne Malott in charge, repaired over 150 EE-A field telephone sets, 22 hand sets and 7 head-and-chest sets. Repairs were also made to 4 BD-72s, 2 BD-71s and 2 BD-96 switchboards. General repairs took in work on two movie projectors and three public address systems.

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1024th Signal Co.
Historical Report (cont'd)

Telephone Operations Section

This organization maintains and operates the Tiger switchboard(TC-4) of the 59th Service Group. The board has been expanded by the addition of 20 improvised jacks pending arrival of a second board. The attached Appendix 1 shows the lines connected as of 31 December 1944.

Telephone communication has been complicated by an unusual amount of movement of the units and offices within the area requiring constant rerouting of the lines. Part of this movement was caused by changing taxiway construction at the airstrip.

LAB Detachment

An LAB Detachment under 2nd Lt. Robert E. Buswell was set up to service special air-borne radar equipment. Five men are assigned to this work. Types of sets repaired include SCR 717-B and SCR 720. Most repairs were on antenna equipment, frequency units and control boxes of these sets.

Message Center and Teletype

The message center and teletype section services all units in the 59th Service Group and many additional outside organizations. This department is functioning on a combined operational basis in that cryptographers are also used to operate the teletype machine.

During the period of this report, 17,500 code groups were handled. Sixty three messages were sent over the teletype and 159 were sent by radio. Teletype has one direct line to the 308th Bomb Wing and radio operates to the V AFSvC. An average message consists of 104 groups. Twenty three minutes is the average time required to break down urgent messages while messages of other classifications require an average of 42 minutes.

Messages for a Marine Corps aviation squadron were also handled besides regular traffic. The department is in charge of Private Lawrence G. Rubin.

Personnel and Morale

Once over the rigors of setting up a new campsite, as outlined in the previous report, the personnel this month continually strived to make improvements in housing and recreational activities. A well-run PX was set up under T/4 Eugene Treiber, where men obtain cokes and ice-cream during off-duty hours.

Lack of space has limited the sports activities of the Company to horseshoe pitching, but plans are already underway to set up a volley ball court and to organize a basketball team. An increase of interest in the various educational programs offered by the Army has been evidenced and many men have applied for correspondence courses through the I & E section.

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Historical Report (cont'd)

Personnel and Morale (cont'd)

Slow in coming in at first maps, booklets and prepared lectures on current topics are now fairly plentiful and the men are kept informed through displays of these on the mess-hall bulletin board.

The Company now also boasts of a motion picture show and improvements are still being made on the make-shift theater. Civilian labor is employed on construction work and during the period the Officers' quarters were erected and work was begun on a new Orderly Room.

Morale was low at the beginning of the month because of poor mail service. Since then a vast improvement has been brought about and the morale rose accordingly. Enemy aerial attacks have had little if any effect on the personnel despite the fact that have undergone an approximate average of four or five night raids a week. The attitude in general is that there is a job to be done and it will be done.

During this 30-day period Lt. Robert E. Buswell was attached from Headquarters Squadron V AFSvC to take charge of the LAB Detachment. Two EM were transferred back into the Company from temporary duty with Headquarters, V AFSvC. Other men obtained from the same headquarters included four transferred in grade and five attached for temporary duty. Five other men were returned to the U.S. on the December rotation quota and another returned to the U.S. on furlough status.

Assigned personnel strength for the period follows:

	EM	OFF
Beginning period	90	3
Net Loss	2	0
End period	88	0

In summing up the organization feels it is performing an important duty in the prosecution of the war and hopes to maintain a record of service second to none in the Tacloban area.



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APPENDIX NO. 1 HISTORICAL REPORT
1024TH SIGNAL CO., SVC GRP.

Tiger Switchboard Lines
(As of 31 Dec 1944)

- 1 Transient Camp
- 2 Transient Camp
- 3 Central switchboard
- 4 481st Service Squadron
- 5 1024th Signal Company
- 6 59th Service Group, Orderly Room
- 7 59th Service Group, Officers' quarters
- 8 Engineering Supply and Chemical Warfare office
- 9 1618th Ordnance Company, Orderly Room
- 10 868th Bomb. Squadron
- 11 Central switchboard
- 12 Central Switchboard
- 13 Flatbush Switchboard (1159th Quartermaster Company)
- 14 59th Service Group Medics
- 15 Col. Hudnell, Maj. Huey quarters
- 16 Air Corps Supply
- 17 305th Airdrome Engineering Shops
- 18 Finance Department
- 19 Group Engineering
- 20 4th & 11th Malaria Control Units
- 21 Group Adjutant, Sergeant Major
- 22 Commanding Officer (Group), executive office
- 23 Statistical and Personnel
- 24 59th Service Group Supply
- 25 Group Personnel
- 26 S-2, Maj. Tully
- 27 S-3, Capt. MacMillan
- 28 S-4 Maj. Crane
- 29 Group Ordnance
- 30 Group Quartermaster
- 31 1618th Ordnance Company (shops)
- 32 59th Service Group Motor Pool
- 33 1024th Signal Company, Signal Supply
- 34 Air Corps Supply (dump)
- 35 305th Airdrome Squadron
- 36 59th Service Group Message Center
- 37 Special Service offices
- 38 78th Airdrome Squadron
- 39 Flatbush (Air Corps Quartermaster)
- 40 Red Cross and Chaplain's office
- 41 393rd Service Squadron

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Tiger Switchboard Lines
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- 42 15th Repair Squadron
- 43 Cheeky Switchboard (Tacloban airstrip, Base Operations)
- 44 15th Depot Repair Squadron (engineering)
- 45 Capt. Mossback's quarters
- 46 White Beach Control Tower
- 47 41st Engineers
- 48 Cheeky switchboard (Tacloban airstrip, base operations.)
- 49 Air Freight offices
- 50 389th Service Squadron
- 52 Ginger (168th AAA)
- 53
- 54 59th Service Group Radio Station
- 55
- 56 Wire Chief (102th Signal Co.)
- 57 1024th Signal Company (company supply)
- 58 389th Engineering and Tech Supply
- 59 2012th Trucking Company (motor pool)
- 60 617th Ordnance Company
- 61 59th Service Group, Officers' Mess
- 62 Air Engineering
- 63 2012th Trucking Company (Orderly Room)

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Service Group
AFC 72

22 Dec 44

SUBJECT: MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO. 12. PERIOD COVERED 21 Nov 44 to
20 Dec 44 INCLUSIVE.

TO :

1. INDIVIDUAL CASES: None.

2. RUMORS: None

3. PROPAGANDA ACTIVITY:

a. Usual Radio Tokio absurd reports are being ignored. Average EM has authentic information from our own pilots and intelligence sources which contradict this Japanese propaganda.

4. MORALE

a. All branches of the company are operating, a majority of sections at maximum capacity. Men are eager to do the work for which they are trained and they now have that opportunity.

b. Mail service and rations at this station have been poor.

c. Company PX is again in operation. A GI-made Coca Cola machine has been added.

d. Little or no reading material available.

e. No January rotation quota has been received to date.

f. Replacement and filler personnel have been of the rank of corporal or above thereby making it impossible to promote men deserving of promotion.

5. UNIT COVERED BY THIS SUMMARY: 1024th Signal Co SG

6. POSITIVE SECURITY MEASURES:

a. Usual censorship; area guards at night and in addition one guard for every two tents from 2000 to 0600.

7. REMARKS AND QUESTIONS

a. The Philippine Reporter published by 11th Special Service 2nd Platoon is being received regularly.

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Monthly Intelligence Summary, 21 Nov 44 to 20 Dec 44, 1024th Sig Co Cont'd.

b. Suggest that follow-ups be made on such intelligence predictions as typhoons, indicating what actually happened.

/s/ Austin A. Webb
/t/ AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt., Sig. C.
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DESIGNATION SHEET

AIR FORCE: FIFTH

COMMAND : FIFTH AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

GROUP : 59TH SERVICE GROUP

UNIT : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP

PERIOD : 1 JAN 1945 TO 1 FEB 1945

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Service Group
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HISTORICAL DATA FROM 1 JAN 1945 TO 1 FEB 1945

The second month of full-scale operations of the 1024th Signal Company in the Tacloban area of Leyte, Philippine Islands, was marked by a tremendous increase in communications business and in less spectacular increases in other sections.

Personnel of the organization felt that its work was well rewarded by the fact that two letters of commendation were received during the month from higher commands.

On the 24th of January, Headquarters of the 59th Service Group, the parent organization of the unit, sent the unit a report on its technical inspection which read in part-"The condition of this organization is above average and personnel are to be commended."

The other letter on a technical and administrative inspection conducted by Headquarters Fifth Air Force, received on the same date and signed by Maj. T.C. Cheever, Acting Air Inspector, read in part-"This organization rates in the upper brackets of comparable units inspected. Adequate supervision is being exercised, and the men seem to be interested in their work."

The bulk of the communications increase was handled by the message center and by the radio operations section. This boom in traffic is best cited by the fact that the message center alone handled an increase of nearly 900 percent in incoming and outgoing code groups during this period.

In December, this section, under Cpl. Lawrence G. Rubin, cyphered 17,500 groups while this month 157,000 were handled. A majority of the traffic was to and from the Fifth Air Force Service Command on Mindoro, operating radio station AX5. A staff of seven men, working 24 hours a day, handles this business at the 1024th. Schedules were revised during the month to provide for the increase.

- Radio Operations -

During the month three stations joined the net. The network now consists of 5DX of the 59th Service Group, operated by this organization; AX5 of the Fifth Air Force Service Command at Mindoro and SK7 of the 63d Service Group on Samar. AQ38, also on Mindoro, joined the net at the beginning of the period of this report but dropped out after two weeks of operations. A large part of the traffic handled by 5DX is from the Fifth Air Service Area Command, (605) which largely comes to the station by safehand courier and is then relayed over our station to Mindoro.

An average of 50 messages a day for a month's total of 1,500 messages were handled in this period. Reception and transmission signals to the Mindoro station have been 4X4 since operations began.

Operations were put on a 24-hour basis this month and five regular operators, including the section chief, Tec 5 James K. White, handle the bulk of the traffic. Two other men are operating on a part time basis from the teletype section and another operator is being broken in for regular duty. The teletype station T3L supplements radio communications.

- Signal Supply Section -

During the period of this report the Signal Supply section had become an unofficial sub-depot for Fifth Air Force signal stock. Over 100,000 pounds of equipment passed through this section for trans-shipment.

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Temporary storage of this signal equipment, plus the storage of regular stock has taxed the capacity of the section's 100-foot warehouse. Lack of tarps has kept to a minimum the equipment that can be stored outdoors. Requirements for these tarps have been put through and an area has already been cleared as a site for a new dump.

Two complete bomb groups are being serviced by this section and over 700 radio sets were accepted for repair or exchange during this period as compared with 615 handled last month.

- L.A.B. Detachment -

The L.A.B. Detachment of this organization has shown a three-fold increase in business during this period. Most of the work was done on the SCR 720. The main organization serviced by this detachment is the 421st Night Fighter Squadron, which went into full operations this month thereby bringing about this increase in business.

- Radio Repair Section -

Despite the fact that the number of organizations serviced decreased due to the movement of these units to the Luzon front, more radio sets were repaired this month than in the previous month. A total of 459 sets, compared to 414 in the previous month passed through this section. An increase in telephone repair jobs was also noted during the month.

- Telephone Operations -

An additional switchboard was installed at the Tiger switch, operated by this company, to provide for an increase in traffic. A total of 72 lines are operated out of this board. Linesmen are constantly employed in repair work and in installing additional lines.

- Personnel and Morale -

The two letters of commendation cited elsewhere in this report did much to boost the morale of the personnel as they felt that their work was being recognized.

But even more bearing to morale was the continued military victories in both this and the European theaters of war. Seeing the end in sight has doubled the incentive of the men.

This situation naturally brought about an increase in the interest in war news. Illustrated maps of all fronts, secured from the I&S section, have been posted on the mess-hall bulletin board. Departments with radios tune in on regular scheduled news broadcasts. This is supplemented at noon and in the evening by a P.M. news broadcast from the 59th Service Group, heard in this area.

Much interest has been shown in official Air Force and Army films as witnessed by one on the development of the B-29 filmed by the Signal Corps. It was highly praised by all personnel. The Army Air Forces film "Winged Victory" was also well received.

At least 15 men in the organization are taking Army Institute courses and others are planning to submit their applications.

During the month a bi-weekly newsheet, covering activities within this organization—and known as the Eagle Call—was begun and published by Pfc John F. Maguire, a former newspaper man. It is well received by the personnel and of such a nature that it can be sent home as censorship regulations are carefully followed. Samples of this paper are inclosed.

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During the period of this report 11 enlisted men were awarded promotions. WO3G Robert O. Hedlock returned during this period from RAAF radar school in Australia and has since been assigned to Signal Supply Officer and his principal duty and radio repair Officer additional duty. 1st Lt. Harold A. Smith, joined the organization during the month on attached status from the Fifth Air Force Service Command. An enlisted man, needed for duty in radio operations, was returned to the organization from the Fifth Air Force Service Command.

Assigned strength for the period follows:

Beginning period	22	3
Net gain	$\frac{1}{39}$	$\frac{0}{3}$
End period	23	3

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Service Group
APO 72**

21 January 1945

MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Period: 20 Dec 44 - 20 Jan 45

- I. INDIVIDUAL CASES: None.**
- II. RUMORS:**
 - a. That U.S. fleet was to move in force against Formosa and Japanese main islands with the aim of destroying the remainder of Jap sea and air power.
 - (1) Sources personnel moving through transient camp.
 - (2) Time: On or about 5 Jan 45.
 - (3) Rumor was confirmed in part when news of heavy raids on Formosa and China coast was released.
- III. PROPAGANDA ACTIVITY:**
 - a. Usual radio Tokyo reports which are amusing rather than alarming.
- IV. MORALE: Good.**
 - a. The company continued to operate at maximum capacity taking on much heavy equipment ordinarily handled by depots. All hands were busy, most doing the work for which they were trained.
 - b. Company received no rotation or temporary duty quota for month of January 1945.
 - c. Mail including packages came through in good time—a great improvement over preceding month.
 - d. Letters from personnel who have been returned to States under rotation state that European theater personnel are returning to States after 18 to 24 months foreign service.
 - e. "The Eagle Call", the amusing and informative biweekly published by an enlisted man of this organization enjoys wide popularity with officers and men.
 - f. 30 men of this organization have not had furlough or temporary duty in 10 months or over. One officer has not had leave in 16 months. While officers and men realize that distances and the tactical situation preclude the granting of furloughs at six month intervals, it is felt that morale and efficiency would be higher if a definite leave program could be worked out.
- V. UNIT COVERED BY THIS SUMMARY: 1024th Signal Co Serv Gp.**

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VI. POSITIVE SECURITY MEASURES:

- a. Usual censorship and area guards at night.
- b. Security and Rumor Sections of Counter Intelligence memoranda prepared by V AFVGS was brought to attention of entire company assembled in formation.

VII. REMARKS AND QUESTIONS:

- a. Unit intelligence officer and HCO were able to devote 15 of time to intelligence duties.

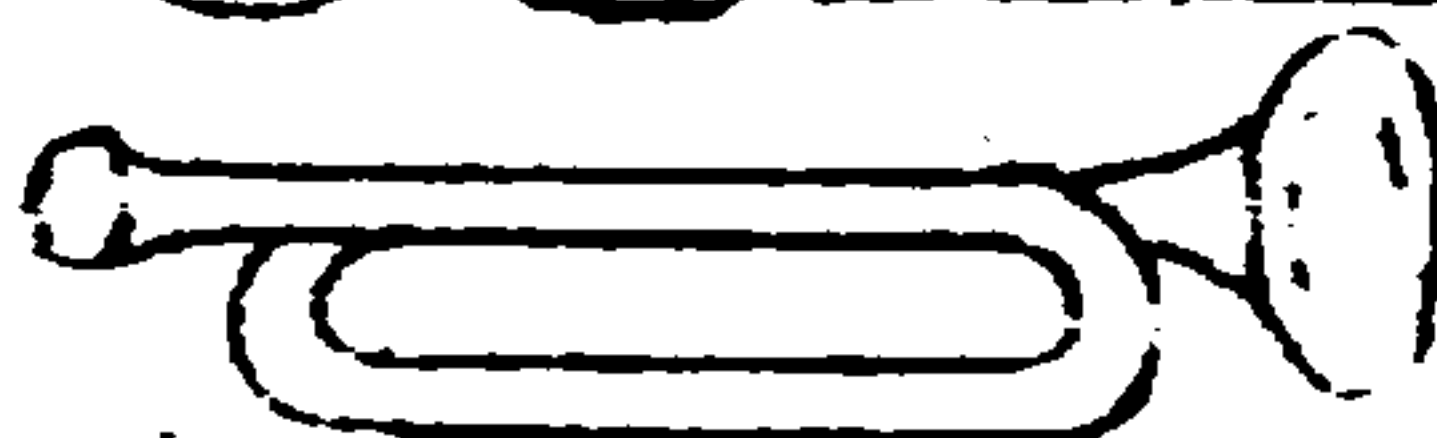
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"Have you been up before men before?"

"Can't say that I-hic-have, Sir. What time do you get up?"
(Joe Miller)

JAP PESO IS ALSO TAKING A BEATING AROUND MANILA

Skyrocketing prices in Manila have been reported by a well-known Manila newspaperman, who is now with MacArthur's forces. Here's the latest:

1,000 Pesos- price of three meals and bed for one day in hotel; 10 Pesos for pair of pants at laundry; Cigarettes 10 to 40 pesos apiece, depending on brand; Jap Army was buying new trucks at \$500,000 pesos a truck; autos are a mere \$300,000

It was estimated that the Japs were spending in Manila alone \$500,000,000 pesos daily for military needs.

NEW GIRLS ON WAY, SO YOU'D BETTER READ THIS TO END

Like a panting hound-dog your reporter picked up a cigarette trail the other day that led him to the Red Cross building at the 59th. This in turn led to a story from Field Director Roy Daniel.

As with many Field Directors Mr. Daniel was in recreation work before the war with the city of Knoxville in charge of several playgrounds and athletic fields.

In 1943 he took two weeks of Red Cross training at Washington; passed an Army overseas physical and was then sent to camp Lee. He eventually was shipped to Australia and after 5 days there joined the 59th in New Guinea.

One of his unique experiences happened the day he was forced to hike two miles up a mountain side to a radio shack which contacted a G.I. with a walkie-talkie far off in the valley to bring him a vital message from home.

As director of the 59th, Mr. Daniel has charge of the canteen at the strip and has two real live girl assistants-Miss Ethel Parker of Alexandria, (hold it, could you?)

PROPOSED CHICKEN FARM MAY BRING BACK MEMORIES OF EGGS

If you can remember what a fresh egg looks like you will also remember that they come from chickens.

With this logical deduction in mind, the Bugle Call has it on good authority that a good-sized chicken farm may be started by this organization.

With all the farmers in the outfit it should be no problem at all to raise a fine flock of hens and roosters. Some day we might even cop first prize in the Philippine 4-H club show. All in favor say aye

LATEST WOLF SONG

"I'll be seizing you in all the old familiar places."

THIS WILL KILL YA

G.I.-What's this?

K.P.- It's bean soup.

G.I.- No matter what it's been. What is it now?

THIS IS THE QUESTION TUNA OR NOT TO BE

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THIS IS NO JOKE

Teacher (in grammar class) "Willie, please tell me what it is when I say 'I love, you love, he loves'?"

Willie: That's one of them triangles where somebody gets shot."

RED CROSS GIRLS A 'COMIN

(contd from pg. 1)

Ya., and Miss Jean DeLong of Savannah, Ga. It was at this point that Mr. Daniel let us in on the welcome news that five more--count 'em five--honey chiles are on the way from Dixie. Well Shit mah, month!

Getting back to the rest of this, Mr. Daniel described the work of the Red Cross as mainly a liaison office between the G.I. and his home. But many G.I.s, he said have the impression that the Red Cross is an issuing point for supplies of all kinds. He said he wish it were true but regulations and conditions limit the Red Cross to only supplementary issues of cigarettes, candy, cokes etc.

Mr. Daniel's Filipino boy-- Jeff is quite popular behind the counter. His full name is Pacifico dela Torre and he is a high school graduate from our adjacent island.

AN OLD BRAIN TEASER

A train is operated by three persons, Smith, Robinson and Jones. They are fireman, engineer and brakeman--but not respectively.

1. On the train are three passengers, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Smith and Mr. Jones.
2. Mr. Robinson lives in Detroit.
3. The brakeman lives halfway between Chicago and Detroit.
4. Mr. Jones earns \$2,000 a year.
5. Smith beat the fireman at billiards.
6. The brakeman's nearest neighbor, who is one of the passengers, earns exactly three times as much as the brakeman, who earns \$1,000 a year.
7. The passenger whose name is the same as the brakeman's lives in Chicago.

WHAT IS THE NAME OF THE BRAKEMAN?

You can blame this on Lt. Smith. Tell us the answer next week.--we're too lazy to figure the damn thing out.

THE CHATTER BOX

By P.T. MAGOO

Your jockey's old home town of Brooklyn is right on page one again and it proves we don't do things halfway.

This time the city on the banks of the Gowanus has entered the sporting world in a big way.

If we can believe the news from the States--and why not--the Brooklyn College basketball team is on the hot spot for allegedly agreeing to take \$2,000 apiece to throw a game to Akron at the Boston Garden.

Judge Sam Leibowitz--and who would have thought that we'd hear of the good judge away off here in the Philippines--has asked the Grand Jury to indict the whole shooting match. Looks like Brooklyn College will have to get a "cagey" lawyer. 'ROUND THE BULLPEN--Too bad the G.I. radio station WTK had to go off the air. That Art Ross and Milt Robinson combo.

put on some swell shows.... Gus Weiss, "the voice of the Turtle Creek, Pa., is back at his bartending job of passing out the cokes. We thought he'd strangled himself in the refrigerator coils...The

boxing show last Saturday night at the 59th was a honey and Lt. Kleiner and his special service gang deserves plenty of credit for staging the show in a real professional manner. Here's hoping we

have more of them and would like to request a "battle royal" in the bargain.... Saw a bulldozer on the road the other day with the name of the week--Paul Bunyan.....

That munching bag is all well and good but it seems that some "ghost" beats the hell out of it at 3 A.M. in the morn. It

reminds us of the old days at radio school when the dits and dahs beat a tattoo on my head.... There seems to be much planning for a badminton or volley ball court. We hope some action comes out of this in the near future... Old Johnno

Heardon's crystal ball gazing won in a walk as the Yanks walked into Manila four days ahead of his schedule. Now if he can tell us when we are going home--we will gladly listen to the old boy with respect.... See you later....

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"Here's that 'gorilla' you wanted to question, Sir."

INTRODUCING CPL. PAT GUIDA
THE MAN WITH THE HORN

Buglers draw no distinction as to who they wake up so the "Bugle Call" also jumped the fence today to interview the "man with the horn" at the 59th.

He's Cpl. Pat Guida of Bristol, R.I. and when not bugling is head mail clerk at the 59th. Pat is an accomplished musician having played with a host of swing bands around Providence and Boston.

His talents nailed him as a bugler and he was tagged by the Army as an 803 right from the start. Back in the States Guida knew more calls than you could throw a bugle at, but over here, reville, chow, recall and assembly fill the bill.

Guida, who has broadcast many times over WJAR Providence, taking solo
(cont'd page 2.)

HOW A "DIT" ROCKED THE NEWS WORLD IN FALSE HAUPTMANN CASE VERDICT

Signal Company can heed lesson
Taught to the Associated Press

-By Pfc J.F. Maguire-

The Bugle turns back the pages of history today to the night of Feb. 13, 1935 when the attention of the whole world was centered on the little N.J. town of Flemington, awaiting a verdict from the Hauptmann jury.

Though a mere novice in the newspaper business at the time, your reporter recalls that night in the offices of the Brooklyn Times when it was feared that the Associated Press had "scooped" our service, the UP, on the Lindbergh case verdict. As it turned out the AP committed the greatest blunder in its history and it all hinged on one Morse "dit".



Up until last night when we were reading "AP, the Story of the News", by Oliver Gramling, we never knew the real inside facts on the "boner" except that a short-range radio was at the bottom of it all.

As freely stolen from the book, the following are the facts. Assigned by the AP to Flemington were Henry E. Mooberry, chief of the Newark Bureau and O.K. Price traffic chief or chief operator. Mooberry had rented space in the sheriff's office, off the courtroom proper, and set up a teletype machine with a direct wire to New York. But anxious to score a "beat" somehow, Mooberry hit upon a plan to use a shortwave, or rather short-range radio set. The transmitter was to be carried into the courtroom by a "ham" operator named Ralph Smith, concealed under his overcoat.
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HOW "DIT" ROCKED NEWS WORLD (From page 1)

When the verdict was announced he was to key the correct signal to a receiver operated by Price and hidden away in the courthouse attic. Next to Price was a teletype machine hooked up to the one below in the sheriff's office on which he would break in immediately with the "flash" without the guards in the office being any the wiser.

The following signal were made:
1-death: 4-guilty life: 7 acquittal and 9-disagreement or "hung jury."

At 10:28 PM the jury filed into the courtroom and Troopers posted themselves at every door and window and drew the shades. Mooberry got set. Even if "copy" did manage to get slipped under the door, Mooberry knew that he still could score a several minute beat on the reporters in the courtroom.

Just then the teletype operator jerked his hands off the keys and yelled "He's breaking, Henry, he's breaking!"

Here it came from the attic at 10:31 going direct to New York.

"F L A S H Flenington—Verdict reached, guilty and life." Mooberry was wild with excitement. Here was the verdict out all over the country and the courtroom doors were still locked!

Then he started to "sweat" for copy was still coming in under the door and with 10:31 time passed no verdict was in the copy. He dashed for the teletype and issued a "kill Flash" order to all papers.

A split second later the real verdict was handed to him; "Guilty and death." Meanwhile Price came down from the attic and insisted he heard a "4", "It was a 4 and 4 means life," he said. When the AP investigated later, it was discovered that he spoke to Smith afterwards and admitted that he might have possibly heard a "V" ... one "dit" less. In fact he had gone back to the set after sending out the false flash and then heard the correct signal "1". But it was too late then. Where the signal came from is still a mystery. Smith insisted that he neither sent a "4" or a "V" so it was probably a "V" picked out of the air sent by some nearby "ham" testing.

THE CHATTER BOX

By P. V. MAGOO

Space this issue limits us to:
ROUND THE BULLPEN—One of the radio repair men, who had better be nameless, tells us that if he doesn't get home in a year, will be forced to go into town and "take that line out." ... A few weeks ago we had "The Finger" and now we have "The Neck" in the person of Gene Treiber... Snake has demonstrated real skill this week in taking the plaques out of the corduroy road. Nice goin' Ben... Thanks to our sanitation engineer we no longer have to bring back copies of Army Regulations with us to that little old shanty atop the hill... What do you think of the radio repair section's "Goldstream Guards". Watch 'em march back from work some evening. Just slap-happy we'd say.. We noticed Seward looking over an Army recipe for banana cake. Could that be a shadow of things to come... What ever happened to Gertor?... Your reporter's one and only sent him some dog biscuits. But for the late Dr. Jones—so there!

(BUGLER— from page 1)

hops on the trumpet, rates Tommy Dorsey as his top band and Clyde McCoy of "Sugar Blues" fame, as head man on the trumpet.

Never having heard Pat blow a sour note, we thought he probably used a trumpet on his job, but he uses a regular M-1 Bugle. After the war Pat intends to have his own band. So here's luck to him.

Price read it as a "4". Had he listened closely this wouldn't have been written. Another paper was found to have tried the same stunt but they used "voice" and that was out.

At any rate, if the story has any moral to a Signal Company it can well illustrate what can happen when "dits" are tossed around or read willy-nilly. The AP never sanctioned the scheme and as a result Price was dismissed and Mooberry suspended.

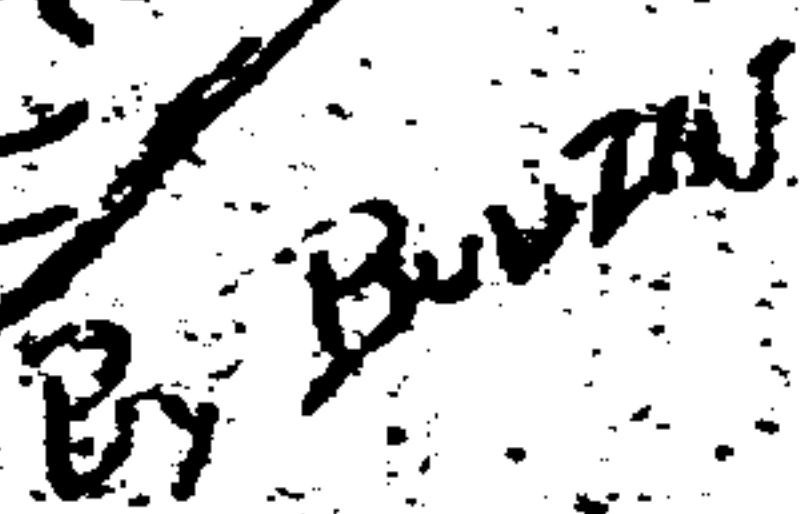
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STUDENTS AND
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**THE MAIL'S
MONEY - BUT
DO WE GET IT**

The Bario has learned that there's lots of mail at the APO but all is confusion and plenty of help is needed to sort out the sugar reports.

If you want
to have a head
start in Proctor
the 20th will be
the day at 8 A.M.

**"GREAT LOVES" OF 1024TH ARE NOW
SWEATING OUT ANOTHER DRAFT.**

Seems like Congress is all a dither these days over a lack of nurses for duty with the armed forces. A bill now before the house proposes that all registered nurses be drafted.

Hardest hit so far by the proposed bill are Romeo Eosen and Don Juan Moore who are "that way" about a couple murses back home.

Rosen's, by the way, is in an insane asylum—but not because of him—she just works there. It's this reporters' guess that the boys just want relief on pitching her to a "loony". Things are pretty raw.

There's more to
the coconut than
hits the eye or the
hand for that matter.

Marceline Ay-Ay
chief foreman of
civilian labor, for
the 1024th, gave the
editor the lowdown
on the coconut
racket the other day.

The following facts are related of for your informa-tion and if any are screwy, take it up with Mr. Ay-Ay, a guy who knows his coconuts.

First of all, the coconut tree takes about 6 years to attain full growth before it starts dropping its nuts on your head.

It makes with the coconuts 4 times a year. Ay-Ay says that the average tree is worth about 6 pesos as that's what Uncle Sam is paying off at for destroyed trees. Coconuts— even as you and I— are classified.

There are "A"
and "B" units, "C"
units being in both
more common.
(Sent 14 by (2)

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SPECIAL SERVICES MARK DEDICATION OF NEW GROUP CHAPEL IN 59TH AREA

Special Protestant and Catholic services on Sunday marked the dedication of the new group chapel, built, under the direction of Chaplain Easterwood.

The dedicatory message at the Protestant service was given by Chaplain Perry W. Van Kirk of the 1821st Engineers. The litany for the dedication was led by Chaplain Easterwood. A special High Mass sung by Father Buckley of the 865th Engineers, assisted by the choir of the same unit, marked the Catholic service. Father Woods of the Air Corps Command in his "guest" sermon called on the Catholic men of the group to cooperate with Chaplain Easterwood in every way for the mutual benefit of all.

AN APOLOGY

In the last issue of the Bulletin we mentioned some of the gang that helped work on the new chapel and then left out the man who really finished the place. S/Sgt Everett King, the "King of the Welding Torch" is the man. All he did was weld all the iron work on the roof. He didn't want us to mention it but that's a fine way to act—so here it is for better or worse.

WAGGERS (cont'd from Pg 1)

Waggers usually grow on trees and the branches and their meat is much better. Much to our surprise the color of the waggon has nothing to do with the color of the waggon. All are picked by sound. After they are taken from the waggon, they are picked off the ground—some are picked in half and put over the waggon. When they are picked off the waggon, the waggon is at the market and eventually they are sold or off.

During the last war, says the

THE CHATTER BOX

By P. J. MAGOO

After seeing "Rhapsody in Blue" the other night your scribe beat a hasty retreat to his tent to check up on gray hairs. The "pitcher" brought back fond memories of our first musical comedy, "Lady Be Good" with music by Gershwin.

Way back in 1922, children, yer pappy raised himself \$2.50 and took off for the balcony of the Liberty Theater on 42nd st., off Times Square for an evening he'll never forget. In case you think I'm crowding 98, I was a mere tot of 13 at the time. Other famous people in that era were Babe Ruth, Bill Tilden, and Theda Bara. By the way Fred Astair danced with his sister Adele Astair in that show and he wasn't a mere boy of 13 either—so feel sorry for him not me.....

ROUDED THE BULLPEN—Sgt. "Tommy" Thomas, an outspoken admirer of "the Voice" tells me that the 1024th now has "The Finger". It's none other than Bert Atkins. Can't tell you how Bert got it as all those stories are canceled.... Hero's hoping "The Finger" is out of the dispensary in a few days as what good is being sick without a nurse...

Hear over radio that Maj. Bug's combat days are over and that he's in Chicago awaiting permanent assignment in the U.S. We mourn our loss but he sure earned his rest. Ed "Corn" Smith says "Saraboga Frank" must be a mystery film. One of those "trunk murders" he tried to tell me.... Got a load of Joe Simoni in his rainy day boots. Looks as though he's ready to go into one of those Russian dances at the drop of a snowman. Orderly Room moved and didn't drop a compass.....

CORE ON THE COR

If a WAC were to be assigned to Radio Repair would you call her a "Crystal Packing" Mamma?

As for the core, well as high as 50 cents a pound, it's about 2 pounds in the core. The core is the heart of the atom bomb.

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HISTORICAL REPORT FROM 1 FEB 1945 to 28 FEB 1945

During the month of February the 1024th Signal Company marked the fourth anniversary of its formation, having been activated on Feb 15, 1941 at Selfridge Field, Mich., as the 24th Signal Platoon.

Since that time the Company participated in the pre-war Louisiana and Carolina maneuvers and since its shipment overseas on Jan 31, 1942 has been stationed in several localities in Queensland and Northern Territory, Australia and at Port Moresby, Dobodura and Noemfoor Island before its arrival in the Philippines on Nov. 15, 1944.

This report, covering the third month of the Company's operations as an assigned unit of the 59th Air Service Group in the Tacloban area of Leyte Island, finds the organization still handling a steady increase in communications traffic. Added to this is the fact that the organization is performing depot work in its Signal Supply and Radio Repair sections to meet the mounting demands on its services.

- Communications-

Communications took a sharp upward swing during the month when all service units on Leyte Island were placed under the command of the 59th Air Service Group. The additional traffic was from units formerly under the command of the 46th Service Group.

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Besides this traffic was also handled for the 3rd Emergency Air Rescue Squadron, the 14th Emergency Boat Rescue Squadron, the 91st Replacement Battalion and the 2110th Ordnance & Ammunition Battalion.

Messages for the units formerly assigned to the 46th, are received over teletype in the clear and after being encoded are relayed via this unit's radio station.

During the month a total of 840 messages, comprising 97,250 code groups were cleared through the unit's message center. Outgoing messages totaled 68,500 code groups and incoming messages—28,750 groups. The work is being handled by 12 enlisted men, an increase of four—drafted from other sections—over the previous month.

An average of 60 messages a day is being handled by the radio operations section which represents an increase of 10 messages daily over last month's traffic. The net remains the same consisting of 5DX, operated by this organization; AX5 of the Fifth Air Force Service Command on Mindoro and SK7 of the 63rd Service Group on Samar. The total of messages handled via radio for the period of this report was 1,682 as compared with 1,500 in the previous report.

--Signal Supply Section--

Increased demands in the amount of signal equipment handled have made it necessary to augment the supply section to do depot work to

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the detriment of the other sections. These other sections have worked harder to meet these requirements.

Transshipment of supplies is handled on a large scale. Besides the normal stock carried on the shelves, 130,000 pounds of equipment is stored outdoors under tarps. Several orders for the requirements of outfits on Ison and Mindoro have been received, filled, and then safe-banded to those stations. In this respect this unit has been acting as a clearing house for supplies needed from Base K for organizations up North.

During the month 1st Lt. Harold A. Smith was appointed Signal Supply officer, succeeding WOJG Robert O. Medlock, evacuated after hospitalization. Several improvements including the visual cataloging of all shelf-supplies and the enlargement of the exchange counters were accomplished.

The use of a blackboard bulleting board to list names of units for which work was ready was found to have added to the efficiency of the section. The blackboard was installed when it was found that units would leave work for repair or replacement and fail to have their men inquire what work was ready to be returned. The blackboard listing calls this to their attention.

—Radio Repair Section—

Approximately 340 units were repaired and checked this month. Most of the work was on SCR-522 sets and IFF equipment. All sections are operating normally but work is gradually slowing down due to the movement of certain tactical units.

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Depot function work has been done in this section in installing radio equipment in crash boats for the 15th Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron of the 13th Air Force. Imperfect equipment and shortages of some small parts has required considerable improvisation by the repair section.

This month also saw the start of a tropicalization program which covers a large amount of different sets. One man is devoting his entire time to this program. During the month a board floor was installed in the repair shop. It is so constructed that it can be picked up and moved wherever necessary.

Normal operations continued in other sections which include telephone operations, line work, and telephone repair.

—Personnel and Morale—

During the month Lt. John R. Boysen and Tec Sgt. Henry Teel and Staff Sgt. Joseph Simandl departed for the U.S. on the rotation quota. Lt. Smith, mentioned above, was released from DS with this organization and assigned to the same. During the month six men returned from RAAF radar school in Australia.

Morale continued on a high plane principally because of the encouraging war news and the prospects that an end was in sight.

Athletics took a spurt with the formation of a volley-ball league within the organization. The company is also represented by a basketball team in the 59th Group's league. Horseshoe pitching continues to be popular.

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The Armed Forces radio station, heard in this area, and the regular issues of Maptalk prove to be the principal sources of news. Magazines are regularly received.

A well-stocked PX, including cocoa-cola, and plenty of motion picture entertainment are on hand for the personnel during off-duty hours.

Assigned strength for the period follows:

	EM	OFF.
Beginning period	89	3
Net Loss		1
<u>Net Gain</u>	<u>1</u>	
End Period	90	2

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Period: 20 Jan 45 - 20 Feb 45

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4. The rotation will be speeded up accordingly within next two months.

(1) Source: HE requesting from help to Minister.

(2) Source: AS and AS.

(3) AS confirmed.

These three individuals have not attempted to minimize B-29 and Soviet aircraft attacks on the homeland to the same degree as the
the press.

Abstract

the highly organized Russian activities in eastern European
lands and the increased tempo of the war in this theater have
shown how large the way may be shorter than anticipated.
Still another has been considered.
Following carefully these have made this war a personal issue with
many men of this organization and have renewed their determina-
tion to defeat the enemy as quickly as possible.
Factions have been split.
Cooperation between them
has been...

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37th Signal Group
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22 February 45

SECRET INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Period: 20 Jan 45 - 20 Feb 45

I. INITIALS: None

II. SUMMARY:

a. This section will be spelled up approximately within next two weeks.

- (1) Source: 22 returning from trip to Helsinki.
- (2) Date: 26 Feb 45.
- (3) In confirmation.

III. SUMMARY: Summary:

a. While these broadcasts have not attempted to minimize S-G's and Soviet aircraft attacks on the homeland to the same degree as in the past.

IV. SUMMARY: Cont.

- a. The highly successful Russian offensive on eastern European front and the imminent close of the war in this theater have given new hope that the war may be shorter than anticipated.
- b. Mail service has been resumed.
- c. Fighting currently taking place here make this war a personal issue with many men of this organization and have renewed their determination to defeat the enemy as quickly as possible.
- d. Relations have been fair.
- e. Cooperation between any, any, & various in exhibition operations has been very good.
- f. It is felt that propaganda points in a forward area should carry more weight in the dissemination of political action. Under the present system a man with two pins in Helsinki or Spain and six months in a forward area is given the same consideration as a man who has spent two years and six months in New Guinea and points northwest.

V. THE COVERED BY THIS SECRET: Large Signal Co. Serv Co.

VI. SUMMARY: Summary:

- a. Good cooperation and even guards at night.
- b. Security and Summary section of Counter Intelligence Summary prepared by V above was brought to attention of entire company.

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VI. REMARKS AND CONCLUSIONS:

3. Both Intelligence Officer and IRO were able to devote 21 of time to intelligence duties.

**AMERICAN A. TERRY,
Capt., Sig Corps,
Intelligence Officer.**

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1 MAR 1945

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AUTH: CG FAF
INIT: Law
DATE: 7 Apr 45

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HISTORICAL RECORD

AIR FORCE: FIFTH AIR FORCE
COMMAND : V AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
GROUP : 59TH AIR SERVICE GROUP
COMPANY : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY
PERIOD : 1 MARCH TO 31 MARCH 1945

HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIAL BEEN CHECKED? Yes

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PERIOD 1 MARCH--31 MARCH 1945

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HISTORICAL REPORT FROM 1 MARCH 1945 to 31 MARCH 1945

Communications work continued to feature the operational activities of the 1024th Signal Company as the unit marked its fourth month of operations on Leyte Island as an assigned organization of the 59th Air Service Group in the Tacloban area.

The volume of traffic increased for the fourth consecutive month when the Message Center handled a total of 1,009 incoming and outgoing messages as compared with 840 for the month of February. Incoming messages comprised 28,144 groups in 661 messages and the outgoing total was 996 messages requiring the encoding of 73,159 groups for a month's total of 101,303 groups. Forty-three other messages were broken down on the M-209 device.

The radio operations and teletype sections kept pace with this increase. The transmission range of our radio station, ~~5MX~~, was extended considerably during the month when the Fifth Air Force Service Command moved to Clark Field, Luzon, operating through station PF4. Toward the later part of the month much difficulty was encountered from interference from by other operational nets in the vicinity using more powerful transmitters. A 75-watt Navy Collins transmitter was experimented with in the hopes of overcoming this interference but it proved unsuitable and the standard SCR 199 was continued in operation. Despite this handicap messages were handled with the least amount of

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delay. Other stations in the net are EM38 of the 58th Service Group on Mindoro and SK7 of the 63rd Service Group on Samar.

Organizations outside the Group serviced by the Message Center include the 91st and 93rd Replacement Battalions, the 22nd Replacement Depot, the 3rd Emergency Rescue Squadron, the 14th Emergency Boat Squadron and the 2110th Ordnance Battalion.

---Radio Repair Section---

During the period of this report approximately 400 radio sets were checked and repaired besides numerous pieces of tool and test equipment. The volume of jobs declined because of the continued movement of tactical units to other stations.

One of the outstanding achievements of this section was the installation of radio and direction-finding equipment aboard three crash boats of the 13th Air Force, which is covered in a copy of a press release story and illustrations found in Appendices B and C attached to this report.

During the month WCJG Robert C. Madlock was appointed Radio Officer. Tropicalization work continued and 25 sets were processed during the month. Normal operations and repair section work was continued by the telephone operations and line personnel and in the motor pool.

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---Signal Supply---

Four hundred and fifty six exchanges or repair jobs were cleared through the Signal Supply section this month. This section is also in the process of building up a 30-day stock supply in the event that movement orders come through.

Trans-shipment orders were still being filled as previously requisitioned supplies began to come through for orders on organizations since moved to other stations. Among new units serviced now are the 322nd Troop Carrier Wing and the 550th Night Fighter Squadron of the 13th Air Force. Several Marine Corps and Naval units are also serviced by this section.

---Area Improvements---

A great deal of work was accomplished during the month on the improvement of the area. One of the much-needed projects was completed when a water system was installed under the direction of Sgt. Robert V. Meyers. A well was dug and a storage tank erected which holds 1,500 gallons of water. Auxiliary tanks for the showers hold an additional 1,000 gallons. Over 300 feet of pipe were laid and faucet tap installed where water is obtained for drinking and mess hall use. The water was tested and approved by the Medical Corps. Work on the construction of a day room was begun and is progressing rapidly.

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---Personnel and Morale---

During the period of this report 11 enlisted men received promotions in grade and 22 others were awarded Good Conduct Medals. Two others were returned to the United States on rotation.

A large percentage of Officers and enlisted men engaged in volley-ball tournament which continued during the month. This aided greatly in physical fitness. The more hardened athletes formed a basketball team to play in the 59th Air Service Group League and now lead the league. Interest continues in Army Institute courses as more and more men prepare themselves for civilian life. This is also evidenced in the increase in Soldier Deposit accounts.

Morale was at a new high as European war news indicated an early end of the war in that theater. All radio broadcasts, I & E bulletins and Maptalk booklets were listened to and read by an eager audience. A real sense of pride in the progress of the war in this theater was beginning to spread throughout the unit as the personnel began to realize how each move in the past--sometimes misunderstood--began to fit into the pattern for victory. The results of this organization's mission to help "Keep 'em flying" can now be seen as the Philippine campaign draws to a close and the final thrust at the heart of Japan begins.

Assigned strength for the period follows:

	RM	0
Beginning period	90	2
Net gain	1	1
End Period	91	3

Austin A. Webb

AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt. Sig. C.
Commanding.

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**COPY OF PRESS STORY ON CRASH BOAT INSTALLATIONS
RELEASED TO V AIR FORCE SERVICE COM.**

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FIFTH AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND, IN THE PHILIPPINES--The installation and maintenance of radio and radar equipment aboard Air Force crash boats is an example of one of the various jobs carried out by a signal company of the Fifth Air Force Service Command.

In this instance the 1024th Signal Company of the 59th Air Service Group, operating in the Philippines, temporarily converted its radio technicians into "sea-going" repairmen to outfit an emergency rescue boat squadron for immediate sea duty.

Three of these crash boats were recently received on Leyte Island with communication equipment aboard which was not suited to operation with other Air Force equipment in the theater.

Three enlisted men, Staff Sergeant Lester T. Rideaux Jr., of Hagerstown, Md., Sgt. William F. Pegg of Philadelphia and Spruce Pine, N.C., and Pfc William F. Appelsen of Perth Amboy, N.J. were taken off their work of repairing aircraft radios and assigned to the job of making the desired conversion aboard the boats. All three installations were laid out and completed by these men in seven days to meet mission dates for the boats.

The Collins Transmitter R-32 and direction-finding set Bludworth Standard Arrow RF-10-26, were removed and in their place were installed a BC-375-F transmitter with dynamotor Pe-73-C and a radio compass SCR-269-G with an aircraft type inverter.

The circuits involved were standard circuits for the sets but extensive cable systems had to be made up from aircraft lighting cable wire. The main components were installed in a cramped locker under the chart-room of the boats. A complete control system was installed in the chart room, and, of course, cables were run to the antennas of the sets.

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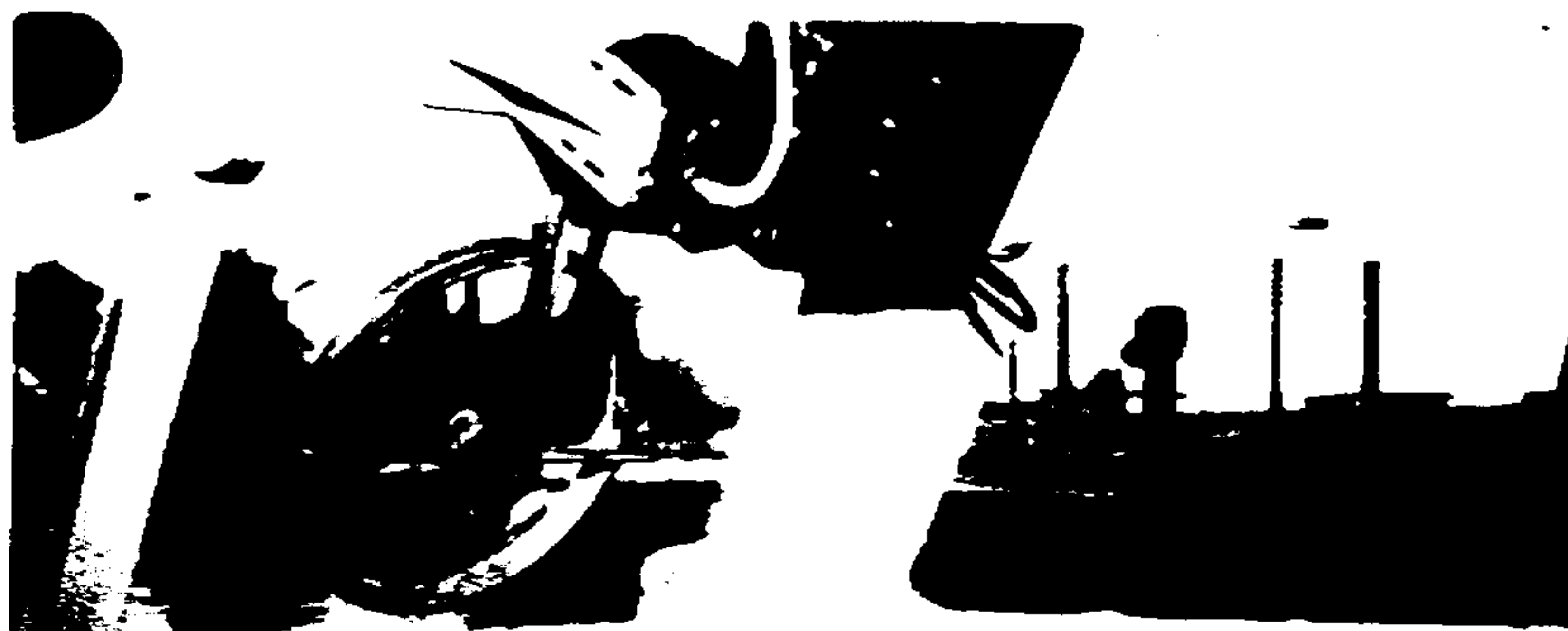
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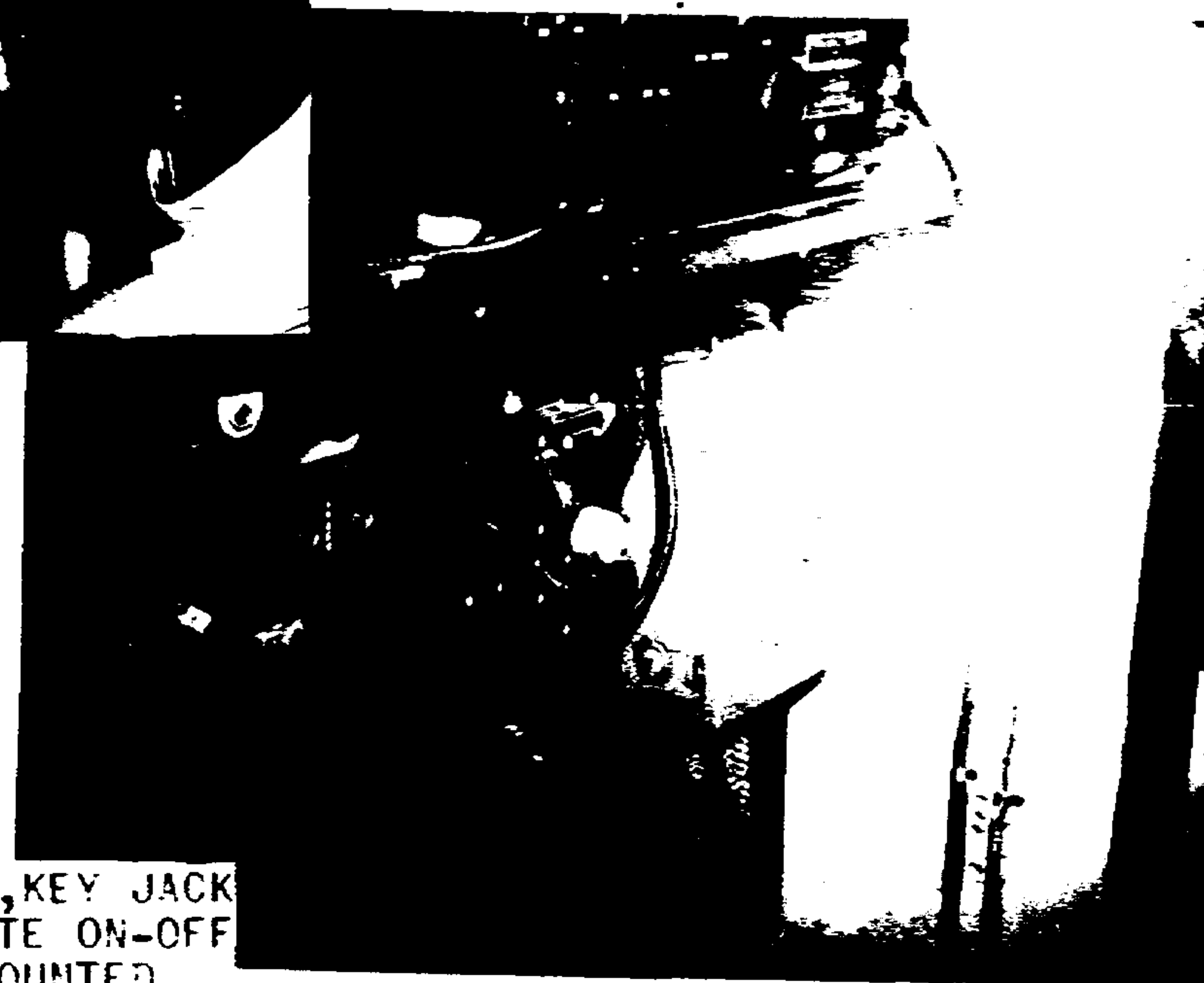
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VIEWS OF WORK ON CRASH BOATS

STARBOARD SIDE-
SCR 269 INDICATOR
AND LS-3 SPEAKER.



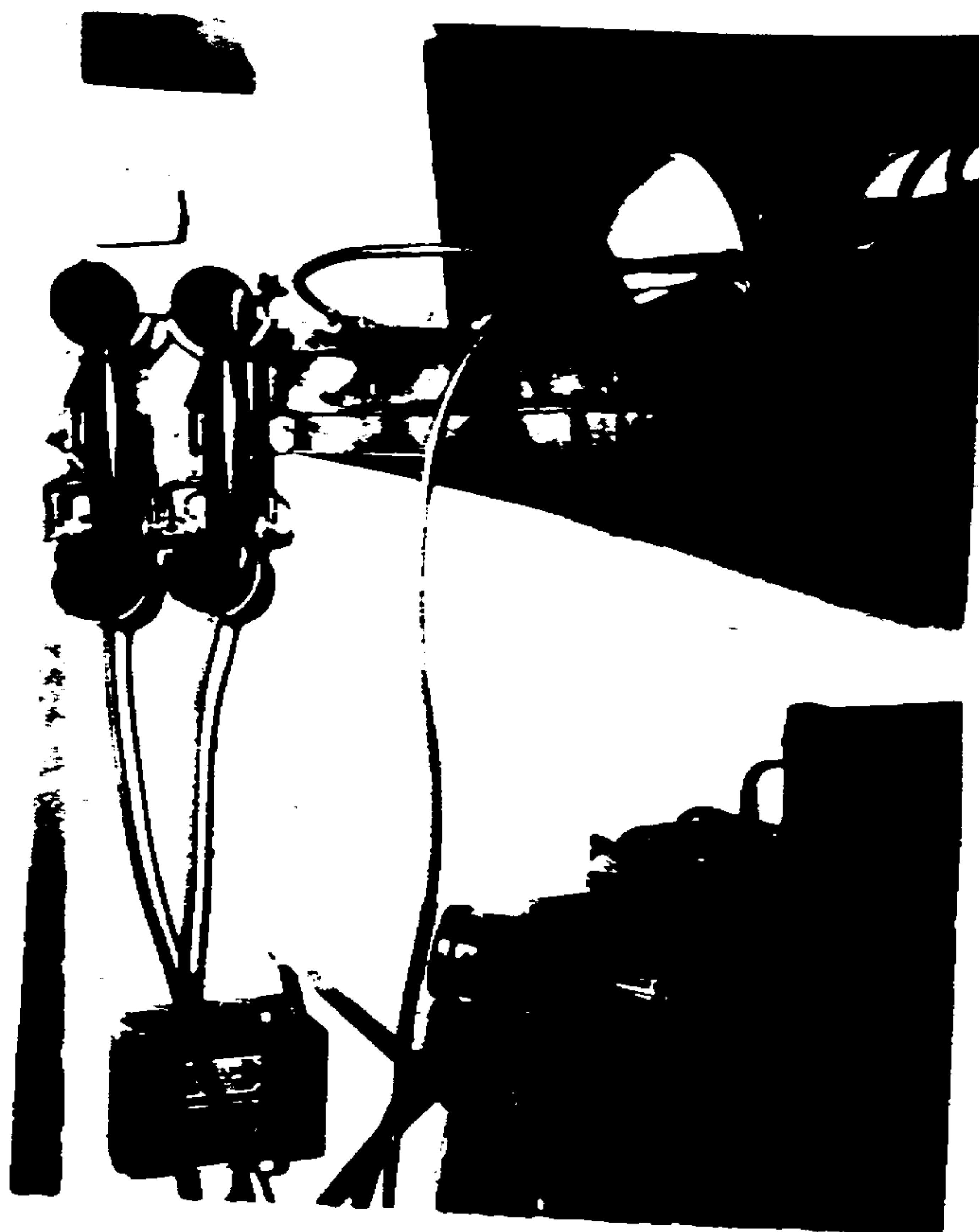
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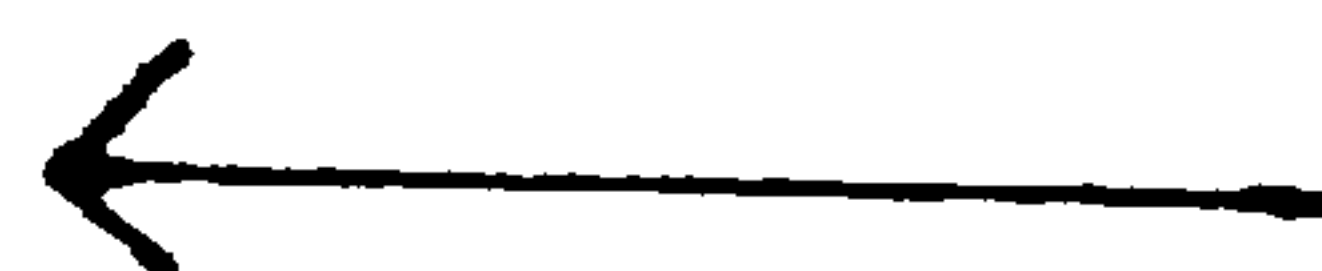
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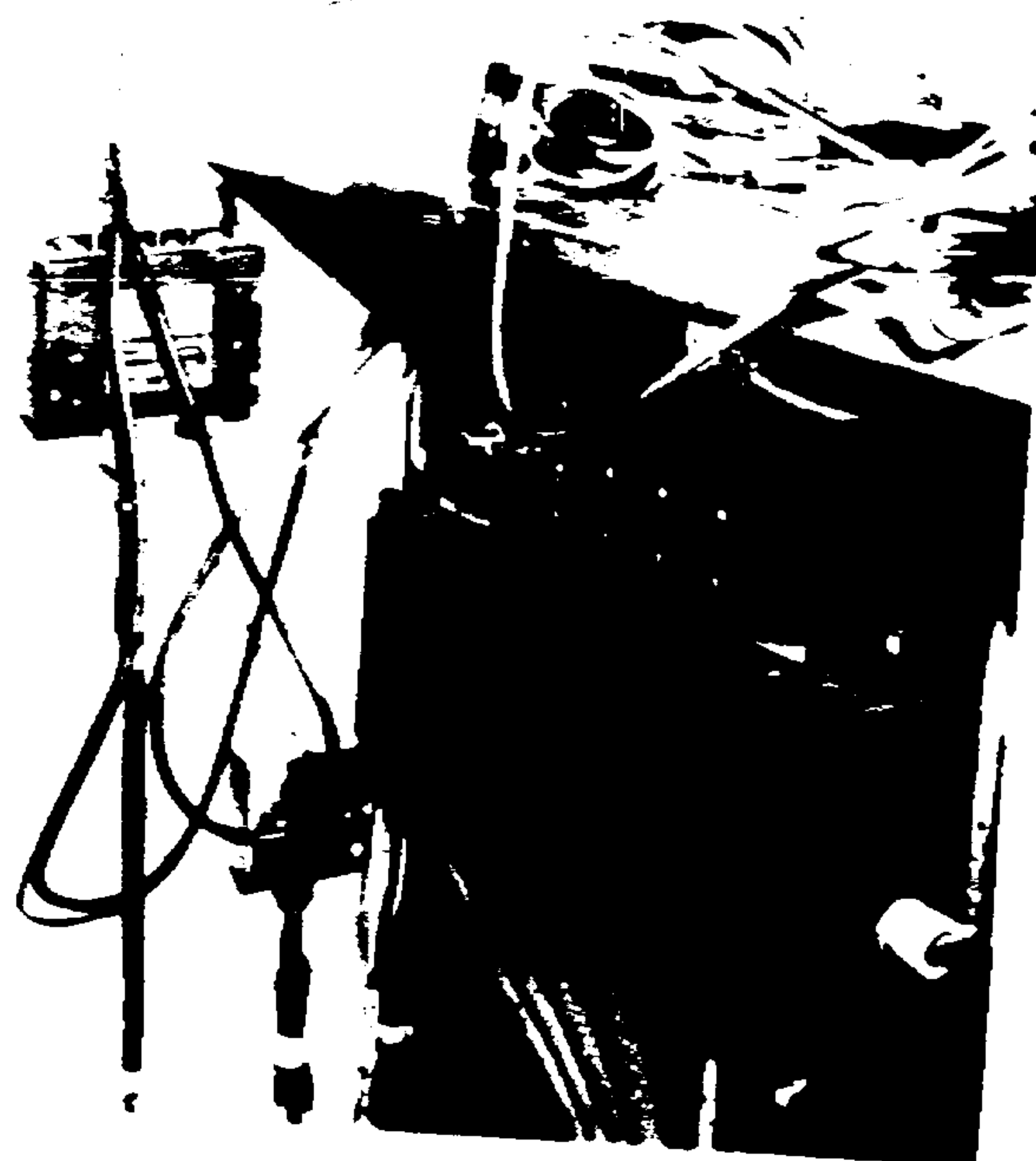
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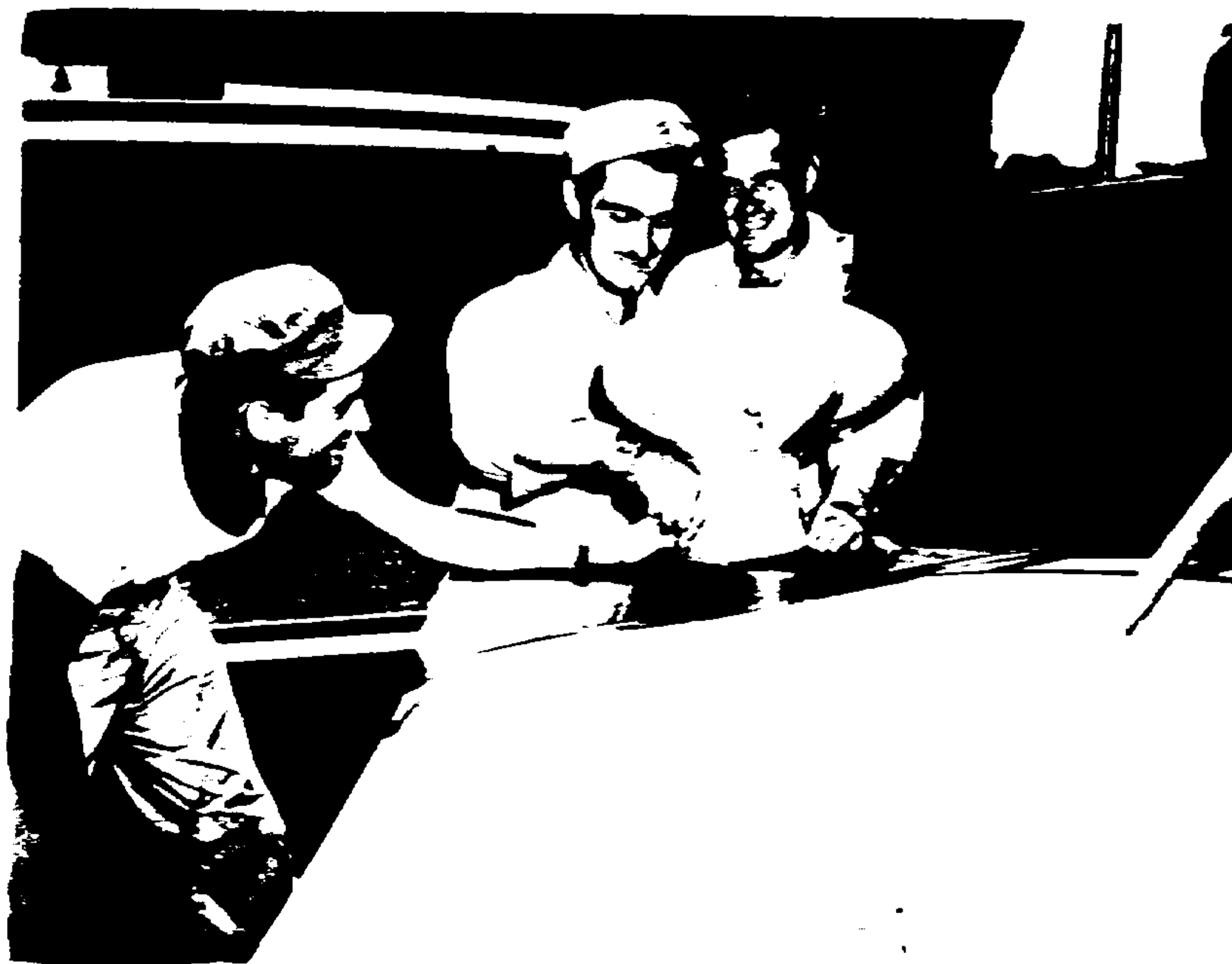


BC-602-A CONTROL BOX FOR
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SHELF FOR BC-375, AND
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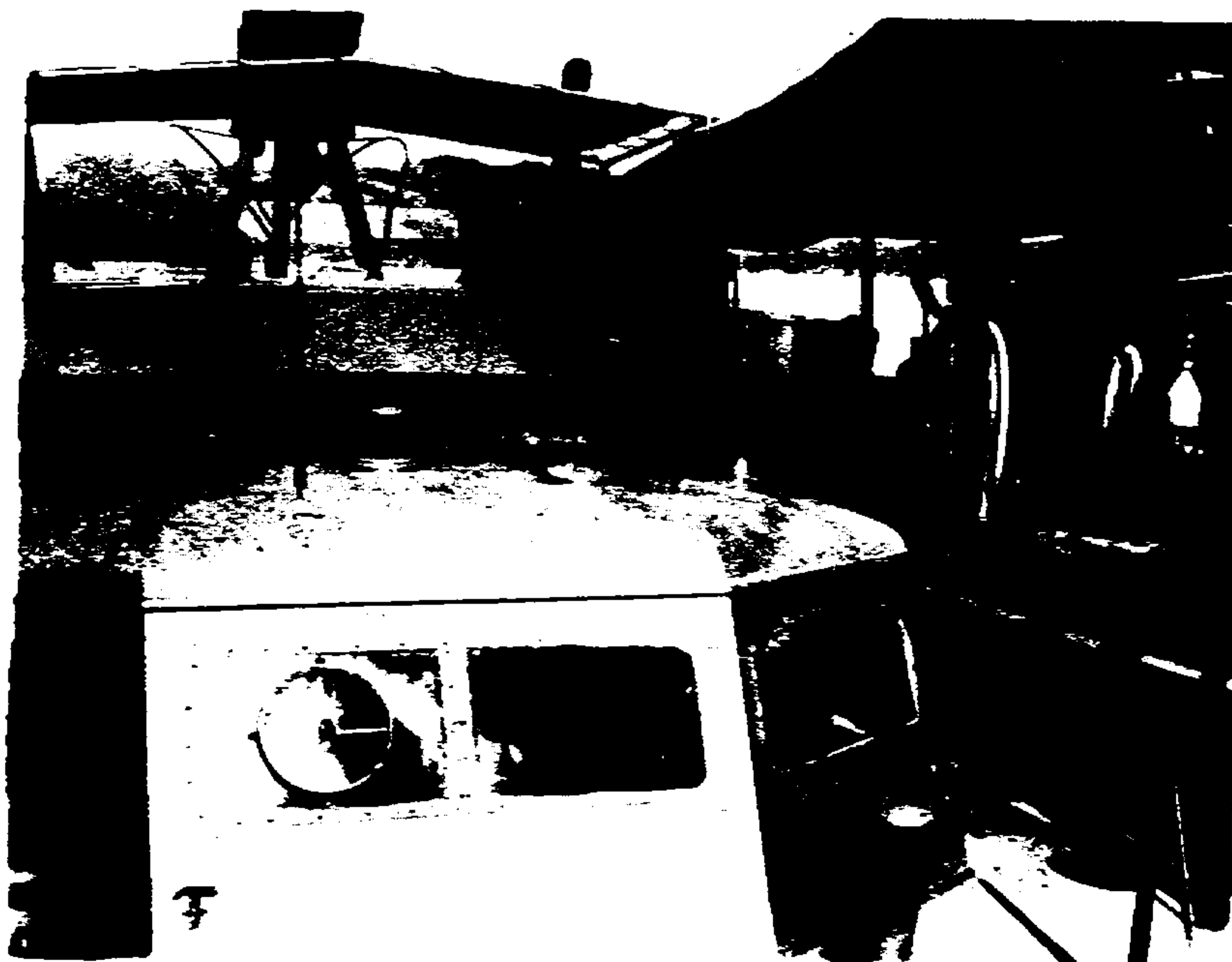


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VIEWS OF WORK ON CRASH BOATS



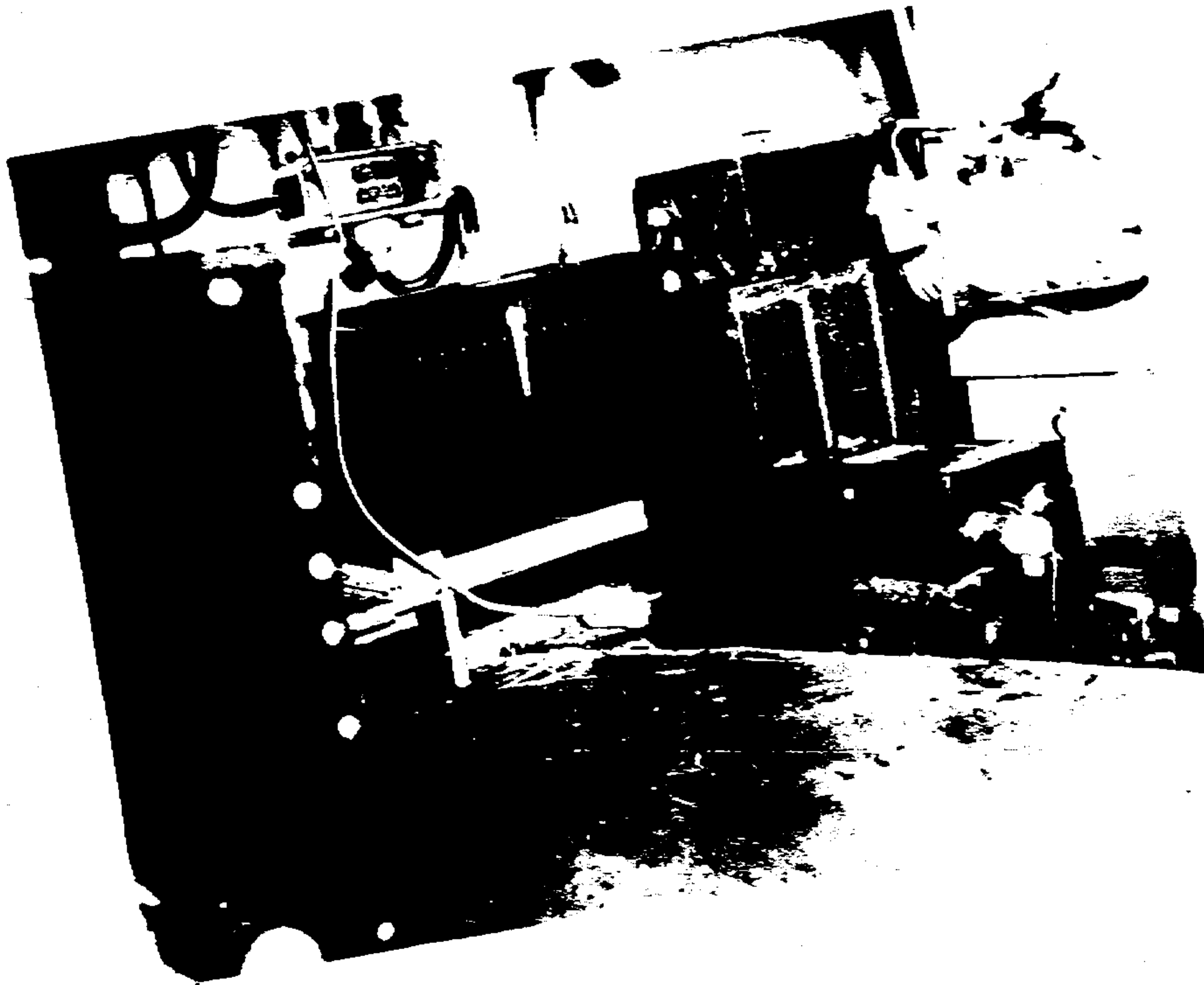
PFC APPELSON, T/3 RIDENOUR AND T/4 PEGG, LEFT TO RIGHT,
AT WORK ON SCR-269 ANTENNA ON STARBOARD SIDE OF CHART ROOM.



VIEW OF BRIDGE SHOWING SCR-269 SENSE ANTENNA ON ROOF OF
CHART ROOM AND BC-375 ANTENNA ON PORT SIDE OF CHART ROOM.

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VIEWS OF WORK ON CRASH BOATS
STORAGE LOCKER UNDER
CHART ROOM LOOKING AFT



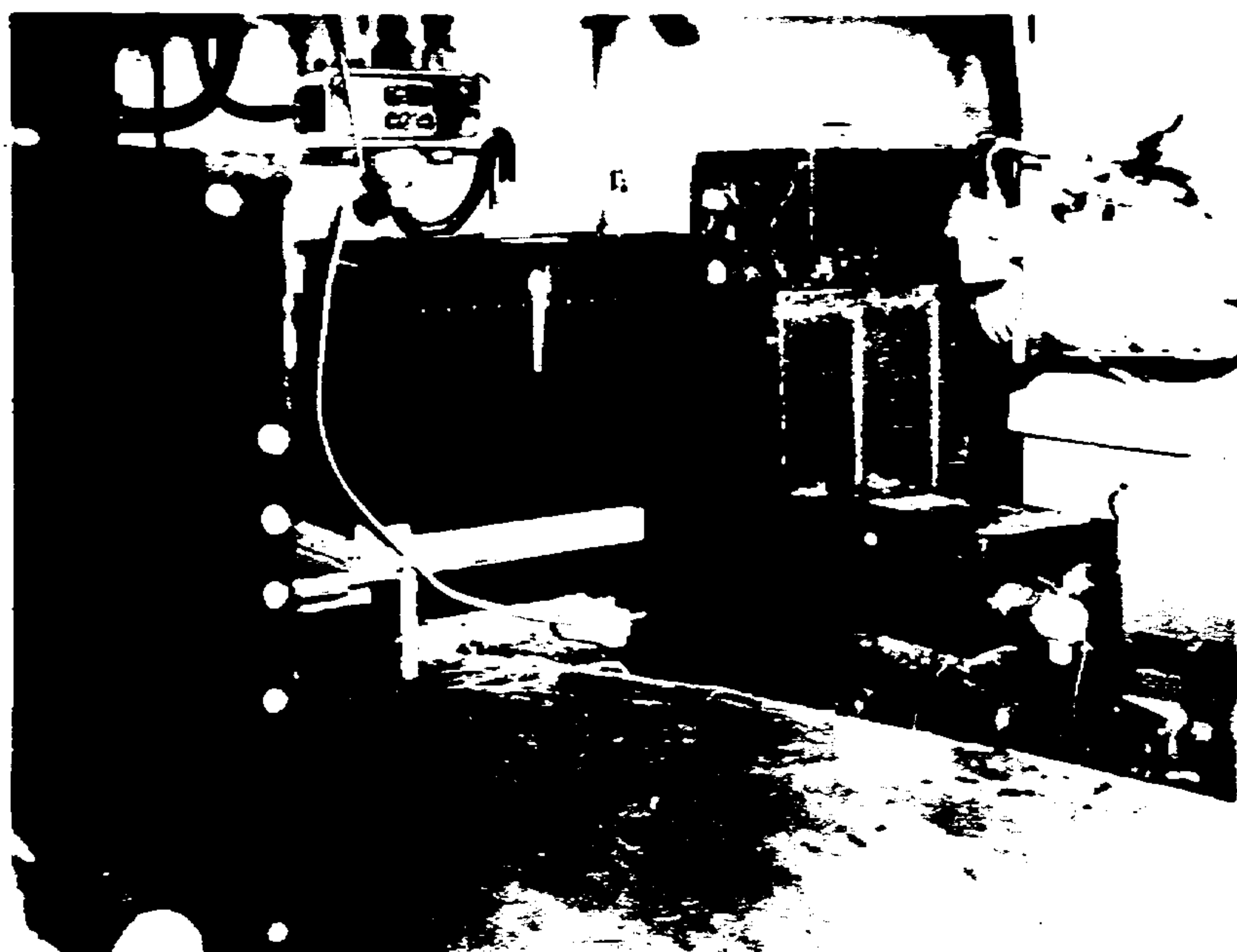
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SCR-722 CENTER
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BG 375
PE-73-C DYNAMOTOR, LOWER
RIGHT



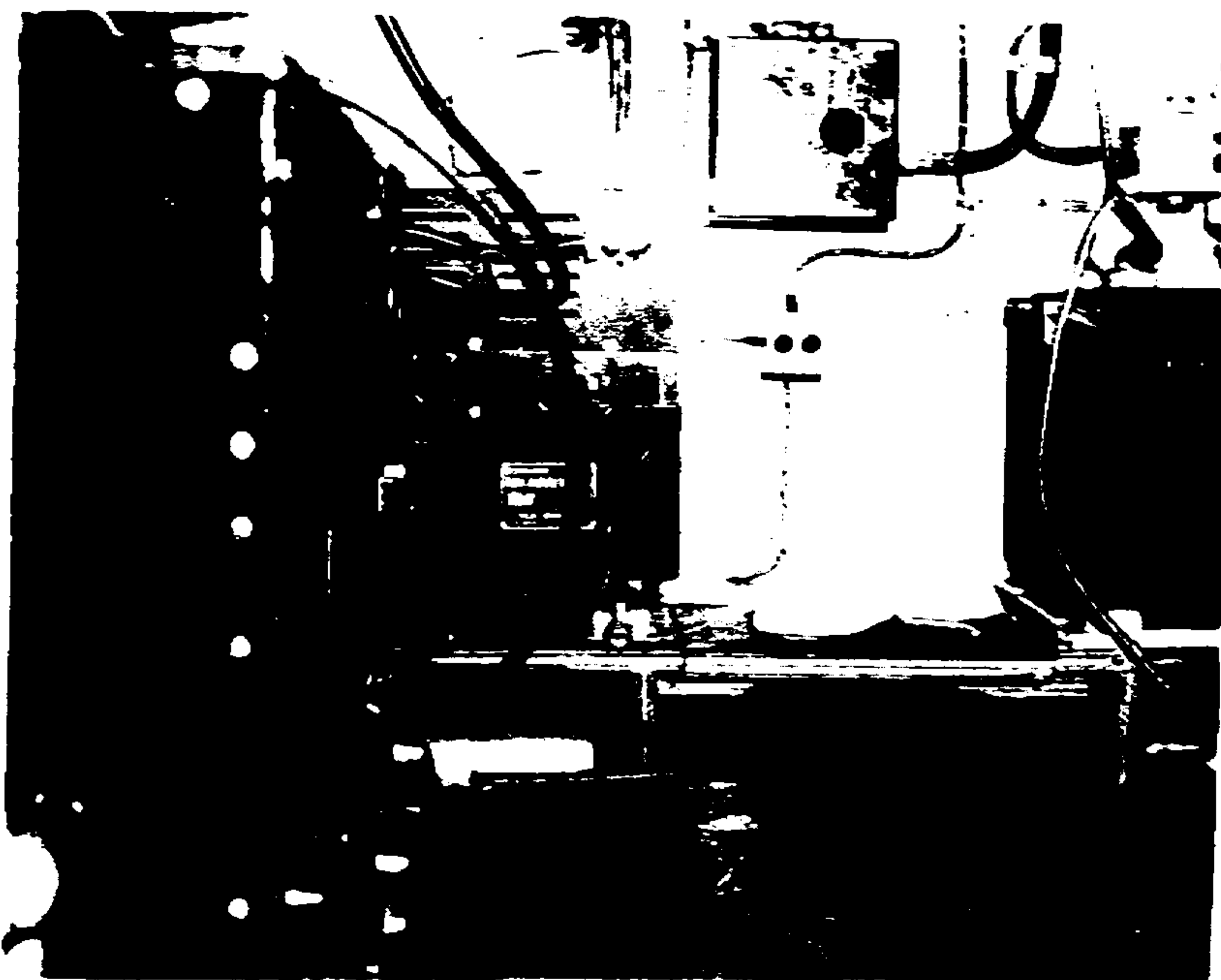
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CENTER.
D.C. DISTRIBUTOR BOX,
CENTER.
CENTER.

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VIEWS OF WORK ON CRASH BOATS
STORAGE LOCKER UNDER
CHART ROOM LOOKING AFT



STARBOARD SIDE:
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PE-73-C DYNAMOTOR, LOWER
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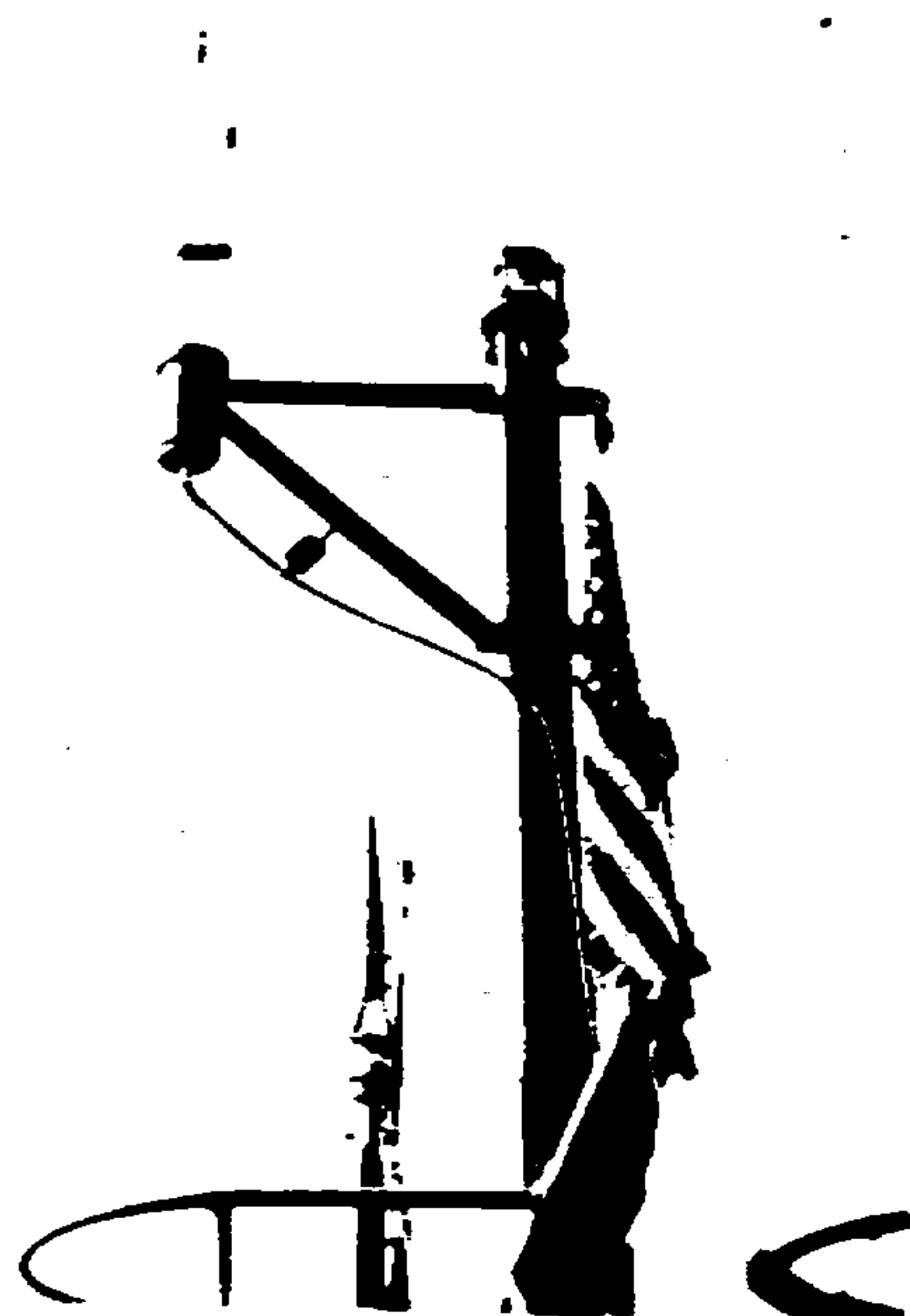


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CENTER.
D.C. DISTRIBUTOR BOX,
TOP CENTER.
BC 767 INDICATOR, CENTER.
SCR 522, RIGHT.

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VIEWS OF WORK ON CRASH BOATS



SCR 522 ANTENNA
(TOP CENTER)

SCR 269 SENSE ANTENNA
(DIAGONALLY FORWARD
FROM MAST)



T/3 LESTER J. WIDENOUR JR.,
RIGHT, AND PFC WILLIAM F.
APPELSON AT WORK ON ANTENNA
INSTALLATION. I.F.F. ANTENNA,
LOWER LEFT.

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AUTH: CG PAF
INIT *Adm*
DATE *1 Aug 45*

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AIR FORCE: FIFTH AIR FORCE
COMMAND : V AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
GROUP : 59TH AIR SERVICE GROUP
COMPANY : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY
PERIOD : 1 APRIL 1945 TO 30 APRIL 1945
HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION BEEN CHECKED? Yes

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PERIOD 1 APRIL 1945 - 30 APRIL 1945

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
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HISTORICAL REPORT FROM 1 APRIL 1945 TO 30 APRIL 1945

-Operational Activities--

Still functioning as an assigned unit of the 59th Air Service Group in the Tacloban area of Leyte, the 1024th Signal Company has completed its fifth month in the Philippines and its 39th month overseas.

As the only signal company in the Group operating a radio station the 1024th continues to handle all Group communications to points outside the Island by radio, and intra-Island communications by teletype.

A total of 771 messages were handled by the message center during the period of this report. There were 520 outgoing messages and 251 incoming messages. Outgoing coded groups amounted to 63,023 and incoming coded groups to 89,669.

Units of the 59th Air Service Group serviced by the message center are as follows:

Hq. and Hq. Sq.

49th Air Service Sq.

478th Air Service Sq.

84th Airdrome Sq.

305th Airdrome Sq.

324th Airdrome Sq.

384th Air Service Group

1816th Ord. S&M Co.

1159th QM Trucking Co.

2066th QM Trucking Co.

2078th QM Trucking Co.

11th Malaria Control Det.

Units assigned to 46th Service Group, under temporary control of 59th and also serviced by the 1024th are;

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1015th Ord S&M Co.

1037th Signal Co.

1954th QM Trucking Co.

704th Chemical Maint. Co.

Radio communications are still maintained by the Group's station 5BX with the Fifth Air Force Service Command (PF4) at Clark Field, Luzon; with the 58th Service Group (EM38) on Mindoro and the 63rd Service Group (YJ4) on Samar.

Teletype is in communications with all points on the Island. The telephone operations section which runs the Tiger switchboard is still handling a large volume of traffic and the line crew is constantly on the alert for breaks to maintain uninterrupted service.

The volume of orders handled by the Signal Supply section fell off considerably this month due to the continued movement of tactical units to other stations. Most of the work in this section was devoted to building up a 30 day stock supply in preparedness for any movement order. Besides accomplishing this, time was found to see that all equipment and stock was fully operative and protected from the weather.

A total of 386 jobs were turned out in the Radio Repair shops during this month and a total of 27 jobs in the teletype and telephone repair sections. This total represents a drop of only approximately 25 jobs over the previous month. Work is being immediately handled as it comes in there being no back-log of orders. Replacement parts with the exception of common items are almost impossible to get.

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Expansion of I & E Program

Taking advantage of the general lull in operations, Capt. Austin A. Webb, commanding officer, launched an expanded Information and Education program during the latter part of the month. In compliance with orders, attendance of all personnel was required at a one-hour weekly forum session. Three topics vitally important to service men have thus far been discussed at these meetings and a widespread interest has been developed in the program. The topics were: "Veterans' Organizations", "What to Do with Germany and Japan," and "Post War Military Training."

In line with this general expansion, Tec 4 William F. Pegg, a teacher in civilian life, was appointed I & E Non-Com, assisted by Pfc Leon R. Henry Jr. Pegg immediately sent out a questionnaire to all personnel, mainly concerned with their post-war plans and for their opinions on how such a program should be conducted.

Officers and men who are experts in civilian trades or professions have offered to conduct classes in their specialties and a schedule of such sessions is being prepared. The I & E bulletin board has been brought up to date and a daily summary of the news is posted twice a day in the mess hall. Sgt. Pegg has also taken over a page in the Company's newspaper "The Bugle Call" to stimulate interest in I & E. Applications for Army Institute courses are still increasing.

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Personnel Changes

During the month Tec 3 Lester T. Ridenour Jr. was appointed Acting First Sergeant replacing S/Sgt Conway Wallace. Five enlisted men joined the unit from replacement centers. Two men were sent on temporary duty to airborne radar school at Madzab along with one other who is attending Chemical Warfare school.

T/Sgt/ Charles H. Filtean, the Company's chief clerk, returned to duty after a furlough to the U.S. Returned home on rotation were Tec 3 William F. Potter, head of the teletype repair section, and T/4 Donald F. Lambe of the Message Center.

A Classification Board was set up under FRAP Regulation 35-51 dated 3 Aug. 1944. It consists of Capt. Webb, 1st Lt. Harold A. Smith and Tec 5 Robert R. Wylie.

Lt. Smith was also appointed Chemical Warfare Officer, assisted by S/Sgt. Stan E. Ekman and Sgt. Edmund J. Syath. WOJG Robert O. Medleck was named Special Service Officer. His assistants are: Sgt. Eugene S. Treiber, Tec 4 Gustave J. Weiss and Tec 4 Frederick M. Sugerman. Pfc John F. Maguire, editor of the "Bugle Call" was appointed Historical and Public Relations NCO.

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Sports and Morale

Credit for being one of the greatest morale builders in the history of the Company must go to the basketball team which defeated all comers in the 59th Air Service Group League to win the championship.

The games not only proved to be an exciting pastime for players and spectators alike, but did tremendous good in promoting an esprit de corps in the Company which should carry on for the duration. Attached in Appendix "B" is a copy of the Eagle Call reporting on the winning of the championship and in Appendix "C" is a photo of the team.

Basketball was not the only interest. A new volleyball tournament with several more teams taking in at least 70 percent of the personnel was begun and is found to be a pleasant substitute for enforced calisthenics. The new day room, illustrated in Appendix "D", was opened this month. It affords a table for ping-pong fans and is also well patronized by card players. A library containing over 400 books is also in the day room.

A good deal of interest was taken in a quiz program held during the month and Pfc Henry and Maguire are new members of the Group's Quiz Team which has entered the finals for the Base I championship.

All these after-duty activities have done much to boost morale but the war news from both major theaters, has done the most good. The men are imbued with a spirit of "getting it over with" which should pay off in any future operations.

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Strength Report

Assigned strength for the period follows:

	EM	OFF
Beginning Period	91	3
<u>Net Loss</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
End Period	90	3



AUSTIN A. WEBB

Capt. Sig Co.
Commanding.

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APPENDIX "A"

MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
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22 April 1945

MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Period: 21 Mar 45 - 20 Apr 45

I. INDIVIDUAL CASES:

- a. Letter received by Tsg 5 Cecil F. Dertak, 9835579 from unknown correspondent.
- b. Reported to S-2, 59th Air Service Group, copy attached.
- c. Case considered closed.

II. Rumors: None.

III. Propaganda Activity: None. Personnel listening to Tokyo radio largely superseded by local station WPK.

IV. MORALE: Good.

- a. Work has declined, more time now for recreation.
- b. Day room completed.
- c. Rations have been good.
- d. PX supplies have been excellent.
- e. Two men were returned to USA on rotation this month.

V. UNIT COVERED BY THIS SUMMARY: 1024th Signal Company Service Group.

VI. POSITIVE SECURITY MEASURES:

- a. Patrols and area guards at night.
- b. Security and Counter-section of Counter Intelligence Memoranda prepared by V AFWS was brought to attention of entire company.

VII. REMARKS AND QUESTIONS: Unit Intelligence Officer and NSC were able to devote 1/2 of their time to intelligence duties.

1 Incl: as indicated.

**ARTHUR A. VAND,
Captain, Signal Corps,
Intelligence Officer.**

DISTRIBUTION:

- 3 - AS of S, A-2, V AFWS, APO 710
(Thru channels)
- 1 - Report to S-2, HQ, USAF, APO 50.
- 1 - Report to 159th CIB Det, APO 72.
- 1 - S-2, HQ, 59th Air Service Group, APO 72.
- 1 - File
- ✓ 1 - Historical Report.

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**1004TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 72**

10 April 1945

SUBJECT: Unsolicited Correspondence.

TO : Intelligence Officer, 59th Air Service Group, APO 72.

- 1. Inclosed is a letter and envelope received by Tsc 5 General F. Dertch of this organization from an unknown person.**
- 2. The serial number is right, but the last name and address are obviously inaccurate.**
- 3. Tsc 5 Dertch states that he has sent him no "piece of paper" other than normal letters to persons known to him.**
- 4. Suggest correspondence be forwarded to CHE Detachment at Mobile, Alabama.**

**I Incl:
Incl 1 - letter as indicated.**

**/s/Austin A. Webb
/Z/AUSTIN A. WEBB,
Captain, Signal Corps.**

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 72**

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APPENDIX "B"

HUGLE CALL BASKETBALL EDITION

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-1024th SIGNAL COMPANY- THE BUGLE CALL

APRIL 21, 1945

IN THE PHILIPPINES

VOL 1 NO. 23

1024TH TAKES CHAMPIONSHIP AS 59TH BOWS AGAIN, 20 TO 19.



T/3 RIDENOUR IS APPOINTED ACTING FIRST SERGEANT.

Lester Thomas Ridenour Jr., the new acting First Sergeant hails from the hills near Hagerstown, Md. He was drafted in 1917 but missed the draft in the last war. This time he wasn't so lucky.

After getting out of the usual schools, without the need of a fire, he took up railroading as a clerk in the offices of the Western Maryland Railway Co. He says his favorite hobby is women and his favorite place and song is "Maryland, My Maryland."

THRILL-A-MINUTE GAME HAD PLAYERS-SPECTATORS SWEATING IT OUT!!

By Pfc J.F. Maguire

(still temporary Sports ed.)

IN A GAME JAMPACKED WITH THRILLS AND SPILLS THE GASHOUSE GANG OF THE 1024TH PROVED THEMSELVES REAL CHAMPS BY HANGING ON TO A ONE POINT LEAD TO DEFEAT THE 59TH HEADQUARTERS TEAM, 20 TO 19 AND CLINCH THE SERVICE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP.

IF THERE HAD BEEN ANY RAFTERS THE SPECTATORS WOULD HAVE BEEN HANGING FROM THEM, AS IT WAS, THEY WERE HANGING ON WITH A WING AND A PRAYER.

Guarded closer than an M.P. guards a WAC, the 1024th quintet couldn't break away 'til the last quarter when they ran up 6 points. Before that the Signal-men had a tough time breaking through the Fifty-Niners' defense. At half time it was 11 to 9 in favor of the 59th and they still held the lead at the end of the third quarter, 16 to 12.

Racking up 8 points, most of them scored from the mallee under the basket, Bob Meyers annexed individual honors. "Rubber-legs" Hilton of the 59th scored one less point to pace his team.

Cooley as usual, could be relied on to come up with the ball with the consistency of a seal coming up with a fish. Willie Benson and "Tommy" Thomas kept the boys well fed with passes, and Will, himself, took time off to run up four points, which was no cinch in that game.

West and Rubin covered themselves with glory and sweat as they broke up the

1024TH WDS CHAMPIONSHIP

(continued from page 1)

a rally by stealing the ball away from the opposition with the ease of a Jesse James.

The unknown hero or goat of the game--depending on how you looked at it--was the timekeeper. Just like a Hollywood scenario, a split second before the final whistle, one of the 59ers let on go at the basket. As it turned out it was a miss but was far from as good as a mile to the characters who had plenty of pesos on the outcome.

Mgr. Morty Marks did plenty of sweating and even forgot to smoke his usual G.I. cigar. Appleton again set a new high for refereeing and is fast becoming the best referee in the Islands.

Tonight the boys take on the champs of the Base K League with the championship of AFO 72 at stake. And so as we say in Brooklyn--leave us go out and root for dem--and wind up the season in a blaze of glory. See the souvenir supplement for further details.

GAG DEPARTMENT

"Sugar pie," said the dark one to his Susie, "did that kiss I just gave you make you long for another?"

"It sure did", said Susie, "but he's out of town."

"I know how to settle this unemployment problem," said one wag. "If we put all the men in the world on one island and all the women on another, we'd have everybody busy in no time."

"Well, what would they be doing?"

"Why, boat-building."

Epitaph for a leader of the Third Reich: "Here lies Joseph Goebbels--as usual."

Then there was the hillbilly pappy who put a Maxim silencer on his gun because his daughter wanted a quiet wedding.

If all the dogfaces were laid end to end in the mess hall, they'd reach.

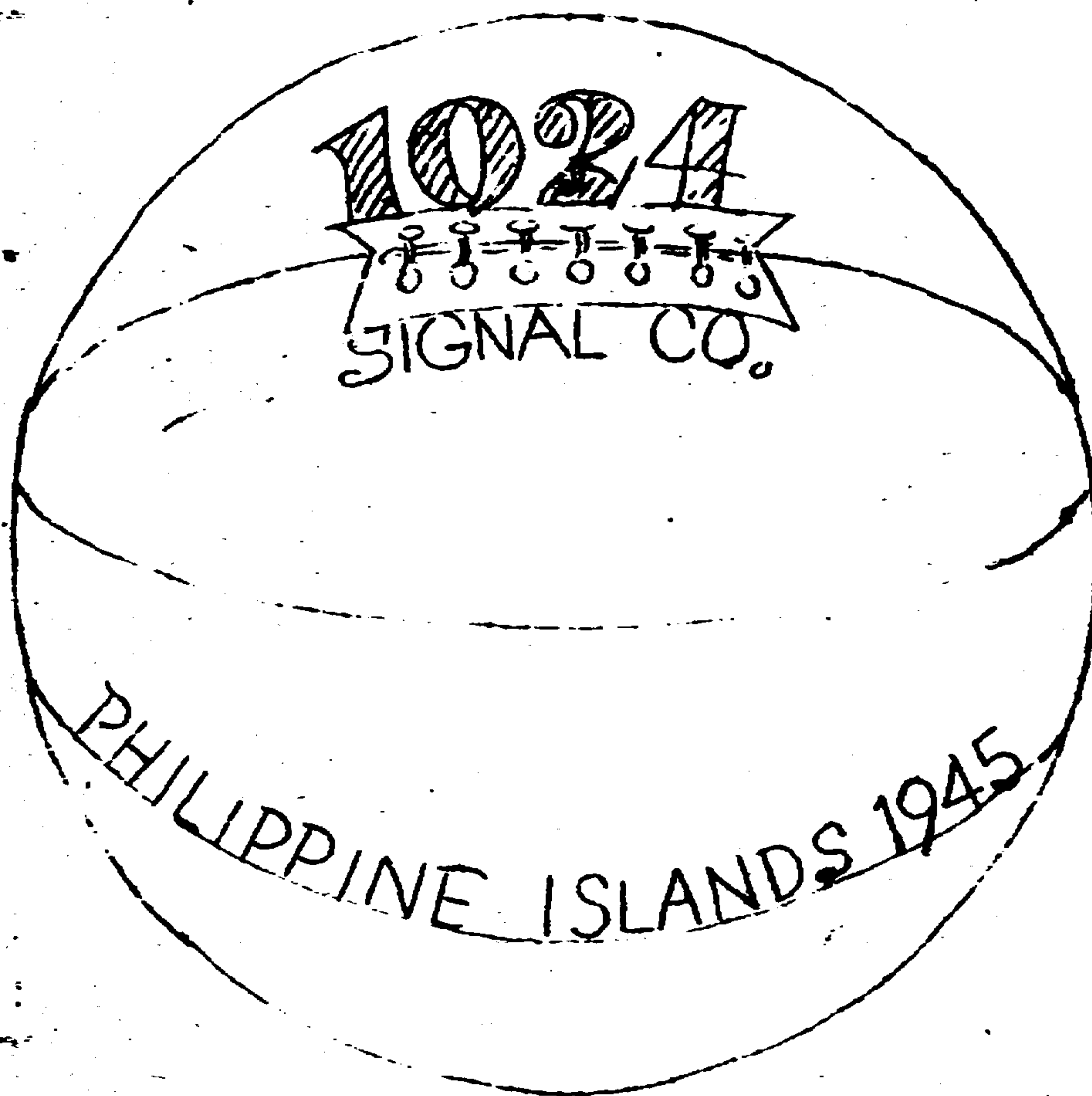
THE CHATTER BOX

By Pt M)AGCO

India has its Taj Mahal and the 1024th has its dayroom. Yes, gentlemen, the company now boasts of the snazziest club in this or any other barrio. Benny K., can take his hat off, if he will, and take a bow for a fine job. Long before the Nipa branches on the roof turned brown, Gene FX Treiber had a ping pong table set up and that gleam in his eye bodes no good for casual players. All the furniture is not in as yet and sooner or later some kind of plans will be made for the official opening....G.I. Joe lost a real friend the other day when Ernie Pyle rated as the best reporter of this war, was shot through the head by Jap machine gunners. Little Ernie did his job to the end and was a credit to his profession... Your columnist is back on the "key" as we professionals put it and as soon as he can get Gus Weiss off his back, he may get back in form. I'll have a double ooke tonight, Gus.....Another forum session is scheduled for this afternoon--that is if this sheet gets out on time. The question this time will be "What should we do with Germany and Japan?" Hall that easy. Put em on a 1,000 year diet of Spam and bully beef....Before we forget ~~the~~ we wish to thank Joe Donnelly who weve just promoted to "Staff" artist and Curley Van Der Molen of the 59th for their services in getting out this edition of the Bugle ahead of schedule....Dick Czerew and Red Weber are now ~~sm~~ members of the 59th Service League Baseball team. Czerew is making a name for himself, he's called Cezrow by the coach, but as long as he's not called out he doesnt care, I guess.... Saw Pop Killian and Andy in the hospital and both are very much contented with the nurses in charge of their wards..... Charlie Filteau, now back in the groove has suddenly turned athletic and is boasting of the new volley ball team he is going to surprise the League with.. There is a nasty rumor around that we get no beer this month. What price glory.

SOUVENIR EDITION ~ THE BUGLE CALL ~ APRIL 21, 1945

59TH AIR SERVICE GROUP LEAGUE CHAMPIONS



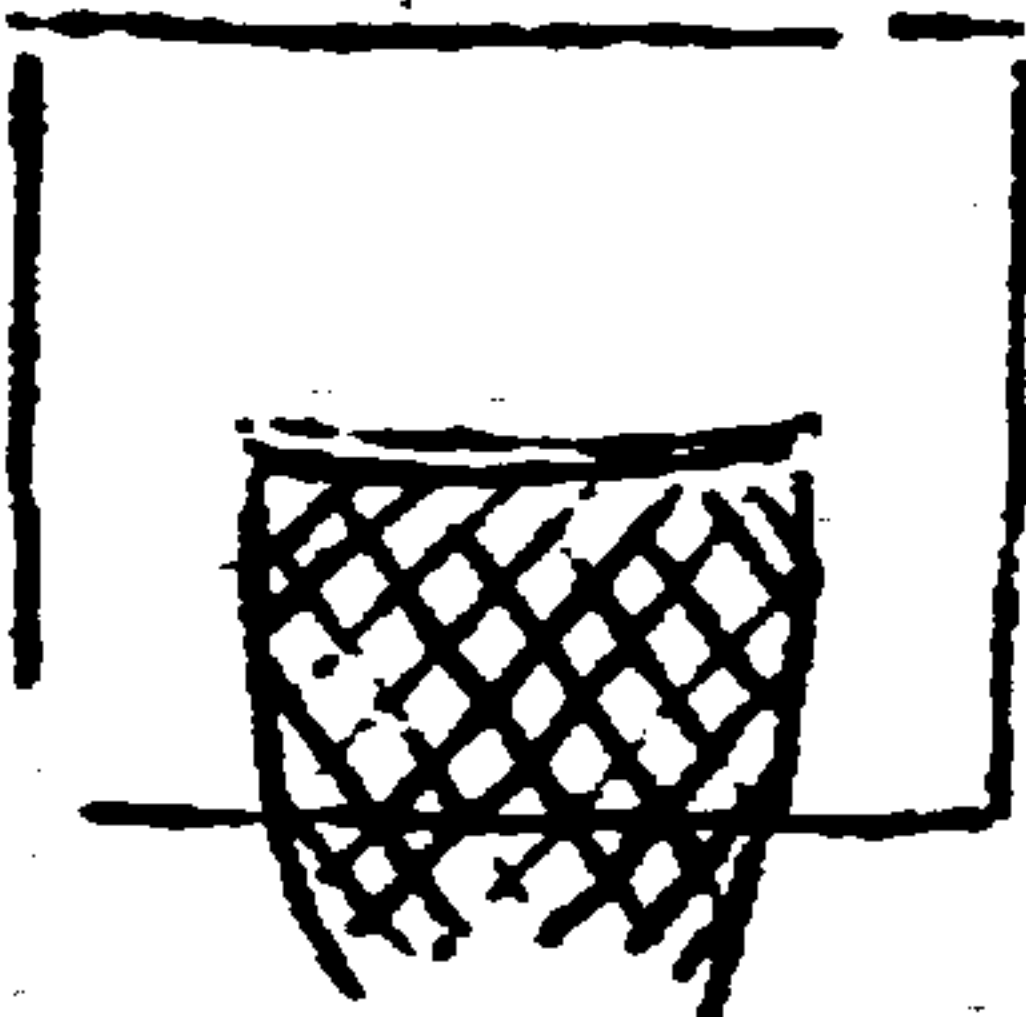
THE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

SGT. ROBERT V. MEYERS (NEW YORK)
CPL. CHARLES THOMAS (INDIANA)
CPL. IRWIN COOLEY (NEW YORK)
CPL. LAWRENCE RUBIN (NEW YORK)

CPL. WILLIE E. HENSON (MISSISSIPPI)
SGT. CHARLES WEST (MASS.)
S/SGT HOWARD WEBER (WISCONSIN)
PFC RICHARD MOORE (ILLINOIS)
PFC. CLARENCE KIPER (KY.)

CPL. MORTY MARKS, MGR. (NEW YORK)
T/SGT SY WECHSLER, SC'KEEPER (OHIO)
PFC BILL APPELSON, REFEREE, (NEW JERSEY)

SHOTS OF THE CHAMPS



SGT ROBERT V. MEYERS--

Meyers who captained the 1024th Gasbouse Gang learned his basketball in leagues and church games in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn where they grow basketball players along with that "tree". He also led the team in points with 71 to his credit.

CPL CHARLES THOMAS--

The season's third highest scorer is the pride and joy of Richmond, Indiana--he even gets Christmas cards from the Mayor, no less. "Tommy's" hobbies are collecting popular songs and defending Frankie Sinatra.

CPL IRWIN J. COCKEY--If they still claim him, Cockey could be called the pride of Tarrytown, N.Y. He took up basketball at a tender age but insists that he "stunk" as a high school player. Since he insists we'll leave it at that and leave him to his other sport of checkers.

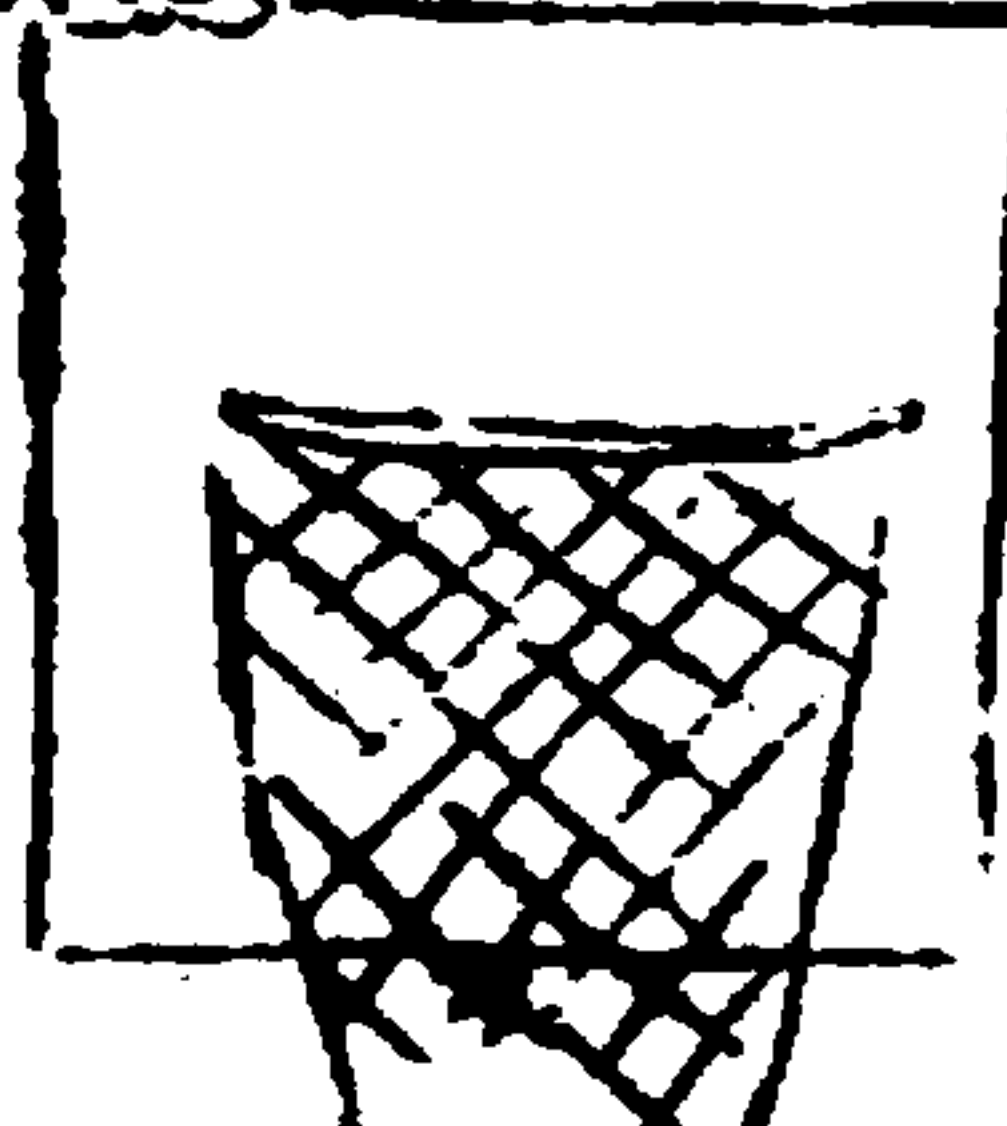
CPL LARRY RUBIN--Everybody who never went to NYU knows by this time that Larry once played for the Hall of Fame team. He lives around 82nd St. in Manhattan and as a civilian played the juke boxes in the local cocktail lounges. Rubin finished second in the individual score column with 59 points.

How THEY WON EM

1024TH 37; 481st Sv Sq.	32
1024TH 52; 305th Drome	45
1024TH 50; 2066th CM	26
1024TH 14; 59th Hq Sq.	9
1024TH 34; 1159th CM	24
1024TH 49; 305th Drome	27
1024TH 47; 2066th CM	38
1024TH 20; 59th Hq Sq	19

Totals 297

220



CPL WILLIE E. HENSON--

A solid player from the solid South, "All" hails from Batesville Miss., where he did a little playing for the local schools. The man of many G.I. diplomas played a whale of a game running up 45 points.

SGT. CHARLES WEST--

Boston and fair Harvard can lay claim to Charlie, the Robert

Taylor of the team. Chuck ran up 24 points and pulled many a game out of the fire.

W/SGT. HOWARD "RED" WEBER--

The former Indianapolis 2nd baseman proved no novice at basketball, and helped the gang out of many a hole.

PFC RICHARD D. MOORE--More than once "Muscles" went in there and tore the foe apart. He hails from Arkansas, but is now hiding out in Ill...

PFC CLARENCE KIFER--

"Short" Kifer proved he could handle any sized opponent. He is now attending G.I.U.....

MORTY MILES--Morty the BTO, masterminded the team as the mgr. He is a Long Island product and will talk window frames at the drop of a hat with 20 percent off for former soldiers.

T/SGT ST WECHSLER--Kept the score to our satisfaction and did a fine job.

PFC BILL A. NELSON--Hailed by all as the best referee in the Philippines. Mabuhay.

INDIVIDUAL SCORES

MEYERS.....	71
RUBIN.....	59
THOMAS.....	57
COCKEY.....	47
HENSON.....	45
WEST.....	24
WEBER.....	8
KIFER.....	8
MOORE.....	4

ROOT THEM IN TONIGHT.

The CHAMPS take on the 503rd Port Battalion tonight in the playoff for the championship of APO 72. Let's back the gang with our lungs and paces, don't let 'em down now. A truck will leave the area at 7PM. If you don't catch it the game will be played in town in the vicinity of the capitol building.

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PHOTO OF BASKETBALL TEAM

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY BASKETBALL TEAM
CHAMPIONS OF 59TH AIR SERVICE GROUP LEAGUE-1945



Undefeated champions of the 59th Air Service Group basketball League, the 1024th's team lines up as follows:
Rear row, left to right, Tec 5 Marty Marks, manager; Sgt. Bob Meyers, captain; Cpl. Irwin Cooley, Cpl. Willie E. Benson, Tec 4 Lawrence Rubin, and Pfc Bill Appelsen, referee.
Front row, left to right; T/Sgt Sy Wechaler, timekeeper; Pfc Dick Moore, Cpl. Charles Thomas, Sgt. Charles West and S/ Sgt. Howard Weber.

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APPENDIX "D"

PHOTO OF COMPANY DAY-ROOM

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VII. OF NEWLY-CONSTRUCTED COMPANY DAY ROOM

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PHOTO OF SIGNPOST

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 72

HISTORICAL RECORD

AIR FORCE: FIFTH AIR FORCE

COMMAND : V AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

GROUP : 59TH AIR SERVICE GROUP

COMPANY : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY ✓

PERIOD : 1 MAY 1945 TO 31 MAY 1945

HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION BEEN CHECKED? Yes.

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 72

9 June 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Report.

TO : Commanding General, Fifth Air Force, APO 710
Attn: Historical Officer.

1. Transmitted herewith is Historical Report for this organization covering the period 1 May 1945 to 31 May 1945.

2. The material submitted was prepared by Pfc John F. Maguire, 32533877, under the supervision of Capt. Austin A. Webb, O-316889, Signal Corps. Facts and observations included in the narrative and not otherwise credited are based on the personal knowledge and opinions of Pfc. Maguire.



AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt. Sig. C..
Commanding.

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1 Incl-Historical Report.

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
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HISTORICAL RECORD

PERIOD 1 May 1945--31 May 1945

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 72**

HISTORICAL REPORT FROM 1 MAY 1945 TO 31 MAY 1945

---Operational Activities---

Preparations for an impending move took up most of the duties of the personnel of the 1024th Signal Company, which, on the last day of this report marked its 40th month on overseas duty. The unit also completed its sixth month of operations in the Philippines as an assigned organization of the 59th Air Service Group in the Tacloban area of Leyte Island.

All operating sections of the Company were under orders to check their equipment and supplies for such a movement and to report any shortages.

A suitable supply of salvaged lumber was being assembled by a special detail as material for the construction of portable shops and buildings so that a minimum of time may be given to this work at the new station. Work on a portable switchboard, mounted on a captured Japanese gun-trailer, also neared completion. Such an installation is expected to prove of value in speeding up the establishment of communications until such a time as permanent installations can be constructed.

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1024th Signal Company
Historical Report
Continued.

Both the Radio Repair section and Signal Supply section were busy on crating details and in checking and requisitioning supplies needed for immediate operation in the new station. Most of the work is now well advanced. This work together with regular operational duties kept both sections fairly busy during the month. Over 50,000 pounds of equipment was received and shipped by the Signal Supply section during the month.

The Radio Repair section completed 309 repair jobs during May and the telephone repair section handled 35 jobs besides reclaiming a large number of handset phones turned in by organizations leaving the station.

Work was also done for the first time at this location on SCR 729 and AN/APN--4.

During the month the motor pool continued to check and repair, when needed, the 13 vehicles assigned to the company. Included in this number were three new jeeps and 3 new 2½ ton trucks, including a dump truck, acquired during the period of this report. The new vehicles were assembled and checked by the motor pool and the lumber used in crating them was salvaged for the above-mentioned construction material.

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1024th Signal Company
Historical Report
Continued

---Communications---

During the month telephone communications fell off to some extent due to the movement of many outfits. Under Appendix "B" is a copy of the telephone directory of Tiger switchboard which is operated and maintained by this organization.

The Message Center meanwhile continued to be the busiest section in the unit, as it remained the only signal company in the Group operating a radio station and a teletype net.

A total of 586 coded messages were handled during the month. Out of this total, 83 incoming messages and 43 outgoing messages were cyphered on the M-209 device. The new 2022 "strip" code device was used in working 171 incoming messages and 289 outgoing messages. The total number of all incoming groups was 12,177. Outgoing groups amounted to 21,506 for a grand total of 40,866 groups. Personnel found the 2022 strip system to be very tiring and hard on the eyes.

---Personnel Changes----

During the month 1st Lt. Seldon O. Morgan was relieved from DS with this Company and assigned to the 7th Signal Radio Maintenance Team. In one of his duties with this organization as Transportation Officer, Lt. Morgan did a thorough job of re-organizing the motor pool and kept transportation on a high level.

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First Sergeant Maurice A. Carter returned to the Company after a furlough to the U.S. under the Rotation Plan. He immediately resumed his duties relieving Tsc 3 Lester T. Ridemour Jr., who performed the duties of First Sergeant in an excellent manner and without previous experience.

Four enlisted men were promoted during this period. Maurice E. Bricker was raised to Staff Sergeant; Paul E. Russell to Tsc 3; Lawrence G. Rubin to Tsc 4 and Albert R. Harr to Pfc.

The rate of replacements from the U.S. increased over other months as six enlisted men joined the organization.

Staff Sergeant Sten E. Eckman returned from Chemical Warfare School at Madras. Shortly after his return a "dry-run" of the Company's chemical warfare defense plan was held under the supervision of 1st Lt. Harold A. Smith, Chemical warfare officers

---Education and Recreation---

The primary interest of the men was centered this month on the War Department's point system plan for discharges. Shortly after V-E Day orders were carried out for the showing of the film "Tsc Down and One to Go." An exceptionally clear explanation of the plan was given the personnel in this film. A week or so later, Capt. Webb, the Commanding Officer, led a discussion on the subject and fully explained all aspects of the plan.

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The majority of men thought the point plan to be a fair one, although there was much sentiment for an increase in points for overseas duty and a reduction in points for children.

The I & E program, directed by Tec 4 William F. Pegg, continued to expand during the month. Pegg instituted classes in mathematics and radio fundamentals and the response was exceptionally good. Two evenings a week are devoted to these classes and laboratory sessions are also to be conducted for the radio class. The one-hour a week discussions on topics of current interest are still being conducted.

News bulletins are widely distributed over the area together with other information supplied by I & E headquarters. There is a natural interest in geography, as our forces draw closer to Japan.

The valley ball tournament, taking in at least 70 percent of the personnel, continues to be the chief source of physical exercise and is one of the most popular tournaments ever held by the organization.

The new day room, which was in full use this month, continues to supply other recreational needs and its library and improvised radio-phonograph are real assets to the organization.

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1024th Signal Company
Historical Report
Continued.

The following table shows the assigned strength for
the period of this report:

	EM	OFF
Beginning Period	90	3
<u>Net Gain</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>
End Period	98	3

Austin A. Webb

AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt. Sig. C..
Commanding.

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 72**

HISTORICAL REPORT

-APPENDIX "A"-

MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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**LONGHORN SIGNAL SERVICE GROUP
30th Air Service Group
APO TS**

21 May 1946

REMARKS: INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Period: 21 Apr 46 - 20 May 46

I. INDIVIDUAL CASES: None.

II. Summary: None.

**III. INTER-AREA ACTIVITY: None. Armed Forces Radio Station VFM
heavily censored Radio Tokyo.**

IV. Details: Cont.

- a. Detailed work given more recognition than.
- b. Day room facilities and education program expanded.
- c. Index of Summary with preview of new year in Pacific
partially affects negative factors.
- d. II supplies good.
- e. Quality of relations decreased somewhat. No base station for
much.
- f. Relations quite out to 6.

V. UNIT COMING IN THIS SUMMARY: 100th Signal Company, Service Group.

VI. POSITIVE SUMMARY SUMMARY:

- a. Small community and even guests at night.
- b. Security and lower section of Counter Intelligence Summary
prepared by V above was brought to attention of entire company.
- c. Small area training and living program initiated.

VII. SUMMARY AND COMMENTS:

a. Relative to Summary Status for Theater Military, how long must
a new summary be in order to be eligible? What is official interpretation
of HQ GS TS 1946 in regard to Japan Campaign? Is the II corner of
Australia the only part considered?

b. This Intelligence Officer and HQ were able to devote II of
their time to intelligence duties.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 3 - AG of S, A-2, V above, APO TS
(This channel)
- 1 - Report to G-2, HQ, WASH, APO SOI
- 1 - Report to AGPS GS Det, APO TS
- 1 - AG, HQ, 30th Air Service Group, APO TS.
- 1 - HQ.
- 1 - Enclosed Report. ✓

**ARTHUR A. WHEAT,
Captain, Signal Corps,
Intelligence Officer.**

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 72**

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-APPENDIX "B"-

COPY OF TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

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59TH AIR SERVICE GROUP

AFS 73

MAY 11, 1946

Communications Officer.....	Office	22	46
Executive Officer.....	22	46	
Group Adjutant.....	21	46	6 ring 3
S-2.....	26	46	6 ring 3
S-3.....	27	46	7
S-4.....	28	46	7
Group Ordnance.....	29	46	7
Group Engineering.....	30	46	7
Group Transportation.....	30	46	7
Group Surgeon.....	31	46	7
Group Dentist.....	32	46	7
Group Chaplain.....	33	46	7
Group Chemical.....	34	46	7
Group Quartermaster.....	35	46	7
Group Medical Supply.....	36	46	7
Statistical.....	37	46	7
Personnel.....	38	46	7
Finance.....	39	46	7
Sgt. Major.....	40	46	7
Personnel.....	41	46	7
Morning Report.....	42	46	7
Radio Operations.....	43	46	7
Signal Message Center.....	44	46	7
Special Service.....	45	46	7
A-G. Message Center.....	46	46	7
Officers' Mess.....	47	46	7
Engineering and Supply.....	48	46	7
Engineering and Supply Camp.....	49	46	7
Sub-Message Center.....	50	46	7
Handwritten Message Center Sq.....	51	46	7
Capt. Turner.....	52	46	7
Engineer Supply.....	53	46	7
Engineer Transportation.....	54	46	7
30th Airborne Sq.....	55	46	7
Engineering.....	56	46	7
Tech Supply.....	57	46	7
10th Signal Company.....	58	46	7
Capt. Webb.....	59	46	7
Radio Repair.....	60	46	7
Signal Supply.....	61	46	7
Motor Pool.....	62	46	7
Company Supply.....	63	46	7
911 Signal.....	64	46	7
912 Signal.....	65	46	7

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY
59th Air Support Group
(continued)

2110th Ordnance..... 77 (Delec)
2020th Ordnance..... 6

12th Ordnance..... 4
Map..... 11 ring 2
Automotive..... 11 ring 3

155th Signal Master Co..... 15
206th..... 1

Signal Corps Calibration Det..... 31

12th Medical Supply Platoon..... 20

11th Medical Control..... 6

5th Service Group..... 9

22nd Replacement Depot..... 48 (Dona)

18th AAA..... 52 (Signal Master)

Air Corps Supply..... 16

Det. 1st Bn..... 16 A 45

No. 1 Bn..... 34 ring 2

No. 2 Bn..... 34 ring 3

Wire Chief..... 56

TRUNK LINES

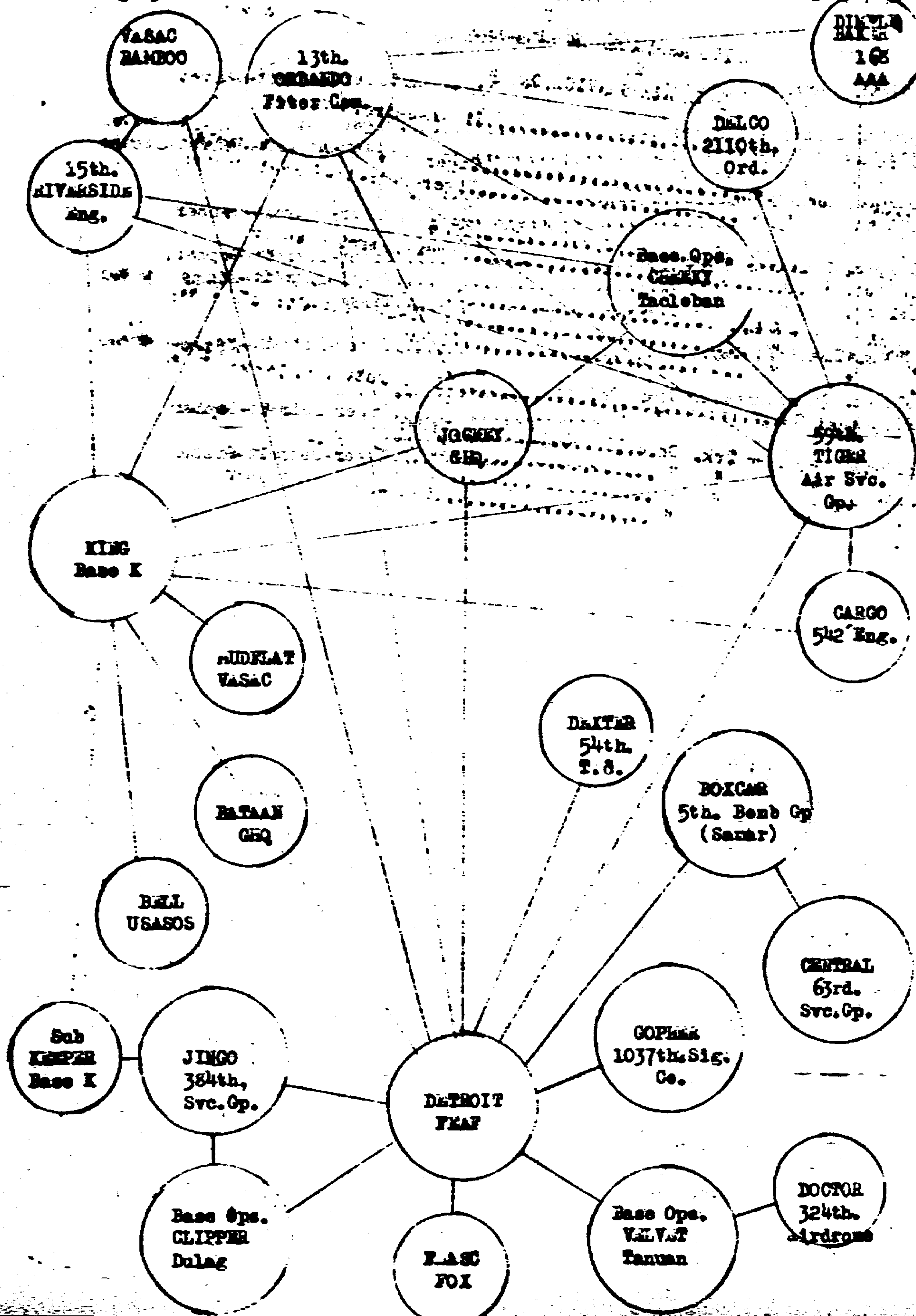
Orlando..... 13th Fighter Command

Shady..... Base Ops. (Facilities Section)

Base..... Base "K"

Base..... Base "L"

Base..... 542nd Engineer



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June 1945

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 337

HISTORICAL RECORD

AIR FORCE: FIFTH AIR FORCE

COMMAND : V AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

GROUP : 59th AIR SERVICE GROUP

COMPANY : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY

PERIOD : 1 JUNE 1945 TO 30 JUNE 1945

HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION BEEN CHECKED? Yes.

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 337

26 July 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Report.

TO : Commanding General, Fifth Air Force, APO 710
Attn: Historical Officer.

1. Transmitted herewith is Historical Report for this organization covering the period 1 June 1945 to 30 June 1945.

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Austin A. Webb
AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt. Sig. C.,
Commanding.

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**1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
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HISTORICAL REPORT FROM 1 JUNE 1945 TO 30 JUNE 1945

--Movement--

After seven months' service on Leyte Island in the Philippines, the 1024th Signal Company, commanded by Capt. Austin A. Webb, received movement orders, and at the end of the period of this report was enroute to its new station at Okinawa, where it will continue to operate as an assigned unit of the 59th Air Service Group of the Fifth Air Force.

On 6 June the radio repair and signal supply sections ceased operations and from then on the personnel of the company intensified preparations for breaking camp.

Eighty tons of equipment were packed, available lumber accumulated and vehicles were rechecked. Nine vehicles were exchanged for new ones. On 19 June the company was prepared to move at a moments notice. It was not until the 23rd, however, that the outfit finally left the Tacloban area.

The move was made by motor convoy to Dulag, 17 miles south, where a temporary camp was set up on the beach in the Slot 5 area to await the arrival of the LST.

The ship pulled into the beach on the morning of the 24th. Loading was started at 1430 and by 0130 hours on 25 June all equipment and personnel was loaded aboard LST 133.

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The next day the LST moved back up the coast to anchor in Leyte Gulf off Tacloban where the convoy was being assembled.

On 1400 hours of 29 June the convoy got underway. Two days out Capt. Webb confirmed the guesses that the destination was Okinawa and described the terrain, natives, customs, and other facts about the island and its inhabitants.

Life aboard ship fell into the usual routine, but it was by far the most comfortable move made by the company due to the fact that it did not have to share the ship with any other outfit. The reason for this was that the LST carried an LST as deck load and there was no more room for vehicles. When the going got rough a few days out, several cases of sea sickness developed, but most of the personnel was able to eat and hold three meals daily.

Some speculation as to a possible reception by suicide planes at Okinawa was talked of, but on the whole the move was taken in stride.

--Personnel Changes--

On June 25, 8/ Sgt. Maurice Bricker departed for the U.S. under the rotation plan with 108 points to his credit. Bricker, who was the non-com in charge of company supply, was succeeded by Pfc Herman Miser.

T/ Sgt. Sylvio E. Renault also left for the States during the month on Temporary Duty. Two other enlisted men joined the company during the month.

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--Company Strength--

The following table shows the assigned strength of the company
for the period of this report.

	EM	OFF
Beginning Period	98	3
Net Change	--none--	
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End Period	98	3

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1024th SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 337

HISTORICAL RECORD

AIR FORCE: FIFTH AIR FORCE
COMMAND: V AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
GROUP : 59TH AIR SERVICE GROUP
COMPANY : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY
PERIOD : 1 JULY 1945 TO 31 JULY 1945

HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION BEEN CHECKED? Yes

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 337

11 August 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Report

TO : Commanding General, Fifth Air Force, APO 710
Attn: Historical Officer.

1. Transmitted herewith is Historical Report for this organization covering the period 1 July 1945 to 31 July 1945.

2. The material submitted was prepared by Pfc John F. Maguire, 32533877, under the supervision of Capt. Austin A. Webb, O-316889, Signal Corps. Facts and observations included in the narrative and not otherwise credited are based on the personal knowledge and opinions of Pfc Maguire.

Austin A. Webb
AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt. Sig. C.,
Commanding.

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59th Air Service Group
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HISTORICAL REPORT FROM 1 JULY 1945 TO 31 JULY 1945

Reaching another milestone on the road to Tokyo, the 1024th Signal Company resumed operations this month on Okinawa as an assigned unit of the 59th Air Service Group of the Fifth Air Force, after moving from the Tacloban area of Leyte Island in the Philippines where the Company also served under the 59th.

At the end of this month the Company had completed its 42nd month of overseas duty, during which time it saw service in Australia, Port Moresby and Doboaura in New Guinea, Noamfoor Island, in the N.E.I. and in the Philippines.

---Setting Up---

The highlight of this move was the fact that the company was set up and in operation 13 days after disembarking, establishing a record in the unit's history. Experience gained from other moves, plus thorough training and the necessity to "race" the typhoon season, all contributed to the speed and efficiency with which the task was completed.

One example of this was in the establishment of telephonic communications within the group which was accomplished in five days.

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Foresight paid dividends here for in Leyte, S/Sgt. Donald A. Andrews, chief linesman, received permission to construct a trailer-switchboard utilizing a salvaged Japanese gun carriage as a chassis. A few weeks before the move from Leyte the trailer was completed. Twin switchboards were installed and all the wires were run to a monitor board ready for instant connection to the field lines.

On arrival at the Okinawa area, the trailer was wheeled into position and some urgently needed lines were installed in less than 24 hours. By the end of five days complete communication within the group was established.

The 1024th arrived in Buckner Bay, Okinawa Shima aboard LST 133 at 1500 hours on 4 July having traveled 1,100 miles from Leyte. The Company disembarked at 1630 hours on 5 July. A majority of the personnel and equipment traveled five miles inland by motor convoy to the China area, about one mile east of Yontan strip where the new area was established.

Other work teams remained aboard the LST to load bulk equipment aboard the trucks. At 0300 hours on 6 July this was completed and they joined the rest of the personnel at the camp area.

Work went ahead swiftly from this point. Personnel tents, temporary showers and a latrine were set up in one day. The mess hall was completed by the end of the third day.

By this time the area was rapidly taking shape, and little indication was left that it was formerly farmland. The northern and western rims of the area border on a steep ravine.

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---Operations---

The telephone operations section which was the first to be set up, again operates the Tiger switchboard with 58 drops as of this report. Over 20 miles of wire have been strung by the line crew to date, with new lines being run in daily.

In less than 15 days of operation the telephone repair section checked and repaired 70 KE-8-A type field phones and 7 switchboards besides keeping constant check on phones in Group Headquarters.

---Radio Operations section--

On this move the radio operations section set up a Signal Corps Radio 499-A set with a BC-610-E transmitter of 500 watt power to assure contact with the Fifth Air Force Service Command on Luzon. Our station--WC6-- established contact on 11 July.

Traffic has been comparatively light due to the fact that the V AFSVC moved to Okinawa a few weeks later. The majority of traffic has since been routed over the unit's teletype lines. Other stations in the radio net besides 2MB of the V AFSVC are 3SJ of the 63rd Service Group on Ie Shima and 4QP of the 7th Service Group in the Naha area of Okinawa.

---Message Center---

The message center set up operations on 12 July and to 31 July had handled 284 messages comprising 13,785 groups. Forty-two incoming and 142 outgoing messages were handled. Incoming groups totaled 2,988 and outgoing, 10,797.

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Besides servicing units of the Group, the message center also handled traffic for the 1399th Military Police Company and the 465th Signal Construction Company. The teletype system was in operation by 18 July and is in contact with over 50 stations on Okinawa.

--- Signal Supply ---

The Signal Supply section, housed in two portable warehouses measuring 30 X 20 feet each, was in operation on 17 July, 12 days after arrival at the station. One of the warehouses is stocked with equipment for issue and the other with equipment to be repaired or exchanged. The stock is stored in bins which are all marked by number and nomenclature.

Among the units serviced thus far by this section are the 35th Fighter Group (P-51s); the 38th Bomb Group (B-25s); 25th Photo Recon. (P-38s); 58th Fighter Group (P-47s); 308th Bomb Wing, 1717 Signal Company, 333rd Signal Company; 4th Air Freight Forwarding; 54th Troop Carrier Wing; 305th and 324th Airdrome Squadrons; 465th Signal Construction Company and units of the 59th.

While awaiting the establishment of a FEAF supply depot, the section has been largely drawing on its 30-day stock supply and a few issues from Island Command to fill orders.

On 20 July, 1st Lt. Ira E. Miller took over the duties of Signal Supply Officer, succeeding 1st Lt. Harold A. Smith who left to take command of the 1015th Signal Company.

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T/Sgt. Seymour Wechsler, the Non-com section chief, was cited this month by General Kenney in a letter of commendation for outstanding performance of his duties in handling supplies at Leyte.

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---Radio Repair Section---

The Radio Repair section also housed in a 63X20 warehouse, handled 111 repair jobs for the 15 days of operation this month. Twenty of these jobs were on radar sets and 13 on telephone and teletype equipment. The radar section is also handling its first repair jobs on the APN-1 set, known as the absolute altimeter set. The section also installed five radios in jeeps for the 1399th Military Police Company.

Outfits serviced by this section were;

35th Fighter Group
39th Fighter Squadron
40th Fighter Squadron
41st Fighter Squadron

58th Fighter Group
311th Fighter Squadron
310th Fighter Squadron
69th Fighter Squadron

38th Bomb Group
405th Bomb Squadron
71st Bomb Squadron
823rd Bomb Squadron
822nd Bomb Squadron

25th Photo Recon.

This section is under the direction of WOJG Robert O. Medlock, Radio Repair Officer, and M/Sgt. Odin G. Rose, non-com section chief.

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---Personnel---

On 15 July First Sergeant Maurice A. Carter, of Ashville, N.C., received orders returning him to the States under the Redeployment Plan. Carter, who served as First Sergeant for 16 months, was succeeded by T/4 William F. Pegg.

Four enlisted men from the States were assigned and joined the organization during the period of this report.

--- Education and Morale---

Due to the movement, the I & E Program was temporarily suspended but plans for its resumption under the direction of Sergeant Pegg are already underway. The local Armed Forces radio station keeps the men well informed on war news and other current events. Morale in general was good mainly because of the fact that all personnel felt that the defeat of Japan was now only a matter of months. Ample proof of the vulnerability of Japan's home islands to air attack from Okinawa was being offered every day by the fleets of bombers and fighters taking off from strips adjacent to the area.

There were still some complaints about the Redeployment Plan especially from over 20 men in the Company with 3 years' overseas time. They felt that it was moving slower than the Rotation Plan.

--- Company Strength---

	Off.	EM
Beginning Period	3	98
Net Gain	0	1
End Period	3	99

Austin A. Webb
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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 712

HISTORICAL RECORD

AIR FORCE: FIFTH AIR FORCE

COMMAND : V AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

GROUP : 59TH AIR SERVICE GROUP

COMPANY : 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP

✓ PERIOD : 1 AUGUST 1945 TO 31 AUGUST 1945

HAS SECURITY CLASSIFICATION BEEN CHECKED: Yes

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 712

2 October 1945

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Historical Report.

TO: Commanding General
Fifth Air Force
APO 710
Attn: Historical Officer.

1. Transmitted herewith is Historical Report for this organization covering the period 1 August 1945 to 31 August 1945.
2. The material submitted was prepared by Pfc John F Maguire, 32533877, under the supervision of Capt Austin A. Webb, O-316889, Signal Corps. Facts and observations included in the narrative and not otherwise credited are based on the personal knowledge and opinions of Pfc Maguire.
3. Delay in report due to organizations change of station.

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Austin A. Webb
AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt., Sig. G.
Commanding

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59th Air Service Group
APO 712

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1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
59th Air Service Group
APO 337

HISTORICAL REPORT FROM 1 AUGUST 1945 TO 31 AUGUST 1945

On 10 August 1945 the 1024th Signal Company, together with other veteran units of the V Air Force Service Command, had real cause for rejoicing, and pride for on that day the first word of the Japanese offer to surrender unconditionally was flashed over the radio.

Four and half years from its activation at Selfridge Field, Michigan, and three and a half years since leaving the states for overseas duty, the 1024th Signal Company had completed its primary mission---that of defeating the Japanese Forces.

--Operational--

--Signal Supply and Radio Repair--

In its final month of operations on Okinawa, the company handled a large amount of jobs in its radio supply and radio repair sections, operating in three warehouses.

Nine hundred jobs, either for repair or exchange, passed through the hands of the Signal Supply Section during the period of this report. Much of this work was done on the equipment of cargo and transport planes which were gathering on Okinawa for the final blow at Japan and then, later, for additional planes which were to be used in transporting the occupational forces to the Japanese mainland.

During the last week of this month, 200 jobs alone were handled in the radio repair section. Among units serviced during this period were the 2nd

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Combat Cargo Group, the 380th and 38th Bomb Groups; the 41st, 69th and 58th Fighter Groups; the 3rd Attack Group, and the 46th and 375th Troop Carrier Units.

--Message Center--

A total of 102 messages were handled during this period. Incoming messages in "Strip" code totaled 13 comprising 857 groups. On the outgoing side 61 messages were encoded in this type code for a total of 4,249 groups.

On the M-209 machine 28 outgoing messages were encoded comprising 2,923 groups. There were no incoming messages in this code.

Other sections such as radio operations, telephone operations and the line crew continued normal operations, maintaining communications at all times.

--Personnel--

The long awaited day for the veterans of the company with 85 points or more came on the 26th of the month when 14 men received their orders to depart for home. Awoke at 0100 hours the men were packed and at the strip by 0500 and on their way to Manila and eventually to the states. These men had all served close to three years overseas.

During the period of this report six enlisted men received promotions. Raised to Tec 3 were Leo C Gaebelein and Lawrence G Rubin; to Tec 4 Willie E Benson, Charles L Miller, and Robert R Wylie, and to Pfc Julie S Arcesty.

Appointed Non-Coms in charge of the Post Exchange were Tec 4 Charles L Miller and Sgt Wilbur D Carlson and appointed Non-Coms in charge of Special Services were Cpl Charles G Thomas and Tec 5 Clayton Van Hall.

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--I and E Program

Due to the fact that preparations were underway to move, the I & E program was forced to be shelved. But time was found to hold two briefing sessions on occupation and on the past history of Japan. These talks, held in the Mess Hall, were conducted by Tec 5 William Appelson and Pfc Leon R Henry Jr.

--Morale--

Needless to say morale zoomed with the news of the Japanese surrender offer as the thoughts of all personnel turned to home. The departure of the 85 point men also gave concrete evidence that immediate steps were being taken to get the men home.

Toward the end of the month, however, there was still a strong feeling that the point system still failed to give enough recognition to men with long service overseas.

But despite this, a deep sense of pride in the part the 1024th played in the final victory was felt by every officer and man in the company.

--Company Strength--

The assigned strength of the company is as follows:

	Off	EM
Beginning Period	3	99
Net Loss	0	13
End Period	3	86

Austin A. Webb

AUSTIN A. WEBB
Capt., Sig. C.
Commanding

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29 Feb 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

29 February 1944

SUBJECT: Initial Installment of Unit History.

TO : Commanding General, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

In addition to the attached initial History of this organization, the following information is submitted:

I ORGANIZATION

This unit is organized under T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943, with no changes.

II STRENGTH

Present strength three officers and fifty six enlisted men.

III MOVEMENT

Detachment "A" moved to AAF Station 154 24 February 1944.

IV CASUALTIES

Negative.

V DECORATIONS

Negative.

JAMES M. SIMPSON
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

1 Inclosure:
Unit History (5 copies)

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**HEADQUARTERS
1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 638 U.S. ARMY**

7 March 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

**TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 638,
U.S. Army.**

1. In compliance with Memorandum, your Headquarters, dated 22 January 1944, the following Unit History is submitted.

ORGANIZATION

Company Records indicate Organization was activated about April 1941 at March Field, California, commanded by 2nd Lt. J.W. Ruyon, then known as 25th Signal Platoon, Air Base. Organization moved in June, 1941 to Fresno, California, Lt. Ruyon being promoted to first lieutenant. 2nd Lt. Charles S. Miller assumed command in January, 1942, then at Hammer Field, Fresno, California. Others commanding at Hammer Field were 2nd Lt. Joe E. James and 1st Lt. Wilbur B. Robert, the latter moving the unit which had been redesignated 25th Signal Company Service Group in July, 1942, to Walla Walla Air Base. In November, 1942, the organization moved to Sioux City Army Air Base, Iowa Air Depot in March, 1943, and Camp Kilmer in April, 1943. The company of three officers and seventy enlisted men arrived at AAF station 101, Eighth Air Force, European Theater of Operations, about 1 June 1943. On the 6th of June the unit was redesignated 1025th Signal Supply and Maintenance Company Aviation, and on 26 June was again redesignated the 1025th Signal Company, Service Group.

On 7 October 1943 two officers and 79 enlisted men and all equipment was transferred to the 417th Signal Battalion provisional, leaving one Warrant Officer and one enlisted man. 54 filler personnel from 12th Replacement Control Depot were assigned to the company 22 October 1943, and unit remained with but one Warrant Officer and from 75 to 62 enlisted men until 16 December 1943, when three officers were assigned. 1st Lt. James M. Simpson assumed command, with 2nd lieutenants John F. Daley and Thomas E. Brown. There being no equipment with the organization, little training was possible.

On 7 January 1944, the company was transferred to Station 161, Boreham, Essex, into the IXth Air Force, later to be assigned to the 304th Service Group.

The IXth Air Force soon began assigning personnel to the unit from the 17th Replacement Control Depot, bringing the strength up to 86 enlisted men on 8 February 1944. On 15 February 1944 20 enlisted men were transferred to 25th Signal Company Depot Aviation by Headquarters, IXth Air Force Service Command.

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EQUIPMENT AND PROPERTY

As all equipment and property was transferred to the 417th Signal Battalion in the VIIIth Air Force, certain additional orders were required to secure the re-issue. Quartermaster and Chemical Warfare equipment was received by the organization in February 1944, but to date no other property has been issued other than ten vehicles.

MISSION

The Signal Supply Officer was able to secure from 2nd Tactical Air Depot a few essential pieces of equipment and modification units to accomplish the first mission to be given the unit on 20 February 1944. A definite handicap has been experienced in the absence of Signal Corps equipment.

JOB TRAINING

Upon arrival at this station, all enlisted men were immediately put to work on their respective jobs, installing the station telephone system, organizational lines, radio repair, and message center and cryptography. Over eleven men have been sent to technical schools for special training.

ATTACHMENT "A"

Detachment "A" was activated on 25 February 1944 and sent to AAF Station 194 in Team "B", 304th Service Group.

SUMMARY

Though the members of this organization were received from several places, and were not given proper training for several months in the 8th Air Force, they have proven themselves very good and willing workers, putting the company in fine operational order.

The present strength of 75 enlisted men, 10 of whom have unauthorized specialist serial numbers, is causing a certain handicap, and it is anticipated that the overages in specialist serial numbers will soon be removed and shortages made up.

All organizational files and records prior to date of overseas movement were stored at Hammer Field, Fresno, California.

JAMES A. SIMSON
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

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DATE: <i>12 May 45</i>

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11 May 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Information.

TO : Commanding Officer, 91st Air Depot Group, APO 149, U.S. Army.
(ATTN: Historical Officer)

1. In compliance with secret ltr, your Headquarters, dated 5 May 1945, subject same as above, the following historical information is submitted:

a. (1) Date of original activation of unit: Company Records indicate that organization was activated about April 1941 at March Field, California, and commanded by 2nd Lt. J.W. Runyon. The company was then known as 25th Signal Platoon, Air Base.

(2) Dates of all activation changes: Company originally activated as 25th Signal Platoon, Air Base, April, 1941, at March Field, California. In July 1942 the organization was redesignated as 25th Signal Company, Service Group, and moved to Walla Walla Air Base, Washington. On 6 June 1943 it was again redesignated 1025th Signal Supply and Maintenance Company (Avn), and on 28th June 1943 was again redesignated as 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, at Station 101, High Wycombe, Bucks, England. Detachment "A" was activated on 25 February 1944, and assigned to Station 154, Gosfield, Essex, in Team "B", 304th Service Group. Detachment "B" was activated on 12 October 1944, and assigned to Strip A-72, Peronne, France, in Team "B", 304th Service Group. On 16 February 1945 Detachment "A" was reabsorbed by Headquarters at Strip A-74, Niergnies, Nord, France, and Detachment "B", still at Strip A-72, was redesignated as Detachment "A".

b. (1) History of all movements: Company activated about April 1941 at March Field, California. Organization moved in June 1941 to Hammer Field, Fresno, California; July 1942 to Walla Walla Air Base, Washington; March 1943 to Rome Air Depot, Sioux City Army Air Base, Iowa; April 1943 to Camp Kilmer, New Jersey; 1 June 1943 Station 101, High Wycombe, Bucks, England (VIII Air Force); 7 January 1944, Station 161, Boreham, Essex, England (IX Air Force); 8 March 1944, Station 154, Gosfield, Essex, England; 13 April 1944, Station 168, Rivenhall, Essex, England; 2 August 1944, to Station 492, Burn, Wilts, England; 21 August 1944, Marshalling Area, Camp 22, Southampton; 24 August 1944, Transit Area "B", France; 25 August 1944, Strip A-26, Gorges, Normandy, France; 15 September 1944, Strip A-41, Dreux, France; 5 October 1944, Strip A-72, Peronne, France; 12 October 1944, Cambrai, Nord, near Strip A-74; 16 February 1945, Strip A-74, Niergnies, Nord; 5 May 1945, Strip Y-55, Venlo, Holland.

c. (1) Names of all commanding officers: Activated April 1941 as 25th Signal Platoon, Air Base, commanded by 2nd Lt. J.W. Runyon. 2nd Lt. Charles G. Kille assumed command January 1942. Others commanding the organization while at Hammer Field, California,

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and through subsequent movement to England, were 2nd Lt. Joe E. James and 1st Lt. Wilbur D. Eckert, later Captain Eckert. (No dates are available on the above officers) WOJG James W. Johnson assumed command of the organization from Captain W.D. Eckert on 7 October 1943, at Station 101, High Wycombe, Bucks, England. 1st Lt. James L. Simpson (later Captain) assumed command 21 December 1943, at Station 101. 1st Lt. Michael Kostun assumed command of the organization on 20 February 1945 at Strip A-74, Biergnies, Nord, France.

Raymond F. Kiefer - RST
for/MICHAEL KOSTUN
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

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DETACHMENT "A"
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY SG
TEAM "B" 304th SERVICE GROUP

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Auth. CO 304th SG
Date 9 May 45
Initials JMS.

AP0 149, U. S. Army
9 May 1945

SUBJECT: Historical Information.

TO : Commanding Officer, 91st Air Depot Group, Strip A-93, AP0 149, U.S. Army.
(Attn: Historical Officer)

1. In compliance with letter your headquarters, subject same, dated 5 May 1945, the following information is submitted:

- a. This Detachment was originally activated the 25 February 1944.
- b. Dates of all activation changes from original activation up to present time: None.
- c. History of all movements:

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- d. The following Officers have been in Command for period indicated:

1st Lt MICHAEL KOSTUN, Signal Corps from 8 March 44 to 15 Feb 45.
1st Lt RAYMOND F. KIEFER, Signal Corps, from 16 Feb 45 to 20 Feb 45.
Captain JAMES M. SIMPSON, Signal Corps, from 21 Feb 45 until present.

James M. Simpson
JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding

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**HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY**

4 April 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum, your headquarters, dated 22 January 1944, the following Unit History is submitted:

An advance party, consisting of Radio Officer and Wire Chief, checked communication facilities at AAF Station 154 to be prepared for the move of the 304th Service Group. Telephones were installed and the headquarters building was made ready for the move, which occurred on 6 March 1944. The 314th Station Complement Squadron having recently moved out, this station was short personnel in the communication section, making it necessary for the Signal Company to do the entire job of operating station telephone and teletype and message center along with the message center and courier for the Service Group. The Ground personnel of the 397th Bomb Group had not arrived, so for the entire month the Signal Company handled all communications.

The Radio Repair Section serviced both Teams at Station 161 and 154, Detachment "A" being with Team "A" at Station 161. All installations and modifications were completed, and in the absence of Bomb Group personnel this organization did all repairing and tuning.

The 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, moved to AAF Station 154 on 6 March 1944, and Detachment "A" to AAF Station 161 on the same date.

Releases for Signal Corps Equipment began arriving around the middle of the month, and by the end of the month approximately 90% was on hand.

Lt. Thomas M. Brown (0500), Radio, was transferred to the 896th Signal Company Depot (Aviation) on 6 March 1944, and his vacancy was not filled until WO (JG) William E. Whitacre, W-2121851, was assigned and joined the organization on the 25th of the month.

The company strength reached the authorized level on 26 March, and was reduced to 91 on 28 March, six men having been transferred out as overages. The present strength of 91 still carries 7 as overages in MOS.

Two trailers have been modified to become, one a mobile radio station, and the other a mobile telephone, teletype, and message center operational unit.

SUMMARY

With the definite handicap of lack of equipment, tools and vehicles, which was overcome by the close of the month, the Signal Company was still able to handle its assignment in operations, radio repair and Signal Supply for the two stations.

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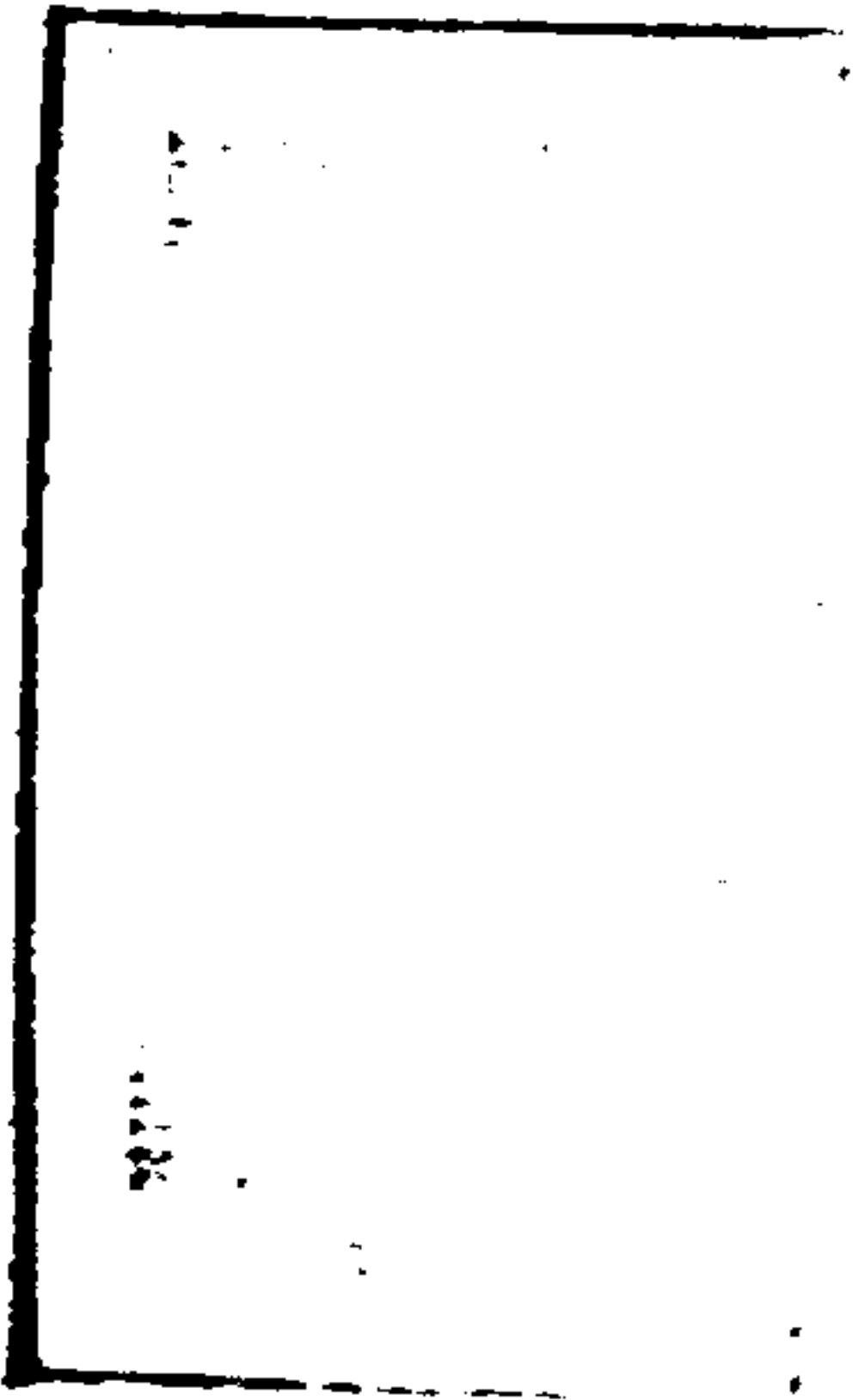
Although there is yet a shortage of suitable crating material and a small shortage of qualified personnel, the mission set before the organization can very well be accomplished.

JAMES M. SIMPSON
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

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Apr 1944



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**HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY**

5 May 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

**TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.
THRU Cnls.**

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 5 February 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of April 1944 is submitted:

- a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943. No changes.**
- b. Strength: As of 30 April 1944, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, less Detachment "A": 2 Officers, 77 Enlisted Men. Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company: 1 Officer, 22 Enlisted Men.**
- c. Movement: Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, less Detachment "A", departed AAF Station 154, Gosfield, Essex, 13 April 1944 at 1400 hrs, moving by motor convoy. Organization arrived AAF Station 168, Rivenhall, Essex, at 1438 hours, 13 April 1944.**
- d. Casualties: None.**
- e. Decorations: None.**
- f. Functions of the Organization:**

SIGNAL OPERATIONS

A thirteen mile telephone line was installed between the two teams of the 304th Service Group by the T & T Section. This line was simplified for Teletype and has been giving good service. A two position switchboard was installed for 304th Service Group Headquarters and Team B.

RADIO REPAIR

Both Radio Repair Sections are thoroughly equipped and well trained, carrying on their assignments in good order. To date no equipment or modification has presented itself as too great a problem for repair outside of the lack of repair parts, in which cases the equipment was tagged and sent to the 2nd Tactical Air Depot.

SIGNAL SUPPLY

Both Storage & Issue Sections have the 30 day stock level and are able to maintain it. Replacements are immediately taken care of.

g. Personnel: 2nd Lt. Raymond F. Kiefer, O-1643749, assigned to organization from 15th Replacement Control Depot 9 April 1944, bringing total to 3 Officers and 1 Warrant Officer. WO (JG) William S. Whitacre, W-2121851, transferred to 67th Service Squadron on 28 April 1944. Many overages still exist, while most of the shortages have been taken care of. There are two first sergeants holding the grade, and one other in the grade of staff sergeant. Four men attended Specialist Schools during the month, receiving good training. Three of the 24 received excellent grades.

h. Equipment & Supplies: Approximately 90% of T/E equipment was received and considerable time was spent in making boxes and crates for shipment. A shortage of one truck and two trailers exists.

**JAMES M. SIMPSON
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding**

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May 1944	
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:AUTH: CO, 304 S G
:DATE: 4 June 44
:INIT: 170

HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

4 June 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 5 February 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of May 1944 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943. No changes.

b. Strength: As of 31 May 1944, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, less Detachment "A": 2 Officers, 72 Enlisted Men. Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company: 1 Officer, 26 Enlisted Men.

c. Movement: None.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: 36 EM awarded Good Conduct ribbons.

f. Functions of the Organization:

SIGNAL OPERATIONS

The Service Group switchboard now serves 40 extensions, has tie-lines to GPO, Team "A" and Station switchboards. Little trouble is experienced in maintaining this service. Teletype facilities are operating with Team "B" and through Great Saling to high Service headquarters, 2nd Tactical Air Depot and 1st AADA. Radio operators have modified a one (1) ton trailer to accommodate a complete SCR-188 B radio set. This equipment is being perfectly maintained and radio operation is carried on at the fixed station. (Pictures inclosed)

RADIO REPAIR

Enlisted Men of these teams have been working on all required modifications and have installed sets in ambulances and Service Group Oxfords, as well as having been able to repair several personal radio sets.

SIGNAL SUPPLY

Both Storage and Issue Sections have the 30 day stock level and are able to maintain it. Replacement are immediately taken care of.

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g. Personnel: 4 EM attended Specialist Schools during the month of May. Fewer overages and shortages exist.

h. Equipment & Supplies: Approximately 95% of T/E equipment was received and all boxes and crates have been completed. Equipment on hand not in immediate demand has been shipped to 2nd Tactical Air Depot for storage. A shortage of one truck and two trailers still exists. No insurmountable handicaps were encountered during the month.

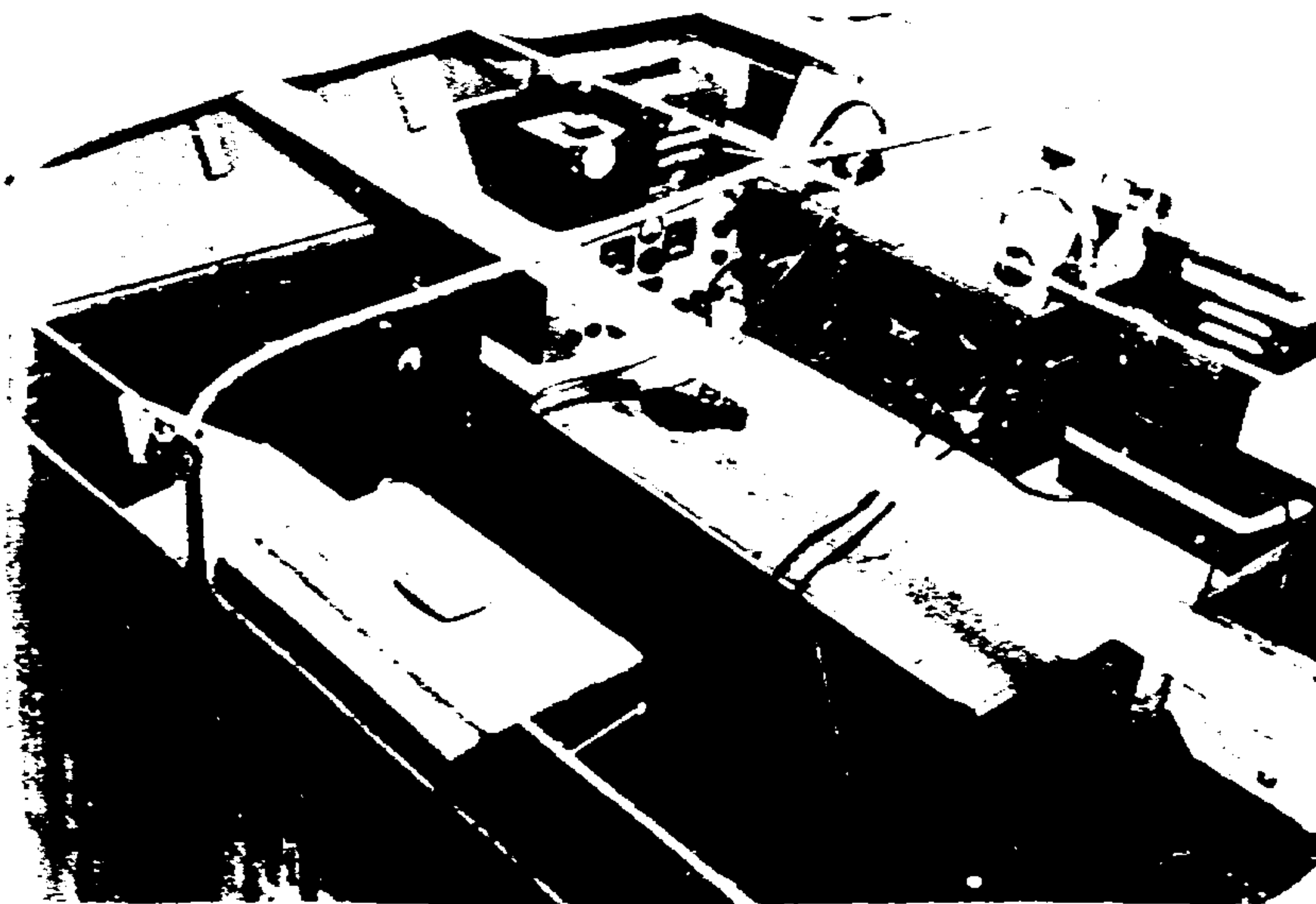
JAMES M. SIMPSON
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

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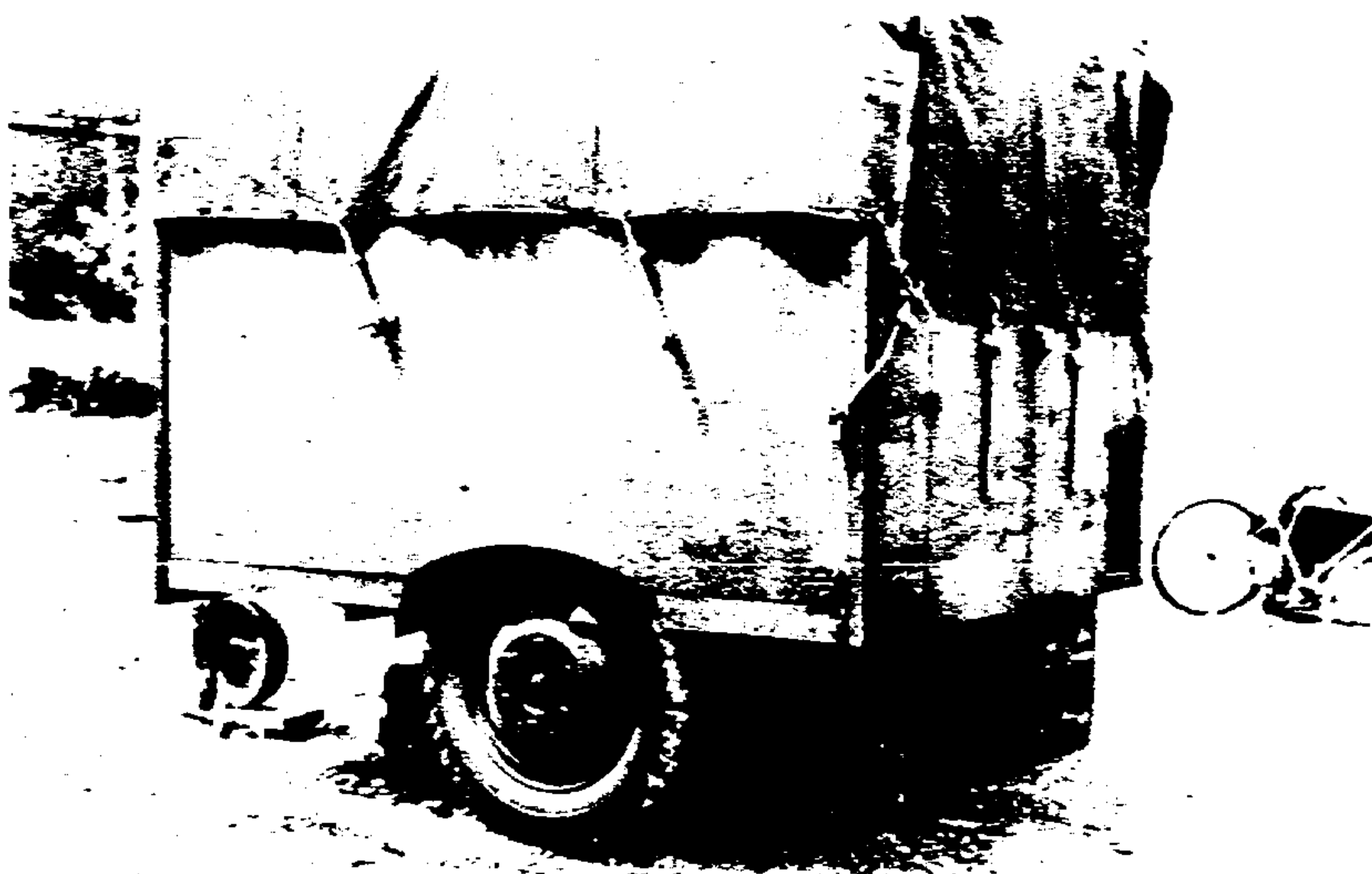
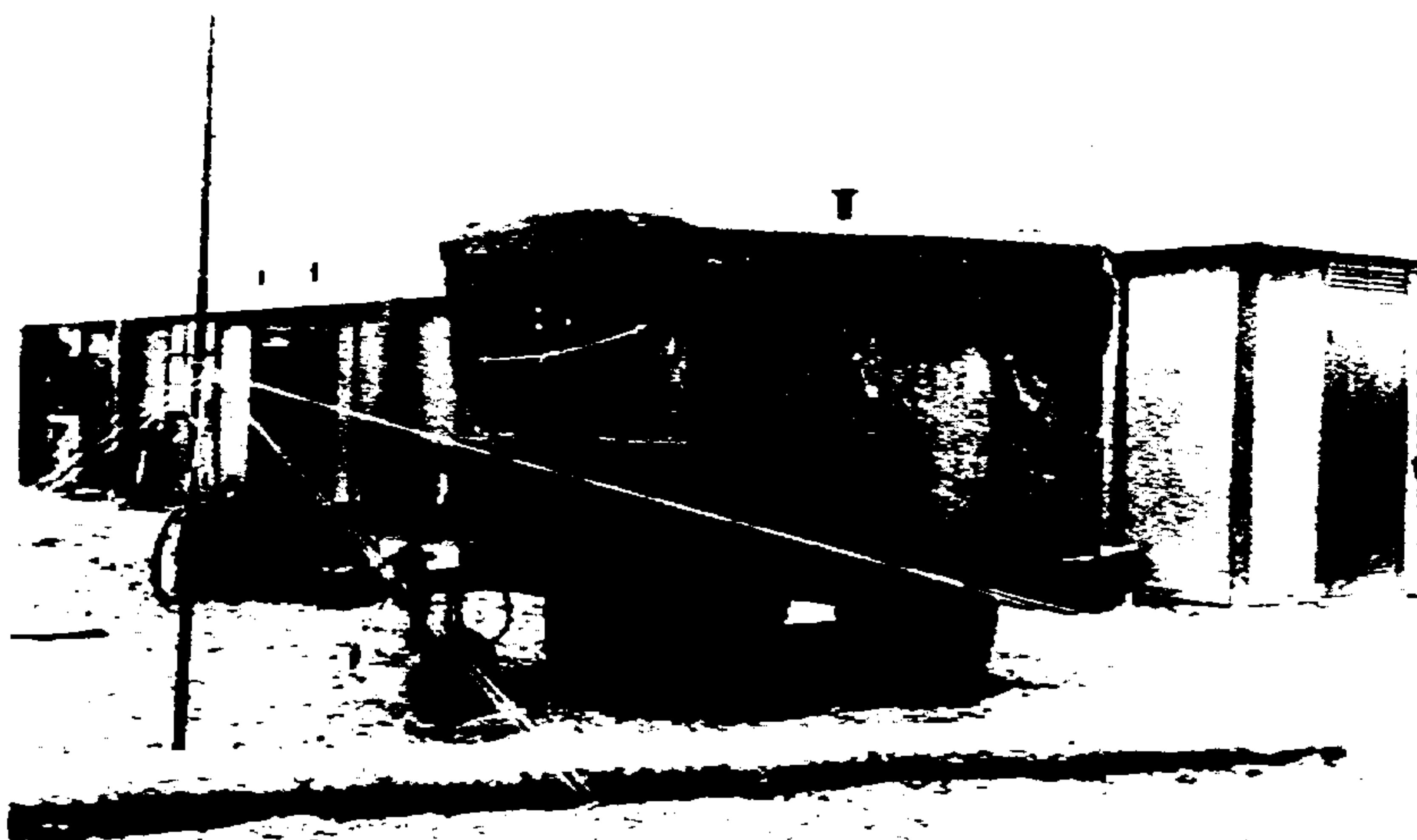
INTERIOR VIEW

Radio Set SCR-188 mounted in 1 Ton Trailer. Designed and built by 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, March 1944.

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EXTERIOR VIEW

Radio Set SCR-188 mounted in 1 Ton Trailer. Designed and built by 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, March 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

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AUTH: CO, 304th So.

DATE: 4 July 1944

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SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 5 February 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of June 1944 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943. No changes.

b. Strength: As of 30 June 1944, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, Less Detachment "A": 2 Officers, 67 Enlisted Men. Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company: 1 Officer, 22 Enlisted Men.

c. Company Movement: All Sections practiced loading boxes and trucks under alert conditions at least once during the month. No actual movement was made.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: None awarded during month.

f. Function of the Organization:

SIGNAL OPERATIONS

One mile of telephone line to AAF Station 161 relaid and put overhead. Line to Station 161 rerouted for one mile through Witham. New line installed between Station 168 and Station 584. Another mile of 5 pair rubber cable laid to group switchboard from billeting area, and is used for 2 new phones installed. Another tie-line to Station 161 has been cut in, formerly used by AA Battery. The Tel & Tel section completed a permanent telephone directory from S.O.P., and the switchboard to the new numbers were made on 26 June 1944. The Radio Section has been practicing loading of all its boxes since indefinite radio silence was ordered on 6 June 1944. In addition, classes in Morse code have been given to all NCO's. The station has been moved twice during the month, into larger quarters. Members of the section have repainted their converted trailer and made several modifications.

RADIO REPAIR

Enlisted men of these teams have installed sets in ambulances for 596th Medical Detachment and 597th Medical Detachment., made modification on radio receiver in ARO Club, and installed extra speaker. They have also finished marking all boxes, in preparation for movement, as well as building a new repair bench in the radio shop. All regular modifications and checks have been made during this period with little difficulty.

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SIGNAL SUPPLY

Both Storage and Issue Sections have the 30 day stock level and are able to maintain it. Replacement are immediately taken care of.

g. Personnel: Three men sent to VHF Repair & Maintenance School. One man sent to Rebecca School. One man sent to Tire & Tube Maintenance School. One man sent to RAF Motor Vehicle Waterproofing School. One man sent to American Cryptographic School.

h. Equipment & Supplies: Approximately 97% of all T/E equipment has been received and all boxes and crates have been completed. Equipment on hand not in immediate demand has been shipped to 2nd Tactical Air Depot for storage. No important shortages exist.

JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding

Stationary file

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RESEARCH OFFICE	
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HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

for 3rd month

SECRET
AUTH: CO, 504th
Date: 5 August
INITIALS:

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5 AUG 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 5 February 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of July 1944 is submitted:

a. Organizations: T/O 11-257, dated 26 March 1943. No Changes.

b. Strength: As of 31 July 1944, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, less Detachment "A": 2 Officers, 74 Enlisted Men. Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company, Service Group: 1 Officer, 22 Enlisted Men.

c. Company Movement: Detachment "A" moved from Boreham, Essex to Hunsley South, Hampshire on 24 July 1944. During the three day interval between the main body's move and the rear body's move, signal maintenance was performed by members of Signal Section Team "B" at both Essex stations, using Mobile facilities and equipment.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: None awarded during past month.

f. Functions of the Organization:

SIGNAL

OPERATIONS

Lines to Station 161, including those recently rerouted through Witham, were removed, and all wire salvaged. Wire from billeting area to group switchboard also removed, as well as tie-line used by A.A. battery. Members of Radio section, having completely modified first trailer, began, and completed work on second modified trailer. Classes in Morse code for ECO's of the organization held by the Radio Operations section have been discontinued, in preparation for movement, and because facilities for group work was no longer available.

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REPAIR

Enlisted Men of the two teams have been working on all required modifications and have installed sets in ambulances and Service Group oxforde, as well as having repaired several personal radio sets. To date no insurmountable difficulties have arisen.

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SUPPLY

Both Storage and Issue Sections have been able to maintain the 30 day stock level. Replacements are immediately requisitioned.

g. Personnel: One EM sent to British Code & Cipher Course, No. 3 Radio School. 1 EM sent to Robeson School, AAF Station 479. 1 EM sent to No. 2 Radio School.

h. Equipment & Supplies: Approximately 95% of all P/ equipment has been received, and all boxes and crates have been completed. Equipment not in immediate demand has been shipped to 2nd Tactical Air Depot for storage. No important shortages exist.

JAMES M. SIMMON
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

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Auth.	CO 304th SG
Date	14 Sep 1944
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4 September 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 5 February 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of August 1944 is submitted:

a. Organization: R/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943. No Changes.

b. Strength: As of 31 August 1944, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, Less Detachment "A": 2 Officers, 62 Enlisted Men. Detachment "A": 1025th Signal Company, Service Group: 1 Officer, 33 Enlisted Men.

c. Company Movement: Motor party of 8 EM left AAF Station 168, Rivenhall, Essex, at 0600 hours, 2 August 1944, arriving at AAF Station 492, Hurn, Hampshire, at 1800 hours the same day. Remainder of Headquarters, 1025th Signal, left AAF Station 168 via rail after a four mile march to Kelvedon railway station. Rail party arrived at Christchurch, Hampshire, at 1900 hours the same day.

Detachment "A" departed AAF Station 455, Hazeley South, Hampshire, 20 August 1944, and arrived Marshalling Area, Camp C-5, the same day. Headquarters, divided again into a Rail party of 1 Officer and 56 EM and a Motor party of 1 Officer and 17 EM. The Motor group left AAF Station 492 at 0740 hours, 21 August, arriving at Marshalling Area, Camp C-22, at 0930 hours. The Rail party marched 3.2 miles to Christchurch railway station, leaving camp at 0755 hours and arriving Marshalling Area, Camp C-22, at 1900 hours.

On 22 August 1944 the Motor party departed from Marshalling Area for POB at 0600 hours. The same day, Detachment "A" left Camp C-5 for POB. 1 Officer and 56 EM left Camp C-22 at 1400 hours, 23 August, via GMD, arriving POB at 1440 hours. They embarked aboard SS Monowai at 1830 hours. Detachment "A" and the two groups of Headquarters disembarked on European Continent on 24 August 1944, 1 Officer and 56 EM marching from beach to Transit Area "B", a distance of approximately 8 miles, and arriving at 2000 hours. Detachment "A" moved to Strip A-13 on 25 August, and Headquarters moved to Strip A-26, Gorges, Normandy, the same day.

d. Casualties: One EM was lost to 104th General Hospital prior to move from AAF Station 492. (Lfc Gote, Charles J., 31268296, (405).)

e. Decorations: None awarded during past month.

f. Functions of the Organization:

SIGNAL OPERATIONS

A two-pair line was run from Strip A-26 to GANDRAY SWITCH by operations personnel, and a single line was run by 320th Signal Company ring from GIRAFFE

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to Strip A-13. Teletype lines are available at both stations, and the radio station is in operation at Strip A-26. GARNISH Switchboard is operated for Headquarters, 304th Service Group, and Team "B". GARNISH ASLE Switchboard is operated for Team "A".

RADIO REPAIR and SIGNAL SUPPLY

Enlisted men of the two teams have been working on all required repairs and continual maintenance was performed notwithstanding the requirements placed on maintenance teams due to the frequent movements accomplished during month. A complete inventory of all P/E equipment was made, prior to final move, and all shortages were requisitioned. In addition, a new Special Purpose Signal Supply Truck was built and equipped.

g. Personnel: Men attending technical schools or on detached service at time of alert for overseas movement were recalled to Company. At present time no EM of this organization is attending school, though two radio operators have been placed on indefinite TD with HQ, 1st Advanced Air Depot Area (Advanced), Strip A-9, APO 149.

h. Equipment & Supplies: Approximately 96% of all P/E equipment has been received. Equipment stored at 2nd Tactical Air Depot was picked up prior to overseas movement. No important shortages exist.

James M. Simpson
JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding

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28 May 48

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HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

SECRET
Auth. CO 304th SG
Date
Initials *JMS*

3 October 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 5 February 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of September 1944 is submitted:

a. Organization: E/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943. No changes.

b. Strength: As of 30 September 1944, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, less Detachment "A": 1 Officer, 57 Enlisted Men. Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company, Service Group: 1 Officer, 33 Enlisted Men.

c. Company Movement: On 12 September 1944 a motor convoy of 17 Enlisted Men left Strip A-26, Gorges, Normandy, at 1300 hours, arriving at Strip A-41, Breux, at 2230 hours, distance traveled approximately 170 miles. On 15 September 1944 the remainder of Headquarters, 1 Officer and 40 Enlisted Men left Strip A-26 at 0945 hours by GAT, arriving Strip A-41 at 1700 hours.

d. Casualties: No casualties.

e. Decorations: None awarded during past month.

f. Functions of the Organization:

SIGNAL OPERATIONS

While at Strip A-26, a telephone and teletype line from Signal Center GARNISH to GATEWAY SWITCH was ordered installed by linemen of this organization. Two crews, working simultaneously from 0600 hours thru 2000 hours daily completed the two pair sixteen mile line and installed telephone switchboard and connected teletype. A third crew installed local phones for Headquarters and Team "B". Upon arrival at Strip A-41, telephones were installed and maintained with the Service Group. Wires were strung between GARNISH SAKER and GIRAFFE. Wire crews reclaimed wire discarded by organizations that had previously occupied the area. On 23 September 1944 two complete circuits to GIRAFFE were in operation.

RADIO REPAIR and SIGNAL SUPPLY

Enlisted men of the two radio repair teams have been working on all required repairs and continual maintenance was accomplished with the facilities of the mobile repair vans. A new special purpose Signal Supply truck has been used for transporting equipment, and much equipment has been salvaged and turned in.

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RADIO OPERATIONS

At the beginning of September a radio trailer and two enlisted men were placed upon Detached Service with Headquarters, 1st Advanced Air Depot Area (Advanced), and later a teletype machine and two operators were sent to Air Strip A-15, pending the arrival of Headquarters, Service Group, for that station. Radio communications at Strip A-41 are being maintained with the NOB. Several modifications have been made within the station, and one complete SCR-188 has been mounted in the radio trailer. An average of 50 messages are received and sent out during the week. Frequency was changed to 55 10ks.

a. Personnel: At the present time no enlisted men of this organization are attending technical schools, though two radio operators have been placed on indefinite Detached Service with Headquarters, 1st Advanced Air Depot Area (Advanced), and two teletype operators are on Temporary Duty with 1052nd Signal Company, Service Group, 53rd Service Group.

b. Equipment and Supplies: Approximately 96% of all I/E equipment has been received. No important shortages exist.

[Signature]
RAYMOND F. KIEFER
2nd Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

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<i>JMS.</i>
3 NOV 1944

HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U. S. Army

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3 November 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, Subject same, the following installment for the month of October 1944 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943; No changes.

b. Strength: Detachment "B" 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, established 12 October 1944, pp 1, Company Order 35, dated 12 October 1944. One (1) Officer and 42 Enlisted Men assigned. 2nd Lt. Kiefer appointed Commanding Officer, Detachment "B", 1025th Signal Company. Present strength as of 31 October 1944: Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, less Detachments "A" & "B", located at 39 Rue St George, Cambrai; One (1) Officer and Four (4) Enlisted Men, Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, Air Strip A-74; One (1) Officer and Forty-four (44) Enlisted Men. Detachment "B", 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, Air Strip A-72; One (1) Officer and Forty-five (45) Enlisted Men. Total strength: Three (3) Officers, Ninety-three (93) Enlisted Men.

c. Company Movement.

(1) On 5 October 1944, 22 Enlisted Men departed Strip A-41, Drew, by GMT at 1000 hours, arriving at Strip A-72, Peronne, 1800 hours, distance traveled approximately 145 miles. Remainder of Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, departed from Strip A-41, Drew, on 6 October 1944 by Government Aircraft at 1800 hours and arrived at 1900 hours at Strip A-72, Peronne.

(2) Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company, Service Group departed Strip A-59, Brign on 10 October 1944 by GMT and Government Aircraft. Arrived Strip A-74, Cambrai same day. Distance traveled approximately 240 miles.

(3) On 12 October 1944 One (1) Officer and Two (20) Enlisted Men departed from Strip A-72, Peronne, by GMT and arrived at present location 39 Rue St George, Cambrai, same date, distance traveled approximately 28 miles.

d. Casualties: None

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e. Decorations: None

f. Functions of the Organization.

(1) Signal Operations: This organization is responsible for all Communications from Headquarters, 504th Service Group. A switchboard is operated by each Detachment for each Team, connected to GAUCHD (Headquarters 91st Air Depot Group) with two lines each. Teletype operates on simplex. A twice daily courier service reaches all headquarters. Radio operation provides an additional communications means.

(2) Radio Repair and Signal Supply: A new modification (TME-08-5-527) was received during the past month. Requisitions for required parts has been submitted. Both Detachments are working from their Mobile Vans, all other necessary repairs and modifications have been accomplished. 30 day stock level has been maintained. Replacements are immediately requisitioned.

g. Personnel: Four (4) Enlisted Men attended Specialists School for training in AM/TRC-1 (VHF Carrier) equipment, at Headquarters, Communications Zone.

h. Equipment and Supplies: Approximately 90% of all T/E Equipment is on hand. A physical inventory of all T/E Equipment is now in progress. No important shortages exist.

James M. Simpson
JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

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AUTH.: 00 304
INIT.: <i>Jms.</i>
DATE: 3 DEC 1944

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3 December 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of November 1944 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-257, dated 26 March 1943; no changes.

b. Strength: As of 30 November 1944, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, less Detachments 'A' & 'B', located at 35 Rue St. George, Caserai: One (1) Officer and five (5) enlisted men, present for duty. Detachment 'A', USAAF Station A-74: One (1) Officer and 43 EM present for duty, 1 EM absent. Detachment 'B', USAAF Station A-72: One (1) Officer and 43 EM present for duty, 2 EM attached from other organizations present for duty.

Total Strength: 50, 1 EM Present for Duty.
2 EM Attached from other Organizations Present for Duty.
1 EM Absent.

c. Company Movement: No company movements were made during the month of November 1944.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: None.

f. Functions of the Organization:

SIGNAL OPERATIONS

Local switchboard were installed for Telex Engineering Officer at both Teams 'A' and 'B', thus relieving the overburdened condition on separate GARNISH and GARNISH BAKER lines. Three miles of German rubber cable have been put into use between GARNISH ABLE and B. JACK. Two lines from each Telex switchboard connect with CAUCH. One tie-line, connecting CAUCH with GARNISH BAKER, uses underground French cable. The second tie-line from CAUCH to GARNISH ABLE was simplex for teletype, and jumpered around GARNISH ABLE to B. JACK to give connection to Bomb Division services. An explosion along the highway recently destroyed tie-lines to GARNISH ABLE, but lines were replaced by the following noon.

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Message Center at Team "B" is handling all teletype traffic from SAUCH to GIRAFFE via Bomb Group relaying. Present voice line from SAUCH to GIRAFFE will not operate simplex teletype. Present courier system involves courier leaving Team "B" at 1800 hrs, arriving SAUCH at 1900 hrs in time to meet relay-courier to 1st Advanced Air Depot Area. The following morning courier departs from SAUCH at 0630 hrs, arrives Team "A" at 0900 hrs, and returns to Team "B" at 1330 hrs. Radio communication is available at both teams, but considerable difficulty has been caused by static and jamming of the radio net.

RADIO REPAIR and SIGNAL SUPPLY

Both detachments are working from their mobile vans, doing all necessary repair work for the two air strips. Teams repaired 30 V.H.F. transmitters (50-625), 26 V.H.F. Receivers (50-624) and 7 liaison transmitters (50-37) during the past month, as well as innumerable other pieces of radio equipment in smaller quantities. All other necessary repairs and modifications have been accomplished, and radio repair men at Team "A" have begun 30 hour check of planes on field. Personal radios are repaired as time permits. 30 day stock level has been maintained, and all replacements are immediately requisitioned. A new micro-wave "Window" is now available along with sufficient supply of wave length "Chaff", although information from 1st Advanced Air Depot Area advises that micro-wave "Window" is not intended for use at the present time.

g. Personnel: Two enlisted men were assigned, and two enlisted men were transferred from the organization.

h. Equipment and Supplies: Approximately 90% of all equipment is on hand. A complete inventory of the equipment of all areas and services has been made, and logistical data compiled. Suggested I/O was drawn up and submitted to the S-4 Office, 304th Service Group. Considerable German and French radio and telephone equipment has been located and good use is being made of its small parts. A large telephone switchboard and frame were found and given to SAUCH as their requirements are greater than that of either team.

James H. Simpson
JAMES H. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding

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THX IX AF
28 Jan 45

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HEADQUARTERS
1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

SECRET
AUTH: <i>ce 304</i>
DATE: <i>3 Jan 45</i>

A-JMS/jhk
3 January 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of December 1944 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-257, dated 26 March 1943; no changes.

b. Strength: As of 31 December 1944, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, less Detachments "A" & "B", located at 39 Rue St. George, Cambrai, near Strip A-74: One (1) Officer and Seven (7) Enlisted Men, present for duty. Detachment "A", Strip A-74: One (1) Officer, 40 Enlisted Men, present for duty. Four (4) EM absent. Detachment "B", Strip A-72, One (1) Officer and Thirty-eight (38) EM, present for duty. Three (3) EM absent. One (1) Officer, Two (2) EM attached from other organizations, present for duty.

Total Strength: 30, 85 EM, present for duty.

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2 EM, atchd from other orgn, present for duty.

7 EM absent.

c. Company Movement: Personnel in Detachment "A" moved from tent quarters on Tech site to semi-permanent billets at Team Site.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: None.

f. Orientation and Schooling of Personnel: During the month of December eleven (11) enlisted men attended schools of various sorts, both on the continent and in the United Kingdom. 1st/Sgt Robert V. Cote attended a refresher course in codes and cyphers at 91st Air Depot Group and spent one week at 1st Advanced Air Depot Area message center for further study of codes and cyphers as well as message center procedure, filing, and postal services. Two Enlisted Men were sent to Paris for a ten day course on AR/TCO at Headquarters, Communications Zone. Four Enlisted Men are at present attending VHF Maintenance and Bomber Radio Schools in the United Kingdom, while four Enlisted Men are also attending APH/A school at 919th Signal Company Depot (Avn), Strip A-74. Requests for authority to send Six (6) Enlisted Men to GEC Maintenance school and British Code & Cyphers Schools in England have been submitted for the month of January.

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thru usual channels. The Army Orientation program was begun with special showings of the Signal Corps - Intelligence Section film, "Resisting Enemy Interrogation", for Headquarters and Detachment "A" personnel. Enlisted Men at Detachment "B" participated in a group discussion under the supervision of 1st/Sgt Cote, using current issues of the Army information magazine, "Army Talks", as a basis for discussion.

Recreation facilities have been provided at both Detachments with the cooperation of Special Services. Tri-weekly showings of Special Service movies, distribution of magazines and newspapers in Detachment day rooms, and occasional dances arranged with the cooperation of the local Red Cross chapters. Christmas parties for French war orphans were held on Christmas Eve. Headquarters personnel share the facilities offered by Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron, 304th Service Group.

h. Significant Happenings: Local switchboards were installed for Team Engineering Officers at both teams, relieving overburdened conditions on their separate lines. Switchboards have been named RIALTO for Team "A" and RICHMOND for Team "B" Engineering officers.

Some minor cases of wire-cutting have been found on tie-lines during the past month, but causes still remain undetermined. 300 yards of spiral four cable were cut out of GARNISH ABLE circuit during the night of 8 December 1944, but at present no serious delay has been caused by this petty sabotage.

Detachment "B" requisitioned another building in the village of Athies, and the radio repair shop is being set up in the newly acquired house directly beside living quarters. Mobile vans were no longer able to take care of present volume of repairing to be done.

A complete revision of Signal Supply files have been made at Detachment "B", and a new set of bin cards have been made. Further changes will be made as required.

i. Transfer of Personnel: Four (4) Enlisted Men transferred from organization, and Four (4) Enlisted Men transferred into organization during the past month. One (1) Enlisted Man is now working on BAUCHE switchboard to help relieve present shortage existing there during busy hours of the day.

James M. Simpson
JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps,
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1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

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INIT.: <i>Jms.</i>
DATE: 2 FEB 1945

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2 February 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, subject same, the following installment for the month of January 1945 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1945; no changes.

b. Strength: As of 31 January 1945, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Sv. Gp., less Detachments "A" & "B", located at 59 Rue St. George, Casrai, near Strip A-74: One (1) Officer and Four (4) Enlisted Men present for duty; Thirteen (13) Enlisted Men absent. Detachment "A", Strip A-74, one (1) Officer and Forty-four (44) Enlisted Men present for duty. None absent. Detachment "B", Strip A-72, One (1) Officer and Forty-five (45) Enlisted Men present for duty. One (1) Officer, Two (2) Enlisted Men attached from other organizations present for duty. None absent.

Total Strength: 50, 95 EM, present for duty.
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2 EM, stand from other orgn, present for duty.
13 EM Absent.

c. Company Movement: No movements were accomplished during the past month.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: Thirteen (13) Enlisted Men were awarded the Good Conduct Medal.

f. Orientation and Schooling of Personnel: During the month of January four (4) enlisted men attended VHF Maintenance and Bomber Radio Maintenance schools in the United Kingdom, experiencing difficulty in returning to the continent because of adverse flying conditions. EM finally hitch-hiked via LSI and R.A.F. convoys to their home stations. Two (2) enlisted men were placed on TDI with the 30th Air Depot Group to receive instruction in radio maintenance for Pathfinder installation. Pathfinder Group is now stationed at Strip A-72. Orientation lectures continue at both Detachments and Headquarters, with scheduled weekly lectures presented by officers and enlisted men. The Group orientation officer has arranged frequent showings of instructional films as well as adequate distribution of the magazine, "Army Talks."

Recreation facilities have been provided at both Detachments with the cooperation of Special Services. Tri-weekly showings of motion pictures, the distribution of magazines and newspapers in day rooms, and occasional dances

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arranged thru local American Red Cross chapters, have helped solve the problem of morale.

h. Significant Happenings: Wire crews at Detachment "B" laid two miles of seven-pair cable, moving group switchboard from Tech site to billeting area. All Tech site cable has been placed underground and two recent cases of its destruction by elephant-track have been reported. Signal Supply at Detachment "B" and the S-4 office of the Pathfinder Group have coordinated supply and repair activities which are to be handled by the Supply. Two French switchboards of 30-drops have been secured for installation at the two teams. These will afford considerable additional lines and will make it possible to discontinue ring two on any number. Both teams are soon to have additional lines to GAUORO. Four practice simulated gas attacks were held during the month, and switchboard operators contacted all operators in vicinity to test audibility and efficiency of reception under attack conditions.

i. Transfer of Personnel: No enlisted men were transferred from the organization and fourteen (14) enlisted men were transferred into the organization during the past month. Thirteen of the enlisted men have been placed on TDY as wire crews, and act as "trouble-shooters" maintaining existing telephone lines in the IX Air Force Service Command area.

James M. Simpson
JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 119, U.S. ARMY

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2 March 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, II Air Force Service Command, APO 119, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, subject same as above, the following installment of the organizational unit history for the month of February 1945 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943, and change, Table of Distribution - Service Team, II Air Force Service Command Memorandum 20-11, dated 8 February 1945.

b. Strength: As of 28 February 1945, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group (less Detachment "A"), Strip A-74: Two (2) Officers and Forty-Six (46) Enlisted Men present for duty; Thirteen (13) Enlisted Men absent. Detachment "A", 1025th Sig. Co., Sv. Gr.: Two (2) Officers, Forty-One (41) Enlisted Men present for duty. None absent.
Total Strength: 40, 87 M present for duty.
13 M absent.

c. Company Movement: No movements were accomplished during the month.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: None.

2. Orientation and Schooling of Personnel: During the month of February no enlisted men of this organization attended technical schools, although a consolidated list of other members of this organization who require further technical training has been submitted in accordance with recent directives.

Weekly orientation lectures continue at Headquarters and Detachment "A". Team orientation officers have made available adequate distribution of current "Army Talks" magazines, as well as arranging frequent showings of instructional films.

3. Reorganization: On 16 February 1945 Detachment "B", 1025th Signal Company, Sv. Gr., Strip A-72, was redesignated Detachment "A", and the original Detachment "A", Strip A-74, was reabsorbed as part of Headquarters, in preparation for change of status on 1 March 1945. Necessary adjustments were made in the assignment of personnel to balance the Table of Distribution at both Headquarters and Detachment "A". At the present time, Headquarters has seventeen (17) overages, of which thirteen (13) are permitted overages, (44). They have been placed on temporary duty as traveling wire crews, and act as "trouble-shooters", maintaining existing telephone lines in the II Air Force Service Command area.

4. Important Events: Wire crews at Detachment "A" completed a five mile circuit to GUILDEN (Pathfinder, Strip A-72) over French open-wire. Wire crews at Headquarters effected change of all lines during switchover of command from Headquarters, 30th Service Group to Team "A", 30th Service Group.

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All members of the organization took infantry physical examinations, and five (5) enlisted men were transferred to infantry reinforcement depots for training. Results of other physical examinations are now on file.

Wire crews have reported several cases of destruction of underground cable, although cable has been buried in all spots where traffic is necessary. Ghost-truck vehicles have been found to be the cause, and necessary steps have been taken to assure that situation will not recur.

New telephone directories at CAMBUSH AREA have been printed and distributed.

MICHAEL MUSTON
1st Lt., Sig Corps,
Commanding

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1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

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3 April 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, subject same as above, the following installment of the organizational unit history for the month of March 1945 is hereby submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943, and change, Table of Distribution - Service Team, IX Air Force Service Command Memorandum 20-11, dated 8 February 1945.

b. Strength: As of 31 March 1945, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group (Less Detachment "A"), Strip A-74: Two (2) Officers, Forty-One (41) Enlisted Men, present for duty; Seven (7) Enlisted Men absent. Detachment "A", 1025th Sig.Co., Sv.Gp, Strip A-72: Two (2) Officers, Forty-Seven (47) Enlisted Men, present for duty. One (1) Enlisted Man absent.

Total Strength: 2 O, 88 EM, present for duty.
8 EM, absent.

c. Company Movement: No movements were accomplished during the month.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: None.

f. Orientation and Schooling of Personnel: During the month of March 1945, 2 Enlisted Men attended a radio maintenance course in AN/APN-1, conducted by the 919th Signal Company, at 91st Air Depot. One Enlisted Man attended a typewriter repair school at Rheims. A consolidated list of other members of this organization who require further technical training has been submitted to the 91st Depot Signal Officer, in accordance with recent directives.

All members of this organization who have not heard the Articles of War or a Sex Morality lecture during the past six months attended such lectures during the month.

g. Important Events: Two (2) Enlisted Men were transferred to the 12th Replacement Depot for infantry training, while one Enlisted Man was received as replacement. Results of all physical examinations are now on file.

A complete survey of SD AGO Form 20s, Form 24s, and Form 28s has been made in compliance with letter, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, dated 9 March 1945, and US Strategic Air Forces in Europe Regulation 80-10. Enlisted Men whose Form 20s had become ragged or unreadable were reinterviewed, and new Form 20s issued. When necessary, new Form 28s were issued.

Wire crews have continued to salvage Field Wire W-110 and Spiral Four German and American cable, collecting 7 miles of W-110 and 15 drums of Spiral Four during the month. Nine (9) Enlisted Men of the thirteen (13) Wire Chiefs, Tel & Tel, assigned to this organization as traveling wire crews have been transferred. The remaining four (4) men are awaiting interviews for direct commissions, and at present are on temporary duty with the 919th Signal Company Depot (Avn.).

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A furlough roster has been established for seven-day trips to the United Kingdom, and one (1) Enlisted man has already departed on furlough. Four other names have already been submitted for future dates.

Message Center personnel recently completed a new cryptographic room which has been equipped with safe for classified documents and materials. The room itself is separate from the Message Center proper, affording complete privacy and security while working with confidential material.

Radio maintenance completed modifications as prescribed by TMI-08-5-29, TMI-08-05-22, TO-08-40BC-2, TMI-08-5-29. Only modification not yet accomplished is that prescribed by TO-01-1-170, since graphite paint is not immediately available.

The field to the east of the enlisted men's barrack in the living site at Strip A-74, formerly used as a Team motor pool, has been cleared of debris, wire matting and other refuse, has been graded by bulldozer, and has been transformed into a baseball diamond to be used by the entire Service Team. A volleyball court has already been erected, and a series of practice volleyball games have been arranged with other companies in the service team in preparation for a tournament to be held during the month of April as part of the new extra-curricular spring sports program.

Michael Kostun
MICHAEL KOSTUN
1st Lt., Sig Corps,
Commanding

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DETACHMENT "A"
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY SG
TEAM "B" 304th SERVICE GROUP

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Date	1 APR 1945
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APO 149, U.S. Army
MARCH 1945

UNIT HISTORY

ORGANIZATION: Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company SG, operating under table of Distribution - Service Team, Ninth Air Force Service Command, dated 8 February 1945.

STRENGTH : Authorized: 2 Officers and 49 Enlisted Men.
On Hand : 2 Officers and 47 Enlisted Men.

MOVEMENT : Negative.

CASUALTIES : Negative.

DECORATIONS : Captain James M. Simpson awarded Bronze Star Medal per G.C. No. 39 IXAFSC, for Meritorious Service.

Enlisted Men were assigned this organization from Reinforcement Depot possessed of Decorations as follows:

Pfc John Clark: Battle Star for Germany Campaign.

Pfc Ira F. Evans: Purple Heart, Oak Leaf Cluster in Lieu of 2nd Purple Heart and Battle Star for Germany Campaign.

Pfc Robert H. Miller Jr: Battle Stars for Germany Campaign & Battle Star for Brittany Campaign.

Pvt Harold W. Brackett: Battle Star for Rome, Arno Italian Campaign Battle Star for Southern France Campaign and Battle Star for Germany Campaign.

Pvt Edward J. Witon: Battle Star for France Campaign and Battle Star for Germany Campaign.

Personnel changes during the month of March included the promotion of four enlisted men; Sgt Jack R. Walker to Staff Sgt, Tec-5 Charles B. Norris to Sgt, Tec 5 William M. Groce to Tec-4 and Pfc Howard J. Adair to Tec-5. Tec 4 John E. Purdy attended typewriter repair school at Reims and Sgt Norris and Tec-5 Adair attended a Radar Course at 91st Air Depot Group Signal Depot. Pvt Claude W. Bridges was tried by a Special Courts Martial and sentenced to six months confinement.

Two Enlisted Men, Pfc Michael Sabara and Sgt Eugene Field were lost by transfer to 12th Reinforcement Depot. Everyone disliked seeing them go and a collection, in their behalf, was made through the Unit, netting seven cartons of cigarettes, thirty candy bars and packages of gum and other odds and ends which were presented the men upon their leaving. To replace these and other men recently lost to the Reinforcement Depot, six enlisted men of limited assignment were transferred to this organization. Five of these men had all seen combat service and their names and the decorations they have been awarded appear in the caption under DECORATIONS. The sixth Sgt Victor J. Turano, had just arrived in the ETO from the States and was eagerly questioned by all Personnel concerning conditions at home.

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With Spring and good weather approaching, it was decided to organize a Unit Softball Team. Sgt George Kelly and Tec-4 Louis J. Thrash, both old ball players, were elected Co-Captains, a practice field was procured and laid out and evening work-outs commenced. A close practice game was won from Team Quartermaster and the Team promises to round out in good shape.

The Community Hall belonging to the Village of Atheis, has been used by Special Service for showing moving pictures to this and other units billeted in the Atheis area three nights during each week, and during the past month the seating arrangements and supervision of showings has been improved so that all personnel can comfortably attend. Arrangements have been made for dances to be held in the same hall, the first to take place on Easter Night, and all men are happily anticipating the event.

James M. Simpson
JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY

3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, the following installment of the organizational unit history for the month of April 1945 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943, and change, Table of Distribution - Service Team, IX Air Force Service Command Memorandum 20-11, dated 8 February 1945.

b. Strength: As of 30 April 1945, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group (Less Detachment "A"), Strip A-74: 1 Officer, 21 Enlisted Men, Present for Duty; 1 Officer, 22 Enlisted Men, Absent. Total Strength: 2 Officers, 43 Enlisted Men.

c. Company Movement: On 25 April 1945, an advance party of 1 Officer and 16 Enlisted Men departed on temporary duty to Strip Y-55 to locate new site, prepare area for remainder of company, and install necessary communication links with the rear area.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: Enlisted men who were members of this organization during the period 24 August 1944 to 15 September 1944 have been awarded the bronze star as a battle participation award in the Northern France Campaign, per paragraph 3, Section VI, General Order #80, War Department, 5 October 1944, and ltr, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, file AG 200.6 Op04, dtd 30 March 1945.

f. Orientation and Schooling of Personnel: All enlisted men attended a showing of the War Department film, "Baptism by Fire" during the month. One enlisted man is presently attending a three-week course in teletype operation and maintenance at AAF Station 522, and one man is obtaining specialist schooling in bomber radio maintenance at No. 2 Radio School, Yatesbury, England, with another man scheduled to begin school on 10 May 1945. A consolidated list of other members of this organization who required further technical training was submitted to the 91st Air Depot Signal Officer, in accordance with recent directives.

g. Important Happenings: One enlisted man (835) was transferred to 12th Reinforcement Depot for infantry training. Only one replacement has been received by this company for men who have already been sent to the infantry. Four overage (261) enlisted men were transferred to the 919th Signal Company Depot (Amn).

This organization was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for

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outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks, the superior performance of normal duties and the achievement and maintenance of a high standard of discipline for the period 29 January 1944 to 6 January 1945 in England and the liberated countries of Europe", per General Order #47, Headquarters, II Air Force Service Command, dated 10 April 1945.

A furlough roster has been established, and two enlisted men were given seven-day furloughs in the United Kingdom.

The radio maintenance section completed all required modifications of aircraft equipment during the month, rebuilt model "mock-ups", and began packing inventorying and packing all equipment in preparation for future move. All liaison equipment, SCR 287, was turned in to 91st Air Depot, and as new ships are received by the squadrons this equipment is immediately removed and delivered to Depot.

Linemen have recovered much surplus wire and salvageable wire during the month, and have begun to reclaim telephones and other equipment in preparation for move.

Both volleyball and baseball tournaments were begun with other members of the Service Group, although the imminent move has forced the postponement of the games until the new base is reached.

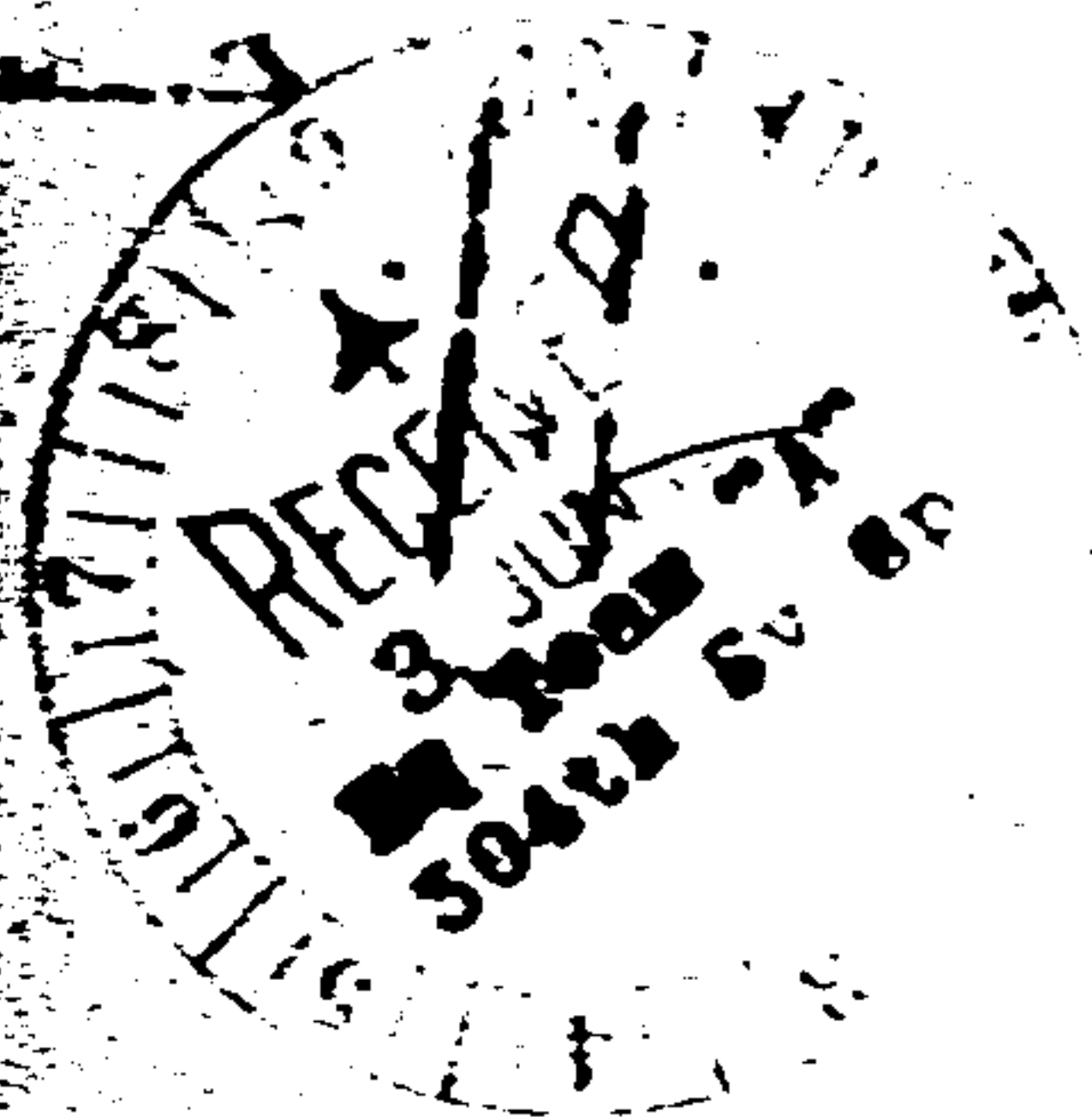
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HEADQUARTERS
1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 1149, U.S. ARMY

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DATE: 3 JUNE 1945.
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11 MAY 1945

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3 June 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, Headquarters, IX Air Force Service Command,
APO 1149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, the following installment of the organizational unit history for the month of May 1945 is submitted:

a. Organization: T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943, and change, Table of Distribution - Service Team, IX Air Force Service Command Memorandum 20-12, dated 8 February 1945.

b. Strength: As of 31 May 1945, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group (Less Detachment "A"), Strip Y-55: 2 Officers, 40 Enlisted Men, Present for Duty; 0 Officers, 4 Enlisted Men, Absent. Total Strength: 2 Officers, 44 Enlisted Men.

c. Company Movement: On 5 May 1945, Main Party departed for Strip Y-55 from Strip A-74, to join advance party. A rear party of 4 Enlisted Men were left to remove lines of communication and clean living sites.

d. Casualties: None.

e. Decorations: None.

f. Orientation and Schooling of Personnel: Since V-E Day, enlisted men of this organization have attended four lectures on counter-espionage and enemy booby-traps, attended a special showing of the redeployment film, "Two Down And One To Go", and have participated in an athletic Field Day, arranged by Team Special Service. Four enlisted men returned from technical training courses at specialist's schools in the United Kingdom and in France. At present no enlisted men have departed for schools.

g. Activities: Adjusted Service Rating Cards and Physical Profile Cards for all enlisted men have been completed, and necessary entries made in Service Records. Only one member of this organization had an ASR score equal to or above the critical score of 85, and was transferred during recent shift of service team personnel. Ten enlisted men were transferred to other organizations, and twelve men transferred into organization, resulting in eight shortages and six overages in MOS.

Michael Kostun
MICHAEL KOSTUN
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

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DETACHMENT "A"
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY SG
TEAM "B" 304th SERVICE GROUP

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Auth.	CO 304th SG
Date	31 May 45
Initials	JMS.

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APD 149, U.S. Army
MAY 1945

UNIT HISTORY

ORGANIZATION: Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company SG, operating under table of Distribution - Service Team, Ninth Air Force Service Command, dated 8 February 1945.

STRENGTH : Authorized: 2 Officers and 49 Enlisted Men.
On Hand : 2 Officers and 38 Enlisted Men.

MOVEMENT : Unit moved from Station Y-55 between Venlo, Holland and Munchen Gladbach, Germany, to Station A-72, Near Peronne, France per Movement of Troops Orders No 104, Hq. Ninth Air Force Service Command.

CASUALTIES : Negative.

DECORATIONS : Negative.

The month of May was a rather hectic one for the Detachment. The end of the war with Germany, the announcement of the adjusted service rating point system, the transfer of six old timers from the organization, the move back to Station A-72 near Peronne, France and the inventorying of all organizational equipment subsequent to the proposed conversion of the Service Group all combined to form a full and not soon forgotten 31 days.

The Victory announcement found the Unit at Station Y-55 in Germany where celebrating facilities were woefully lacking. The closest allied town was Venlo, Holland, which had been badly battered during the fighting in that section and which, according to the reports from those few who had visited the town, offered none too rosy prospects for men celebration bent. So celebrating was confined to a few thanks and a few whoops which were quickly supplanted by this question, "Where do we go from here?" This query was partially answered by the War Department's announcement of its adjusted service rating system the showing of the film "Two Down and one to Go" and the transferring of six men out of the unit.

The six men transferred, Tec 4 John Purdy, Tec 5 Francis Mackowiak, Tec 5 William Hubler, Tec 5 Jean D. Weber, Tec 5 Lawrence Warner and Pvt Claude Bridges were all old men in the outfit and it was with a sincere regret that all men bid them goodbye and wished them luck in their new assignments. The regret was deepened by the feeling that their leaving was only a forerunner of what was to come and that many more sad partings would take place during the anticipated redeployment conversion.

Notice of the move back to Peronne, was received gladly by those who had left numerous friends in that vicinity. Others, however, expressed the feeling that nothing was being accomplished by the change and that it merely occasioned more work.

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The move was made according to plan. There were no mishaps, even though the weather was generally bad and the roads through Holland and Belgium were worse. In contrast of the fine billets the men had occupied in Athois when operating at Station A-72 during the winter, the tents now occupied at Estrees en Chanssee seem like poor lodging. However, in fair weather, they are comfortable and the men snugly content themselves with the knowledge that they had the good quarters when it counted, during the snow and cold of last winter.

The detachment is now in full operation at Station A-72 and all men are awaiting the conversion with interest. There is a deep feeling of regret that the unit must be disbanded but the feeling is softened by the knowledge that many of the men will still be together in the new organizations to be formed.

James M. Simpson
JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. Army

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: DATE: 13 June 1945.
: INIT: *RKC*
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13 June 1945

SUBJECT: Final Unit History.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, Headquarters, IX Air Force Service Command, APO 149, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memorandum 20-10, your Headquarters, dated 25 October 1944, the final installment of the organizational unit history is submitted:

a. Organization: P/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943, and change, Table of Distribution - Service Team, IX Air Force Service Command Memorandum 20-11, dated 8 February 1945.

b. Strength: As of 12 June 1945, Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group: 1 Officer, 1 Enlisted Man, Present for Duty.

c. Transfer of Personnel: 28 Enlisted Men transferred to Headquarters & Base Services Squadron, 481st Air Service Group, Strip Y-55; 12 Enlisted Men transferred to 899th Air Engineering Squadron, 481st Air Service Group, Strip Y-55; 2 Enlisted Men transferred to 723rd Air Material Squadron, 481st Air Service Group, Strip Y-55; above transfers per paragraph 4, Special Order No. 29, Headquarters, Team "A", 304th Service Group, dated 10 June 1945. 1 Officer transferred to 723rd Air Material Squadron, 481st Air Service Group, Strip Y-55, per paragraph 3, Special Orders No. 29, Headquarters, Team "A", 304th Service Group, dated 10 June 1945.

d. Disbandment of Detachment "A": Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, reabsorbed by parent unit, less personnel and equipment, per paragraph 1, Company Order #18, dated 12 June 1945.

e. Disbandment of Organization: Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, disbanded 13 June 1945, per paragraph 3, ltr, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, file 370.5, subject: "Organization Order (No. 45), dated 8 May 1945. "No personnel assigned, attached unassigned or attached from other organizations, effective 2400 hours." Final Roster of 1 Officer and 1 Enlisted Man submitted with Morning Report of 13 June 1945.

f. Disposition of Remaining Personnel: 1 Officer assigned to Headquarters & Base Services Squadron, 481st Service Group, per paragraph 25, Special Order 29, Hq, Team "A", 304th Service Group. 1 Enlisted Man transferred to 899th Air Engineering Squadron, 481st Service Group, per paragraph 26, Special Order 29, Hq, Team "A", 304th Service Group, dated 10 June 1945.

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Final Unit History: (Continued)

g. Final Location of Unit at Time of Disbandment: Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, US AAF Station Y-55, Venlo, Holland; Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, US AAF Station A-72, Peronne, Nord, France.

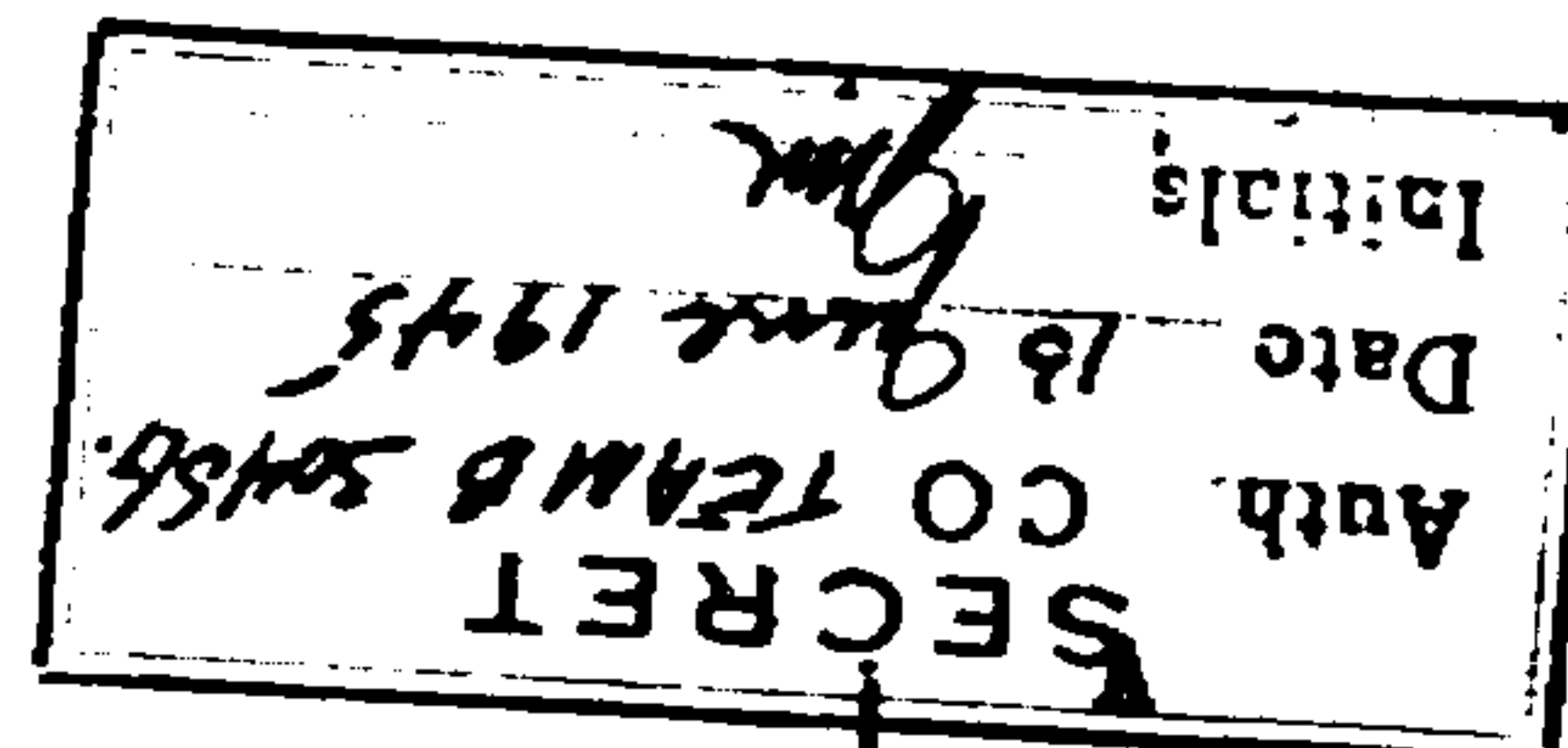
h. Disposition of Company Records: All permanent records dispatched to A.G. Inactive Records Branch, U.S. Army, C/O R.F.O., Banbury, Oxon, England.

Michael Koston
MICHAEL KOSTON
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

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DETACHMENT "A"
1025th SIGNAL COMPANY SG
TEAM "B" 304th SERVICE GROUP



UNIT HISTORY

APD 149, U.S. Army
13 June 1945

ORGANIZATION: Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company SG, operating under table of Distribution - Service Team, Ninth Air Force Service Command, dated 8 February 1945.

STRENGTH : Authorized: 2 Officers and 49 Enlisted Men.
On Hand : 0 Officers and 0 Enlisted Men.

MOVEMENT : Negative.

CASUALTIES : Negative.

DECORATIONS : Negative.

The organization was reabsorbed effective 13 June 1945 by the Parent organization, less personnel and equipment. Personnel were assigned to their new squadrons comprising the 482nd Air Service Group which is the reorganization of Team "B" 304th Service Group. Organizational equipment was divided properly among these three new squadrons, namely Hq & Air Base Services Squadron, 482nd Air Service Group; 724th Air Material Squadron and 900th Air Engineering Squadron.

Some dissatisfaction was noted among various enlisted men in their being transferred into the Air Corps, though with the reorganization felt necessary for proper Group functioning, it is presumed each man will soon find his place.

The part played by this organization with the Hq 1025th Signal Company, with 304th Service Group since 7 January 1944 has been a colorful one. The company's outstanding credit is the award of the Meritorious Service Plaque.

All officers and enlisted assigned to the unit during this period have left with knowledge that they had been assigned to an unusually outstanding organization, proud of their record.

James M. Simpson
JAMES M. SIMPSON
Captain, Signal Corps
Commanding

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**HEADQUARTERS
1025TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 149, U.S. ARMY**

**A-MK
13 June 1945**

SUBJECT: Final Unit History.

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U.S. Army.**

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Final Unit History: (Continued)

g. Final Location of Unit at Time of Disbandment: Headquarters, 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, US AAF Station Y-55, Venlo, Holland; Detachment "A", 1025th Signal Company, Service Group, US AAF Station A-72, Peronne, Nord, France.

h. Disposition of Company Records: All permanent records dispatched to A.G. Inactive Records Branch, U.S. Army, C/O R.I.O., Benbury, Oron, England.

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MICHAEL KERTON
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding

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1026TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

Ninety First Service Group

AAF Service Center

Leesburg, Florida

15 February 1941 - 31 January 1944

Samuel Lerner
SAMUEL LERNER
2nd Lt., S.C.
Historical Officer

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AAF TACTICAL CENTER, ORLANDO, FLORIDA

HISTORY OF THE 1026TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

This organization was activated as the 26th Signal Platoon, Air Base, 15 February 1941 at Mitchell Field, New York, Pursuant to orders contained in WD Letter AGO 320.2 (12/21/40) "Activation and Constitution of Signal Corps Units" (See Appendix 1) dated 31 January 1941, with 2nd Lt. Rodney B. Ware as its Commander. The original Cadre of eleven (11) men came from the 313th Signal Company, Air Sign.

The organization was quartered in an air ship hanger and messed at the Base Consolidated Mess.

Basic Training was instituted at Mitchell Field and has run continuously since. In addition to basic training, some men worked at the Base Signal and operated the switch board, while others received their training in the 308th Signal Company's Message Center.

On 2 September 1941, the platoon broke its attachment to the 313th Signal Company, and moved to the Army Air Base at Windsor Locks, Connecticut for a permanent change of station, with a complement of one (1) officer and twenty-four (24) Enlisted men in compliance with par 32, SO 205, Air Base Headquarters Mitchell Field, New York, dated 28 August 1941 (See Appendix 2). The 26th Signal Platoon was assigned the duty of furnishing Signal Supplies and communications for the 29th Air Base Group. The Signal Supply was set in operation, also a small radio section. An SCR-188 was put into operation, but did no official work in any net at this time. However at this Post the men were quartered in Barracks, but still messed at the Base Consolidated Mess.

It was the policy of the Commanding Officer, Lt. Ware to have every man proficient in every section of the Platoon, so that team training and rotation of personnel from section to section was continuous.

The platoon's short stay at Windsor Locks was terminated by orders to proceed to Knollwood Airport, Southern Pines, North Carolina for Maneuvers, in compliance with par 1, SO 62 Headquarters Air Base, Windsor Locks, Conn., dated 20 September 1941 (See Appendix 3). The platoon left at 1230 on 22 September 1941 by Government vehicle for Knollwood Airport, which consisted of 1 Officer and twenty-two (22) enlisted men. After stopping at Holabird, Maryland and Camp Lee, Virginia, the convoy arrived at Southern Pines, North Carolina on 24 September 1941.

During the period of Maneuvers, the Platoon was attached to the 8th Air Base Group for rations. The duties were much like an operations platoon for the 8th Air Base Group during the maneuvers. Radio operations, teletype and telephone were working on a twenty-four (24) hour a day basis. The Signal Supply and telephone line sections got their first real tryout on these maneuvers.

On 1 December 1941 the Platoon was relieved from the maneuvers and returned to their station at Windsor Locks, Conn. Upon their return to Windsor Locks, schools were resumed again and work continued as before. Faults found on maneuvers were corrected while the sections were continually growing in size and efficiency. Morale was high.

at this time Lt. Ware was relieved of command and 2nd Lt. Frederick O. Ritter took over the duties of Commanding Officer.

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During the first few months of 1942 the Platoon had many new additions, both attached and assigned. The strength increased from thirty(30) Em on 1 January 1942 to one hundred and eleven (111) Em on 20 April 1942. (Seventy-six (76) assigned and thirty-five (35) attached EM) Of this group of one hundred and eleven (111) EM, after interviews for the best qualified EM, the original twenty-two (22) EM of the Platoon and thirty-six (36) other EM proceeded to Fort Dix, New Jersey on 28 April 1942 for the purpose of participating in a service test of an Air Depot Group, reporting upon arrival to Lt. Colonel Paul E. Ruestow as directed in par 3, SO-105 Hqs AAB, Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn. dated 27 April 1942. (See Appendix 4). The men were quartered in camouflaged tents, had their own mess and for the first time were not directly dependant on any other outfit for help. Here the Platoon put in their own radio repair, Signal Supply and Message Center. The Message Center worked on a twenty-four (24) hour a day basis and had eight (8) teletype machines at outlying bases, which they maintained. The Signal Supply kept eight air bases supplied with signal equipment and the radio repair did Third Echelon maintenance work for the same eight fields. Lt. Casimir J. Doda arrived to take over the duties as Signal Supply Officer. The source of signal supplies were from MAD(Middletown Air Depot).

The Platoon, after one month at Fort Dix, were ordered to change areas within the camp to allow for a runway to be put through.

The Provisional Service Group was changed to the 91st Service Group by SO per G. O. 69 Headquarters ASC, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, (See Appendix 5) and at the same time the 26th Signal Platoon was redesignated the 26th Signal Company, Service Group. This change brought about a new T/O which resulted in higher ratings. The morale was boosted still higher. Men were added to the Company from time to time and others were sent out in Cadres. The Signal Company T/O consisted of two (2) Officers, one (1) Warrant Officer, and seventy (70) enlisted men. The company changed from tents to huts in the latter days at Fort Dix, and men were sent off to Signal Corps Training Schools. Lt. Joseph P. Higgins replaced Lt. Doda as Signal Property Officer.

As part of the 91st Service Group, the 26th Signal Company was ordered to proceed to Orlando Air Base on the 15th of November 1942 for assignment with the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics per letter Order 1, Headquarters Fort Dix, New Jersey dated 12 November 1942 (See Appendix 6).

The Company started for Orlando Air Base, 15 November 1942 by troop train, and arrived at North Camp 17 November 1942, where they took up quarters in barracks that were formerly stables. Their stay at North Camp was temporary. During this time however, daily details were sent to Leesburg, Florida to put up tents and install a communications system, before the next move.

On 24 November 1942 the organization moved to Leesburg, Florida per par 44, SO 19, Headquarters AAFSAT, Orlando, Florida dated 24 November 1942 (See Appendix 7). The 26th Signal Company was the second organization to move into the Service Center area. The next few weeks were spent in completing partially set up installations. 1st Lt. Joseph P. Higgins replaced Captain Ritter as Commanding Officer on 18 December 1942.

A new T/O 11-237, increasing the strength of the organization and allowing an addition of a large mobile radio and radar repair unit, was put into effect in the early part of 1943.

The Company functions at Leesburg is to supply the seven (7) outlying air fields in the AFTAC area and to repair and maintain their radio and radar equipment.

On 1 April 1943, three new Officers were assigned to the organization, 2nd Lts. Francis, Long and Dorio. Lt. Long was transferred to the Signal Accounting Section at Orlando, Florida. Later Lt. Dorio and ten (10) EM were transferred in a cadre to the 61st Service Group, Santa Maria, Calif. Lt. Joe Gratz joined the organization 12 June 1943 and took over the radio and Radar repair sections. Lt. Gratz left the organization in the latter part of 1943 and Lts. Lerner and Hurlock replaced him.

Headquarters AFTAC, authorized the use of two (2) mobile supply units by this company. One (1) unit is to be stationed at Zephyrhills, Florida and the other at Gainesville, Florida. The purpose of these units is to give quick supply service to the organizations stationed there. The radio repair unit works in conjunction with the two supply units in giving the quickest possible service. The radio repair unit was designed at Warner Robins Field, Georgia and field tested by the 1026th Signal Company, thus far proving itself very useful for our purpose. Morale is very high in this outfit at present.

The 1026th Signal Company has its own mess and are quartered in well camouflaged, winterized tents. The outfit has its own basketball team and is actively participating in the Group Basketball League. To date this company has won five and sustained no losses. However, the team still has some tough outfits to play.

This company is now slightly overstrength, due to arrivals from the 338th Service Group and twelve (12) radio repairmen from Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey. Among the arrivals were 1st Lt. Melvin J. Levine and 2nd Lt. Joseph E. Zimmerle. Lt. Levine took over the duties as Communications Officer while Lt. Zimmerle was assigned to the Radar Section. Lt. Zimmerle after a short period of time was ordered to proceed to the 465th Bomb Squadron, Montbrook, Florida as Radar Officer.

All sections now are working at maximum efficiency and still continuing their training. The Radio and Radar Sections have grown since the 1026th Signal Company arrived in Leesburg, and are satisfactorily locating and repairing more than is actually required from them.

This company, under the capable leadership of Captain Joseph P. Higgins, has reached a new high in morale and accomplishments, which make the men feel proud to be part of a well functioning outfit.

Furloughs are being given the men, and G. I. busses run to town on schedule after working hours. In the area is a post Theatre with the latest shows. This company also enjoys a Day Room of its own, which was presented by the Wildwood Red Cross.

APPENDIX

1. Letter AGO 320.2 (12/21/40) "Activation and Constitution of Signal Corps Units" dated 31 January 1941.
2. Par 32, SO 205, Air Base Headquarters, Mitchel Field, N. Y., dated 28 August 1941.
3. Par 1, SO 62 Headquarters Air Base, Windsor Locks, Conn., dated 20 Sept. 1941.
4. Par 3, SO 105, Hqs AAB, Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn., dated 27 April 1942.
5. GO 69, Headquarters ASC, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.
6. Letter Order #1, Headquarters Fort Dix, New Jersey, dated 12 November 1942.
7. Par 44, SO 19 Headquarters AAFSAT, Orlando, Florida dated 24 November 1942.

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Annex #1

**WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington**

**AG 320.2 (12-21-40)
M (Ret) M-C**

January 31, 1941

**SUBJECT: Constitution and Activation
of Signal Corps Units.**

**TO: Commanding Generals, First, Second,
Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth
and Ninth Corps Areas, and
Commanding General, GHQ Air Force,
Langley Field, Virginia.**

1. The units listed in the attached inclosure, with the exception of those shown as inactive, are constituted and all units, including those shown as inactive, will be activated by the Commanding General, GHQ Air Force, at the earliest practicable date at Stations of units furnishing cadres.

2. Corps Area commanders will issue the necessary orders to transfer the units, when activated, for permanent change of station. Movements will be made as soon as adequate facilities are available at new stations.

3. The following instructions will apply:

a. For Inter-Corps Area movements, organizational equipment, including organizational property and impedimenta and individual equipment, except clothing, as shown for peace in column 3, Tables of Basic Allowances, plus trunk lockers and messing equipment, will be taken. Clothing will be in accordance with column 2 (Mobilization), Tables of Basic Allowances, as modified by War Department Circulars Nos. 97 and 107, 1940.

b. For Intra-Corps Area movements, equipment to be taken will be as prescribed by the commanding general of the Corps Area concerned. Clothing will be in accordance with column 2 (Mobilization), Tables of Basic Allowances, as modified by War Department Circulars Nos. 97 and 107, 1940.

c. Movement will be made by motor or rail as directed by the Corps Area commander concerned.

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d. Movement of motor vehicles will be by overland convoy and arrangements will be made to camp overnight, wherever practicable, at Army reservations.

e. Travel by privately owned automobiles is authorized as provided in paragraph 1 i, AR 35-4820, for such officers and enlisted men as are not required to accompany the troops, their allowable travel time being that required by the motor convoy to complete the movement.

f. Direct correspondence in all matters relating to these movements is authorized.

4. Obligate the procurement authorities cited below to the extent necessary:

Special Field Exercises

FD 1586 P 31-0620, P 31-0624, P 31-0623, P 31-0110, P 31-0284, P 31-1378 P 31-0700, P 31-0236, P 31-1280, P 31-0230, P 31-1010, P 31-1040, P 31-1111, P 31-0500, P 31-0510 A 0310-~~RE~~. (For travel of officers, Reserve officers and enlisted men; for packing, crating and shipping equipment and impedimenta, and for tolls and ferriages enroute; for gasoline and oil and repairs to motor vehicles enroute; for fuel for cooking, light and water services enroute, and rental of camp sites when impracticable to camp overnight at Regular Army reservations; and for telegraph and telephone services.)

Army Transportation - Rail

QM 1622 P 54-0110, P 54-0284, P 54-1378, P 54-0701 A 0525-01 "D". (For packing, drating and shipping authorized household goods allowances.)

Travel of the Army

FD 1437 P 80-0600, P 82-0600 A 0410-01. (For travel of dependents of officers and enlisted men of the first three grades.)

By order of the Secretary of War:

Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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SIGNAL CORPS (CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES)

Units constituted and to be activated	Station of Activation	Unit furnishing Cadre	Number men in cadre	Eventual
41st Sig Plat, AB	March Field, Calif.	302nd Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Tucson, Ariz.
10th Sig Plat, AB (Inactive)	March Field, Calif.	302nd Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Albuquerque, N.M.
22nd Sig Plat, AB	Langley Field, Va.	303rd Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Charlotte, N.C.
16th Sig Plat, AB (Inactive)	Langley Field, Va.	303rd Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Baton Rouge, La.
56th Sig Maint Co, Avn	MacDill Field, Fla.	304th Sig Co, Avn	22	MacDill Field, Fla.
57th Sig Maint Co, Avn	Mitchel Field, N. Y.	308th Sig Co, Avn	22	Westover Field, Mass.
32nd Sig Plat, AB	Barksdale Field, La.	309th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	New Orleans, La.
27th Sig Plat, AB	Barksdale Field, La.	309th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Jackson, Miss.
60th Sig Maint Co, Avn	McChord Field, Wash.	310th Sig Co, Air Wing	22	Spokane, Wash.
59th Sig Maint Co, Avn	Hamilton Field, Calif.	311th Sig Co, Air Wing	22	March Field, Calif.
28th Sig Plat, AB	MacDill Field, Fla.	312th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	MacDill Field, Fla.
34th Sig Plat, AB	MacDill Field, Fla.	312th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Orlando, Fla.
42nd Sig Plat, AB	Mitchel Field, N. Y.	313th sig Co, Air Wing	11	Westover Field, Mass.
26th Sig Plat, AB	Mitchel Field, N. Y.	313th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Hartford, Conn.
39th Sig Plat, AB	McChord Field, Wash.	314th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Spokane, Wash.
44th Sig Plat, AB	McChord Field, Wash.	314th sig Co, Air Wing	11	Pendleton, O.
38th Sig Plat, AB	Selfridge Field, Mich.	315th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Selfridge Field, Mich.
24th Sig Plat, AB	Selfridge Field, Mich.	315th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Fort Wayne, Ind.
31st Sig Plat, AB	Mitchel Field, N. Y.	316th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Mitchel Field, N. Y.
30th Sig Plat, AB	Mitchel Field, N. Y.	316th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Manchester, N.H.
40th Sig Plat, AB	Mitchel Field, N. Y.	316th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Tallahassee, Fla.
43rd Sig Plat, AB	MacDill Field, Fla.	317th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	West Palm Beach, Fla.
37th Sig Plat, AB	MacDill Field, Fla.	317th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Savannah, Ga.
8th Sig Plat, AB (Inactive)	Hamilton Field, Calif.	319th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Hamilton Field, Calif.
23rd Sig Plat, AB	Hamilton Field, Calif.	319th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Everett, Wash.
35th Sig Plat, AB	McChord Field, Wash.	320th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Portland, Ore.
29th Sig Plat, AB	McChord Field, Wash.	320th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	McChord Field, Wash.

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SIGNAL CORPS (CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES)(CONT'D)

Units constituted and to be activated	Station of Activation	Unit furnishing cadre	Number men in cadre	Ever
25th Sig Plat, AB	March Field, Calif.	321st Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Fresno, Calif.
33rd Sig Plat, AB	March Field, Calif.	321st Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Oklahoma City
21st Sig Plat, AB	Selfridge Field, Mich.	322nd Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Bowman Field
15th Sig Plat, AB (Inactive)	Selfridge Field, Mich.	322nd Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Bangor, Me.
331st Sig Co, Air Wing (Inactive)	Savannah, Ga.	323rd Sig Co, Air Wing	24	Augusta, Ga.
11th Sig Plat, AB (Inactive)	Savannah, Ga.	323rd Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Augusta, Ga.
36th Sig Plat, AB	Fort Douglas, Utah	326th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Salt Lake City
19th Sig Plat, AB	Fort Douglas, Utah	326th Sig Co, Air Wing	11	Boise, Idaho
49th Sig Plat, AB	Barksdale Field, La.	309th Sig Avn Co, (21st Wing)	3	Meridian, MI
49th Sig Plat, AB	MacDill Field, Fla.	312th Sig Avn Co, (3rd Wing)	4	Meridian, MI
49th Sig Plat, AB	MacDill Field, Fla.	317th Sig Avn Co, (8th Wing)	4	Meridian, MI

ENLISTED CADRE

T/O 11-217 Signal Co, Aviation, GHQ and Air Dist.
(3 Commissioned Officers)

- 1 First Sergeant (585)
- 1 Technical Sergeant
 - (1) Chief Operator, Radio (177)
- 1 Staff Sergeant
 - (1) Supply (186)
- 2 Sergeants
 - (1) Mess (124)
 - (1) Truckmaster (068)
- 3 Corporals
 - (1) Clerk, Headquarters (055)
 - (1) Clerk, Message Center (055)
 - (1) Radio Operator (177)

T/O 11-227 Signal Maintenance Co, Aviation
(5 Commissioned Officers)

- 1 First Sergeant (585)
- 2 Staff Sergeants
 - (1) Supply (186)
 - (1) Truckmaster (068)
- 3 Sergeants
 - (2) Linemen, Telephone & Telegraph (055)
 - (1) Mess (124)
- 1 Corporal
 - (1) Clerk, Headquarters (055)
- 8 Privates
 - (1) Automobile Mechanic (014)
 - (2) Chauffeurs (245)

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ENLISTED CADRE (CONT'D)

2 Privates
10 (2) Cooks (060)

(1) Clerk, Headquarters (055)
(2) Cooks (060)
(2) Linemen, Telephone & Telegraph
7 Privates (Assorted)
22

T/O 11-237 Signal Platoon, Air Base (1 Commissioned Officer)

T/O 11-247 Signal Company, Air Wing (3 Commissioned Officers)

1 Sergeant
 (1) Chief Telegraph Printer Operator (237)
1 Sergeant
 (1) Radio (177)
1 Corporal
 (1) Lineman, Telephone & Telegraph (238)
1 Corporal
 (1) Switchboard (705)
1 Private
 (1) Clerk, Receiving and shipping (186)
1 Private
 (1) Message Center (055)
5 Privates (Assorted)
11

1 Master Sergeant
 (1) Wire Chief (261)
1 First Sergeant (585)
3 Staff Sergeants
 (1) Message Center Chief (674)
 (1) Chief Telegraph Printer Operator
 (1) Supply (186)
2 Sergeants
 (1) Mess (124)
 (1) Motor (068)
1 Corporal
 (1) Clerk, Headquarters (055)
1 Private
 (1) Cook (060)
15 Privates (Assorted)
24

3 - From the 309th Signal Co, Aviation (21st Wing) at Barksdale Field, La.

These 3 men are as follows:

1 Sergeant
 (1) Chief Telegraph Printer Operator (237)
2 Privates
 (1) Clerk, Receiving and shipping (186)

4 - From the 317th Signal Co, Aviation (8th Wing) at MacDill Field, Fla.

These 4 men are as follows:

2 Corporals
 (1) Lineman, Telephone & Telegraph (2)
 (1) Switchboard (705)
2 Privates

S E C R E T


ENLISTED CADRE (CONT'D)

4 - From the 312th signal Co, Aviation (3rd Wing)
at MacDill Field, Fla.

These 4 men are as follows:

- 1 Sergeant
 - (1) Radio (177)
- 3 Privates
 - (1) Message Center (0550)

A TRUE COPY:


HILARD FRANCIS, JR.
1st Lt., Signal Corps
Commanding (T)

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S E C R E T

Annex #2

AIR BASE HEADQUARTERS
MITCHEL FIELD

Special Orders)

Mitchel Field, L.I., N.Y.,

Number 205)

E X T R A C T
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August 28, 1941.

32. Pursuant to instructions contained in War Department letter, AGO, AG 320.2(12-21-40) "Constitution and Activation of Signal Corps Units", January 31, 1941, the 26th signal Platoon (AB) with personnel as follows, is transferred to Windsor Locks, Connecticut, and will proceed by motor convoy unless otherwise authorized, from Mitchel Field, N.Y. to Windsor Locks, Connecticut, reporting upon arrival to the Commanding Officer, Air Corps Facility thereat for permanent station:

Sgt CARLO ELASETTI, 6981639(DS Ft Monmouth, N.J.)	Sgt PHILLIP H. GODDARD, 11015109
Corp ERIC W. KALLSTEN, 11019665(DS Fort Jay, N.J.)	Corp FRANCIS GOGGIN, 11020640
Pfc GORDON E. BENNETT, 6153542(DS Det 1st Acft Wg Co, TF#4)	Corp MICHAEL McGREAL, 11020446
Pfc DANIEL DeFELICE, 11010277(DS Ft Monmouth, N.J.)	Corp JOHN A. STORER, 11013433
Pvt PETER AUBE, 32092726	Pfc JOSEPH H. CURTIS, 11010388
Pvt THOMAS J. GARDINER, 32085357	Pfc BERNY MILKOWSKI, 11010400
Pvt EDWARD G. KENRALLY, 32092676	Pfc JOHN J. ROGAN, 6903289
Pvt ADOLPH W. McCOOK, 32120683	Pvt GEORGE ALPHIN, 32068832
Pvt RAYMOND J. McKAY, 32114530	Pvt WILLARD G. FOSTEL, 32120661
Pvt Edward T. Mooney, 32105565	Pvt RICHARD C. HENKEL, 32048674
Pvt ROBERT SMITH, 32112953	Pvt CHARLES MALETTE, 32048359
Pvt CHARLES TRAGER, JR, 33008472	Pvt BENJAMIN McGAUHEY, 32048359
Pvt WALTER UENTERZUBER, 35014251	Pvt GEORGE B. MICKEL, 32048360
Pvt SCOTT A. YOUNG, 32092713	Pvt ALBERT W. RHOADES, 33012419(DS 1st AN Co Det, TF#4)
Pvt WINFIELD EDWARDS, 32092819	Pvt BYRON R. WALTHER, 32019908(DS Ft Monmouth, N.J.)
Pvt SOLOMON SCHIFFMAN, 32092656(DS Ft. Monmouth, N.J.)	Pvt WILLIAM C. YOUNG, 32048124
	Pvt VICTOR J. NEUMAN, 32093016(DS 1st AN Co, TF#4)

The travel directed is necessary in the military service. The Quartermaster Corps will furnish the necessary government motor transportation. Men above indicated as on detached service, will upon termination of their present status, proceed to their permanent station by rail or privately owned conveyance as preferred by the individual.

Special Field Exercises

FD 1586 P31-0620, P 31-0624, P 31-0623, P 31-0110, P 31-0284, P 31-1378, P 31-0700, P 31-0236, P 31-1280, P 31-0230, P 31-1030, P 31-1040, P 31-1111, P-31-0500, P 31-0510 A 0310-2. (For travel of officers, Reserve Officers and enlisted men; for packing, drating and shipping equipment and impedimenta, and for tolls and ferriages enroute; for gasoline and oil and repairs to motor vehicles enroute; for fuel for cooking, light and water services enroute, and rental of camp sites when impracticable to camp overnight at Regular Army reservations; and for telegraph and telephone service)

APPENDIX 2

Par 32, SO 205, ABMFNY, 8-28-41(cont'd) (extract)

Army Transportation-Rail

QM 1622 P 54-0110, P 54-0284, P 54-1378, P 54-0701 A 0525-2"D" (For packing and crating and shipping authorized household goods allowances).

33. Pursuant to instructions contained in WD ltr, AG 320.2(12-21-40) "Constitution and Activation of Signal Corps Units", January 31, 1941, 2nd Lieutenant RODNEY B. WARE, O-283069, Signal Corps, will proceed from Mitchel Field, N.Y. to Windsor Locks, Connecticut, at the proper time, reporting upon arrival to the Commanding Officer, Air Corps Facility thereat for permanent station and duty with his organization, the 26th Signal Platoon (AB).
The travel directed is necessary in the military service.

Special Field Exercises

FD 1586 P 31-0624 A 0310-2 (For travel of reserve officers)

Army Transportation-Rail

QM 1622 P 54-0110, P 54-0284, P 54-1378, P 54-0701 A 0525-2"D" (For packing and crating and shipping authorized household goods allowances).

Travel of the Army

FD 1437 P 80-0600, P 82-0600 A 0410-2 (For travel of dependents of officers and enlisted men of the first three grades).


* * *
By order of Colonel JOHNSTON:

RICHARD W. BOEBEL,
1st Lieut, A.C.,
Adjutant.

Official:

RICHARD W. BOEBEL,
1st Lieut, A. C.,
Adjutant.

A TRUE COPY:


HILARD FRANCIS, JR.
1st Lt., Signal Corps
Commanding (T)

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HEADQUARTERS, AIR BASE
WINDSOR LOCKS, CONNECTICUT

(H-4/jf)

September 20, 1941

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 62)

E X T R A C T

1. In compliance with instructions contained in Letter of Instructions No. 2, First Air Force, dated September 11, 1941, and under authority contained in telegram dated September 9, 1941, from the Adjutant General, First Air Force, to the Commanding Officer, Air Base, Windsor Locks, Connecticut, the following named personnel of the 26th Signal Platoon (AB) will proceed, by Government motor vehicles, so as to arrive on September 26, 1941, from this station to Knollwood Airport, Southern Pines, North Carolina, for the purpose of participating in maneuvers to be held in the Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, area, reporting upon arrival thereof to the Commanding General, First Air Force, For duty.

The Commanding Officer, 26th Signal Platoon, will furnish the necessary motor vehicle transportation.

Second Lieut. RODNEY B. WARE, JR., 90-283069), SC

Sgt PHILIP H. GODDARD, 11015109

Cpl JOSEPH H. CURTIS, 11010388

Cpl FRANCIS GOGGIN, 11020640

Cpl JOHN A. STORER, 11013433

Pfc MEDARD M. KRZEMLEN, 11008225

Pfc BENNY MILKOWSKI, 11010400

Pfc JOHN J. ROGAN, 6903289

Pvt GEORGE R. ALPHIN, 32-68832

Pvt PETER AUBE, 32092726

Pvt WINFIELD H. EDWARDS, 32092819

Pvt ROBERT SMITH, 32112953

Pvt WALTER H. UNTERZUBER, 35014251

Pvt WILLARD G. POSTEL, 32120661

Pvt THOMAS J. GARDINER, 32085357

Pvt RICHARD C. HENKEL, 32048674

Pvt EDWARD G. KENEALLY, 32092676

Pvt CHARLES MALETTE, 32048359

Pvt ADOLPH W. MCCOOK, 32120683

Pvt BENJAMIN MCGAUHEY, 32048377

Pvt RAYMOND McEAY, 32114530

Pvt GEORGE B. MICKEL, 32048360

Pvt EDWARD MOONEY, 32105565

Pvt SCOTT A. YOUNG, 32092713

Army posts, camps, and stations will be used for bivouacs when possible and detailed arrangements will be made by the unit commander for North Carolina concentration.

Convoy and march discipline will be strictly maintained at all times.

All units will take complete organization equipment except as follows: (1) Heavy tentage, except ground echelons of east coast units moving to maneuver area by motor transport, will take pyramidal tents and kitchen flies for shelter during movement. Basis: (1) Pyramidal tent per 8 EM or 6 officers. Winter Operating equipment will not be taken.

The maximum weight allowance for officers is 100 pounds, and for enlisted personnel, 75 pounds. The unit commander will be held responsible for adherence to these limits.

The uniform will be in accordance with the instructions contained in Letter of Instructions No. 2, First Air Force, 11 September, 1941.

Troops will go on garrison rations during the period they are enroute to concentration area, providing the travel time exceeds 24 hours, and will be rationed from home stations; and upon arrival at maneuver area, troops will return to field rations.

Two copies of all Administrative Orders, Movement orders, or Letters of Instructions issued in connection with these maneuvers will be

APPENDIX 3

Par. 1, S.O. #62, Hq Air Base, Windsor Locks, Conn. 9/20/41, Cont'd.

FURNISHED Headquarters AFCC and Headquarters 1st Air Force.

All agencies charged with obligating S.F.E. funds for these maneuvers will render a weekly report each Saturday to AFCC Headquarters indicating (1) the amount of authorization; (2) the amount obligated to date; (3) the balance unobligated; (4) an itemized list of obligations since last report. In cases where actual amounts obligated are unknown, tentative estimates will be shown.

The unit will take to the field their full allowance of T/BA equipment wherever possible, except for telegraph-printer equipment will be made up as much as possible by the rental of commercial equipment.

All other instructions contained in Letter of Instructions No. 2 First Air Force, dated 11 September, 1941, will be complied with.

The Travel directed is necessary in the military service.

SPECIAL FIELD EXERCISES

FD 1588 P 2-99 A 0310-2, P 2-05, P 2-03, P 2-11, P 2-13, P 2-02, P 2-07, A 0310-2. (For postage (restricted to registration and air mail stamps) and telegraph and telephone service; for allowances for rations, and subsistence (rational) issued at the point; for rentals of animals, boats, buildings, camp sites, and equipment, including motor vehicles, office, photographic, and signal; for repairs and alterations to boats, buildings, and equipment including motor vehicles, office machines and labor saving devices, typewriters and tentage, and to grounds in connection with camp sites, including temporary installation of utilities and facilities; for current expenses, special and miscellaneous, laundry service, medical and hospital treatment, packing and crating (job work); for procurement of ammunition, fuel for heat, light, power plants, etc., for gasoline and oil for motor vehicles; for transportation of supplies and equipment, baggage, tolls, and ferriages.)

The Finance Officer to whom the expense accounts are submitted as a consequence of this order will furnish the First Air Force (Attention: Finance Section) with a copy of each voucher, together with a copy of this order, indicating the amounts obligated against the above procurement authorities, as prescribed in paragraph 13, AR 35-1040, August 1, 1938.

By order of Colonel FINTER:

OFFICIAL

J. S. GARRETT,
1st Lieut., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

J. S. GARRETT,
1st Lieut., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

A TRUE COPY:

Hilard Francis
HILARD FRANCIS, JR.
1st Lt., Signal Corps
Commanding (T)

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR BASE
BRADLEY FIELD
WINDSOR LOCKS, CONNECTICUT

/hba

April 27, 1942

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 105)

E X T R A C T

S. PA, Imm Action ltr 370.5, Hq, 1st AF BC, subj; "Movement Orders", dated April 24, 1942, 1ST LT. EDWARD J. KELLY, 0375996, CWS, Det 1st Chemical Co Serv Avn, and Tech 5th Grade TIMOTHY E. BENITZ, 32086178, Dot Finance Dept at large, 1st AF, and the Personnel of the 26th Signal Platoon (AB) listed below will proceed at the proper time fr this sta to Fort Dix, Wrightstown, NJ, for temp duty, for the purpose of participating in service test of an air depot group thereat, reporting not later than April 28, 1942, to Lt Col Paul E. HUESTON, AC, CC Provisional Service Gp, Ft. Dix, NJ. Upon Comp of this Temp duty officers and EM will return to their proper sta. Bradley Fld, Windsor Locks, Conn.

1ST LT FREDERICK O RITTER 0386923, SC

Sgt JOSEPH H. CURTIS, 11010388
Sgt FRANCIS GOGGIN, 11020640
Cpl PETER AUBE, 32092726
Cpl ERIC W. KALLSTEN, 11019665
Pfc DANIEL DE FELICE, 11010277
Pfc BENJAMIN MC GAUHEY, 32048377
Pfc SOLOMON SCHIFFMAN, 32092656
Pfc SCOTT A. YOUNANS, 32092713
Pvt WILLIAM BEATTY, 11037816
Pvt HARRY BUCHER, 11042543
Pvt STUART D. CLARK, 11041044
Pvt FRANCIS COUGHLIN, 11037863
Pvt ALEXANDER E. CROSS, 11038342
Pvt ROBERT C. DEANE, 11041053
Pvt FRANCIS T. DRUGAN, 11042206
Pvt LAWRENCE FITTON, 11016975
Pvt LESTER F. FULLING, 11036083
Pvt PHILIP H. GODDARD, 11015109
Pvt GEORGE T. JAMESON JR. 11042419
Pvt WILLIS E. KEEFE, 11031083
Pvt EDWARD G. KENEALY, 32092676
Pvt FREDERICK F. KOPP, 11041200
Pvt LELAND W. LOWELL, 11043764
Pvt ADOLPH W. MC COOK, 32120683
Pvt EDWARD MOONEY, 32105565
Pvt LEO PANKIEWICZ, 11041203
Pvt ROBERT SMITH, 32112953
Pvt DONALD M. WHEATLEY, 11038281
Pvt JAMES G. WATERSAK, 11017385

Sgt CARLO ELASETTI, 6981639
Sgt JOHN A. STORER, 11013433
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Pfc CHARLES J TRAGER, 33008472
Pvt CARROLL C. BARBER, 11017992
Pvt WALTER C BROWNE, 11038119
Pvt JOSEPH L. BUONACCORSEI, 11037145
Pvt DE FOREST J. COOPER, 11040991
Pvt PHILIPPE CRANE, 11041111
Pvt MICHAEL E. CHIKLA, 6873715
Pvt GERALD F. DONOVAN, 11040941
Pvt FILIPPO FASCIANO, 11040987
Pvt WILLARD G. GOSTEL, 32120661
Pvt DOUGLAS H. GEER, 11040954
Pvt WILLIAM GORMAN, 11041748
Pvt JOHN D. JEWELL, 11016792
Pvt JOHN J. KELLEHER, 11042342
Pvt ERNEST R. NUARD, 11042276
Pvt JOSEPH I. LARKIN, 11041305
Pvt FRANCIS W. MAGEE, 11041985
Pvt GEORGE B. MICKEL, 32048360
Pvt DONALD F. O'BRIEN, 11042150
Pvt JOHN J. ROGAN, 6903289
Pvt WALTER H. UNTERZUBER, #5014251
Pvt CHARLES S. WRIGHT, 11013928
Pvt MEYER I. ZUCKERMAN, 11040858

Travel will be performed by Govt Motor Transp in convoy fr this station Fort Dix, NJ. Travel by privately owned conveyance is authorized for individual officers listed. The convoy will be made up of five (5) trucks fr the 26th Signal Platoon (AB), and five (5) trucks & one (1) wrecker truck fr the Base CM.

The FN EM of the orgns indicated will be the drivers of the CM trucks their proper sta Bradley Fld, Windsor Locks, Conn.

EXT Par 3 SO 105 Hq AAB Bradley Fld Windsor Locks, Conn. April 27, 1942. (Cont'd)

Pfc Sp 4cl PETER R. FALBO, 6997835, 153rd QM Plat Serv Ctr (Avn)
Pfc Sp 4cl STEPHEN W. URBAN, 32170294, 631st QM Plat LM (Avn)
Pfc ALEX EVANCHIK, 13031703, atchd 901st QMAvn (Serv)
Pvt HAROLD M. WALKER, 13049815, atchd 901st AM Avn (Serv)
Pvt BANFORD VANDERPOOL, 15087369, atchd 901st QM Avn (Serv)
Pvt DARRELL R. FREDERICK, 6999912, 153rd QM Plat Serv Ctr (Avn)
Pvt FRANK C. BOYER, 15087371, 153rd QM Plat Serv Ctr (Avn)
Pfc ARTHUR KUHN, 32164940, 153rd QM Plat Serv Ctr (Avn)
Pvt HAROLD K. VANDERHOFF, 32185799, 901st QM Avn (Serv)
Pvt STEFAN CHRUNICK, 11046530, atchd 901st QM Avn (Serv)
Pfc JOSEPH MUSUMANO, 31047622, 631st QM Plat LM (Avn)
Pvt NORMAN MYLES, 32170615, 631st QM Plat LM (Avn)

The General Mess Officer will furnish fifty-nine (59) box lunches, and the QM Mess will furnish twelve (12) box lunches.

Complete Table of Organizational equipment less tentage for housing will be included. Personal baggage will be limited to 100 pounds.

TDN FD 1492 P 5-06 7-06 A 0410-2 and QM 1615 P 99 A 0525-2 "C".

By order of Colonel FINTER:

R. J. ARDISON,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL.

R. J. ARDISON,
Captain, Air Corps
Adjutant.

A TRUE COPY:

Hilard Francis, Jr.
HILARD FRANCIS, JR.
1st Lt., Signal Corps
Commanding (T)

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ARMY AIR FORCES
HEADQUARTERS
AIR SERVICE COMMAND
WRIGHT FIELD, DAYTON, OHIO

July 16, 1942

GENERAL ORDERS)
NO. 69)

- 1 - REDESIGNATION OF ARMS AND SERVICE UNITS
11 - DISBANDMENT OF ARMS AND SERVICE UNITS

I. 1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter, The Adjutant General's Office, subject: "Redesignation and Disbandment of Certain Arms and Services Units of the Army Air Forces" (AG 320.2 (6-25-42) MR-M-AF), dated July 2, 1942, and letter, The Adjutant General's Office, subject: "Disbandment and Redesignation of Certain Signal Corps Units with the Army Air Forces" (AG 320.2 (6-30-42)MR-M-AF, dated July 8, 1942, the following units are redesignated as indicated, without change of station or assignment. These units will be reorganized in accordance with new Tables of Organization to be published at an early date.

<u>OLD DESIGNATION</u>	<u>NEW DESIGNATION</u>
*****	*****
26th Signal Platoon, Air Base	26th Signal Company, Service Group
*****	*****

By command of Major General MILLER:

JOSEPH H. HICKS
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

RALPH NEMO
Colonel, Adjutant General's Department
Adjutant General

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Commanding (T)

APPENDIX 5
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Annex #6

HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON
91st SERVICE GROUP
ARMY AIR FORCES

Fort Dix, New Jersey

November 13, 1942

FIELD ORDERS)

NUMBER 1)

R E S T R I C T E D

1. Omitted.

2. a. Pursuant to letter, Order #1, Hqs Fort Dix, New Jersey, dated November 12, 1942, the following organizations, Hq & Hq Sq, 91st Service Group, 26th Signal Company and 717th Ordnance Company rosters of which appear in Annex #1, to this Field Order, will proceed from Fort Dix, New Jersey, to Orlando Air Base, Florida, by rail transportation. The move so ordered will constitute a permanent change of station.

b. Railway equipment as follows, will be spotted for loading at Fort Dix, New Jersey, at 0800 November 13, 1942, and will be loaded as indicated.

(1) Hq & Hq Sq:

Four (4) Box Cars - Military Impedimenta

One (1) Baggage Car - Kitchen Car.

Two (2) Baggage Cars - Squadron Baggage.

Thirteen (13) Flat Cars (40 ft loaded as follows)

Two (2) cars each carrying one (1) F-2 Trailers

Two (2) cars each carrying two (2) $\frac{3}{4}$ Ton Carryalls

One (1) car carrying two (2) 5 passenger sedans

One (1) car carrying two (2) $\frac{3}{4}$ Ton pick-ups

One (1) car carrying two (1) trailer, Water, & two (2) Ton Jeeps.

One (1) car carrying three (3) $\frac{3}{4}$ Ton Jeeps

One (1) car carrying one (1) fire truck & $\frac{3}{4}$ Ton Jeep.

One (1) car carrying one (1) $1\frac{1}{2}$ Ton Cargo Truck, one (1)

$4\frac{1}{2}$ Ton Tractor F-2 & one (1) Dolly F-2

One (1) car carrying One (1) Ambulance.

One (1) car carrying One (1) Trailer (Photo)

One (1) car carrying One (1) Air Corps Motor Bus.

(2) 717th Ordnance Co. (Avn).

Two (2) Box Cars - Military Impedimenta.

One (1) Baggage Car - Squadron Baggage.

Twelve (12) Flat Cars (50 Ft loaded as follows)

Two (2) Cars each carrying two (2) shop trailers

Two (2) Cars each carrying three (3) bomb trailers

Two (2) Cars each carrying One (1) Tractor & One (1) Tractor Train Trailer

Two (2) Cars each carrying three (3) Bomb Service Trailers.(S)

One (1) Car carrying one (1) Shop Trailer & One (1)

$2\frac{1}{2}$ Ton Wrecker

R E S T R I C T E D

FIELD ORDER NO. 1 - Hq & Hq Sq. 91st Service Group - Continued:

- One (1) Car carrying One (1) 1½ Ton Truck & one (1) 2½ Ton Tuck
- One (1) Car carrying one (1) 2½ Ton Truck & One (1) ½ Ton Pick-Up.
- One (1) Car carrying one (1) Emergency Repair Truck, One (1) 5 passenger sedan & one (1) Bomb Service Truck.

(3) 26th Signal Co.:

- One (1) Box Car - Military Impedimenta.
- One (1) Baggage Car - Kitchen Car.
- Four (4) Flat Cars (50 ft loaded as follows)
 - One (1) car carrying one (1) 1½ Ton Truck & One (1) Ton Trailer.
 - One (1) car carrying one (1) 1½ ton truck & One (1) Trailer.
 - One (1) car carrying one (1) 1½ Ton truck & One (1) Ton Jeep
 - One (1) car carrying one (1) 1½ Ton Truck & One (1) 1 ton trailer.

c. Loading will commence at 0800, November 13, 1942 and will be completed by 1200 November 14, 1942, Captain OLIVER T SIMPSON, JR, TD, is designated entraining officer. Corporal EDWARD L. LIGGIT, is designated as MCO in charge of loading.

d. Nine (9) passenger cars (Pullman) will be spotted for loading at Fort Dix, New Jersey on November 15, 1942. Personnel of this squadron will board train at 0700 November 15, 1942, under the supervision of the entraining Officer.

- (1) The following officers are detailed to the duties set opposite their names:

Train Commander	Capt. C.C. NORTHRUP
Asst Train Commander	Capt. E.C. RITTER
Morot Transportation Off.	Capt. D.E. SCHINDLE
Mess Officer (Hq & Hq Sq)	1st Lt. G.G. PITKI
Mess Officer (26th Sig & 717)	2nd Lt. J.B. BARR
Ord Co's.)	
Fire Marshal	Capt. C.C. NORTHRUP
Surgeon	1st Lt. T.J. NORGE
Security Officer	2nd Lt. A.T. HEART
Baggage Officer	2nd Lt. J.W. SARETHIN

- (2) Personnel will upon entraining be assigned to cars as indicated in Annex #2, by the entraining Officer. Having been assigned to such car, no member of this command will leave it without the express order to do so. An officer will be designated in command of each car and two (2) non-commissioned assistants will be designated for each car by the train commanders. They will restrain from riding on the car platform or from leaving the car without permission, and will also strictly prohibit the following acts.

R E S T R I C T E D

FIELD ORDER NO. 1 - Hq & Hq Sq. 91st Service Group - Continued:

- (a) Extending the hand or limbs out the car window.
 - (b) Damaging or unlawfully removing railway property.
 - (c) The throwing from cars hot ashes, fire, lighted cigarettes or matches, garbage, paper plates, or any dangerous or unsightly articles.
 - (d) Washing mess-kits or allied equipment in drinking or bathing water, or in lavatories.
 - (e) Smoking in berths at night or throwing lighted cigarettes in car aisle.
 - (f) Communication by telephone, mail, radio or telegraph with anyone except as may be necessary to the administration or successful completion of the movement.
- (3) Each Field Range unit will be supplied with the CTC Fire extinguisher. A 15 lb co² fire extinguisher will be installed in the kitchen car. The kitchen car will be installed in accordance with the Circular No. 355, 1942.
- (4) The Security Officer will upon any protractive halt where it is deemed necessary, cause guards to be de-train and protect the train. Sub-Thompson machine guns and Eddystone rifles will be issued for this purpose. Three (3) men and one (1) NCO will ride in the caboose for the purpose of security. The NCO so detailed will be armed with a sub-machine gun. The other men so assigned will be armed with rifles.
- (5) Uniform and Equipment: Woolen trousers, woolen shirts, Field jackets, garrison caps, field shoes, gas masks, field bags, full canteens, web belt and first aid packet will be worn. Two (2) blankets will be rolled in the shelter half and carried by each enlisted man. Other equipment will be carried in barracks bags. Two (2) barracks bags per man will be carried with the squadron baggage.

By order of Captain NORTHRUP:

G. D. PITKIN,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

G. D. PITKIN,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
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Hilard Francis, Jr.
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1st Lt., Signal Corps
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Annex 6

H. HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON
NINETY-FIRST SERVICE GROUP

Fort Dix, New Jersey
November 14, 1942

ANNEX NO. 1)
FIELD ORDER NO. 1)

1. The following named officers and enlisted men are assigned or attached to Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 91st Service Group, Fort Dix, New Jersey:

OFFICERS

**Lt. Col. SOLOMON J. ZOLLER, O-223687	**Captain EVANDER H. THOMPSON, O-293542
Major WILLIAM J. ANKELIN, O-286685 (8th Regt)	1st Lt. ALFRED L. GEORGE, O-466946
**Major LOUIS E. KLEIN, O-258857	**1st Lt. JAMES L. GRUMER, O-439887
Major HOWARD B. SEIM, JR, O-347037	1st Lt. WILLIAM W. KLOVER, O-333744
**Captain ERMANDO D. GRANA, O-872283	1st Lt. GEORGE D. PITKIN, O-373226
Captain CHARLES C. NORTHRUP, O-350676	**1st Lt. MYRON A. RAYMOND, O-901923
*Captain JOSEPH C. PARKER, O-336723	**1st Lt. CLYDE A. STEVENSON, O-399290
Captain OLIVER T. SIMPSON, JR, O-369508	**1st Lt. WILLIAM H. RICHEY, O-482006
**Captain FRANK J. SPECHT, O-324943	**1st Lt. GERALD R. VACCA, O-299588
**Captain GEORGE C. STURGEON, O-485109	2nd Lt. JAMES V. SABATILE, O-564209
	2nd Lt. ALFRED T. HEARIN, O-1576105

ENLISTED MEN

MASTER SERGEANTS

**DROZYSKI, ALEXANDER J, 6707969
**HIGHLEY, RUSSELL M, R-1177990

FIRST SERGEANT

DOUGLAS, JERRY R, 6083606

TECHNICAL SERGEANTS

BUSH, JOHN E, 6713877
LANE, FRANCIS G, 6979089

STAFF SERGEANTS

AIMES, MILLARD M, 1306781
BARON, JOHN, 6980146
BROWN, RICHARD W, 33044885
**BUDJINSKI, ALOYSIUS N, 12026736
CASTELVECCHI, PETER A, 6910425
CHREMCZEVICH, ANDREW A, 20237606
DENHAM, ARTHUR D, 36302195
DONLIN, JAMES S, 12014350
JENKINS, DAVID E, 6959675
MATTHEWS, JOSEPH E, 12018441
SHAFFER, WILLIAM A, 6902168
STEINMAN, MARTIN W, 32191056
WYSOCKI, BENJAMIN T, 6884835

SERGEANTS & T/4TH GRADE

BERZOSKY, BERNARD, 36315541

CINDRIC, JOSEPH, 33114651
COSTELLO, THOMAS A, 12009059
CHRISTS, JEROME A, 13047518
EARLE, GEORGE W, 12012184
ELLINGSEN, DONALD G, 36233620
FOSTER, ROBERT E, 33074456
GARDEN, JACK 6402888
GONZALEZ, MANUEL, 20236227
HOLT, ARNOLD L, 12011603
JACOBS, ELMER, 6410427
JENSEN, STANLEY J, 13039475
JONES, JAMES M, 18041294
KAZALAITIS, ADOLPH J, 31063529
LAUX, CORNELIUS A, 33071642
LAVIOLETTE, WILLIAM W, 12032121
LINNETTY, EDWARD H, 13047343
PATTERSON, JAMES A, 32113455
PERRY, WILLARD D, 33102519
**PESSANO, GILBERT P, 33087090
RANNEY, PRESTON T, 17021538
RAYMOND, EDWARD L, 3682232
**ROMANO, RUSSELL, 6851678
SHURGALA, JOHN J, 13025748
TRAVIS, THOMAS N, 12027236
KIMRING, IRVING, 12028475

CORPORALS & T T/5TH GRADE

ABBS, PAUL S, 36179815

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CORPORALS & T/5TH GRADE CONT'D

AHERN, THOMAS P, 12026285
AKENS, WILLIAM H, 13035270
ALTHEIM, LEON, 32206194
BALLENTINE, WALTER L. 12057114
BERNOT, JOHN H, 32206746
BROKAN, THEODORE H, 12046855
BUTMAN, LELAND E, 11015259
DEVOR, CHARLES H, 12018144
DUCKWORTH, WAYNE W, 12050863
EUTEMARK, FRANK, 12005692
FERRARIS, GUILIO, 32093002
**FORTIER, NELSON R, 16014959
GAIN, ROBERT F, 11029295
JENKINS, JOHN F, 19056058
JUNJULAS, ANTHONY, 31009288
KAUFMANN, CHARLES D, 20273463
LEPEZ, THEODORE C, 6567583
MAGUIRE, FRANCIS, 33190402
MCDANIEL, SCOTT B, JR, 18064428
OGLETREE, JOSEPH L, 6641790
ORTNER, ROBERT K, 12040171
PETRILLO, VINCENT, 32197353
SCHWARTZ, ALFRED E, 12010860
SELF, HENRY G, 18010947
SHEARER, HERBERT Q, 13031676
SHULMAN, HAROLD, 6980851
SPAULDING, DAYTON M, 12067030
SUDOL, STANLEY R, 32206665
TRACEY, WILLIAM R, 13042210
**VELLUCCI, ROMMY, 12017716
VORPE, FLOYD M, 6945326
VOSECKY, EUGENE W, 36315724 (abs sk HOSP)
VUKICH, ANTHONY P, 13039553
WIGGINS, JOHN H, 12010201
WINGERT, EDWARD L, JR, 13028580
**ZACCHIA, ADOLPH J, 31049196

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

AMBROSE, ADOLPH S, 12035524
BAIRD, JAMES C, 33122581
BARD, WALTER M, 13047500
BECK, KENNETH R, 13031811
BEST, ROBERT J, 13025730
BREITMAN, EUGENE H, 12057743
BROWN, GELAND J, 37073078
BUSH, FARRELL, 17034889
CHAMBERS, WALTER, 31644882
CULLISON, ROBERT C, 13020419
DHUMEL, EARL, 6997558
EGLY, JOHN B, 18056554
FARRINGTON, JOHN W, 17034113

GOLDFARB, PAUL J, 13004393
HORTON, JAMES R, 15087752
JACKSON, WENDELL F, 13046744
JONES, ALFRED M, 17623741
LONBO, JOSEPH 33072969
LUCAS, JOHN F, 13026332
MCEACHERN, WENDELL E, 12024352
MALONE, EDWARD F, 20314085
MURPHY, THOMAS J, 13022548
NEVE, LLOYD L, 16047663
PENKOSKI, PAUL 12037779
PUNTORNO, ERNEST M, 32186986
SMELTZER, RALPH O, 13031827
WHITE, FRANK S., 11021030
WOODRUFF, AL 36159479

PRIVATES

BASILE, DANIEL C., 36340264
BEAUBOEUF, WILLARD A., 34232460
BERNFELD, IRVING 12057898
BETANCOURT, JOSEPH 32164138
BOCKO, JOSEPH A., 15196407
BUCKALEW, JOSEPH., 37185280
CALLAHAN, JAMES D., 31201383
CANAVAN, FRANK D., 31084687
CARRON, EUGENE H., 36242472
CAULFIELD, MICHAEL J., 32514500
CHASE, CARL L., 38087672
COLLARD, CHARLES R., 36184864
DAVID, EDWARD G., 13049347
DAVID, FRED G., 13044052
DELLORSO, JOSEPH P., 13031787
DROZDA, JOHN W., 32276908
EHRH, RAIFORD F., 14062508
FALK, JACOB P., 30163272
FRICKIE, LEON E., 36501949
GALLAGHER, EDWARD C., 33353628
GOINS, HOWARD S., 36202807
GREEN, THOMAS J., 12049828
GRESHAM, OLAF I., 3691012
GROGG, HAROLD R., 13028595
GUESSFORD, JAMES O., 35276260
HUFF, PETER J., 32517902
HENDERSON, EDWARD J., 32517902
HEROLD, PAUL E., 37195371
HESS, EDWARD M., 18049656
HOPPER, WALTER B., 14048761
HOROWITZ, LOUIS 12019566
HORVATH, ALBERT 32518693
HOPE, FERRELL 38225675
HOWARD, WILLIAM I. 38175661

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PRIVATES CONT'D

JANKOVIK, EDWARD 16064766
KAUFMAN, NATHAN 32000329
KEENER, MANSEL F. 34232685
KUROWSKI, LEON 33169302
LANDASS, OSCAR R., 37196705
LAUGHLIN, ALTON, D., 14072446
LEVIN, DAVID H., 32408393
LIONBERGER, ALFRED U., 37184847
LUTZ, JOSEPH F., 12018427
MCKENNA, JOSEPH F., 37184267
MEISNER, MORRIS H., 32517936
MICHAELS, RALPH 12062195
MILLER, WAYNE L., 34359983
MITCHELL, ROBERT A., 36074562
O'CONNOR, JOHN A., ~~36339528~~
OVERKAMP, WILLIAM T., 37184642
PAKULSKI, JOSEPH C., 36501995
STAMBAUGH, MARTIN J., 37184604
STEWART, JOHN L., 34339698
STOGNER, CHARLES W., 38225675
TAMORONITZ, ISADORE 12019253
THOMPSON, LOUIS G., 32096077
VARGA, ALEXANDER 20260674
WAGGONER, WILLIAM I. 37202972
WARRILL, HAROLD 34442380
WHITE, HENRY A., 37276007
WIKERSHAM, HARRY E., 15061286
WYATT, JAMES W., 36074535
ZEMKE, HERMAN L., 37274934
ZIPKIN, RUBIN M., 32020519 (Abs sk sta
Hosp)
PORTER, JAMES O., 37202995
RECKENBECKER, THOMAS A., 34367353
REED, KENNETH E., 38175907
REID, ROBERT R., 6895656
RICHARDSON, RAY L. 37183175
ROBINSON, BURTON J., 11033954
SOLBRACK, CLAIR J.B., 37196136
SOLOMON, R.T., 38023992

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Hilard Francis, Jr.
HILARD FRANCIS, JR.
1st Lt., Signal Corps
Commanding (T)

ANNEX NO. 1 to FIELD ORDER NO. 1 - Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron, 91st Service Group - Continued.

2. The following named officers and enlisted men are assigned or attached to 26th Signal Company, Service Group, 91st Service Group.

OFFICERS

Captain FREDERICK O. RITTER, 9-385923

ENLISTED MEN

FIRST SERGEANT

CURTIS, JOSEPH H, 11010388

TECHNICAL SERGEANTS

ELASETTI, CARLO, 6981639
GARDNER, THOMAS J. 32085357
KRZEMIEC, MEDARD H, 11008225
TRAGER, CHARLES J, 33008472

STAFF SERGEANTS

GRESE, FRANK, 7025841
KALLSTEN, ERIC W, 11019665
MCGAUGHEY, BENJAMIN H, 32048377
SCHIFFMAN, SOLOMON A, 32092656
SMITH, ROBERT, 32112953

SERGEANTS & T/4TH GRADES

CROSS, GERALD H, 11031030
CHIKLA, MICHAEL E, 6873715
MICKEL, GEORGE B, 32048360
MOONEY, EDWARD T, 32105565
BONVOULOIR, FELIX D, 11040906
**POSTEL, WILLARD G, 32120661
GODDARD, PHILLIP H, 11015109
LEMMAY, EUGENE A, 31062511
LUTELL, LELAND W, 11043764
MCBOOK, ADOLPH W, 32120683
MILKOWSKI, BENNY, 11010400

CORPORALS & T/5TH GRADES

BARBER, CARROLL C, 11017992
FITTON, LAWRENCE P, 11016975
KOPP, FREDERICK F, 11041200
CLARK, STEWART D, 11041044
CLOVER, EUGENE D, 34240104
CROSS, ALEXANDER E, 11038342
DRANE, ROBERT C, 11041053
DONOVAN, GERALD F, 11040941
KEEFE, WILLIS E, 11031083
KENNEDY, EDWARD G, 32092676
KOTZUR, MIKE, 32106840
MCGEE, FRANCIS W, 11041985
O'BRIEN, DONALD F, 11042150
PANKIEWICZ, LEO, 11041203
VADNJAL, JOSEPH R, 35283777

Private FIRST CLASS

BUTCHER, HARRY, 11042548
BROWNE, WALTER C, 11038119
COOPER, DEFOREST J, 11040991
COUGHLIN, FRANCIS P, 11037863
DILLMAN, GEORGE K, 15090481
DEUTCH, SAMUEL, 32086971
FASCIANO, FILLIPO, 11040987
HUARD, ERNEST R, 11042276
JEWELL, JOHN D, 11016792
LENTZ, FRANKLIN W, 34178719
NOONAN, MYRON P, 11042478
SALVATORE, DOMINICK, 11018966
WAVERSAK, JAMES G, 11017385

PRIVATES

CASILLO, ALBERT D, 33182415
EKARHOS, CHRISTOPHER A, 36172696
DREPPS, GEORGE, 33262046
LANDAU, LEO, 32197253
NOYES, RICHARD J, 41041811
PECORARO, JOSEPH M, 11037815
SWEET, ALFRED C, 37143901
WISNER, GEORGE, 33181818
KVETON, RUDOLPH JR, 16066789

DETACHED SERVICE

Sgt. ZUCKERMAN, MEYER I, 11040858
Cpl. BEATTY, WILLIAM, 11037816
Cpl. BUONACCORSI, JOSEPH L, 11037145
Pvt. BUREK, STANLEY, 36319581
Pvt. DORRIS, ALEXANDER, 11004036
Pvt. GSCHWEND, WALTER J, 33146052
Pvt. ROSE, FREDERIC C, 12055474

ANNEX NO. 1, to FIELD ER NO. 1, Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron
91st Service Group - Continued.

3. The following named officers and enlisted men are assigned or attached to 717th Ordnance Company Avn (AB), 91st Service Group:

OFFICERS

Captain SCHINDLER, DAVID B, O-373380 1st Lt. STALEY, HOWARD V, O-310631
2nd Lt. BARR, HENRY B, O-340649

ENLISTED MEN

MASTER SERGEANTS

CLARK, KENNETH F, 6137176

TECHNICAL SERGEANTS

ZVARICH, WILLIAM C, 33051602

STAFF SERGEANTS

DUNN, JOHN J, 13000172
LARSON, LENNART, C, 31046346
MEADORS, OTHUR E, 6559725

FIRST SERGEANT

ALLARD, CHARLES F. 11015491

SERGEANTS AND TECH 4TH GR

OCHALA, THEOPHIL J., 36111625
PINKHAM DONALD N., 20139820
PROPST EVERETT L., 35032431
SCHAMP WALTER, 35032573
WALKER ELTON E., 33081220
BUNKER, RAYMOND L, 33000641
BURRITT, ELMER, 31049536
BROOKS, CAILP, 11014938
DAVIS, ERMIL F, 11016276
KRUPNIKPT, HARRY, 31047458

CORPORALS & T/5TH GRADES

DRAKE, LAWRENCE L, 35211610
GANNON, CLYDE E, 36153710 (AB St Hosp)
ROBERT, CHARLES F. 33110045
LOCKHARD, ISACK, 31013293
CRISTIANO, LOUIS F, 32092945
FLETCHER, JOSEPH D, 11018111
INCUAGGIATO, ANTHONY E, 31049570

LAVITT, CHARLES R, 11023805
PENINGTON, C, 35125085
RUSBY, JOT M, 35032544
STALFORD, JOSPH, 31067620

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

ANGELL, CHARLES E, 20156121 D/
BEARD, CLEVELAN W, 35211522 D/S
BOSHER, MAX, 33051649
FRANNO, DRENS, 32166137
GASS, ILLIAS S, 20911172
HARDER, HOWARD C, 12140374
HERRIC, WILLIAM G, 11029280
LAROCHE, PHILLIP A, 11029285
MANCUSO, SALVATORE, J, 11036901
MORDBERG, INCE, 12140937 D/S
SALOWIA, CONCETTA J, 31049578
SHAWER, GLEN A, 34461052
TURSCHAU, JAKE, A, 31048368
WATTIES, ROBERT D, 35037878
YOUNG FRANCIS, H, 6877593

PRIVATES

ADAMS, JOHN H, 32419299
APTER, ALBERT L, 12140923
CAIN, HARRY J, 32437925
BLECHER, ALLAN, 12140924
BLUESTONE, JOSEPH, 32434092 (abs sk St Hosp)
BOYCE, AME T, 32431377
COCHRANE, HAROLD E, 32430322
KELLY, RICHARD J, JR, 12129617
LOWE, JOHN R, JR, 31051403 D/S
PTASANIK, CHESTER, 32449193
SCHAPP, ORTON D, 12141168 D/S
SAVER, EDDIE A, 32447720
TIMBERLAI, PERRY V, 32447862
ULRICH, JOHN A, 3248740
VAN LEUV, DEGAR D, 32431609
WATTLER, JOHN V, 32439946
ZYCEUAT, BEEJAI, 12014726

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91st Service Group - Continued.

Symbols:

* Permission to travel by privately owned conveyance.

By order of Captain NORTHRUP:

G. D. PITKIN,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant

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G. D. PITKIN,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant

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Samuel Lerner 2d Lt S
For HILARD FRANCIS, JR.,
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Annex # 7

HEADQUARTERS AAF SCHOOL OF APPLIED TACTICS
Office of the Commanding General

Orlando, Florida
November 24, 1942

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 19 }

E X T R A C T

33. The 26th Sig Co Serv Gp, 91st Serv Gp, WP fr Orlando, Fla to Leesburg Serv Cen, Leesburg, Fla for permanent change of sta. All personnel and equipment will accompany unit. T will be furn by unit. No further expense to the Govt will be involved.

By comd of Brig Gen PEABODY:

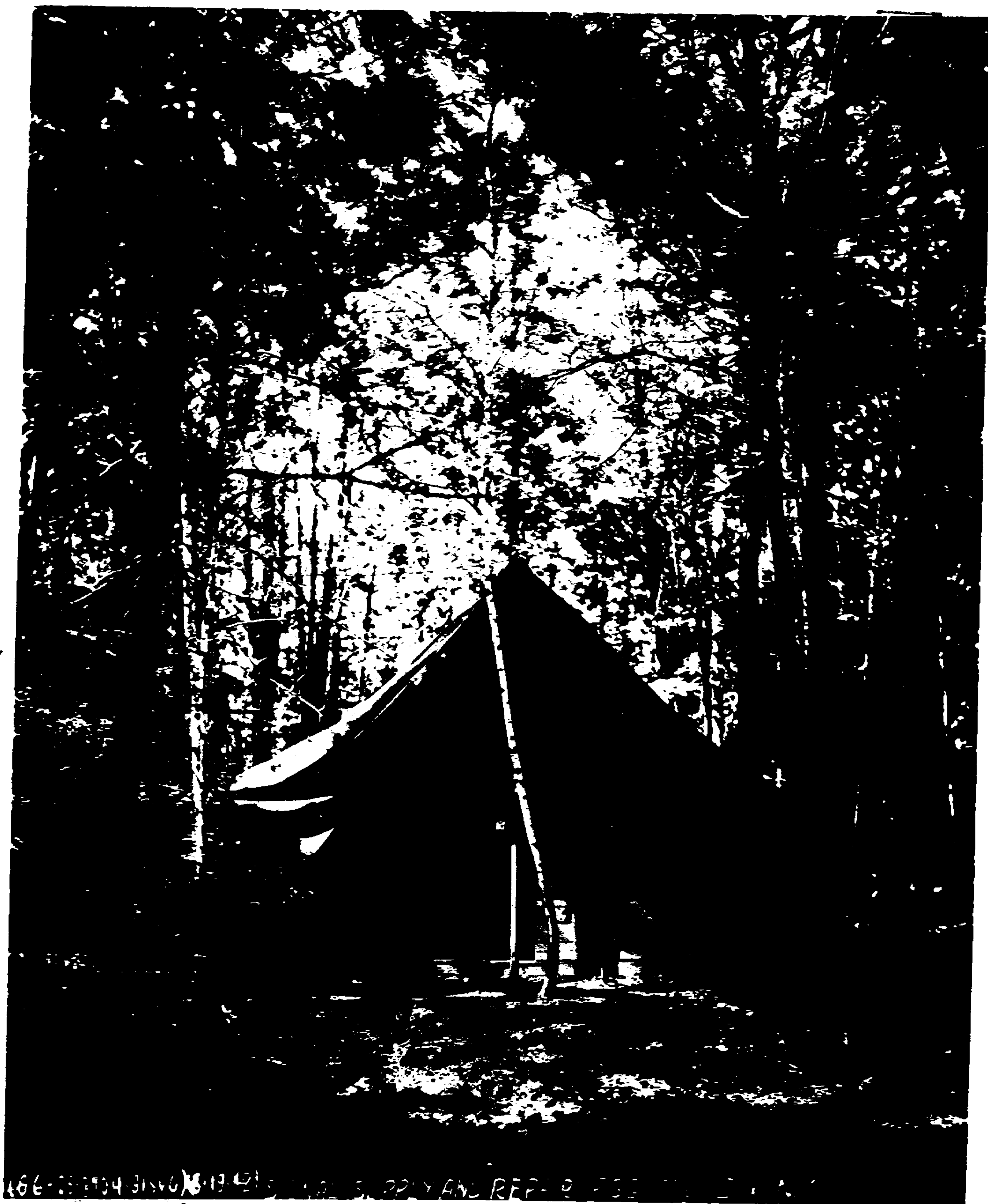
CHAS W. LAWRENCE,
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F. V. HEMENWAY,
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ORLANDO, FLORIDA

February 1944
Supplement

SAMUEL LERNER,
2nd Lieutenant, SC
Historical Officer

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1026TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
Ninety First Service Group
AAF Service Center

Leesburg, Florida
29 February 1944

C O M P A N Y H I S T O R Y

The 1026th Signal Company, Service Group has reached a peak of efficiency, with all installations functioning in a commendable manner. Group and Air Inspectors found this company in an excellent condition and said so in their reports. All the men and officers have had their overseas physicals with five permanently disqualified for overseas duty.

The company went to Ocala Bombing Range in two groups to fire the .50 calibre machine gun and for lunch they had "K" rations.

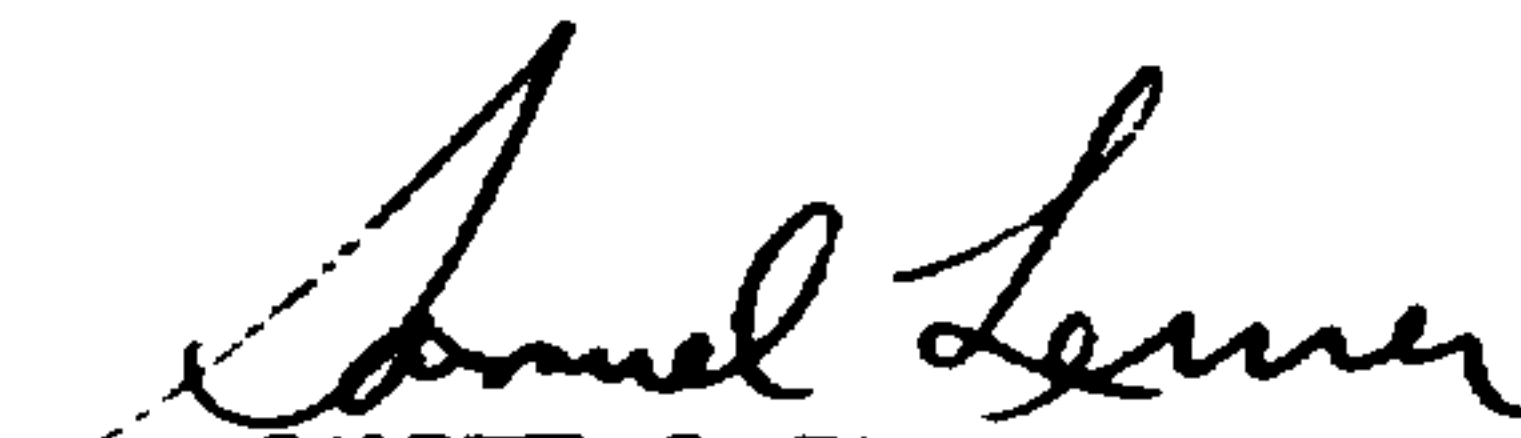
This company has the distinction of having both the Group Trial Judge Advocate and the Defense counsel. Captain JOSEPH P. HIGGINS as the T.J.A. and Lt MELVIN J. LEVINE the defense counsel. Both officers have actively participated in quite a few cases.

Almost every day there is activity out at the volley-ball court and on the football field. Finally in basket ball the 1026th Signal Company met a better team, namely the 3rd Service Squadron, who went on to a hard won victory over our men, they having seven wins and no losses and we with six wins and one loss. This company is looking forward to playing the 3rd Service Squadron again with expectant better results.

Twenty two overages of this company were transferred to the 415th Bomb Gp at AAFTAC, Orlando, Florida, and now our company is once again below T/O strength in enlisted men, but still over strengthened in officers.

With an expected move in sight all personnel still are wondering where our new station will be located. The morale of the company has always been very high but it is continually reaching new heights.

The month wound up in 29 days and on the final day of the month Capt HIGGINS as Class "A" Agent paid off the men. It is expected that the 1026th Signal Company will be well represented in the town of Leesburg on this evening.


SAMUEL LERNER,
2nd Lt, Sig Corps,
Historical Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS AAF TACTICAL CENTER
Orlando, Florida

13 March 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 73)

E X T R A C T

12. The 91st Service Group, consisting of the following Orgns are at current str w/o delay by rail fr AAF Service Center, Leesburg, Fla to Herbert Smart Airport, Macon, Ga. Upon arrival at station of destination these orgns are reld fr asgmt to the AAF Tactical Center, Orlando, Fla and asgd to the Air Service Command:

<u>Unit</u>	Approx. Strength		
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>SI</u>
91st Serv Gp	46	2	575
Hq & Hq Sq			
3d Serv Sq			
322d Serv Sq			
102dth Sig Co, Serv Gp	5		110
1107th Q Co, Serv Gp	9		74
1630th Ord S&M Co, Avn	5		85
1758th Ord S&M Co, Avn	6		79
1911th Q Trk Co, Avn	4		82
2060th Q Trk Co, Avn	4		88

Movement will be made with all individual equipment and minimum essential housekeeping equip to Herbert Smart Airport, Macon, Ga. All other equipment will be moved to Tinker Field, Oklahoma.

Other details of the mvmt will be governed by the provisions of AAF Ltr 35-26, Subj: "Movement of Units within the Continental Limits of US," dtd 25 Nov 43 and WD Cir 102 dtd 15 April 1943, as amended.

Rosters of C and SI certified as correct by the COs of the above orgns will be atchd to this C and upon atchmt hereto are incorporated into and become an integral part of this C.

THIS IS A PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION. Reference is made to AR 55-120 C-3 dtd 28 June 1943 concerning travel of dependents.

This is a troop movement as prescribed by par 4a AR 35-4820. (Travel with Troops except those indicated by an asterisk (*) who are atzd to travel by Private Conveyance (TPA) in accord with Par 4 Sec 12 Pay Readjustment Act of 1942 and par 1j AR 35-4820.)

The provisions of par 12, 15f (2), 18 AR 345-800, Military Records — Report of Change dtd 1 July 1942, as amended and Par 15 AR 345-900 dtd 22 May 42 as amended will be complied with promptly.

The following C are designated as train Comdrs for this mvmt:

TRAIN #1	MAJ	FRANK J. SPICHT	0324943	AC
TRAIN #2	MAJ	CLINTON (BRI) MOWELLY	0276222	AC

In accord with WD Cir 341 dtd 29 Dec 43 as amended the commissary Sales Officer, AAF TAC, Orlando, Fla will provide rations for three (3) meals plus rats for one (1) add meal, to be provided in case of unavoidable delays enroute.

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Par 12 SO 73 Hq AFTAC, Orlando, Fla 3/13/44 (Cont'd)

Garrison Prisoners assigned to these Orgns will accompany their proper Orgn on this mvmt.

(**) Indicates personnel now sick in hospital this sta who will, if not released prior to departure of unit from this sta., rejoin their proper orgn at Herbert Smart Airport, Macon Ga in accord with above C. U Prov of AR 30-2215 TO is atzd to furnish nec meal tickets to these EL. One (1) meal ticket is atzd in case of unavoidable delay enroute. Unused meal tickets will be disposed of in accord with Par 7 AR 30-2215.

Delays enroute are authorized as indicated on attached roster.

IGF facilities for rats the FD will pay in adv the mon alws pres in Sec II AD Bull No. 19 dtd 21 Oct 1943 and AR 35-4520 at the rate of \$3.00 per day for one (1) day each for rats to EL traveling by privately owned conveyance.

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By command of Brigadier General PRABOBY:

J. H. McCULLOCH
Col, AC
D Comdr for Adm & Maint

OFFICIAL:

F. V. HENRY
Col, AGD
Chief, Adm Rec Br.

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| 1 - CG ASF (Attn: Mil Personnel Div., Officers Br. Records Sec) | |
| 1 - Mobilization Div., ASF (Vmt Br Wash., D. C.) | |
| 1 - TAG (CB-I) | |
| 1 - Plans Div., ASF, Wash., D. C. | 1 - Materiel Div - AFTAC |
| 10 - CG Herbert Smart Airport, Macon, Ga. | 1 - Postal C - AFTAC |
| 600 - CG 91st Service Group | 1 - CG AF (AFPLP) |
| 5 - CG Ea unit mentioned in Order | 6 - Chief, Air Finance |
| 2 - Traffic C - AFTAC | 1 - Project Supply Officer |
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| - Files | Staff CC&R (Attn: Maj Brundage) |
| 1 - QM - AFTAC | 3 - Military Personnel Sec AFTAC |
| 6 - Post Engr - AFTAC | 1 - Chf Air Surgeon Br AFTAC |
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| 1 - IG - AFTAC | 1 - Classification Sec (Maj Allen) |
| 1 - Air Inspector - AFTAC | 1 - Classification Sec (Lt Quackenbush) |
| 13 - Adm Div - AFTAC | |
| 2 - Security Br - AFTAC | |
| 1 - Opns & Tng Div - AFTAC | |

R E S T R I C T E D

HEADQUARTERS 91ST SERVICE GROUP AAF SERVICE CENTER LEESBURG FLORIDA

The following is a roster of officers and enlisted men of the 91st Service Group. This roster is an integral part of Par 12, SO # 73, Hq AAF Tactical Center, Orlando, Fla, dated 13 March 1944.

Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron

NAME	RANK or GRADE	ASN	MOS	COMPONENT	DELAY ENROUTE
*KILES, WILLIAM J.	Lt Col	0189163	4015	NG	
*ZOLLER, SOLOMON J.	Lt Col	0223687	2120	ORC	
*GRANA, EDWARD D.	Maj	0472283	4823	AUS	
***KENNELLY, CLINTON (NM)	Maj	0276222	4010	ORC	
*PARKER, JOSEPH C.	Maj	0336723	3100	AUS	
*SCHEINDLER, DAVID B.	Maj	0373320	4512	ORC	
*SIMPSON, OLIVER T., JR.	Maj	0369508	6201	ORC	
***SPECET, FRANK J.	Maj	0324943	2120	ORC	
*STURGEON, GEORGE C.	Maj	0435109	2120	AUS	
*THOMPSON, EVANDELL E.	Maj	0293542	7314	ORC	2 Days
*WHITNER, GILBERT I.	Maj	0496357	2101	AUS	5 Days
*HAPTER, CHARLES C.	Capt	0918081	4902	AUS	
*RICHEY, WILLIAM H.	Capt	0482006	0600	AUS	
*SPETH, EDWIN B.	Capt	0282507	4010	ORC	
*STEVENSON, CLYDE A.	Capt	0389290	3171	ORC	
*ADEL, EMMY D.	1st Lt	01589661	4015	AUS	
*CHERRY, EARLY C.	1st Lt	0574198	5000	AUS	
*DODD, CHARLES H., JR.	1st Lt	01552050	4512	AUS	
*EGLIN, JOHN A.	1st Lt	01036962	7314	AUS	
*FERRELL, WILLIAM H.	1st Lt	0577533	5000	AUS	
*KOPPSZY, NATHAN H.	1st Lt	0650113	6402	AUS	
*MCGUIRE, GLENN C.	1st Lt	0465440	2120	ORC	
*MURDOCK, HEYMAN D.	1st Lt	0329523	5310	AUS	
*SINGMAN, WALLACE T.	1st Lt	01260233	6201	AUS	
*STEFFEN, GERALD B.	1st Lt	01295451	9301	AUS	
*GRAY, HERBERT D.	2d Lt	01543196	2120	AUS	
*KUEHLER, HORACE F.	2d Lt	0581977	2120	AUS	
*STANDAN, CLINTON C., JR.	2d Lt	0650610	6402	AUS	
DECKERT, MATTHEW F.	1st Sgt	19002331	535	RA	
*BROOK, RICHARD E.	1st Sgt	33044885	539	SS	
*BURNETT, ELIHU E.	1st Sgt	31049536	502	SS	
*BURROF, DONALD (NM)	1st Sgt	R-709390	550	RA	
*DEWEY, ARTHUR D.	1st Sgt	36302195	502	SS	
*DODAN, JOHN B.	1st Sgt	12016572	502	RA	
*HIGLEY, RUSSELL H.	1st Sgt	R-1177990	502	RA	
*LILES, PAUL S.	T Sgt	56179815	502	SS	
*BUSH, JOHN E.	T Sgt	6713877	945	RA	
*GRANHA, FRANCIS J.	T Sgt	12010421	502	RA	
*JENSEN, STANLEY J.	T Sgt	13039475	870	AUS	5 Days
*PESSANO, GILBERT P.	T Sgt	33087090	813	RA	
*BAIN, RATTY J.	S Sgt	32437925	835	SS	

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NAME	RANK or GRADE	ASN	ACS	COMPONENT	DELAY ENCUTE
BECK, KENNETH A.	S Sgt	13031811	502	AUS	
BERZOSKY, BENJAMIN (M.I.)	S Sgt	36315541	524	SS	
CINDRIC, JOSEPH (M.I.)	S Sgt	33114651	502	SS	
DOHLIN, JAMES S.	S Sgt	12014350	945	PA	
ELLI-GSEN, DONALD E.	S Sgt	36235720	624	SS	
GARNER, ROBERT A.	S Sgt	15019028	750	PA	
KAZALITIS, ADOLPH J.	S Sgt	31063529	624	SS	
LAUX, CORNELIUS A.	S Sgt	33071652	870	SS	
McDANIEL, SCOTT B., JR.	S Sgt	18064428	502	AUS	
*ORTIE, ROBERT (M.I.)	S Sgt	12040171	221	AUS	5 Days
PETRILLO, VINCENT J.	S Sgt	32197353	624	SS	
SHODGRASS, ALVIN F.	S Sgt	14072494	502	AUS	
ZIERING, IRVING (M.I.)	S Sgt	12028475	502	PA	
ALTHELM, LEON M.	Sgt	32205194	055	SS	
BEHN, HAROLD H.	Sgt	32206700	502	SS	
BENEFELD, IRVING (M.I.)	Sgt	12047698	945	AUS	
BLECHER, ALLEN (M.I.)	Sgt	12140924	502	AUS	
BURITAN, EUGENE H.	Sgt	12057743	275	AUS	
CAUPTOLD, MICHAEL J.	Sgt	32514500	624	SS	
CHAMBERS, ALTON (M.I.)	Sgt	39677792	824	PA	
DEOZDA, JOHN W.	Sgt	35276903	060	SS	
FERRARIS, GIULIO (M.I.)	Tec 4	32093002	809	SS	
HENDERSON, EDWARD J.	Sgt	32518535	624	SS	
KING, EDWARD J.	Sgt	31220255	502	SS	
MAGUIRE, FRANCIS A.	Sgt	33180102	624	SS	
SCHMIDT, ALFRED E.	Sgt	12010860	502	PA	
SUDOL, STANLEY A.	Sgt	32206665	835	SS	
THOMPSON, JACK W.	Sgt	35539529	502	SS	
*ZACCHIA, ADOLPH J.	Sgt	31049190	014	PA	5 Days
ALU, SAMUEL F.	Cpl	33454062	405	SS	
BAUER, HED J.	Cpl	32586117	945	SS	
BALLESTINE, WALTER L.	Cpl	12057114	835	AUS	
BAIRD, JAMES C.	Cpl	33122591	405	SS	
BAIRD, WALTER M.	Cpl	13047500	055	AUS	
BEAUFOT, JOHN J.	Cpl	32296746	566	SS	
BILEY, ELMER F.	Cpl	16037214	030	AUS	
BISHOP, JAMES C.	Tec 5	34162539	055	SS	
*BOCKO, JOSEPH A.	Cpl	15196407	060	AUS	
BOHART, WALTER H.	Cpl	37246353	067	SS	
BOURG, JOSEPH S., JR.	Cpl	33199572	502	SS	
CALLAN, JOHN P.	Cpl	36376185	105	SS	
DAVID, EDWARD G.	Cpl	13049347	055	AUS	
*DAVID, FRED G.	Cpl	13044052	055	AUS	
FUGHELTZ, WALTER C.	Cpl	32764046	859	SS	
FURUSH, ALBERT F.	Cpl	11098340	945	AUS	
GOUGH, THOMAS (M.I.) J.	Cpl	36559852	055	SS	
HAPP, PERRY J.	Cpl	32517902	055	SS	
*HARTIS, ALLEN E.	Cpl	35029996	405	PA	5 Days
HORN, FREDERICK (M.I.)	Tec 5	38225675	961	SS	
JANKOWSKI, EDWARD (M.I.)	Cpl	16061766	055	AUS	
KENN, PHILIP A.	Cpl	35522604	055	SS	
*KATZ, JOHN J.	Tec 5	32074103	345	SS	

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MILLET, WAYNE L.	Cpl	31359983	409	SS	
HEISBER, MORRIS H.	Cpl	32517936	055	SS	
PAKES, RUSSEL O.	Cpl	37660676	405	SS	
RECKENBECKER, THOMAS A.	Tec 5	31367353	861	SS	
REARDS, STANLEY L.	Cpl	33365984	055	SS	
ROSS, GEORGE C.	Cpl	32586132	055	SS	
SUTCHSKI, BRUNO S.	Cpl	35380549	050	SS	
SAN'S, OLIV E.	Cpl	38220989	405	SS	
ST JOHN, LEROY G.	Cpl	39272484	405	SS	
SCIG, FRANK J.	Cpl	36650115	405	SS	
SOLBRACE, CLAUDE J. B.	Cpl	37196136	405	SS	
STROCK, CHARLES F.	Cpl	32369122	821	SS	
WOODRUFF, AL (M I)	Cpl	36159479	055	RA	
ALEXANDER, FRANCES (M I)	Pfc	35141627	861	SS	
ALBANESE, GONDOLFO J.	Pfc	32786593	055	SS	
ARON, DELBERT W.	Pfc	11127933	275	AUS	
BAMFIELD, JESSIE B.	Pfc	R-1331395	521	AUS	
BROWN, MORRIS H.	Pfc	16101992	055	AUS	
COURSEY, WAYNE C.	Pfc	35256852	109	SS	
DELANCO, CHRISTOPHER D.	Pfc	32808132	809	SS	
ESSET, WILLIAM F.	Pfc	37163405	055	SS	
ELLIOTT, WILLIAM C.	Pfc	36607396	055	SS	
FISSELL, MICHAEL (M I)	Pfc	32808894	409	SS	
FLYNN, ROBERT A.	Pfc	35042691	055	SS	
FREDRICKSON, JAMES C.	Pfc	37551768	405	SS	
GOLKOV, BENJAMIN D.	Pfc	13152461	405	AUS	
GOODWIN, ROBERT H.	Pfc	31101570	566	SS	
GURPIERE, GEORGE S.	Pfc	39034539	315	SS	
GRENC, MARIC J.	Pfc	33422241	055	SS	
HUDGINS, CHRISTOPHER E.	Pfc	35518974	405	SS	
HOPKINS, ALTON A.	Pfc	13119687	345	AUS	
LAWSON, MARVIN (M I)	Pfc	7002352	345	PL	
LUTZ, JOSEPH F.	Pfc	12018427	345	PL	
MIKA, EDWARD L.	Pfc	31275778	055	SS	
McKEENA, JOSEPH F.	Pfc	37184267	521	SS	
PANTON, SCLOMON (M I)	Pfc	32791752	945	SS	
PHILLIPS, VICTOR C.	Pfc	36577470	105	SS	
PONTZ, JAMES G.	Pfc	37202995	345	SS	
ROSSITTO, PAUL H.	Pfc	31278645	861	SS	
RETHEL, EDWARD T.	Pfc	36568454	405	SS	
ROBERT, BARTON G.	Pfc	34261827	945	SS	
STOCKER, CHARLES W.	Pfc	34421120	345	SS	
STONEBROOK, DALE L.	Pfc	35589099	345	SS	
TOMMIDI, DAVID (M I)	Pfc	11130162	521	AUS	
TRIKEL, EDWARD J.	Pfc	13094554	822	AUS	
BAKE, ELISHA V.	Pvt	33079193	521	SS	
BASILE, DANIEL C.	Pvt	36340264	345	SS	
BEFENTZ, KILSO C.	Pvt	38463476	521	SS	
COHEN, EUGENE (M I)	Pvt	12195216	945	AUS	
SSCPICHE, ROBERTO (M I)	Pvt	38439847	345	SS	

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PONTIOT, NOLAN C.	Pvt	33181379	521	SS	
FRANKS, ROBERT L.	Pvt	34117886	521	SS	
HOOK, NORMAN J.	Pvt	32636211	283	SS	
McLEAVY, JAMES J.	Pvt	32691726	055	SS	
McHUTT, ROBERT W.	Pvt	33612218	621	SS	
McGHEE, RAYMOND J.	Pvt	35304051	315	SS	
MARUJO, DONACIANO A.	Pvt	38159856	521	SS	
RAND, RUSSELL G.	Pvt	35309815	521	SS	
ROLLIVELLI, FRANK E. (MCL)	Pvt	32178337	109	SS	
THOMPSON, LOUIS G.	Pvt	32096077	105	SS	
WEST, OBA L.	Pvt	35685360	315	SS	

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NAME	RANK OR GRADE	ASN	NOS	COMPONENT	DELAY ENROUTE
RAYMOND, MYRON A.	Major	0901923	2120	AUS	
HEARIN, ALFRED R.	Capt	01576105	4000	AUS	
DEANES, JAMES L.	1st Lt	0574375	4823	AUS	
SCHOENBERGER, AMOT P.	Capt	01697773	3100	AUS	
BARRACK, SALEM F.	1st Lt	0793484	7542	ORC	
ERUST, HERBERT W.	2d Lt	0581636	2110	AUS	
MUSSEBAUM, MORRIS W.	2d Lt	0584007	4110	AUS	
*KALPINSKI, ROYAL (MFI)	CWO	W2119043	4823	AUS	5 Days
LEISZ, FREDERICK J.	WO (jg)	W2123588	4000	AUS	
SIPER, JEROME G.	1st Sgt	16047501	585	AUS	
HARMOND, WILLIAM T.	E Sgt	6230162	826	RA	
*TULL, VERNON E.	E Sgt	11015646	555	RA	5 Days
FALL, THEODORE H.	E Sgt	15037649	502	AUS	
ANDERSON, RAYMOND F.	T Sgt	16038281	326	AUS	
HELGELEND, ROBERT C.	T Sgt	17028974	558	RA	
HUFF, DAVID E.	T Sgt	6977221	925	RA	
LEGACY, BENJAMIN A.	T Sgt	16020542	620	RA	
MEYERS, JOHN J.	T Sgt	17029064	750	RA	
NICOLLY, DONALD F.	T Sgt	12095735	114	AUS	
RABIG, JOSEPH W.	T Sgt	6716739	502	AUS	
REID, ROBERT A.	T Sgt	11011465	256	RA	
RICHARDS, ROBERT C.	T Sgt	13021690	925	RA	
RILEY, CHARLES G.	T Sgt	13045516	502	AUS	
ROSE, HENRY D.	T Sgt	6981333	925	RA	
ASSINI, WILLIAM S.	S Sgt	12035545	555	AUS	
BARON, JOHN (MFI)	S Sgt	6980145	754	RA	
BOYER, JOSEPH W., JR.	S Sgt	13031690	256	AUS	
CLER, HAROLD M.	S Sgt	17033171	550	AUS	
CHURCH, RICHARD J.	S Sgt	16045525	555	AUS	
CINILUCA, JOHN E.	S Sgt	12009511	925	RA	
CIZEX, VERNON J.	S Sgt	33274228	256	AUS	
ENKESD, DONALD L.	S Sgt	16046658	972	RA	
FALCHILD, ROBERT A.	S Sgt	16018327	752	RA	
FURLONG, ROBERT C.	S Sgt	15048274	747	RA	
GABLE, THOMAS J.	S Sgt	6806392	606	AUS	
GLITER, JOHN C.	S Sgt	13048312	555	AUS	
GOHRING, PETER D.	S Sgt	37439966	483	AUS	
HARTLEY, CLAYTON (MFI)	S Sgt	13031768	502	AUS	
HORNUNG, DAVID J.	S Sgt	17018982	925	RA	
JEROME, JERRY J.	S Sgt	16009168	821	RA	
JOHNSON, FRANK C.	S Sgt	14048734	686	AUS	
LAURITA, MICHAEL L.	S Sgt	12018665	686	RA	
LEWIS, SEYMOUR A.	S Sgt	17029142	553	RA	
LITTLE, MOYSEUS A.	S Sgt	17020550	925	RA	
MARSHALL, WILLIAM T.	S Sgt	15087119	686	AUS	
McGLELLAND, MELVIN E.	S Sgt	16018357	687	RA	
MORGAN, ROBERT W.	S Sgt	12003096	620	RA	
MURPHY, WILLIAM E.	S Sgt	70743266	826	RA	
PERNEY, ALBERT E.	S Sgt	6847401	824	RA	
POZZI, JOHN W.	S Sgt	11042482	502	AUS	

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RICKALDER, THOMAS A.	S Sgt	13026333	826	AUS	
SCALISS, LOUIS F.	S Sgt	6980091	747	RA	
VERES, LOUIS J.	S Sgt	12046928	555	AUS	
WILCOIT, GORDON E.	S Sgt	35230950	826	AUS	
ANDERSEN, PETER W.	Sgt	37442916	683	AUS	
ANDERSON, RAYMOND (M1)	Sgt	32393470	050	AUS	
ASADOORIAN, AERMAN (M1)	Sgt	11021675	550	AUS	
BARTLEY, WILLIAM F.	Sgt	33102567	931	AUS	
BOBERLOYER, HENRY D.	Sgt	19064140	925	AUS	
BOIVIN, FLOYD O.	Sgt	11018944	502	AUS	
BOYD, SILVER J.	Sgt	14072227	620	AUS	
BROSKOSKIE, HARRY W.	Sgt	33118808	060	AUS	
CALDWELL, BRUCE A.	Sgt	39550754	747	AUS	
CLAIR, WILLIAM E.	Sgt	16037558	275	AUS	
DOWLING, EDWARD J.	Sgt	33205312	114	AUS	
DUKES, FREDERICK R.	Sgt	14066477	114	AUS	
*GOODMAN, DAVID E.	Sgt	32476930	683	AUS	5 Days
GUYANT, JOHN E.	Sgt	35091187	826	AUS	
HARTER, EDWIN L.	Sgt	13031766	826	AUS	
HOGAN, WALTER J.	Sgt	13031800	540	AUS	
HONAKER, ROBERT W., JR	Sgt	14071430	826	AUS	
HURLEY, MARTIN D.	Sgt	6947215	060	RA	
HYDE, LAWRENCE E.	Sgt	12146646	555	AUS	
JACKSON, HAYDEN L.	Sgt	18133104	555	AUS	
JOHNSON, MARCUS A.	Sgt	13046726	014	AUS	
KARLSEN, KARL W.	Sgt	36340656	070	AUS	
KELLER, STANTON E.	Sgt	13047523	620	AUS	
KENDALL, JOHN (M1) JR.	Sgt	19058956	014	AUS	
KLECK, EDWARD B.	Sgt	16009197	606	RA	
*KORCHOESKY, WILLIAM (M1)	Sgt	6974010	114	RA	
LEWIS, JAMES A.	Sgt	16047876	566	AUS	
LUDWIG, STANLEY (M1)	Sgt	6071044	502	RA	
McSEAN, FLOYD E.	Sgt	13033878	826	AUS	
OLDFIELD, HAROLD (M1)	Sgt	39902937	747	AUS	
PERRON, GEORGE E.	Sgt	11042489	502	AUS	
PIELUSZCZAK, STANLEY E.	Sgt	12031698	826	AUS	
POHLE, ROBERT E.	Sgt	32449608	114	AUS	
RANSON, ELMER (M1)	Sgt	33118741	826	AUS	
REITEN, BENJAMIN J.	Sgt	33242347	826	AUS	
REYNOLDS, ROY C., JR.	Sgt	14071739	070	AUS	
SHAPIRO, MAX (M1)	Sgt	13006978	747	RA	
STUFOSO, RAYMOND P.	Sgt	16052228	826	AUS	
TOSI, ALFRED J.	Sgt	32639887	555	AUS	
TURPAK, HAROLD E.	Sgt	13047195	686	AUS	
WEST, JAMES L.	Sgt	16096411	555	AUS	
WILSON, LOYD (M1)	Sgt	34765977	686	AUS	
WYSONG, EARL L.	Sgt	35452378	826	AUS	
ANDERSON, FRANK J.	Cpl	14173295	606	AUS	
ZVERY, WALTER A.	Cpl	35512816	747	AUS	
BROWN, WILLIAM E.	Cpl	12044305	502	AUS	
BRYANT, MERVIN R.	Cpl	14165001	114	AUS	

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BURNEY, GEORGE A.	Cpl	35634001	114	AUS	
BURNS, CHESTER A.	Cpl	13031953	014	AUS	
COHEN, MARTIN (MT)	Cpl	13044020	555	AUS	
*COLSTOCK, JOHN E.	Cpl	11008427	932	A.	
DINHURIO, CARL	Cpl	35504453	555	AUS	
FRANCIS, HOWARD E., SR.	Cpl	33074373	861	AUS	
FRIEDMAN, SOL (MT)	Cpl	32208167	502	AUS	
GAGEFIRE, GEORGE (MT)	Cpl	16172404	405	AUS	
GARRITY, PETER E.	Cpl	32562604	931	AUS	
HACKER, JACK (MT)	Cpl	35154652	747	AUS	
HALFAST, WILLIAM E.	Cpl	33411031	405	AUS	
HARRISON, ARCHIE A.	Cpl	6821264	256	AUS	
HILTY, JAMES A.	Cpl	13039951	860	AUS	
LANFOTI, ERNEST A.	Cpl	11105690	686	AUS	
JOLLY, CHARLES A.	Cpl	13045547	555	AUS	
KOLACKI, DANIEL A.	Cpl	35549630	405	AUS	
MOREY, WILLIAM (MT)	Cpl	16121117	502	AUS	
KOTALSKI, CARL J.	Cpl	37017555	405	AUS	
LAZOR, JOSEPH G.	Cpl	39192166	256	AUS	
LEWIS, MELVIN L.	Cpl	33118546	932	AUS	
LUBERDA, BURTON F.	Cpl	31286867	550	AUS	
LUCAS, JOHN F.	Cpl	13026332	620	AUS	
MacKENZIE, HARRY F.	Cpl	15019058	747	AUS	
MARTIN, VICTOR F.	Cpl	13045415	932	AUS	
McCLURE, FRANKLIN P.	Cpl	14126340	405	AUS	
McGARRY, FRANCIS H.	Cpl	13045438	932	AUS	
MURPHY, THOMAS J.	Cpl	12022548	687	A.	
MURPHY, THOMAS J.	Cpl	31046026	747	AUS	
KARADIL, WALTER (MT)	Cpl	13026358	932	AUS	
NEAL, DANIEL H.	Cpl	19070444	502	AUS	
*PHILLIPS, NELSEE S.	Cpl	33500812	687	AUS	
RUNWIE, THOMAS B.	Cpl	13031936	555	AUS	
SHILLEY, LESLIE F.	Cpl	14071991	931	AUS	
SKELLY, OLIVER F., JR.	Cpl	33365690	540	AUS	
SLINE, JAMES A.	Cpl	13047412	256	AUS	
SPAUDING, DRYTON H.	Cpl	12067050	405	AUS	
STISTAK, THEODORE E.	Cpl	32713169	686	AUS	
TEROLI, GINO J.	Cpl	13045739	040	AUS	
TERRENT, WILLIAM G.	Cpl	13043685	932	AUS	
VERGO, GEORGE A., JR.	Cpl	13046757	932	AUS	
VEYTOVICH, WILLIAM (MT)	Cpl	13046721	932	AUS	
WICKHAM, HARRY E.	Cpl	32618218	405	AUS	
WINKERD, GEORGE H.	Cpl	13090003	502	AUS	
WINTER, LAWRENCE F.	Cpl	11106807	502	AUS	
*YAPCHANYK, RUSSELL (MT)	Cpl	33285760	747	AUS	
YOUNG, JAMES E.	Cpl	13034171	687	AUS	
DZILLOWSKI, MILTON (MT)	Ted 5	32206100	861	AUS	
BARR, JAMES A.	Pfc	32711973	747	AUS	
BORDE, CLARENCE A.	Pfc	10176357	747	AUS	
BRADLEY, HALLIE D.	Pfc	39550821	747	AUS	
BUCKLEY, JOSEPH J.	Pfc	15335818	405	AUS	
CLARY, JAMES D.	Pfc	35470147	405	AUS	

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CRAIG, RICHARD D.	Pfc	36741578	409	AUS	
DELLORSO, JOSEPH P.	Pfc	13031787	405	AUS	
DONOHUE, JAMES J.	Pfc	32635724	932	AUS	
GIBBS, DELBERT L.	Pfc	13017953	405	RA	
GILMORE, JOSEPH D., JR.	Pfc	39207240	911	AUS	
GUZY, SAM (M1)	Pfc	37543131	405	AUS	
ILLIANO, SALVATORE L.	Pfc	12191536	931	AUS	
LAPFETTE, JERRY G.	Pfc	39030109	685	AUS	
LIEDBLON, ALBERT I.	Pfc	32775221	196	AUS	
LONG, CARROLL E.	Pfc	36475811	345	AUS	
LYNCH, JAMES E.	Pfc	15334284	687	AUS	
MAREHAM, WALLACE L.	Pfc	38194928	932	AUS	
MARTIN, THOMAS L.	Pfc	18116624	747	AUS	
McKILLIP, RICHARD J.	Pfc	35547556	405	AUS	
MITCHELL, ROBERT A.	Pfc	36074562	405	AUS	
NELSEN, JAMES P.	Pfc	39200699	685	AUS	
PARZER, JACK E.	Pfc	34282912	932	AUS	
PEEL, JESUS O.	Pfc	38364152	660	AUS	
POE, LESTER E.	Pfc	32094008	685	RA	
SCHODD, RUDOLPH (M1)	Pfc	14066584	555	AUS	
SCOTT, JAMES D.	Pfc	14072461	345	AUS	
SELEY, RICHARD E.	Pfc	37652031	687	AUS	
STEVENS, GERTIS (M1)	Pfc	34337707	931	AUS	
SWISS, CHARLES W.	Pfc	12124602	747	AUS	
WEELER, EARL E.	Pfc	36283964	747	AUS	
WISE, DUDLEY L.	Pfc	39273150	747	AUS	
BIKE, EDWARD E.	Pvt	32506816	650	AUS	
BRADFORD, PAUL E.	Pvt	35482053	256	AUS	
CAMPBELL, LEROY G.	Pvt	37477926	932	AUS	
CERUSCZO, JOHN A.	Pvt	12152902	932	AUS	
DAVIS, ROBERT L.	Pvt	37309255	405	AUS	
DEAN, J. T. (10)	Pvt	34570072	345	AUS	
DELIO, ANTHONY (M1)	Pvt	32504259	931	AUS	
DURAN, AGUSTIN (M1)	Pvt	38439849	622	AUS	
HALE, WILLIAM E.	Pvt	33646582	521	AUS	
HEDMON, JAMES B.	Pvt	34161837	345	AUS	
ILLIANO, FRANK (M1)	Pvt	12191271	345	AUS	
JACOBS, RALEIGH F.	Pvt	13034842	405	RA	
*JOHNSON, ORVILLE L.	Pvt	37667811	931	AUS	
KILL, URBAN G.	Pvt	38396834	144	AUS	
ELLEN, LEON J.	Pvt	16009126	747	RA	
LITTON, OSCAR (M1)	Pvt	33307897	405	AUS	
MARTENS, LEVI K.	Pvt	37478031	521	AUS	
MOVA, ROBERT J.	Pvt	36605582	932	AUS	
REYNOLDS, LEE J.	Pvt	37497061	114	AUS	
RIPHEBURG, NORMAN S.	Pvt	36243034	685	AUS	
ROUCH, ALTON L.	Pvt	35346624	620	AUS	
ROBBY, DONALD V.	Pvt	37439195	405	AUS	
RODRIGUEZ, LEIS (M1)	Pvt	38439744	521	AUS	
SIECK, ALFRED C.	Pvt	37121592	747	AUS	
SLYNECK, EDWARD (M1)	Pvt	32588701	405	AUS	
SOLIS, ANTONIO P.	Pvt	38157453	521	AUS	
STORCH, VICTOR C.	Pvt	39555578	256	AUS	
LISPON, JOE E.	Pvt	38402759	931	AUS	
ERIGET, HARRY S.	Pvt	6576416	684	A	
ZADORA, MIKE I.	Pvt	38438414	014	AUS	

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RUNYON, LAURANCE P JR	Capt	0386146	2120	ORC	
LEVINSON, MACY F.	Capt	0466794	3100	AUS	
*LESS, JOHN J.	1st Lt	0574956	4825	AUS	
CATHCART, LEONARD H.	2d Lt	0582671	2110	AUS	
*GENTZ, MELVIN F.	2d Lt	01003927	4210	AUS	
NEED, BERNARD J.	2d Lt	0583439	4823	AUS	
BUCHSTANE, MYRON E.	2d Lt	0583687	2120	AUS	
DROZYNSKI, ALEXANDER J.	WO jg	172119042	4823	AUS	
KING, GEORGE W.	WO jg	172123585	4000	AUS	
MC COY, JAMES H. JR	1st Sgt	6385485	535	RA	
*LORENCH, THEODORE F.	M Sgt	6702401	556	RA	5 days
RILES, CECIL T.	M Sgt	14003898	826	RA	
KOZLOWSKI, ROBERT A.	M Sgt	6781556	555	RA	
BRASWELL, NATHAN H.	T Sgt	6923674	256	RA	
CLARK, FRANKLIN F.	T Sgt	6377391	683	RA	
ERWIN, WILLIAM J.	T Sgt	20734819	925	RA	
FANOS, NICHOLAS G.	T Sgt	12011136	752	RA	
HANNON, HERBERT S.	T Sgt	12016967	620	RA	
*LOWRY, CHARLES M.	T Sgt	15032662	925	RA	
RICKETTS, EDWIN F.	T Sgt	16052265	502	AUS	
SMITH, CLARENCE E.	T Sgt	12002830	925	RA	
STAMPS, IRVING L.	T Sgt	14055039	754	RA	
STUBEL, JOHN J.	T Sgt	12026571	925	RA	
TURNBULL, WILLIAM (PMT)	T Sgt	36001552	114	RA	
VONCK, DONALD J.	T Sgt	16036170	826	AUS	
WHLER, FRANKLIN J.	T Sgt	12003618	502	RA	
WRIGHT, KENNETH J.	T Sgt	12003097	502	RA	
ARRINGTON, SAMUEL E.	S Sgt	14066443	502	AUS	
BOND, WILLIAM E.	S Sgt	16037964	553	AUS	
BYRD, THEODORE C.	S Sgt	14023008	824	RA	
CARLSEN, EDWARD W.	S Sgt	12018092	256	RA	
CASTELLI, NICHOLAS (PMT)	S Sgt	12146444	555	AUS	
CONLEY, EDWARD G.	S Sgt	6392827	747	AUS	
DUNN, GERALD C.	S Sgt	6834467	555	AUS	
ENGLEN, ARTHUR, W.	S Sgt	16009172	687	AUS	
GUTHRIE, JACK E.	S Sgt	17028930	686	RA	
HAYDON, JOHN D.	S Sgt	11042589	826	AUS	
HERRON, JAMES A. JR	S Sgt	13040143	747	AUS	
HILLIARD, WILLIAM G.	S Sgt	15062907	747	RA	
HINERBACH, GROVER V.	S Sgt	33118649	686	AUS	
ISKOFF, IRVIN, H.	S Sgt	15073029	502	AUS	
JOHNSON, CARL G.	S Sgt	37174330	750	AUS	
KLUKE, MOIS (PMT)	S Sgt	16043251	555	AUS	
LEHLER, CHARLES E.	S Sgt	37087351	550	AUS	
*LYON, JOHN E.	S Sgt	6981082	686	RA	5 days
MARCY, FRANK (PMT)	S Sgt	13025414	555	RA	
MORGAN, EARL P.	S Sgt	17029054	687	RA	
MOTTIN, CLAUDE L.	S Sgt	20724555	687	RA	
PALATKAI, KAROLY B.	S Sgt	6979484	256	RA	
PRESSLEY, WILSON H.	S Sgt	18064920	555	AUS	
RAKITIS, EDWARD F.	S Sgt	13045399	826	AUS	
ROBICHAUX, HENRY E.	S Sgt	34076860	826	AUS	
RUDEZ, ANTHONY J.	S Sgt	13039909	555	RA	

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SHIMBLUM, SAMUEL M.	S Sgt	38235635	821	AUS	
SPURGETTIS, GUS (RETI)	S Sgt	170382442	502	AUS	
TILIS, DANIEL D.	S Sgt	14048676	114	AUS	
WELLS, PAUL C.	S Sgt	34117443	931	AUS	
*BARKER, THOMAS M. JR.	Sgt	34196739	747	AUS	
BROWN, DONALD L.	Sgt	13052457	686	AUS	
BRUELMEIDE, KENNETH C.	Sgt	13131725	683	AUS	
CAPPELLINI, STANLEY L.	Sgt	12146248	685	AUS	
CHESNIAK, JOHN (RETI)	Sgt	16038114	014	AUS	
CISECKI, STANLEY B.	Sgt	32206559	555	AUS	
COE, JOE P.	Sgt	19112707	256	AUS	
DUNLAP, ROGER E.	Sgt	18039779	060	AUS	
FONTANA, JOSEPH (RETI)	Sgt	32205770	861	AUS	
FOSTER, JOY D.	Sgt	37156474	050	AUS	
GARRISON, JOHN H.	Sgt	16043210	014	AUS	
GORDON, ORVILLE J.	Sgt	16038116	620	AUS	
GOMEZ, SOSTENEO S.	Sgt	18068214	502	AUS	
HALBERSTADT, CHARLES H.	Sgt	35723893	826	AUS	
HUDSON, RAYMOND O.	Sgt	15062638	686	RA	
KIBBY, RALPH W.	Sgt	16043206	060	AUS	
LAMBERT, JOEL W.	Sgt	34257389	747	AUS	
MARFAY, PAUL C.	Sgt	11040861	826	AUS	
MARSH, HERMAN W.	Sgt	37205946	925	AUS	
MC GURK, GEORGE A.	Sgt	16068529	685	AUS	
HOCK, BUSTER B.	Sgt	34258514	548	AUS	
MONTRELL, DANIEL A.	Sgt	33016972	747	AUS	
MORSE, WALDEN H.	Sgt	12044785	826	AUS	
(DS 361st TSS Lowry Fld, Colorado)					
EAGLE, LOUIS H.	Sgt	12030793	685	AUS	
PEDERSON, CARL O.	Sgt	39462690	256	AUS	
PIERCE, RAYMOND C.	Sgt	36180226	555	AUS	
POWELL, ROLAND L.	Sgt	35563158	826	AUS	
PUCKENBERG, RALPH L.	Sgt	14052538	502	AUS	
PUDAN, THOMAS V.	Sgt	39120250	502	AUS	
RAVIELLA, LUKE (RETI)	Sgt	32546196	405	AUS	
ROGERS, CHARLES R.	Sgt	13003224	555	RA	
ROSE, HARRY F.	Sgt	32612041	405	AUS	
RUSO, AGRIPIANO J.	Sgt	31136383	686	AUS	
SCHULTZ, WILLIAM J.	Sgt	32377612	548	AUS	
SHELTZER, RALPH O.	Sgt	13031827	550	AUS	
*SMITH, CECIL E.	Sgt	34257375	550	AUS	
SHOOGNITH, JOHN F.	Sgt	32452660	114	AUS	
SORENSEN, JOSEPH J.	Sgt	16043130	114	AUS	
STEWART, ROBERT D.	Sgt	13033557	747	AUS	
*TIGGINS, ROY (RETI)	Sgt	18035115	256	AUS	
WINBERT, EDWARD L. JR	Sgt	13028580	826	RA	
(DS 361st TSS Lowry Fld, Colorado)					
ZELINKA, PETER P.	Sgt	16043136	826	AUS	
HERN, THOMAS P.	Cpl	12026285	747	RA	
BACELLI, WILDO (RETI)	Cpl	11018626	550	RA	
BAGLEY, ROBERT W.	Cpl	16052187	114	AUS	

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BOWEN, DOYLE C.	Cpl	13033857	932	AUS	
BURKESON, CLARENCE A.	Cpl	18064832	256	AUS	
CABELL, WILLIAM (HAI)	Cpl	59131105	502	AUS	
CARRISON, WILLIAM C.	Cpl	16052240	931	AUS	
CLARK, LAWRENCE W.	Cpl	35095097	686	AUS	
CLIMENT, JAMES P.	Cpl	16052072	932	AUS	
COLLINS, ALLEN E.	Cpl	39460611	747	AUS	
COYNE, JAMES P.	Cpl	32323393	826	AUS	
DE VORE, FRANKLIN J.	Cpl	13110359	747	AUS	
DILLON, GEORGE K.	Cpl	15090481	826	AUS	
DOBSON, CHARLES E.	Cpl	13039172	014	AUS	
FAIR, FRED H.	Cpl	15073562	256	AUS	
FORREST, J. W. (I. O.)	Cpl	14048739	931	AUS	
FRICKIE, LEON E.	Cpl	36501949	932	AUS	
GALLAGHER, WILLIAM H.	Cpl	36582161	276	AUS	
GRAY, GEORGE G.	Cpl	18135212	687	AUS	
GRAY, TROY D.	Cpl	34817443	635	AUS	
HAGUE, ORVILLE K.	Cpl	17124987	685	AUS	
HARRIS, DONALD P.	Cpl	32673871	502	AUS	
HARRICK, LOWELL E.	Cpl	38415543	405	AUS	
HILLS, LEWIS H.	Cpl	35724254	676	AUS	
HOLCOMB, WILLIAM (HAI)	Cpl	16043536	932	AUS	
HOLCOMB, ROBERT W.	Cpl	33582355	405	AUS	
HUMPHRETT, WILLIAM E.	Cpl	18064265	405	AUS	
JESSIER, HARLEY P.	Cpl	19032270	105	AUS	
JONES, JULIUS J.	Cpl	14100594	050	AUS	
KNIGHT, SAMUEL A.	Cpl	37017339	932	AUS	
KOLLMORGAN, ALTER F.	Cpl	35319735	555	AUS	
KOPES, FLOYD H.	Cpl	12005586	405	AUS	
KOVICH, JULIUS J.	Cpl	38414438	114	AUS	
LEWIS, MADSEN G.	Cpl	34059661	931	RA	
LINDLEY, GEORGE H. JR	Cpl	14058383	060	AUS	
LOYALL, ERNEST L.	Cpl	14071935	931	AUS	
MITCHELL, GEORGE W.	Cpl	18064823	932	AUS	
PELZER, JOE H.	Cpl	36271161	620	AUS	
PRELUX, EDWIN J.	Cpl	38258492	409	AUS	
OLSEN, EDWIN C.	Cpl	36650409	070	AUS	
RUTSDI, RAYMOND V.	Cpl	35603974	405	AUS	
*SCHUYLER, LA GRANDE D.	Cpl	14173392	687	AUS	
SHAFFER, WILLIAM A.	Cpl	6902168	502	RA	
SHAPIRO, BENJAMIN H.	Cpl	32682517	502	AUS	
SILS, ANTHONY C.	Cpl	32302911	931	AUS	
SMITH, GORDON (HAI)	Cpl	18064835	620	AUS	
TAYLOR, ROBERT (HAI)	Cpl	35731656	636	AUS	
VAN HAREN, LEONARD R.	Cpl	18044611	932	AUS	
VERGO, ELMER A.	Cpl	32591914	620	AUS	
WYNNICK, LEE H. JR	Cpl	35091129	826	AUS	
WHEATLE, JOHN T.	Cpl	12049795	687	AUS	
BURKE, WILLIAM F.	Tec 5	32206354	661	AUS	
HARFECHUK, WALTER (HAI)	Tec 5	36570752	661	AUS	
BLOCK, ADOLPH (HAI)	Pfc	32444232	747	AUS	
BRINK, RALPH G.	Pfc	36441292	747	AUS	

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CARDILLO, THOMAS J.	Pfc	12191038	932	AUS	
CHUNG, WING (NHI)	Pfc	39094644	521	AUS	
CLARK, JAMES A.	Pfc	34508925	555	AUS	
DE GEUS, CARL H.	Pfc	36590629	747	AUS	
*DE VOYE, JAMES H.	Pfc	39272674	747	AUS	5 days
FRIDEL, ROBERT A.	Pfc	35533675	114	AUS	
GABEL, HENRY G.	Pfc	15087143	055	AUS	
GIBSON, ROY A.	Pfc	36443953	405	AUS	
HAMM, GLENN P.	Pfc	39417222	911	AUS	
HARBERSHE, EMIL F.	Pfc	37226060	502	AUS	
HENDRIX, ALBERT L.	Pfc	36597416	747	AUS	
HOFFMAN, DONALD K.	Pfc	35090931	754	AUS	
KESSLER, LEO R.	Pfc	36100248	665	AUS	
KUTLER, KARL D.	Pfc	17059880	747	AUS	
MCLOUT, ALBERT E.	Pfc	32754590	555	AUS	
MENDON, PHILIP H.	Pfc	36433413	409	AUS	
MURPHY, RAYMOND C.	Pfc	15394256	521	AUS	
NICHOLSEN, IRA (NHI)	Pfc	39194483	747	AUS	
PETERS, JAMES P.	Pfc	17109246	637	AUS	
ROTHSCHILD, MAX (NHI)	Pfc	36578609	405	AUS	
SCOTT, MILTON E.	Pfc	33384354	543	AUS	
SETELL, HERBERT H.	Pfc	34392656	405	AUS	
STEVENSON, THEODORE R.	Pfc	32205741	566	AUS	
STAVENS, EARL R.	Pfc	37312938	747	AUS	
SUPALKO, ROBERT J.	Pfc	33501718	409	AUS	
VAN NITEN, RICHARD L.	Pfc	12103491	405	AUS	
WILDER, HUBERT (NHI)	Pfc	38209536	345	AUS	
WHITE, ERIC K.	Pfc	38468633	931	AUS	
WILLIAMS, GEORGE A.	Pfc	39690845	747	AUS	
WILSON, EDWARD E.	Pfc	38357115	030	AUS	
YOUNGBLOOD, ROBERT M.	Pfc	34707793	114	AUS	
ALLEN, JAMES W.	Pvt	34066149	931	AUS	
EGGAY, ANDREW (NHI)	Pvt	38350843	622	AUS	
BRODELL, LESTER G.	Pvt	19049766	747	AUS	
CAY, JOHN H.	Pvt	14064757	932	AUS	
CHRISTIAN, VIRGIL M.	Pvt	12173579	932	AUS	
DESIGNED, JOSEPH L.	Pvt	31304660	502	AUS	
HARRIS, ALEX L.	Pvt	39916825	050	AUS	
HENDERSON, JESSE E.	Pvt	34168834	521	AUS	
HOLMES, EDWARD T.	Pvt	32629610	405	AUS	
HIGHSMITH, ROBERT F.	Pvt	34773866	555	AUS	
KIDA, FRANK S.	Pvt	31047677	932	AUS	
MARTINEZ, JOE S.	Pvt	58350794	405	AUS	
MCINTOSH, RAY (NHI)	Pvt	34605115	521	AUS	
ORTIZ, BONIFACIO (NHI)	Pvt	38439869	014	AUS	
RICE, EDWARD J. H.	Pvt	35697219	502	AUS	
STERLE, WILLIAM (NHI)	Pvt	35392654	405	AUS	
WADE, ZEB A.	Pvt	34669703	931	AUS	
WITTICH, LOUIE C.	Pvt	39204337	345	AUS	
WILLIAMS, ERVIN E.	Pvt	36067260	345	AUS	
ZAK, JAMES F.	Pvt	35540229	345	AUS	

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HIGGINS, JOSEPH P.	Capt	0372324	0210	QAC	
*FRANCIS, MILIND (MM) JR	1st Lt	01642376	4400	AUS	
LENNER, SAMUEL (MM)	2d Lt	01618062	0500	AUS	
CURTIS, JOSEPH H.	1st Sgt	11010383	555	RA	
GARDNER, THOMAS J.	H Sgt	32085357	950	SS	
CROSS, GERALD H.	T Sgt	11031030	766	AUS	
KRZEMINSKI, EDWARD H.	T Sgt	11006225	239	RA	
TRAGER, CHARLES J. JR	T Sgt	53008472	252	SS	
ZARVIS, JOHN G.	T Sgt	32342584	647	SS	
CHAMWOOD, JAMES F.	S Sgt	34339268	405	SS	
CLARK, STUART D.	S Sgt	11041044	261	AUS	
CROSS, ALEXANDER E.	S Sgt	11033342	667	AUS	
LOVELL, LELAND W.	S Sgt	11043764	405	AUS	
MOORE, FRANCIS W.	S Sgt	11041965	237	AUS	
HESS, PAUL E.	S Sgt	34208129	951	SS	
ZUCKERMAN, MEYER I.	Sgt	11040658	766	AUS	
PICKEL, GEORGE B.	Tec 3	32046360	813	SS	
VADWAL, JOSEPH R.	Tec 3	35233777	252	SS	
BARBER, CARROLL C.	Sgt	11017992	050	AUS	
SUONACCORSI, JOSEPH L.	Sgt	11037145	766	AUS	
CLOSER, EUGENE D.	Sgt	34240104	050	SS	
DEWE, ROBERT C.	Sgt	11041053	650	AUS	
PERMANDEZ, ANGEL S.	Sgt	12040247	766	AUS	
JEWELL, JOHN L.	Sgt	11016792	667	AUS	
PECORARO, JOSEPH M.	Sgt	11037615	667	AUS	
O'BRIEN, DONALD F.	Sgt	11042150	950	AUS	
WRIGHT, HERBERT L.	Sgt	34121105	635	SS	
BABINGTON, EDWARD L.	Tec 4	32512960	239	SS	
EUCHER, HARRY (MM)	Tec 4	11042543	813	AUS	
SUTMAN, LELAND E.	Tec 4	11015259	951	RA	
COUGHLIN, FRANCIS P.	Tec 4	11037865	238	AUS	
DAVIS, DELBERT D.	Tec 4	35332979	954	SS	
JENSEN, THOMAS R. JR	Tec 4	32462561	351	SS	
JONES, DONALD G.	Tec 4	17070246	835	AUS	
KLEFE, WILLIS E.	Tec 4	11031083	275	AUS	
KOTZUR, MIKE (MM)	Tec 4	32136840	050	SS	
LEAHY, EUGENE A.	Tec 4	31062511	950	SS	
HING, WONG, F.	Tec 4	39179268	954	SS	
WHEELER, WICKY R.	Tec 4	35487003	954	SS	
QUASCO, ANTHONY J. JR	Cpl	39044720	647	SS	
CHRISTIE, JOHN F.	Cpl	37555666	647	SS	
CUPPS, EVERETT J.	Cpl	37520355	647	SS	
SCIOSCIA, MICHAEL A.	Cpl	32265716	835	SS	
STOKES, DEWYN E.	Cpl	33737493	405	SS	
BOOTH, RICHARD L.	Tec 5	16063212	239	AUS	
C-SILLO, ALBERT D.	Tec 5	33182415	650	SS	
CLARK, GEORGE R.	Tec 5	39606302	951	SS	
*COOPER, DEFOREST J.	Tec 5	11040991	238	AUS	5 days
DEBOLT, EDWARD C.	Tec 5	36341536	951	SS	
HUARD, ERNEST R.	Tec 5	11042276	650	AUS	

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK OR GRADE</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>MAC</u>	<u>COMPONENT</u>	<u>DELAY ENROUTE</u>
KREPPS, GEORGE W.	Tec 5	33262046	766	SS	
MEYER, LAWRENCE D.	Tec 5	35275317	667	SS	
FRITZ, BENJAMIN L.	Tec 5	35167674	354	SS	
SANTINO, PATRICK A.	Tec 5	12155686	766	AUS	
SHERRER, JAMES R. JR.	Tec 5	34399063	950	SS	5 days
SPENCER, RICHARD A.	Tec 5	16061553	237	AUS	
VIDESVITZ, MEYER (NMI)	Tec 5	16099813	951	AUS	
KESSANT, GEORGE (NMI)	Pfc	39254021	950	SS	
BYCROFT, CLAUDE J.	Pfc	32453178	014	SS	
DANDA, JOHN J.	Pfc	31204913	667	SS	
DONOVAN, GERALD A. F.	Pfc	11040941	621	AUS	
BITTLEMAN, KETO W.	Pfc	37439877	950	SS	
FRANKS, WILLIAM B.	Pfc	14099463	650	AUS	
GALL, RAY H.	Pfc	16100167	955	AUS	
GLAVICK, TIDEAN S.	Pfc	16140890	955	AUS	
GOFF, MAURICE A.	Pfc	16127863	955	AUS	
GONZALES, ARNULFO, R.	Pfc	39350207	776	SS	
GRUBER, GERALD, H.	Pfc	36421871	238	SS	
GRIMSHUD, VARD F.	Pfc	16131215	955	AUS	
HYMAN, ISADORE, H.	Pfc	32601637	237	SS	
FRIES, EDWARD C.	Pfc	37426060	667	SS	
ROCHER, EDWARD P.	Pfc	31334183	650	SS	
WEISSMAN, HORTON (NMI)	Pfc	32709430	405	SS	
CREWSON, WOODROW, W.	Pvt	16065460	647	AUS	
CURDY, JAMES R F.	Pvt	39201467	647	SS	
DESTOLFO, JOHN A.	Pvt	33597455	647	SS	
DOBOSH, LOUIS (NMI)	Pvt	32289081	667	SS	
DE FRANK, FRANK (NMI)	Pvt	35539595	521	SS	
HALDANE, RAYMOND C.	Pvt	39135130	776	SS	
HARRELL, ORVILLE L.	Pvt	38414995	650	SS	
LEONARD, MARIO (NMI)	Pvt	35845625	521	SS	
POWERS, BOYD E.	Pvt	39301755	776	SS	
SHARP, WILLIAM E.	Pvt	34606475	237	SS	
STEWART, HAROLD E.	Pvt	32647126	647	SS	
SUNYAK, JOHN (NMI)	Pvt	35539679	647	SS	
TENNEY, JOHN R.	Pvt	36420352	237	SS	
TULETT, PAUL E.	Pvt	32733712	650	SS	
WALBERG, HAROLD O	Pvt	32699295	650	SS	

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1630TH ORDONANCE & M COMPANY (AVN)					
BRUNBAUGH, WILLO W.	1st Lt	01550551	2120	AUS	
*MYERS, JACOB W.	1st Lt	01552135	1514	AUS	
*MAY, HERBERT S. JR.	2d Lt	0371036	1805	OTC	
*HALLENBECK, WILLIAM D.	2d Lt	01552890	1805	AUS	
MENFINO, ALFRED A. JR.	1st Sgt	31047694	585	SS	
ZVARICH, WILLIAM C.	M Sgt	33051602	511	SS	
BURNACK, JOHN (M.I.)	T Sgt	12019403	413	TA	
LAFSON, LEWELT C.	T Sgt	31048346	808	TA	
HUTZ, JACK (M.I.)	S Sgt	32170556	014	SS	
PALUMBO, EDWARD F.	S Sgt	31034043	821	SS	
PEARSON, J. T. (IC)	S Sgt	34132323	821	SS	
KOPAS, STEVE B.	Tec 3	32156193	011	SS	
BOLOGNA, DANIEL J.	Sgt	32097490	060	SS	
COSTABILE, JOHN	Sgt	31047697	275	SS	
GOTTLIER, MORRIS (M.I.)	Sgt	32094133	405	SS	
LOVE, JOHN (M.I.) JR.	Sgt	31051103	509	SS	
SHAFER, GLENN	Sgt	36161052	114	SS	
ASHTON, T-CLAS J.	Tec 4	7071055	014	TA	
*BROTHERS, EDWIN S.	Tec 4	55599753	114	SS	5 Days
DeSANTIS, DOMINIC J.	Tec 4	32170744	014	SS	
GROCHOWSKI, JOSEPH J.	Tec 4	32802626	913	SS	
MORSE, GLENDON S.	Tec 4	6146615	911	TA	
PUZZO, PHILIP T.	Tec 4	32158482	014	SS	
RAPPELLINI, GIACATTA (M.I.)	Tec 4	52097484	060	SS	
WECHTLER, HENRY H.	Tec 4	32158661	414	SS	
*ABRAHAM, ALBERT M.	Cpl	31283936	405	SS	
BRASHIER, EARL H.	Cpl	34643934	901	SS	
BROADBENT, EDWARD F.	Cpl	36377335	405	SS	
WAGNER, JOSEPH P.	Cpl	33501219	414	SS	
WITHERS, DENZEL T.	Cpl	35639104	405	SS	
APTE, ALBERT L.	Tec 5	12140923	901	SS	
BAKER, JAY J.	Tec 5	31506468	348	SS	
BILLMAN, FRED J.	Tec 5	32723036	901	SS	
BOHNER, MICHAEL B.	Tec 5	32170717	414	SS	
COPELAND, TURLEY M.	Tec 5	31526929	064	SS	
DONOVAN, FRANCIS X.	Tec 5	32695830	405	SS	
GONDER, L. OS S.	Tec 5	33490260	050	SS	
GRANVILLE, WILLIAM J.	Tec 5	33477264	405	SS	
LOPEZ, THEODORE C.	Tec 5	6567583	911	TA	
MADDALENA, ARMANDO (M.I.)	Tec 5	31247382	321	SS	
MILLER, EDWARD B.	Tec 5	33567821	014	SS	
HANKS VILLE, ALLEN G.	Tec 5	6942554	014	TA	
PUSAKULICH, ANDREW (M.I.)	Tec 5	36194003	901	SS	
RUBIN, BENJAMIN (M.I.)	Tec 5	32170480	014	SS	
SHOENKES, WILLIAM L.	Tec 5	38307347	201	SS	
SALONIA, CONCETTA J.	Tec 5	31049578	901	SS	
VELLETRI, RICHARD E.	Tec 5	32170471	405	SS	

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WATKINS, WENDELL F.	Tec 5	32673716	835	SS	
WHEELER, JOHN V.	Tec 5	32489946	511	SS	
ABELE, NORMAN G.	Pfc	36637494	911	SS	
BELLA, THOMAS L.	Pfc	35544132	348	SS	
BEGETON, EDWARD F.	Pfc	31247527	901	SS	
DONNIGI, JOHN F.	Pfc	32728279	014	SS	
EPPS, ASHTON S., JR.	Pfc	33518946	405	SS	
FARRINGTON, JOHN F.	Pfc	16034113	060	RA	
GARRETT, NOAH H.	Pfc	39399504	256	SS	
GILBERT, ROBERT P.	Pfc	35531630	521	SS	
(on furlough)					
HUJAR, STANLEY (NMI)	Pfc	32576582	348	SS	
HULSEY, THOMAS L.	Pfc	37499859	931	SS	
KLASEK, ANTHONY A.	Pfc	37603937	911	SS	
KOHLER, HAROLD (NMI)	Pfc	7024167	014	RA	
MCPATE, JAMES J.	Pfc	12182692	901	SS	
MOORE, CHARLES S., JR.	Pfc	33597693	911	SS	
NEWBY, FRANK J.	Pfc	35531233	014	SS	
OBLAK, STANLEY F.	Pfc	36611774	521	SS	
ORTH, WILLIAM F.	Pfc	33567716	901	SS	
PADILLA, ADOLF (NMI)	Pfc	38102780	521	SS	
SAXTON, NEVIN F.	Pfc	33415941	901	SS	
ST. PIER, DAVID F.	Pfc	39273060	256	SS	
HOOD, CARL E.	Pfc	16154891	405	SS	
DAVIS, MELVIN J.	Pvt	39454599	521	SS	
BOATS, LUTHER J.	Pvt	33720787	901	SS	
FUDDER, HAROLD K.	Pvt	34504953	014	SS	
SCHWEIKERT, CLYDE (NMI)	Pvt	35624915	014	SS	
SEGUIN, JOHN P.	Pvt	31156472	014	SS	
STANLEY, GILBERT O.	Pvt	53505684	521	SS	
WENDELL, REVID C.	Pvt	37270231	521	SS	
ZEPLOWITZ, SAM (NMI)	Pvt	32411998	901	SS	

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NAME	Rank or GRADE	ASN	POS	COMPONENT	DELEY ENROUTE
1758th Ordnance S & M Company (Avn)					
LILLY, JAMES L.	Capt	0364725	2120	OPC	
*KASLAKA, JOSEPH F.	1st Lt	01552113	4805	AUS	
*HILSON, ROBERT F.	1st Lt	01553204	4532	AUS	
ROBERTS, EARL J., JR.	2d Lt	01553541	4514	AUS	
ALLARD, CHARLES F.	1st Sgt	11015491	585	FA	
BURNS, ALFRED J.	1st Sgt	32170913	413	SS	
CARROLL, WILLIAM F.	T Sgt	35010355	413	SS	
PROBST, EVERETT L.	T Sgt	35032431	505	SS	
ROBERTS, CHARLES F.	T Sgt	33110045	821	SS	
ADAMS, JOHN H.	S Sgt	32419299	511	SS	
*CORTELA, JOHN P.	S Sgt	32602138	821	SS	
HATKINS, ROBERT D.	S Sgt	35037878	824	SS	
JANEY, JOSEPH P.	S Sgt	32170347	014	SS	
LUF, ALFRED J.	Tec 3	31049744	014	SS	
BROOKS, WAINO (M I)	Sgt	11014932	505	FA	
KALLAGHER, COLLETON C.	Sgt	31215655	511	SS	
WYDMILL, EBBE C.	Sgt	31147864	014	SS	
WELSH, WILLIAM J., JR.	Sgt	32486039	405	SS	
YAGHOBIAN, ELIG (M I)	Sgt	31130865	275	SS	
CHABOT, LAWRENCE J.	Tec 4	31175096	201	SS	
DOOLEY, JOHN F.	Tec 4	35368313	114	SS	
LAISSE, EARL C.	Tec 4	12009041	405	FA	
WILSON, CHESTER (M I)	Tec 4	35358551	405	SS	
O'DONOVAN, PATRICK J.	Tec 4	31203407	256	SS	
PERKINGTON, CHARLES F.	Tec 4	31204151	931	SS	
SEIDL, EDWARD G., JR.	Tec 4	31034785	414	SS	
SEIDGELL, RALPH H.	Tec 4	31147848	014	SS	
ASPINWALL, ROBERT (M I)	Col	36642138	414	SS	
DRESZEL, DONALD C.	Col	37476917	405	SS	
BOYCE, ARD T.	Tec 5	32431377	014	SS	
COHEN, MAX (M I)	Tec 5	31242541	349	SS	
COWLEY, ORVAL E.	Tec 5	34612374	345	SS	
COSGROVE, JOHN T.	Tec 5	33551725	901	SS	
DENO, FREDERICK V.	Tec 5	35193977	901	SS	
DUBS, DONALD E.	Tec 5	31175103	114	SS	
FUSCO, NICHOLAS (M I)	Tec 5	32602692	060	SS	
JONES, WILLIAM P.	Tec 5	35765732	911	SS	
KEENEY, JOHN C.	Tec 5	33408456	014	SS	
KOVACS, JOHN (M I)	Tec 5	35531249	911	SS	
McGOWAN, JAMES T.	Tec 5	32730539	405	SS	
NICHOLSON, ADOLFO (M I)	Tec 5	31147875	014	SS	
WILSTEAD, WILBUR E.	Tec 5	38307371	911	SS	
SANDERS, JAMES B.	Tec 5	38307397	901	SS	
SECHLER, RAY H.	Tec 5	39262990	014	SS	
SIDDIS, HENRY J.	Tec 5	31147833	414	SS	
*SMITH, PERRY L.	Tec 5	37509554	913	SS	

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STAELEY, CLINTON L.	Tec 5	33498416	901	SS	
SUMPERL, ALFRED L.	Tec 5	32630574	348	SS	
WINANS, ROBERT (M I)	Tec 5	35747131	060	SS	
BLAS, ANDY J.	Pfc	35531261	055	SS	
BENFER, RUSSELL B.	Pfc	33498434	901	SS	
BIFALCO, SAMUEL M.	Pfc	32781025	911	SS	
BURNS, JAMES H.	Pfc	32779663	901	SS	
CLARK, EDWIN A.	Pfc	31277600	055	SS	
CLARESHAW, PATRICK C.	Pfc	34543742	405	SS	
DAVIS, DEADWICK D.	Pfc	34497399	014	SS	
DYKES, ELVEN B.	Pfc	34610777	014	SS	
FRIED, RALPH A.	Pfc	33420068	911	SS	
GEER, GEORGE E.	Pfc	31274555	014	SS	
GIBBONS, HENRY L.	Pfc	38447490	201	SS	
HUBACEK, ISADOR (M I)	Pfc	38113440	050	SS	
KUBIAK, ALBERT W.	Pfc	33283991	064	SS	
LEWIS, LAWRENCE A.	Pfc	39280741	256	SS	
MOORE, WALTER L.	Pfc	34702648	511	SS	
MUNSON, THOMAS J.	Pfc	32608729	901	SS	
SLIMP, LEROY (M I)	Pfc	38396767	014	SS	
SPEERS, FRANCIS L.	Pfc	31275915	405	SS	
YOUNG, LEE J.	Pfc	35531315	901	SS	
KAPPELMAN, EDWARD (M I)	Pvt	35530155	521	SS	
KREHLING, ELMER (M I)	Pvt	33421941	014	SS	
MAFDRACCHIA, CHARLES J.	Pvt	32780769	901	SS	
O'NEIL, RAYMOND E.	Pvt	32730609	835	SS	
SCHAMP, MORTON D.	Pvt	12141168	405	AUS	
SCUDERI, THOMAS (M I)	Pvt	32781802	521	SS	
(on furlough)					
SHAPIRO, SIDNEY (M I)	Pvt	12192819	521	AUS	
SPADATO, JOHN C.	Pvt	32779747	521	SS	
STRAUB, DONALD E.	Pvt	16143454	901	AUS	
TISOSKI, MICHAEL (M I) JR.	Pvt	33368220	521	SS	
WEISEMILLER, JOHN C.	Pvt	33549374	901	SS	

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK OR GRADE</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>MOS</u>	<u>COMPONENT</u>	<u>DELAY LN ROUTE</u>
LOMBARDI, DOMINIC J.	Capt	01573400	2120	AUS	
CAMPBELL, PHILIP T.	1st Lt	01589747	4119	AUS	
STUDLEY, PAUL R.	1st Lt	01590217	4119	AUS	
*SHYDER, DAVID M.	1st Lt	01592620	2120	AUS	
*PERRY, FRANK S.	2d Lt	01595095	4119	AUS	
CLARE, JOHN F.	M Sgt	12002625	621	RA	
BITCHA, JOSEPH (MHI)	T Sgt	35020117	502	SS	
*BURENT, EDWARD C.	T Sgt	31059571	252	SS	5 days
LOCKWOOD, RICHARD L.	T Sgt	69006511	321	RA	
PEDOTY, JAMES R.	T Sgt	12006531	621	RA	
SQUEO, FRANK R.	T Sgt	32091435	585	SS	
CASTADORO, ALEXANDER V.	S Sgt	31026362	635	SS	
STILES, JOHN T.	S Sgt	12019167	624	RA	
HORAN, EDWARD F.	Tec 3	35014794	621	SS	
WIGGLE, JOHN E.	Sgt	32170528	321	SS	
CONSTANTINO, ALBERT J.	Tec 4	32192261	060	SS	
LONGO, CARL A.	Tec 4	32166093	275	SS	
KATA, JOSEPH A.	Tec 4	12015791	635	RA	
STEVENS, FRANK (MHI)	Tec 4	32050350	635	SS	
LOBO, EARLE C.	Tec 4	31037664	635	SS	
BOESCH, ROBERT (MHI)	Cpl	32161979	193	SS	
MC CROSSEN, ARTHUR J.	Cpl	32170009	405	SS	
PUFFENBERGER, JAMES L.	Cpl	13116030	655	AUS	
BROWN, STUART S.	Tec 5	12064960	635	AUS	
CONSAUL, HENRY A.	Tec 5	32032475	252	SS	
CONELIUS, WILLIAM H.	Tec 5	35121319	635	SS	
CROUSE, ARNOLD L.	Tec 5	32192416	621	SS	
GESCHWIND, GEORGE J.	Tec 5	12040615	635	AUS	
GOLDSTEIN, ABRAHAM (MHI)	Tec 5	32161659	635	SS	
JARZOMBEC, JOSEPH J.	Tec 5	32192525	635	SS	
KALBLEIN, HERBERT A.	Tec 5	32192330	635	SS	
LASSEN, JOHN D.	Tec 5	12037349	655	AUS	
PRESENT, SOLLY C.	Tec 5	32095731	635	SS	
*RODLEY, RALPH J.	Tec 5	6906210	635	RA	5 days
WHITE, JOHN (MHI)	Tec 5	32161790	252	SS	
ALLEN, ROLAND D.	Pfc	14190011	635	AUS	
BATES, CLAUDE, F.	Pfc	30370474	060	SS	
DI GLACOMO, PASQUALE P.	Pfc	32010334	252	SS	
DUGAN, HENRY (MHI)	Pfc	33100124	655	SS	
DOER, EDISON R.	Pfc	32192230	635	SS	
GRANTHAITE, CHARLES B.	Pfc	32192354	635	SS	
GREEN, THOMAS J.	Pfc	12019623	655	AUS	
HALL, JOHN E.	Pfc	32192227	635	SS	
KUPEMAN, NATHAN (MHI)	Pfc	32000329	635	SS	
KORAN, FRANK (MHI)	Pfc	32097002	635	SS	
MASTROGIOVANNI, JOSEPH (MHI)	Pfc	32024126	655	SS	
MC BROOK, HAROLD E.	Pfc	12004540	315	RA	
MC GRATH, JAMES J.	Pfc	32192307	635	SS	
HEURICH, GEORGE W.	Pfc	32011515	635	SS	

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PAPAS, JOHN (HMI)	Pfc	36635267	193	SS	
PECKHAM, S. G. JR	Pfc	32192410	335	SS	
PISCICOTTA, JOSEPH (HMI)	Pfc	3216759	335	SS	
PITT, CLEMONCE W.	Pfc	12000372	335	RA	
SCINLAN, RICHARD D.	Pfc	12040339	252	AUS	
ROY, WILLIAM T.	Pfc	32150469	345	SS	
STANFICE, JOSEPH W. JR	Pfc	32192311	335	SS	
ULANSKY, JOSEPH (HMI)	Pfc	33033090	335	SS	
WISNER, GEORGE, (HMI)	Pfc	33181818	252	SS	
ZABIELSKI, STANLEY V.	Pfc	32192221	335	SS	
BLEVINS, ANDREW (HMI)	Pvt	35447657	335	SS	
CAPERO, RALPH L.	Pvt	32693158	335	SS	
CAIRO, THEODORE J.	Pvt	3217667	335	SS	
FOGARTY, LEONARD (HMI) JR	Pvt	32192472	355	SS	
HIRSCH, KENNETH C.	Pvt	32192310	335	SS	
JEWELL, GEORGE M.	Pvt	11039253	252	AUS	
KOSZLECKI, HARRY J.	Pvt	31166139	335	SS	
O'NEILL, JOSEPH J.	Pvt	32150615	335	SS	
RITCHIE, KENNETH A.	Pvt	33276109	335	SS	
SANDWITH, ALFRED E. JR	Pvt	37225161	521	SS	
SCHOONOVER, HARRY D.	Pvt	35344045	345	SS	
SCHOONOVER, JOHN D.	Pvt	35344055	252	SS	
SPIVEY, LORELL B.	Pvt	34670911	335	SS	
SVATOSKI, MICHAEL (HMI)	Pvt	31040427	335	SS	
SYDNES, SHELDON B.	Pvt	37657373	335	SS	

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NAME	GRADE or GRADE	ASN	POS	COMPONENT	DEPT BRANCH
1911th Quartermaster Company Truck (Avn)					
HAYES, RICHARD W.	Capt	01585597	2120	AUS	
*POOR, BRUCE K.	1st Lt	01594842	0600	AUS	
WZALEY, JOSEPH W.	1st Lt	01590250	0600	AUS	
KURTZ, WALTER (M.I.)	1st Sgt	6885310	931	TA	
CAPEY, JESSE J.	S Sgt	31048346	931	SS	
COCKRILL, ALBERT A.	S Sgt	7070622	931	TA	
HEICHA, GEORGE (M.I.)	S Sgt	32170419	324	SS	
KINTCHEFF, PAUL G.	S Sgt	32170500	821	SS	
RISALO, JOSEPH (M.I.)	S Sgt	32170402	014	SS	
**CONYORS, JAMES E.	Sgt	12015792	813	TA	
HIESCH, MANUEL (M.I.)	Sgt	32170644	813	SS	
JAMILECZSKI, FRED S.	Sgt	31047894	813	SS	
SLUTSKY, EDWARD (M.I.)	Sgt	31041099	275	AUS	
BAVARD, WILLIAM A.	Tec 4	32186139	014	SS	
**GODSHALL, LEROY S.	Tec 4	33102705	014	SS	
SENGY, JACOB S.	Tec 4	31070358	060	AUS	
CAGGIANO, VICTOR A.	Cpl	32170520	813	SS	
DEWEY, JOHN F.	Cpl	11045187	813	AUS	
FLYNN, THOMAS W.	Cpl	31070287	813	AUS	
HANSEN, HAROLD W.	Cpl	32081111	345	SS	
ROMALDO, FRANK S.	Cpl	32170741	813	SS	
McQUILLEN, JOSEPH L., JR.	Cpl	31070361	813	AUS	
MURPHY, EDWARD D.	Cpl	31026361	813	AUS	
O'BRIEN, JOSEPH E.	Cpl	31070333	813	AUS	
O'CONNELL, LAWRENCE A.	Cpl	32170548	813	SS	
TUFFE, JOSEPH (M.I.)	Cpl	31034169	813	SS	
BAILEY, WILLIAM J.	Tec 5	12037445	345	AUS	
CHIAVERINI, ALFRED (M.I.)	Tec 5	31070327	345	AUS	
CROCE, FREDERICK C.	Tec 5	12037778	345	AUS	
DALTON, CLYDE E.	Tec 5	37239447	014	AUS	
FITZPATRICK, EDWARD G.	Tec 5	31070276	345	AUS	
HODGSON, GEORGE J.	Tec 5	12057694	345	AUS	
LAZARUS, HERMAN I.	Tec 5	12035500	105	AUS	
MARSELLO, ALFRED J.	Tec 5	31070352	345	AUS	
McKENNA, FRANCIS J.	Tec 5	12037492	345	AUS	
MITCHELL, JOSEPH L.	Tec 5	31070248	345	AUS	
POELS, WILLIAM T.	Tec 5	31070351	345	AUS	
PRATT, RAYMOND E.	Tec 5	31070240	345	AUS	
RYAN, WALTER E.	Tec 5	31058333	345	AUS	
RAIPEZ, ISRAEL (M.I.)	Tec 5	32175802	345	SS	
SITTARO, EDWARD C.	Tec 5	36007877	345	SS	
SMITH, CARL A.	Tec 5	33102070	345	SS	
WELCH, EDWARD A.	Tec 5	31070277	345	AUS	
BEREZEIN, MILTON (M.I.)	Pfc	12153428	345	AUS	
BOCHICIC, ARTHUR C.	Pfc	32152242	345	SS	
BROWN, KENNETH J.	Pfc	33410876	014	AUS	
DeLISI, STEPHEN E.	Pfc	31070323	521	AUS	
FIELDING, ARTHUR B.	Pfc	35519948	345	AUS	

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NAME	RANK or GRADE	ASN	AGE	CURRENT	DELAY STATUS
GARABEDIAN, AZAD (M I)	Pfc	31070291	345	AUS	
GIBBS, CECIL R.	Pfc	13128752	345	AUS	
GLOWACKI, MATTHEW F.	Pfc	13031956	345	AUS	
GRIMMETT, DORSEY B.	Pfc	32035776	345	SS	
GRANT, CHARLES J.	Pfc	11089262	345	AUS	
HAGAN, HARRY R.	Pfc	12037513	060	AUS	
JOHNSON, AXEL H.	Pfc	31070338	345	AUS	
KAPTEL, EDWARD A.	Pfc	36367393	345	AUS	
KHUNTZ, EDDIE L.	Pfc	39127766	345	AUS	
KOSKI, BRUCE C.	Pfc	11084374	345	AUS	
LANGEVIN, JOSEPH H.	Pfc	31070379	345	AUS	
LEBUC, HECTOR F.	Pfc	31070263	345	AUS	
LUNDGREN, GUNST H.	Pfc	16166760	345	AUS	
McGOVERN, GERALD L.	Pfc	12051177	345	AUS	
KIEPATKO, HENRY (M I)	Pfc	31070270	345	AUS	
MOITON, JAMES F.	Pfc	34704422	345	AUS	
**PRATT, HOWARD T.	Pfc	12037522	345	AUS	
POTSCHLEY, STEVE J.	Pfc	37354614	345	AUS	
SACCOCCIA, DALE (M I)	Pfc	31070336	345	AUS	
SAULINO, JOSEPH A.	Pfc	31070317	345	AUS	
SLONEICH, JOHN (M I)	Pfc	35518100	345	AUS	
SMITH, CECIL P., JR.	Pfc	31147651	345	AUS	
STRACKBEIN, ARTHUR G.	Pfc	18012592	345	FA	
STRUGALA, EUGENE J.	Pfc	36367397	345	AUS	
TESSIER, THEODORE J.	Pfc	31070415	345	AUS	
VAUTRIE, JOHN B.	Pfc	12037517	345	AUS	
BOELING, FRANCIS H.	Pvt	37137249	345	AUS	
CARCZZI, CARL J.	Pvt	32506567	060	AUS	
CARRIER, ANSEL E.	Pvt	12173510	345	AUS	
DEES, WILLIAM A.	Pvt	15394289	345	AUS	
DEL BOVIS, FRANK R.	Pvt	31070404	345	AUS	
DISQUE, HENRY J.	Pvt	12050926	345	AUS	
EYLER, ROBERT E.	Pvt	33500336	345	AUS	
GROGG, HAROLD P.	Pvt	13028595	345	FA	
KRAJNIK, FRANCIS S.	Pvt	12134260	345	AUS	
LUCK, SAMUEL L.	Pvt	33226302	345	AUS	
MADUTSKI, CHESTER E.	Pvt	36532067	345	AUS	
MONKEY, RAYMOND E.	Pvt	36605210	345	AUS	
POVETTO, SAM (M I), JR.	Pvt	37461367	345	AUS	
SALDO, ANDREW H.	Pvt	32760992	345	AUS	
STANSON, DONALD (M I)	Pvt	36733310	345	AUS	
SZTUSZ, STANLEY J.	Pvt	36730360	345	AUS	
WEAVER, GERALD P.	Pvt	33482480	345	AUS	

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NAME	RANK OR GRADE	ASN	PCS	COMPONENT	DEPT ROUTE
JONES, RAYMOND V.	Capt	01573313	2120	AUS	
*HARPER, JOHN C.	1st Lt	01594888	0600	AUS	5 Days
*HYDE, CLYDE F.	2d Lt	01594912	0600	AUS	
BLAKESTER, CLYDE C.	1st Sgt	12015574	931	RA	
BLICK, ROBERT V.	S Sgt	12015592	931	RA	
BOUGH, LYNDON E.	S Sgt	32035904	931	SS	
FOHLL, FRANK L.	S Sgt	36367497	021	SS	
FILMER, GEORGE (M.I.)	S Sgt	13020044	014	RA	
SAWDIE, PERCY J.	S Sgt	34154506	824	SS	
BARGES, JOHN J.	Sgt	36605295	013	SS	
DOHLER, EDWARD F.	Sgt	31147101	013	SS	
*GAGE, HAROLD S.	Sgt	12035641	013	AUS	
*LEWIS, KENNETH G.	Sgt	11039006	013	AUS	
BROUGHTON, VERNON A.	Tec 4	36192745	014	SS	
DAVIES, ORRIS L.	Tec 4	16123004	060	AUS	
LOCK, GUSTAVE H.	Tec 4	36192736	275	SS	
LLOYD, ILLIFF H.	Tec 4	37209200	014	SS	
BARNHILL, STANLEY L.	Cpl	37112620	013	SS	
D'AGOSTA, JOSEPH (M.I.)	Cpl	32496117	060	SS	
DISPORTO, ANGELO J.	Cpl	32453969	013	SS	
ELLINGTON, JAMES H.	Cpl	34194377	013	SS	
HERTZ, LAWRENCE E.	Cpl	36192794	013	SS	
LEWIS, OSCAR R.	Cpl	37193705	345	SS	
McCAIN, WALTER R.	Cpl	36370678	013	SS	
*McCLUNG, JUNE E.	Cpl	36192722	013	SS	5 Days
MELEN, STEPHEN H.	Cpl	36370502	345	SS	
MORRIS, ROBERT E.	Cpl	37354450	013	SS	
SHAFFER, ROBERT E.	Cpl	37439706	013	SS	
BOENUS, ROBERT J.	Tec 5	33349732	345	SS	
BRAGG, ERNEST E.	Tec 5	31150471	345	SS	
COKE, JOHN S.	Tec 5	13136802	345	AUS	
DAVIES, GEORGE P.	Tec 5	36192796	345	SS	
DIOME, MARICE J.	Tec 5	31150475	345	SS	
DOUCETTE, ERNEST A.	Tec 5	31158480	345	SS	
DRANE, RUSSELL E.	Tec 5	36192725	345	SS	
GOSS, JOHN W.	Tec 5	31177446	345	SS	
HORDICE, JOHN J.	Tec 5	36370375	345	SS	
LAPSON, WILLIAM R.	Tec 5	39193132	345	SS	
LEWIS, MITCHELL (M.I.)	Tec 5	32573969	345	SS	
MORANO, WILLIAM V.	Tec 5	36604985	345	SS	
PERINA, JOHN A.	Tec 5	36370505	060	SS	
ROUSE, CARL E.	Tec 5	39399690	014	SS	
SILVER, THOMAS T.	Tec 5	36254096	014	SS	
SMITH, JAMES A.	Tec 5	36293924	345	SS	
*SPARE, ROBERT F.	Tec 5	37239454	345	SS	
BAN, WALTER (M.I.)	Pfc	36605261	345	SS	
BERGERON, JOSEPH E.	Pfc	11089239	345	AUS	
CHERUB, JOSEPH (M.I.)	Pfc	36260596	345	SS	

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NAME	RANK OR GRADE	ASN	POS	COMPONENT	DELTAY ROUTE
COUSHLIN, EDWARD J.	Pfc	33399616	345	SS	
DANNINLY, ABRAHAM G.	Pfc	35257212	345	SS	
DELOSTER, EDWARD (M1)	Pfc	15374726	345	AUS	
DESANTO, JOSEPH J.	Pfc	39193773	345	SS	
DOMOVICH, ANTHONY J.	Pfc	33399641	345	SS	
DUNESMAYE, ROSAIRE S.	Pfc	31111145	345	SS	
ESTEP, HAROLD A.	Pfc	15338803	345	SS	
GONZALEZ, WILLIE (M1)	Pfc	38232167	345	SS	
GULLIAMS, HERBERT L.	Pfc	33092259	345	SS	
HARRIS, DONALD F.	Pfc	11110927	345	AUS	
HENDERSON, RAY E.	Pfc	19170167	345	AUS	
LAFFE, DAN A.	Pfc	14188169	345	AUS	
LOMOZEL, EDWARD J.	Pfc	36367577	345	SS	
LIONBERGER, ALFRED W.	Pfc	37184347	677	SS	
LOCORE, HILTON E.	Pfc	39320833	345	SS	
MATSON, RAY E.	Pfc	39193797	345	SS	
PHILLIPS, CECIL H.	Pfc	35637507	345	SS	
RAHWATER, CHARLES E.	Pfc	38263551	345	SS	
ROBINSON, JOHN W.	Pfc	37440009	345	SS	
ROE, WILLIAM W.	Pfc	12133417	345	AUS	
ROGERS, JOSEPH (M1)	Pfc	12171846	345	AUS	
ROZANSKI, MARION J.	Pfc	36711497	345	SS	
SCHORG, EMER H.	Pfc	37461228	345	SS	
SHEFER, EUGENE S.	Pfc	38294404	345	SS	
SHEPHERD, JOHN F.	Pfc	36537117	521	SS	
SIMONE, JOSEPH (M1)	Pfc	32536245	345	SS	
SMITH, BLAIR E., SR.	Pfc	6684679	345	SS	
SPIELER, CLARENCE	Pfc	37439828	345	SS	
SPIVEX, HOMER J.	Pfc	38243639	345	SS	
VANDERSTELT, CORNELIUS (M1)	Pfc	36192717	345	SS	
WONACK, JOHN F.	Pfc	34241095	345	SS	
WONFARDECI, CARL D.	Pvt	36621727	345	SS	
WOTTON, CARROLL F.	Pvt	33443576	345	SS	
WUJOSSEY, MICHAEL (M1)	Pvt	32646452	522	SS	
DELMAT, ALLEN A.	Pvt	36283811	345	SS	
ELZENBEIN, ARTHUR J.	Pvt	32613660	521	SS	
GEORGINI, MICHAEL S.	Pvt	33829837	345	SS	
HARRIS, HAROLD C.	Pvt	36457996	345	SS	
HUN, ALMER C.	Pvt	35345470	345	SS	
LEROY, JOHN A.	Pvt	35708190	345	SS	
MCORA, ARTHUR L.	Pvt	31240027	345	SS	
RUSSELL, JOHN S., JR.	Pvt	12088317	345	AUS	
SMITH, EARL A., JR.	Pvt	35520465	345	SS	
SMITH, BLAIR (M1)	Pvt	39109705	345	SS	
SPOLPP, HARRY G.	Pvt	33717099	521	SS	

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I certify that the above roster contains a correct list of the officers and enlisted men assigned to the 91st Service Group, to the best of my knowledge.

S. J. COLLIER
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Lieut Colonel, Air Corps
Commanding

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Info by Historical Office, AAF Technical Center, Orlando, Florida
18 March 1966

The 1st Service Group departed this command on or about 14 March 1966
for Robert Smith Airport, Macon, Georgia. Consisting of Headquarters and
Headquarters Squadron, 1st Service Squadron, 2nd Service Squadron, 1st
Signal Company, 1107th Quartermaster Company, 1108th Ordnance Supply and Maint-
enance Company, 1109th Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Company, 1110th Quar-
termaster Truck Company and the 1111th Quartermaster Truck Company the group had
an approximate overall strength of 75 officers, 2 warrant officers and 1000
enlisted men.

ROBERT F. FENNEL
1st Lt., Air Corps
Historical Officer, AAFAC

1 For: 11, 20 75, HQ, AAFAC, 18 March 1966. Appendix 1.
Order found in H.B. of 3rd Service Squadron

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HEADQUARTERS
1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

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AG 314.7

AP0 719
18 December 1944

Subject: Activation History.

To: Commanding Officer, XIII Air Force Service Command,
AP0 719

1. In compliance with letter, AG 314.7, your headquarters, dated 22 November 1944, the following narrative history covering the period from activation through December 1943 is submitted.

2. No personnel remain in this organization who were members of the original unit, so information has been derived from records available.

The 27th Signal Platoon, Air Base, was activated, less personnel, at Barksdale Field, Louisiana, on 15 February 1941, per General Order No. 3, Headquarters, GHQ Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941, under authority contained in Letter, AG 320.2 (12-21-40) M (Ret) M-C, W.D., dated 31 January 1941, subject, "Constitution and Activation of Signal Corps Units", to the Commanding General, GHQ Air Force. Personnel were assigned 5 March 1942, by transfer of cadre of eleven enlisted men, from 309th Signal Aviation Company, 21st Bomb. Wing, per paragraph 1, Special Order No. 50, Headquarters, Air Corps Advanced Flying School, Barksdale Field, La. This cadre consisted of Foster, Havens, Price, Coffey, Reed, Schick, Berry, Picklin, Gullledge, Rosenbaum and Sarahn. Emmett A. Parrish, 1st Lt. Signal Corps, was attached and assumed command.

The first couple of months were spent doing a little training, work, and the usual garrison duties, marked only, by Sarahn's frequent visits to the hospital. Schick was sent to the Signal Corps School, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, on 6 March 1942, and Reed followed on the 18th of April.

On the 26th of April, the 27th Signal Platoon (AB) moved from Barksdale Field to Jackson Air Base, Jackson, Miss., for a permanent change of station. This was in accordance with paragraph 24, Special Orders No. 94, Hq, ACAFS, Barksdale Field, Louisiana, dated 24 April 1941. Lt. Parrish, attached, was relieved of command. Personnel entrained at Shreveport, at 0655, and arrived at Jackson, Miss., at 1320.

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On arrival, the 27th Signal Platoon (AB) was assigned to Jackson Air Base and were attached to the Quartermaster Detachment, for rations only. Milton F. Boneberg, 1st Lt, AC, was attached and assumed command.

Jackson Air Base was still partially under construction and only about fifty enlisted men were there when the 27th Signal arrived. A TWX Machine was the only means of communication. The Southern Bell Telephone Company was installing their system, and the Base Headquarters was set up in, what is now, the hospital building. The mud was something terrific! However, the town was a bit of alright. Best town, for soldiers, any of the men had ever struck.

On the 1st of May, Lt. Boneberg was relieved of command and Ralph R. Hennig, 2d Lt. A.C. was attached and assumed command. On the 7th of May, the Detachment Fifth Signal Service Company (from Ft. Oglethorpe, Georgia), consisting of Burchfield, Furman, Leonard, Edwards and Highers arrived and was attached to the 27th Signal for administration, duty, rations and quarters, per S/O. No. 17, Hq, Jackson Air Base, dated 7 May 1941. On the 9th of May, Ficklin left for school at Fort Monmouth. By this time, the switchboard was in operation, as was the telegraph printer machines. Then, too, Signal Corps Equipment, belonging to the Platoon, had arrived, and the boys were having something to occupy their time.

On the night of the 12th, Price fell from his motorcycle and broke his arm. He eventually wound up in the Station Hospital, Camp Shelby, Mississippi, where he stayed until 16 June 1941. Sarahn went to Fort Monmouth on the 16th of May and Coffey left for the same place on the 29th. The Detachment Fourth Weather Squadron (AC), consisting of five enlisted men, was attached to this headquarters for administration, rations and quarters, May 21st.

Louis F. Scala, 2d Lt., Sig. C., was attached and assumed command on 26 May 1941, vice Lt. Hennig, relieved. On May 29th Lt Scala was relieved and Harold W. Bond, 2d Lt., Sig. C. was assigned to the unit and assumed command thereof. Pike transferred, in grade, from the 62d Signal Battalion, Ft. Mc Pherson, Georgia, joined the 27th Signal on the 5th of June. Schick returned from school on the 21st of the month.

Zarahn washed out, at school, and returned, July 3rd. Atz, from the 4th Communications Squadron (AC), arrived on the 4th of July, and was attached to the 27th Signal. The rest of the detachment arrived, spasmodically, until early fall. Mobley

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transferred from the 309th Signal Co., AW, GHQ AF, on 8 July 1941.

On the 24th of July, eleven trainees were transferred to this organization from the Signal Corps Replacement Center, Ft Monmouth, N.J., and on the 25th eleven more enlisted men were transferred from the Reception Center, Ft McPherson, Ga.

Parks was caught napping on guard the 8th of August, was later convicted, and, so, spent several days in the hoosegow. On the 25th of August nine enlisted men left for Tallulah, Louisiana, for temporary duty in connection with maneuvers. Hassie effected a transfer from the 317th Signal Company (AW), arrived and joined this organization, 27 Aug 41.

About the only thing that happened during the month of September was, that Strauss relieved Darden, at Tallulah, and Darden went to the Signal Corps School, Ft Monmouth. The Tallulah bunch (the self-styled "Panzer Division") returned on the 2d of October.

On the 7th of October, the units attached to the 27th Signal Platoon were formally relieved and the entire unit set sail for Langley Field, by motor convey, for temporary duty in connection with the Carolina Maneuvers. It was a rather tough trip. Meridian the first night, then Ft Benning, Augusta, Ft Bragg, and thence to Langley Field, Va. It was about a distance of 1160 miles and was a five day trip.

As a post, Langley wasn't so bad, but, the surrounding towns were terrible. Everybody seemed to take a turn at going to the hospital or going over the hill. Healy was over the hill when the unit departed from that station. Parks was released from confinement on the 25th, but stayed at Jackson Army Air Base, Mississippi, until the return of the organization.

A Platoon party was held in Hampton on the night of 25 November 1941, with much beer and speech-making. Three enlisted men left, on the following day, for the Signal Corps School.

Left Langley Field, without regrets, on the morning of December 2d. Traveled to Ft Jackson, Columbia S.C., that day; a distance of 435 miles and made the entire return trip to Jackson, in three days flat. A happier crew of fellows was seldom seen, upon their arrival at their home station. Upon arrival, Headquarters tried to saddle the 27th with all those detachments again, but circumstances prevented.

On 7 December 1941, a little difficulty arose

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between Uncle Sam and the Japanese Government. No Xmas Furloughs!

The organization was ordered to South Carolina on extended field duty, but the order was rescinded. Leszczewicz arrived from Camp Grant, Illinois, 9 January 1942.

On the 19th of January 1942, the 27th Signal Platoon (AB) left, on a permanent change of station, for San Francisco Port of Embarkation, per General Orders No. 1, Headquarters, Jackson Army Air Base, Jackson, Mississippi, dated 17 January 1942. Only one officer and twenty-six enlisted men remained assigned to the organization. The outfit was split for the trip, some on the train taking the southern route and the others going via Kansas City and Denver. Arrived in San Francisco on the night of 24th of January, after traveling over 3000 miles. The unit was billeted in "The Cow Palace" until embarkation. Went aboard the USAT "Tasker H. Bliss" on the night of the 29th and sailed on the morning of the 31st.

The crossing was a nightmare.

Crossed the International Date Line at 0600 20 February 1942.

Arrived at Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, on the 25th of February 1942, and moved to the bivouac area, at Doom Ben Race Course. On the 3rd of March, went back aboard the "Bliss", set sail, and arrived at Melbourne, V., Australia, on the 8th and immediately entrained for Ballarat, Victoria. Arrived there at 1600 the same day.

For the first three days the personnel were rationed and quartered in private homes of the populace. On the 11th of the month, however, the unit moved about seven miles out of town, to an Aussie Air Force Camp, and by the 16th had completed a temporary air base, just across the road from the RAAF Camp.

On 29 April 1942, the unit entrained, but sadly, for another permanent change of station. Three enlisted men were left behind due to hospitalization and AFOI. Boarded the Dutch Transport "M.S. Maetsuycker" on the 1st of May, and sailed, that afternoon, for Bleacher. It was a nice trip from Melbourne to Brisbane. The platoon were the only passengers and their only duties were to man the guns. Arrived at Brisbane on the 6th, loaded up with soldiers, and took off again, for Tongatabu (Bleacher), on the 8th of May. Left one enlisted man in Brisbane for medical observation.

Anchored in Tongatabu Harbor on the 16th of May 1942, and debarked on the 17th. Bivouaced, temporarily, near the

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Air Field until the 21st of May when the unit moved to its permanent location.

While at Tongatabu, the 27th Signal Platoon (Air Base) was redesignated the 27th Signal Company, Service Group per General Orders No. 25, Headquarters Force 0051, dated 26 October 1942, with no change of personnel involved. To the people of Tongatabu, this meant nothing, but in terms, strictly military, it was the beginning of a great outfit with the reputation of one of the smoothest and neatest working organizations in the South Seas Area.

Lt. Harold W. Bond, from Danville, Illinois, was still the commanding officer of this small but outstanding unit. Staff Sergeant Cedric V. Havens, of Longville, Louisiana, was the acting first sergeant. These were the key men in this new outfit.

The duties of this unit were to install and maintain the communications system at the airport itself and also between the aircraft warning units stationed nearby. Considering the territory, undergrowth and nature of the roads, the wire men had their difficulties doing their work.

The radio section manned the signal tower as well as the telegraph sets to Force Headquarters. About this time, the Royal New Zealand Air Force sent a fighter squadron to the base, and with their take offs and landings going on all day long, it kept the boys on their toes preventing any mishaps which could easily have happened.

The men of the organization also operated a message center and switchboard, so it is easy to imagine how hard the boys had to work when there were only 23 of them in all.

Seeing how much work the unit could and was doing, the Air Force Commander assigned Lt Bond to additional duty as the Air Force Adjutant.

Everything went along smoothly, and after the work for the day had been accomplished, a few of the men could be found either at the beach or in Nukualofa at the Red Cross Recreation Center. Bunk fatigue was a very relaxing pastime.

On the 28th of November a small change took place in the organization. Sgt Hassie was transferred in grade to the Signal Corps School at Ft Monmouth, N.J.. Although the outfit lost a good man, it was known that he would make a good officer and an asset to some other unit.

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Two enlisted men were transferred into the organization from Headquarters Detachment Air Force on the 9th of December 1942 and one enlisted man on the 14th. Officers were coming and going on the 29th of the month. Lt. Bond went to the Signal Detachment at Force Headquarters, and Captain M.L. Maxson came from the detachment to the 27th Signal Company and assumed its command. 2d Lt. Charles L. Bolton, of Johnston City, Tennessee, formerly of the 670th Signal Aircraft Warning Reporting Company, was transferred into the organization on this date.

Lt Bolton was promoted to 1st Lt on 1 February 1943, a promotion which he certainly deserved.

The 27th Signal Company, Service Group was really enlarged on 10 February 1943, with the addition of not only the Signal Detachment, Force 0051, but also the 175th Radio Repair Section. There was one officer and twenty-four enlisted men in the Signal Detachment and one officer and nine enlisted men in the 175th Radio Repair Section. Putting three of the best outfits in the South Seas together really made an organization hard to beat. It was a good mixture of North, South, East, West and Central States, and unlike most mixtures of this type, the men seemed to get along nicely.

On 1 March 1943 five new men from the states joined the outfit. As is natural, they were immediately swamped with questions of home, the rationing, girls, WAAC's, and the conditions in general. On 2 March 1943, two enlisted men were transferred to Force Headquarters Detachment, APO 930, and one enlisted man was lost to the detachment of patients. On the 3rd of March another one of the enlisted men of the organization hit the jack-pot and was transferred in grade to the Air Corps Aviation Cadet Center at San Antonio, Texas.

First Sergeant Havens was appointed a Warrant Officer Junior Grade on March 4th and the same day, Lt Onffroy, one of the recently acquired officers, was relieved of assignment to the 27th Signal Company and reassigned to duty with the 230th Signal Operations Company at New Caledonia. March 9th found Lt. Bond and four enlisted men chosen for a cadre to return to the states. They were the envy of every man in the outfit. On the 9th of March all personnel of the organization, with the exception of Cassidy and Iannarelli, who were left on detached service with the Navy as cryptographers, embarked on the U.S.S. "Horace Greeley" for another change of station.

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The ship pulled out of the harbor the following morning and on the third day out the southern tip of the Fiji group could be seen. On March 14th arrived at Havannah Harbor on the northern side of the island of Efate in the New Hebrides Group. One battalion of the 77th Coast Artillery debarked here and for two days the men assisted in the unloading of trucks, ammunition and other supplies. On March 17th the boat left Havannah Harbor at 1400 and arrived at Vila Harbor on the south side of the island at 1600. From the boat Efate looked pretty good with all of the wooden homes etc., but that was the first impression and it didn't last very long. At 0800 on the morning of 18 March, all personal equipment was packed and the men hopped in motor boats and said goodbye to the "Horace Greeley". The personnel of the organization then proceeded by truck to Bauer Field, which was about four miles from Vila. Upon arriving at the designated bivouac area, it looked as if it were a mass of undergrowth which would be impenetrable, but the men managed to clean it up in a few days so that a suitable living area was established.

On 27 March 1943, Captain Maxson left by plane for Butterns to obtain information as to the duties of the organization. Upon the captain's return from Butterns, three enlisted men were sent to Quein Hill on the southeastern side of the island for the purpose of setting up a radio station for an island net. On 6 April 1943, three enlisted men were sent to Havannah Harbor for the same purpose. Along with the radio station at Vila, it established three stations at advantageous points on the island.

One enlisted man was evacuated on the 18th of April and on the 19th Cassidy and Iannarelli arrived from detached service at Tongatabu.

On 10 May 1943, the 27th Signal Company, Service Group was redesignated the 1027th Signal Company, Service Group per General Orders No. 110, Headquarters, USAFISPA, APO 502, with no change in personnel or equipment involved.

The organization remained at Efate until 3 August 1943 when it left Badger Field by motor transportation and embarked on the S.S. "Hunterliggett" at 1600. Remained anchored in Vila Harbor until 0600, 5 August 1943 when the ship sailed for destination, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands. Arrived at Guadalcanal at 1800 12 August; debarked at 1830 and proceeded to camp at Fighter Strip No. 2. It was certainly a good thing

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Basic: Ltr, AG 314.7, 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719, 18 Dec 44,
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that a rapid debarkation was carried out for the men witnessed their first taste of enemy action. At 2030, Tojo paid his visit, and for quite some days after this, he was a regular caller.

The principal duties of the organization at Guadalcanal were the replacing and laying of new communication wire. This job was completed from Lunga River completely surrounding Henderson Field and extending to Fighter Strip No. 3. Trouble shooting alone was a steady job for four men of the company. The most important piece of work accomplished by the men of the outfit was the complete change over of the switchboard at Henderson Field.

The organization left Fighter Strip No. 2, Guadalcanal 14 November 1943 for Munda, New Georgia Islands and arrived there the 16th. On the 26th of November, five men joined the organization, having been assigned from the 6th Replacement Depot at New Caledonia.

The units stay at Munda was very short, and the time spent there was passed by establishing a temporary camp site and digging a few fox-holes in order that the men might have some cover for air raids. The unit left Munda for Ondonga by LCT on 29 November 1943 and arrived there the same date. A great deal of hard work was spent at Ondonga establishing a very nice camp area, since it was anticipated that this was to be our permanent address for some time. However, a sad disappointment was encountered as orders were received to return to Munda. The last day of 1943 was spent in packing all supplies and equipment and again returning by LCT to Munda. The new year of 1944 entered with the personnel stationed at a temporary area next to the area of the 14th Airdrome Squadron. All men were dreaming of how nice it would be if only they were relaxing in their homes back in the good old U.S.A.

Lyle C Atkinson
LYLE C ATKINSON
2d Lt., Sig. C.
Comdg.

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SECRET
Auth: *THE ISLAND COMMAND*
Initials: *AGS*
Date: *7-7-43*

HEADQUARTERS
1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A. P. O. 932, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

July 1, 1943

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 708.
(Thru: Commanding General, III Island Command, APO 932).

1. In compliance with memorandum No. 15, Hq., Thirteenth Air Force, APO 708, June 17, 1943, the following report is submitted.

a. Original unit.

(1) Official designation, 27th Signal Platoon, (Air Base).

(2) Activated, March 5, 1941.

(3) Located at Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

(4) Authority GO No. 3, Hq., GHQ Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated Feb. 8, 1941.

(5) Personnel assigned by transfer of cadre of 11 enlisted men from 309th Signal Aviation Co., per par 1, SO No. 50, Hq., Air Corps, Advanced Flying School, Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

b. Changes in organization, changes in the designation of units, transfer of unit from one regiment to another as a unit, or change due to changes in Table of Organization.

(1) 27th Signal Platoon, (Air Base), redesignated to the 27th Signal Company, Service Group, per GO No. 25, Hq., Force 0051, APO 930, dated Oct. 26, 1942.

(2) 27th Signal Company, Service Group, redesignated to the 1027th Signal Company, Service Group, per GO No. 110, Hq., USAFISPA, APO 502, dated May 3, 1943.

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Historical Data, Cont'd.

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Auth: *W. H. C. C.*
Initials: *ADJ*
Date: *7-7-43*

(3) 175 Radio Repair Det., and Signal Det., Force 0051, transferred to 27th Signal Company, Service Group, per SO No. 36, Hq., Force 0051, APO 930, dated Feb. 10, 1943.

(4) Table of Organization, 11-237, dated Dec. 16, 1940, Signal Platoon, (Air Base), strength 1 Officer, 37 enlisted men, changed to 11-237, dated July 1, 1942, strength, 2 Officers, 1 W/O (jg), 70 enlisted men, per GO No. 25, Hq., Force 0051, APO 930, dated Oct. 26, 1942.

c. Strength - Commissioned and enlisted.

(1) Beginning of period, 1 Officer and 21 enlisted men.

(2) Net increase of 3 enlisted men per month.

(3) Present strength-2 Officers, 1 W/O (jg), and 57 enlisted men.

d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of units or parts thereof.

(1) Left San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 31, 1942 for Brisbane, Australia, and arrived Feb. 25, 1942. Left Brisbane for Ballarat, Australia, March 3, 1942 and arrived March 8, 1942. Left Ballarat, Australia for Tongatabu Island, May 8, 1942, and arrived May 17, 1942. Left Tongatabu for Efate, New Hebrides, March 10, 1943, and arrived March 14, 1943.

e. Marches.

(1) None.

f. Campaigns.

(1) None.

g. Battles.

(1) None.

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Historical Data, Cont'd.

h. Commanding Officer, in important engagements.

(1) None.

i. Losses in action; officers and men.

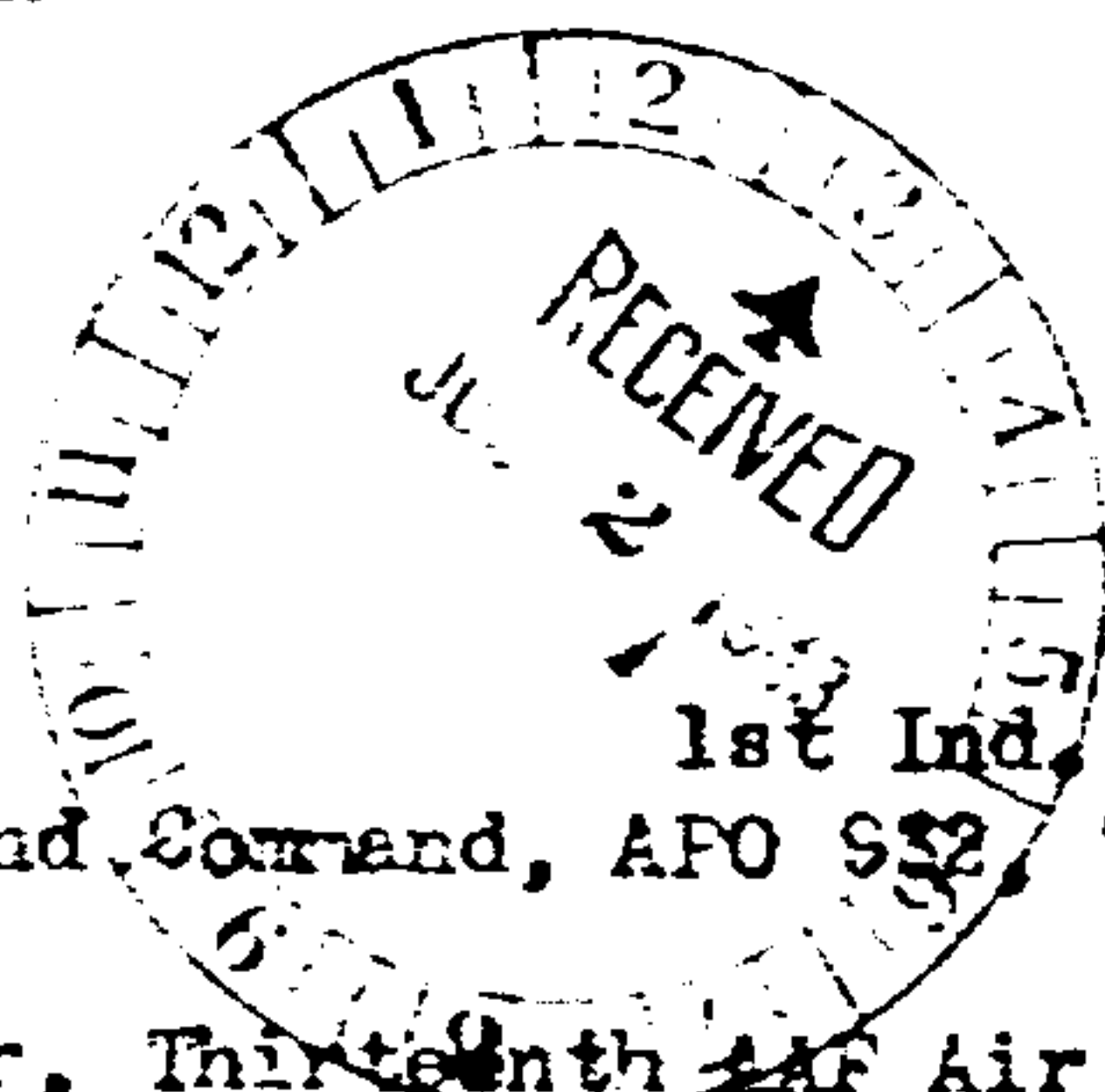
(1) None.

j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action.

(1) None.

k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or events.

(1) None.



Melvin L. Maxson

MELVIN L. MAXSON,
Captain, Sig. C.,
Commanding.

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Headquarters, III Island Command, APO 932, 7 July 1943.

TO: Commanding Officer, Thirteenth Air Force Air Service Command, APO 719.

1. Forwarded in compliance with Memorandum No. 15, Headquarters Thirteenth Air Force, dated 17 June 1943.

2. In view of the instructions contained paragraph 4 c of Secret Memorandum No. 77, Headquarters USAFISPA, dated 6 June 1943, the 1027th Signal Company, SG, has been directed to submit administrative matters direct to your headquarters in the future.

For the Commanding General:

Norman A. Flanigan

NORMAN A. FLANIGAN
Major, AFD
Asst Adj Gen

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Basic: Ltr Hq 1027th S. G. S/C, APO 902, July 1, 1943. Sub: Historical Data. To: CG, 13th AF (From: CG, III Is. Comd).

W. H. H. H.
HEADQUARTERS, XIII AF SERVICE COMMAND, APO 719, July 15, 1943. *ATH/ljs*

To: Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 729.

For the Commanding Officer:

A. J. Corponi
A. J. CORPONI,
1st Lt., A.G.D.,
Adj. Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
1027th Signal Company, Service Group
c/o Postmaster, APO 717
San Francisco, Calif

LLM/rdm

1 January 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Data

TO : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719
(Thru: Channels)

1. In accordance with Army Regulations 345-105 and all changes thereto, the following report is submitted:

a. Original unit.

(1) Official designation: 27th Signal Platoon
(Air Base).

(2) Activated: 5 March 1941.

(3) Located at Bardesdale Field, Louisiana.

(4) Authority GO No. 3, Hq, GHQ Air Force,
Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 Feb 1941.

(5) Personnel assigned by transfer of cadre
of 11 enlisted men from 309th Signal Aviation Co, per par
1, SO No. 50, Hq, Air Corps Advanced Flying School, Barksdale
Field, Louisiana.

b. Changes in organization, changes in the designa-
tion of units, transfer of unit from one regiment to another
as a unit, or change due to changes in Table of Organization.

(1) 27th Signal Platoon, (Air Base), redesignated
to the 27th Signal Company, Service Group, per GO No. 25, Hq,
Force 0051, APO 930, dated 26 Oct 1942.

(2) 27th Signal Company, Service Group, re-
designated to the 1027th Signal Company, Service Group, per
GO No. 110, Hq, USAFISPA, APO 502, 3 May 1943.

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Historical Data (Cont'd)

(3) 175th Radio Repair Det, and Signal Det, Force 0051, transferred to 27th Signal Company, Service Group, per SC No 36, Hq, Force 0051, APO 930, 10 Feb 1943.

(4) Table of Organization 11-237, dated 16 Dec 1940, Signal Platoon (Air Base), strength 1 Officer, 37 enlisted men, changed to 11-237, dated 1 July 1942, strength, 2 Officers, 1 WO(jg), 70 enlisted men, per GO No 25, Hq, Force 0051, APO 930, dated 26 Oct 1943, per GO No 21, Hq, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719, dated 31 July 1943.

c. Strength - Commissioned and enlisted:

(1) Beginning of period; 2 Officers, 1 WO(jg), and 66 enlisted men.

(2) The net increase of enlisted men per month was as follows:

- (a) October, 5 EM
- (b) November, 5 EM
- (c) December, 11 EM

(3) The net decrease of enlisted men was 1 EM in December.

(4) Present strength; 2 Officers, 1 WO(jg), and 86 enlisted men.

d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of units or parts thereof.

(1) Left San Francisco, Calif, 31 Jan 1942 for Brisbane, Australia, and arrived 25 Feb 1942. Left Brisbane for Ballarat, Australia, March 3, 1942 and arrived 8 March 1942. Left Ballarat, Australia for Tongatabu Island, 8 May 1942, and arrived 17 May 1942. Left Tongatabu for Efate, New Hebrides, 10 March 1943, and arrived 14 March 1943. Left Efate, New Hebrides, for Guadalcanal, Solomons, 3 Aug 1943, and arrived 12 Aug 1943. Left Fighter Strip, No 2, Guadalcanal, Solomons, ~~XXXX~~ 14 Nov 1943 for Munda, New Georgia Islands, and arrived 16 Nov 1943. Nineteen enlisted men on DS left for Ondonga, New Georgia Islands, 25 Nov 1943 and arrived same date. Organization left for Ondonga, New Georgia Islands, 29 Nov 1943 and arrived same date. Left Ondonga, New Georgia Islands, 31 Dec 1943, for Munda, New Georgia Islands, and arrived Munda, present station, 31 Dec 1943.

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Historical data (Cont'd)

- e. Marches: None.
- f. Campaigns: None.
- g. Battles: None.
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements:
None.
- i. Losses in action, officers and EN: None.
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished
themselves in action: None.
- k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or
events: None.
- l. Copy of commendation of Lieutenant General
Harmon is attached.

Melvin L. Maxson

MELVIN L. MAXSON
Capt, Sig C
Comdg

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APC 709

16 December 1943

SUBJECT: CONGRATULATION

TO : The Thirteenth Air Force

1. From 25 July 1943, to 20 November 1943, Major General Nathan Twining, by direction of Comsopac and pursuant to the air employment directives and policies of Comairsofac, commanded the Allied Air Forces Solomons, Brigadier General Dean C. Strother served as Fighter Commander, while Brigadier General William A. Matheny (then Colonel) was Bomber Commander.

2. During this period, immeasurable damage was done to the enemy. His ships and barges were destroyed, all of the New Georgia Group was overrun by our forces, Treasury was captured, and Bougainville was invaded, the Jap was subjected to heavy loss of aircraft and personnel, and his Bougainville airdromes were made untenable. As a result we have materially improved our position for further assaults on the enemy, and we have acquired important naval facilities and many fine additional airdromes. A great share of the credit for these victories goes to the Air Arm; to the airmen of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Royal New Zealand Air Force, both shore and carrier based.

3. In all this the 13th Air Force, its Fighter Command, Bomber Command, Service Command, and all the officers and men of flight and ground echelons have had a major role. Your contribution to the success of the campaigns of the Armed Forces is inspiring to all. Your courage, your spirit of high endeavor, your patient endurance of discomforts, hardships and dangers; your cheerfulness thru all and your will to win are a source of pride to all who are concerned with the destruction of Japanese forces, the annihilation of his military power and the imposition of swift retribution on his individual leaders, his government and its subjects.

4. The 13th Air Force will continue to carry the fight until the Jap is completely crushed, and made to pay many times over for the crimes he has committed against our airmen, soldiers, sailors, and marines, and for the bestial deceit and brutality of Pearl Harbor, the Philippines, China and Malaya.

5. The 13th Air Force, born on the 13th of January, is now almost a year old--and what a year! Many of you men of this force have been carrying on in this area since before our attacks and capture of Guadalcanal and Tulagi. You have

To: The Thirteenth Air Force, 16 December 1943

worked and sweated through the mud and heat, the malaria, the dangers and hardships of the early days at Efate, Espiritu Santo and Guadalcanal. You wondered then if our meager force could really stop the Jap. But soon this doubt changed to confidence as the gathering power and momentum of our forces increased, and then you helped to break forever the myth of Jap invincibility and to blast him out of Guadalcanal, the Russells, Munda and all of the New Georgia Group, and now, Treasury and Bougainville. You have seen him defeated in the air, on the ground and on the sea. The issue is no longer in doubt.

6. Our people at home take just pride in your accomplishments and sacrifices, glory in your victories and reverence the memory of your comrades who will not go home.

a. God bless you for your achievements and grant each of you the fortitude to carry on to complete victory. Keep smiling and keep fighting.

/s/ M. F. Harmon
/t/ M. F. HARMON
Lieutenant General
U. S. Army

AG 201.22 1st Ind CG/RLO/jld
HEADQUARTERS THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE, APO 719, 22 Dec 1943.

To: Commanding officers, All Units, Thirteenth Air Force.

1. It is with considerable gratification and pride that I forward the above commendation from the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to every member of the Thirteenth Air Force.

2. General Harmon's splendid tribute will be read to every member of this air force at the first formation after receipt of this letter.

3. A copy of this commendation will be made a part of the historical records of each organization.

/s/ Ray L. Owens
/t/ RAY L. OWENS
Brigadier General, US Army
Commanding

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HISTORICAL-DATA

1027th Signal Company, Service Group

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HEADQUARTERS
1027th Signal Company, Service Group
c/o Postmaster, APO 709
San Francisco, Calif.

MLM/hs

Oct 1, 1943

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719.

(Thru: Channels)

1. In accordance with Army Regulations 345-105 and all changes thereto, the following report is submitted:

a. Original unit.

- (1) Official designation: 27th Signal platoon (Air Base).
- (2) Activated: March 5, 1941.
- (3) Located at Barksdale Field, Louisiana.
- (4) Authority GO No. 3, Hq., GHQ Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated Feb 8, 1941.
- (5) Personnel assigned by transfer of cadre of 11 enlisted men from 309th Signal Aviation Co., per par 1, SO No. 50, Hq., Air Corps Advanced Flying School, Barksdale field, Louisiana.

b. Changes in organization, changes in the designation of units, transfer of unit from one regiment to another as a unit, or change due to changes in Table of Organization.

- (1) 27th Signal Platoon, (Air Base), redesignated to the 27th Signal Company, Service Group, per GO No. 25, Hq., Force 0051, APO 930, dated Oct 26, 1942.
- (2) 27th Signal Company, Service Group, redesignated to the 1027th Signal Company, Service Group, per GO No. 110, Hq., USAFISPA, APO 502, dated May 3, 1943.
- (3) 175th Radio Repair Det., and Signal Det., Force 0051, transferred to 27th Signal Company, Service Group, per SO No. 36, Hq., Force 0051, APO 930, dated Feb 10, 1943.

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Historical data (cont'd)

(4) Table of Organization 11-237, dated Dec 16, 1940, Signal Platoon (Air Base), strength 1 Officer, 37 enlisted men, changed to 11-237, dated July 1, 1942, strength, 2 Officers, 1 WO (jg), 70 enlisted men, per GO No. 25, Hq., Force 0051, APO 930, Dated Oct 26, 1942. Re-organization under Table of Organization 11-237, dated Mar 26, 1943 per GO No. 21, Hq., Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719, dated July 31, 1943.

c. Strength - Commissioned and enlisted:

- (1) Beginning of period, 2 Officers, 1 WO (jg), and 57 EM.
- (2) Net increase of 3 EM per month.
- (3) Present strength: 2 Officers, 1 WO (jg), and 66 EM.

d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of units or parts thereof.

(1) Left San Francisco, Calif., Jan 31, 1942 for Brisbane, Australia, and arrived Feb 25, 1942. Left Brisbane for Ballarat, Australia, March 3, 1942 and arrived March 8, 1942. Left Ballarat, Australia for Tongatabu Island, May 8, 1942, and arrived May 17, 1942. Left Tongatabu for Efate, New Hebrides, March 10, 1943, and arrived March 14, 1943. Left Efate, New Hebrides for Guadalcanal, Solomons, Aug 3, 1943, and arrived at said destination Aug 12, 1943.

e. Marches: None.

f. Campaigns: None.

g. Battles: None.

h. Commanding officers in important engagements: None.

i. Losses in action, officers and EM: None.

j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None.

k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or events: None.

Melvin L. Maxson
MELVIN L. MAXSON
Capt., Sig C.
Comdg.

RECEIVED THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND	
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Basic: Ltr, 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp, APO 717, 9 Mar 44, Subject:
"Historical Data, January and February 1944".

(7) Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand: A significant increase in the supply of radar and radio equipment have been received during the period to facilitate adequate supply and maintenance of all Thirteenth Air Force units in this area.

c. Changes in relation with other organizations:

(1) Next superior headquarters: This company was attached to the Service Center (Air), 321st Service Group (Air) and is still operating under their command.

(2) Units under direct command: No units.

d. Resume of movements: No change.

e. Name of campaign participated in: Personnel of this organization who served in the combat zone designated in Par. 2 of War Department General Orders No. 75, 1943, under conditions set forth in Par. 4 a (1) War Department letter, dated 29 October 1943, file AG 200.6 (26 Oct 43) OB-I-A-MB-A, Subject: "Battle Participation Awards", are eligible to wear battle stars on their campaign ribbons as authorized by 4th Ind., Hq, USAFISPA, APO 502, 16 Feb 44, to letter 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp, dated 9 Jan 44, Subject: "Claim for Battle Participation Award". Announcement of battle credits for this organization will be included in General Orders issued by Hq, USAFISPA, at a later date.

f. Chief military missions, engagements and sorties:
None.

g. Losses in action: None.

h. Awards to and decorations of members of this unit:
None.

i. Narrative account of the part played by the unit in the war effort:

This unit left Ondonga, New Georgia Islands where it was attached to the 70th Fighter Squadron on 31 Dec 43 and arrived the same date at Munda, New Georgia Islands.

S E C R E T

Basic: Ltr, 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp, APO 717, 9 Mar 44, Subject: "Historical Data, January and February 1944".

A temporary camp site was established in the 14th Airborne area where this organization remained for 12 days. The unit then moved to its new and present location where considerable time and hard work was spent erecting living quarters, building fox-holes, and general policing of the entire new area.

Since the T/O of this unit is divided into sections, it is necessary to list the activities of each separate section in order to present a clear picture of the operations:

1. Headquarters Section.

This department carries on the normal administration of the organization. Having been a group in itself for quite some time prior to joining the present group, this company at first encountered several administrative obstacles. However, at present, administration is being carried on in a smooth and very satisfactory manner. This section is composed of one captain who is the company commander; one first sergeant; one administrative and technical clerk; one supply clerk; one motor transportation non-commissioned officer who is responsible for the upkeep of all vehicles assigned this company; one armorer; one automobile mechanic; three clerk-typists; two cooks and one cooks helper.

2. Operations Platoon.

This platoon is divided into three sections as follows:

a. Telephone and Telegraph Section.

Since joining this group the telephone and telegraph section has installed and maintained lines for the entire group, lines to the 5th Bomb Group and lines to the other sections of this company that are situated on the Munda Air Strip. Five teletypes have been installed and maintained for third echelon maintenance. A switchboard has been installed and is operated by members of this unit on a twenty-four hour schedule. Seven trunk lines and thirty-seven drops are used. An air raid sounding device has been installed and proven to be very satisfactory. The personnel of this section consists of one chief teletypewriter operator, one wire chief, one chief switchboard operator, one teletypewriter operator (assistant chief), three linemen, seven switchboard operators and 4 teletypewriter operators.

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Basic: Ltr, 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp, APO 717, 9 Mar 44, Subject:
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b. Radio Section.

At present there are only two personnel operating under this section. They are operating at a fixed radio station WVJU Munda, stationed at the VI Island Command.

c. Message Center Section.

Message center operations have been established at the Air Service Center and are conducted on a twenty-four hour schedule. Schedule messenger service and special messenger service are maintained as required. This section consists of one 2nd Lieutenant who is the Operations Platoon officer, one message center chief, three message center chiefs (assistants), three message center clerks and two messengers.

3. Supply and Repair Platoon.

This platoon is divided into four sections as follows:

a. Storage and Issue Section.

This section has been carrying on normal shipping and receiving of Signal supplies for Air Force units in this area. It consists of one 1st Lieutenant who is the signal supply officer and also in charge of repair sections, one warehouse foreman, one clerk-typist, one warehouse foreman (assistant) and four stock control clerks.

b. Radio Repair Section (fixed).

This section has been carrying on normal repair and maintenance of radio and radar for Air Force units in this area. The shop is situated near the Munda Air Strip and to date its operations have proven to be very satisfactory. This section consists of one radio repairman, search(chief); one radio repairman, airborne equipment (chief); nine radio repairman, airborne equipment; four radio repairmen, intercept and five radio repairman, search.

c. Radio Repair Section (mobile).

This section assists in the operation of the radio repair section (fixed). It consists of one radio repairman; one radio repairman, intercept; one radio repairman, search and three radio repairman VHF radio.

d. Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section.

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Basic: Ltr, 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp, APO 717, 9 Mar 44, Subject:
"Historical Data, January and February 1944".

This section assists in the operations of the telephone and telegraph section for miscellaneous operations and consists of one radio repairman; VHF wire (chief); one lineman, telephone and telegraph; four radio repairmen VHF, wire and three teletypewriter mechanics.

4. Enlisted personnel in this organization doing miscellaneous work:

- a. Operations of laundry services.
- b. Postal clerk at Group Post Office.
- c. Plumber on SD at 73rd CB.
- d. Barber services.
- e. Painter at Group Utilities.
- j. Photographs: None.

Melvin L. Maxson
MELVIN L. MAXSON
Capt., Sig C.
Comdg.

LTR NO. 1359

26 January 1940
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BALTIMORE BRANCH
CAPT FIFE

SIG-1027-HI, Jan - Feb 1944, Historical Records,
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March 1944, Historical Records, (no number)

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Checked by **EM/eg**

Date **23 April 1944**

Rating **54**

NAME OF UNIT **1027 Signal Company**

APO **717-2441**

Period Covered **March 1944**

Authority

5 a. Organization of unit

- (1) Original designation of unit
- (2) Mission
- (3) Date and place of activation of unit
- (4) Sources from which personnel were drawn
- (5) Strength, com. and EM, at time of act.
- (6) Names of key personnel
- (7) Material and facilities

7 Narrative

Objectives
Means
Results
Problems
Station Life

Photographs

b. Command relation with:

- (1) Next higher headquarters
- (2) Subordinate units
- (3) Other services

Supporting doc

Name unit, APO

6 a. Changes in organization

- (1) Changes in designation of unit and date
- (2) Alteration of the general mission
- (3) Transfer of units to another organization
- (4) Units assigned or attached
- (5) Changes caused by T/O
- (6) Changes in strength, Com and EM
- (7) Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand

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b. Changes in relations with other org.

- (1) Next superior headquarters
- (2) Units under direct command

c. Resume of movements

- (1) Date of arrival at and departure from each station
- (2) Changes of station, and purpose therefor

d. Name of campaign (or battle) participated in

e. Chief military missions, engagements, sorties

f. Losses in action

g. Awards to and decorations of members

Remarks: Good narrative. Well written. Every page of history should be read.
1359-11 **SECRET**. See par 11, Historical Officers Circular No. 3, this reg. 1 April 1944. Tell of station life and morale. Deal with key personnel in your narrative.

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HISTORICAL DATA

MARCH 1944

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.Auth: CG XILI AFSC.
.Init: *CDH*
.Date: 1 Apr 44
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1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 717 Unit 1, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

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In reply refer to:
000.4

1 April 1944

Subject: Historical Data for March 1944.

To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Washington, D C

1. In compliance with AR 345-105 dated 18 November 1929 and Changes 1 and 3 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-7, 21 Feb 44, the following data is submitted:

a. Original unit: Completed.

b. Changes in organization: There has been no change in this organization's designation, mission, echelon of command, or T/O. There has been a slight increase in material and facilities on hand in the Signal Supply Section (see Signal Supply Section below). The change in strength for March is listed below:

1) Strength of commissioned personnel at the beginning of the period was; 1 Captain, 1 1st Lieutenant, 1 2nd Lieutenant, 1 WOJG.

2) Strength of enlisted personnel at the beginning of the period was 92 enlisted men assigned and 10 attached.

3) Net increase of commissioned strength during the period was 1 2nd Lieutenant attached.

4) Net decrease of assigned enlisted men during March was 1.

5) Net decrease of attached enlisted men during March was 1.

6) The total strength of the company at the end of the period is; 1 Captain, 1 1st Lt, 1 2nd Lt, 1 WOJG assigned and 1 2nd Lt attached; 91 enlisted men and 9 enlisted men attached. (for details see Headquarters Section below).

c. Changes in relation with other organizations: There have been no changes in relation with other organizations. This company is attached to the Service Center (Air), 321st Service Group (Air) and is operation under their command.

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There are no units operating under our command.

d. This company has not participated in any movements.

e. This company is not at present participating in any campaign, but did participate in the Northern Solomons Campaign during the period outlined in WD ltr, 29 Oct 43, AG 200.6, (26 Oct 43) OB-I-A-MB-A, Sub "Battle Participation Awards". (Auth: 4th Ind, Hq, USAFISPA, APO 502, 16 Feb 44, to ltr 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp, 9 Jan 44, Sub "Claim for Battle Participation Award".)

f. Chief military missions, engagements and sorties: This company did not participate in any engagements or sorties but did in March experience its 32nd and 33rd Condition "Red" Alert to be shown on the company's Morning Reports.

g. Losses in action: None.

h. Awards to and decorations of members of this unit: Thirty six enlisted men of this unit were awarded the Good Conduct Medal "...for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity.", per par 1, SO 32, Hq, Sv Cen (Air), 321st Sv Gp (Air), APO 717, 21 Feb 44, (copy attached). Twenty two more enlisted men of this unit were also awarded the Good Conduct Medal "...for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity.", per par 4, SO 50, Hq, Sv Cen (Air), 321st Sv Gp (Air), APO 717, 29 Mar 44, (copy attached).

2. The part that this unit has played in the war effort can best be told by listing the activities of each separate section in order to present a clear picture of the operations of the company as a whole.

a. The Headquarters Section has maintained the normal administration of the company. It also has operated the company supply, and through the various specialists assigned to the section, provides bakers, auto mechanics, and an armorer where needed.

In the last month the company has lost two men through transfer; one man, Pvt Richard M Buchanan, was evacuated 12 Mar 44, and the second, Tec 4 Ramon W Reed was the first man to leave under the new rotation policy. Reed was notified 26 Feb 44 that he had been selected per par 1, ltr 210.68, Hq, XIII AF, APO 719, 19 Feb 44, Sub "Rotation of Ground Personnel for March 1944". He left the company for Guadalcanal and home on 21 March 44. The quota for April has been selected (Ltr 210.68, Hq, XIII AF, APO 719, 5 Mar 44, Sub "Rotation of

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Ground Personnel for April 1944") and three enlisted men, Fred J Penfold, Raymond C Moore, and Joseph Chapel, were notified that they would be the next to leave, sometime in April it was assumed. By the end of April, 36 other enlisted men, 2 officers, and one WOJG have become eligible and have already been reported as required.

The company has gained one man through transfer; Pvt Sterling T Jones, Jr, was transferred into the organization from the 6th Repl Dep, 8 Mar 44 and joined 23 Mar 44. He has been assigned to the Signal Supply Section.

Other changes in strength of the attached personnel have occurred frequently throughout March. At the first of the month there were ten enlisted men attached to this organization. In addition to these, nine enlisted men and one officer from the 905th Signal Company, Det (Avn) were attached at various times during March to help in the Radio Repair Section. 2nd Lt Rensular V Pearson, Sig C, from the 410th Signal Company (Avn) was attached to this organization on DS 18 Mar 44 and joined 25 Mar 44. He has been assisting in the operation of the Radio Repair Section. At the end of the period all of the attached enlisted men; 1 from the 905th Sig Co, and 8 from the 1079th Sig Co, Sv Gp are working in the Radio Repair Section.

b. The Operations Platoon is divided into three sections which will be discussed in order.

1) Since joining this group the Telephone and Telegraph Section has installed and maintained lines for the entire 321st Sv Gp, lines to the 5th Bomb Gp (H), and lines to the other sections of this company that are situated on the Munda Air Strip. This is a total of over 30 miles of wire laid and maintained by this section; of that total, approximately five miles of new wire was laid in the month of March 1944. A switchboard using seven trunk lines and thirty seven drops is operated by the members of this unit on a 24 hour schedule. Approximately twenty new telephones have been installed during the month of March, bringing the total number of telephones installed and serviced by this section to sixty five. This section operates three teletype machines on a 24 hour schedule and maintains 3rd echelon maintenance on two teletype machines belonging to other organizations on the island. An Air-raid sounding device is maintained by the section and controlled by the switchboard operator.

2) In the Radio Section at present we have only one man operating. He is operating at a fixed Radio station WVJU Munda stationed at the VI Island Command.

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3) The Message Center Section operates a message center on a 24 hour schedule. An average of 100 messages pass through this section each day; during March, over 3,000 messages were handled. Scheduled messenger service and special messenger service is maintained as required. Refresher classes for picked personnel in the use of the converter and other cryptic devices were held.

c. The Supply and Repair Platoon is composed of four sections.

1) The Storage and Issue Section handles the normal shipping and receiving of Signal supplies for Air Force units in this area. There has been a slight increase in the supplies on hand and in the number of items issued.

2) The Radio Repair Section (fixed) has been carrying on normal repair and maintenance of radio and radar for Air Force units in this area. This section services five Heavy Bombardment Sqs, one Fighter Sq, AB Sec Bns, AAA Bns, and other Sig Cos, over 15 units in all. About 70% of its work is concerned with the repair and periodic checks and overhauls of airborne equipment. This section has had to deal with a greater volume of repair work than at any time in the 26 months that this Signal Company has been over seas. The problem of getting the work done was a real one. All available radio men were set to work. The shop was put on a 16 hour, two shift schedule, and more radio men were requisitioned. A few specialists were attached at different times during the month from other organizations to help. At the present time the Radio Repair Section is able to keep up with the large demand and is operating smoothly and efficiently. In March the number of repairs reached a total of 445 units repaired.

3) The Radio Repair Section (mobile) has joined in the operation of the Radio Repair Section (fixed) and has not worked as a separate section during March.

4) The Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section has assisted in the work of the Telephone and Telegraph Section. It has completed over thirty repairs on telephones, switchboards, and telegraph sets during March.

d. There are in addition to the men working in the regular sections a few specialists; a laundry foreman, a postal clerk, a barber, a plumber, and a painter, are assisting in the operation of the 321st Sv Gp (Air).

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4. The company was commended by Colonel Kendall, 321st Sv Gp (Air), Commanding, for "...maintaining a high state of police for the recent inspection by our Commanding General.....". Auth: Ltr, 201.2, Hq, Sv Cen (Air), 321st Sv Gp (Air), APO 717, 7 Mar 44.

Charles L. Bolton
CHARLES L BOLTON
1st Lt, Sig C
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HEADQUARTERS SERVICE CENTER (AIR)
321ST SERVICE GROUP (AIR)

APO 717
21 Feb 44

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NO 32

E X T R A C T

1. Following EM 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp are awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

1st Sgt Francis J Foster	6924521	M Sgt Theodore R Keith	33044669
T Sgt Carl T Beranek	35026447	T Sgt James E Berry	14016927
T Sgt Ernest C Humphries	34085610	S Sgt David G Bean	39379511
S Sgt Martin D Cassidy	35115969	S Sgt Charles A Dunham Jr	32115832
S Sgt Truvy A Flicklin	14025128	S Sgt George F Owen	34080992
S Sgt Louis E Reams	20500473	S Sgt Joseph F Strauss	35011409
T 3 Sherwood D Barber	38027611	T 3 Joseph Chepel	33078506
T 3 Clarence W Lenz	36103358	T 3 Lawrence A O'Connor	20500495
T 3 Boris Rosenbaum	12000716	Sgt Arthur G Cathcart	38008044
Sgt Paul J Fatiguso	35280625	Sgt Stanley A Leszczewicz	16037328
Sgt Orlyn T Pressler	20500911	Sgt Hyman Skurow	35116496
T 4 Robert E Barnes	37069496	T 4 John B Bower	35005433
T 4 Clarence P Chandler	20500430	T 4 Sterling F Geesey	33107413
T 4 Cecil A McElmuth	34085662	T 4 Leonard A Mobley	14014896
T 4 Raymond C Moore	32098197	T 4 Ramon W Reed	6864313
T 4 Dorris E Whitfield	34084841	T 5 Otto Hubner Jr	15063564
T 5 Cecil T Labenski	38030534	T 5 Joseph A Pinto	20509922
T 5 Charles W Rees	20500467	Pfc Fred J Penfold	20940541

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By order of Colonel KENDALL:

Official:

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1st Lt, AC
Adj

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1st Lt, AC
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HEADQUARTERS
321ST SERVICE GROUP (AIR)
APO 717 Unit 1

29 Mar 44

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NO. 50

1. UP IR 35-140 1ST LT J M NAPLAN 01280022 FD Hq 6th Sv Gp (Air) Cl "B" Agent Fin O at Sv Center (Air) APO 706 Unit 1. CAPT L C HARRIS 01280029 FD Hq 321st Sv Gp (Air) APO 717 Unit 1 is to be entrusted the maximum amount of \$500,000.00 cash. Hq: 2nd Ind (AG 123.4) Hq XIII AF SVC APO 717 21 Mar 44 to ltr "Authority for Class "B" Agent to keep cash on hand at his own risk" Hq 321st Sv Gp (Air) O of Fin O 18 Mar 44.

2. Following C in asgmt are directed:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Reled fr</u>	<u>Asgd to</u>
Pvt William J McGrane 31354808	1748th Ord S & M Co Avn APO 717 Unit 1	9th Sv Sq APO 717 unit 1
Pfc Edward A Schaefer 32881362	9th Sv Sq APO 717 Unit 1	1748th Ord S & M Co Avn APO 717 Unit 1

3. Following named EM 1123rd QM Co Sv Gp Avn is temp prom to gr indicated:

To be Tec 5

Pfc Adam J Niezgoda 35337314

4. Following EM 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp are awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

Sgt Chester C Coats	39303774
Sgt Dominic T Iannarelli	35005497
Cpl Edwin J Sabotka	16147342
Tec 5 Kermit E Alton	20500384
Tec 5 Alan L Freitag	14169738
Tec 5 James W Giblin	31240240
Tec 5 Thomas P Harley	18108465
Tec 5 Carl A.J. Lundin	12125372
Tec 5 Charles J Ohry Jr	32415734
Tec 5 Herbert C Price	19118159
Tec 5 Julius (nmi) Sch.	4212123460
Pfc John E Agusti	1430049
Pfc Raymond M Fox	34641360
Pfc Robert C Hamilton	14105646

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SO 50, Hq, 321st Sv Gp (Air), APO 717 Unit 1, 29 Mar 44.

Pfc Leo F Shippey	32445159
Pfc Roy D Matthews	56585328
Pfc Neil F McLean	39326095
Pfc Walter F Penka	32504043
Pfc Frank R Roberts	32384409
Pfc William E Rogers	32453897
Pfc Robert J Shea	32587214
Pfc Herbert W Thompson	39540080

5. UP AR 35-320 2D LT ALFRED H GLENN 0865956 AC 17th Wea Sq is aptd Cl "A" Agent Fin O for CAPT L C HARRIS PD for payment of Os & EM asgd & atchd to 17th Wea Sq for an indefinite period.

By order of Colonel KENDALL:

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Capt AC
Adj

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April 1944

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Historical Section
APO 719

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DEFICIENCIES IN UNIT HISTORY

Date 2 June 1944

Name of Unit 1027th Sig Co. 1 Cav Gp.

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Period Covered April 1944

An item checked in the column "Correct By Forwarding Supplement" means that the deficiency must be made up promptly (within 10 days) in accordance with par 12, Historical Officers Circular #3, Historical Officers Circulars referred to are Nos. 1, 2, and 3, AC of S, A-2, this headquarters, dated 21 February, 28 February, and 7 April, 1944, respectively.

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Comply with par 5, Circular #1.

Not necessary to comply with par 5, Circular #1 (par 5 for initial installment only).
following par 6 of the extraction of data.

Comply with par 6, Circular #1.

Not necessary to give individual changes in strength (see par 6 a. (6) Circular #1).

Narrative missing (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Expand narrative (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Describe briefly background of operations (see par 6, Circular #3).

Describe your activities and achievements, as much as possible in quantitative terms (see par 7, Circular #3).

Summarize your activities and achievements, present an over-all view (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Furnish information on station life, living conditions, morale (see par 7, Circular #1).

Describe difficulties encountered - physical, administrative, operational - training, lessons learned, new techniques evolved (see par 7, Circulars #1 and par 8, Circular #3). (over)

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Remarks:

In narrative, deal only with key personnel, outstanding individual achievements (see par 7, Circular #1).

Furnish photographs, maps, mission reports (see par 5, Circular #2).

Identify properly photographs, maps, charts (see par 8 i, Circular #1).

Cite authority, in parenthesis, for basic facts, such as change of station, awards, etc. (see par 3 c, Circular #2).

Include supporting documents, 2 copies, for establishment of basic facts (see par 4, Circular #2).

Include biographies of key personnel (see par 8 h, Circular #1).

Mark history secret, official designation of unit, period covered, on each page (see par 4, Circular #1 and par 11, Circular #3).

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1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 717 Unit 1, c/o Postmaster
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In reply refer to:
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3 May 1944

Subject: Historical Data for April 1944.

To : Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Washington, D C

1. In compliance with AR 345-105 dated 18 November 1929 and Changes 1 and 3 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-7, 21 Feb 44, the following data is submitted:

a. Original unit: Completed.

b. Changes in organization: There has been no change in this organization's designation, mission, or T/O. (For change in echelon of command, see lc. below). The change in strength for April 1944 is listed below:

1) Strength of commissioned personnel at the beginning of the period was; 1 Captain, 1 1st Lieutenant, 1 2nd Lieutenant, 1 WOJG assigned, and 1 2nd Lieutenant attached.

2) Strength of enlisted personnel at the beginning of the period was 91 enlisted men assigned and 9 attached.

3) There has been no change in the net strength of the commissioned personnel.

4) Net increase of assigned enlisted men during April was 6.

5) Net decrease of attached enlisted men during April was 9.

6) The total strength of the company at the end of the period is: 1 Captain, 1 1st Lt, 1 2nd Lt, 1 WOJG assigned, and 1 2nd Lt attached; 97 enlisted men assigned and none attached.

c. Changes in relation with other organizations: This organization was attached to the Sv Cen (Air), 321st Sv Gp (Air), at the beginning of the period and operated under their command until 9 Apr 44. At that time the 321st Sv Gp (Air) left this

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station and this company was released from attached. The company now operates as an independent unit with the Sv Cen (Air) serving as the next highest unit in the echelon of command.

d. Resume of movements: During the three day period from 9 Apr 44 to 12 Apr 44, while the 321st Sv Gp (Air) was moving, this company changed its camp area from the "Enlisted Men's Hill" in the area occupied by the 321st Sv Gp (Air) and this company, to the "Officer's Hill" in the same camp area. This change resulted in a more convenient location and better quarters for the entire company. See attached sketch

e. This company is not at present participating in any campaign.

f. Chief military missions, engagements and sorties:
None.

g. Losses in action: None.

h. Awards to and decorations of members of this unit:
None.

2. The part that this unit has played in the war effort can best be told by listing the activities of each separate section in order to present a clear picture of the operations of the company as a whole.

a. The Headquarters Section has maintained the normal administration of the company, and has operated the Co Supply. Since 10 Apr 44 it has operated a company mess in a very satisfactory manner.

In the last month the company has lost one man through transfer, Sherwood D Barber was sent to Guadalcanal 6 Apr 44, on his way to the United States for attendance at the next available Signal Corp Officer Candidate School.

The company has gained 6 men through transfer: Pvt Alfred Fuchs, a previous member of this organization evacuated 31 Jan 44, was reassigned to this organization and is now enroute to join; Pvts, Saladino, Smith, Nagy, and Wilsey were assigned per par 53, SO 110, Hqs, 6th Repl Dep, 20 Apr 44, and are now enroute to join; Pvt Frank J Tiernan was assigned per par 25, SO 99, Hqs, 6th Repl Dep, 6 Apr 44 and joined the organization 18 Apr 44.

Changes in strength of the attached enlisted men have occurred frequently through out April. At the beginning of the period 9 enlisted men were attached to this organization, at the

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close of the period none were attached. Eight of the attached men belonged to the 1079th Sig Co, Sv Gp, and were relieved from attached 7 Apr 44 in order to join their own organization. They were attached to Hq and Hqs Sq of the 321st Sv Gp (Air) and left this island with that unit. From the time the first units of the 321st Sv Gp (Air) began to leave this area 8 Apr 44 until 17 Apr 44 when all officers and enlisted men of the Group had finally left the island, this company had officers and men from the Group attached for rations only in numbers ranging from two to 135.

b. The Operations Platoon is divided into three sections:

1) The Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section has been occupied with the task of reclaiming nearly all of the equipment peculiar to this section that was used by the 321st Sv Gp (Air). A few miles of local telephone wire have been reclaimed, a switchboard, and three teletype machines have been overhauled and packed.

2) In the Radio Section at present we have only one man operating. He is operating at a fixed radio station WVJU Munda stationed at the VI Island Command.

3) The Message Center Section operates a message center on a 24 hour schedule. Scheduled messenger service and special messenger service is maintained as required. Since the 321st Sv Gp (Air) left this area the number of messages handled by this section has decreased.

c. The Supply and Repair Platoon is composed of four sections:

1) The Storage and Issue Section handles the normal shipping and receiving of Signal supplies for Air Force units in this area. There has been a decrease in the number of items issued.

2) The Radio Repair Section (fixed) has been carrying on normal repair and maintenance of radio radar for Air Force units in this area. Several of the units serviced by this section moved from the island the later part of April and as a result the volume of repair work has decreased. At no time has the volume of repair work presented any problem; at the start of the period the section was run on a 16 hour, 2 shift, schedule able to handle all demands and since then the amount of work has fallen off.

3) The Radio Repair Section (mobile) has joined in the operation of the Radio Repair Section (fixed) and has not worked as a separate section during April.

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4) The Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section has assisted in the work of the Telephone and Telegraph Section.

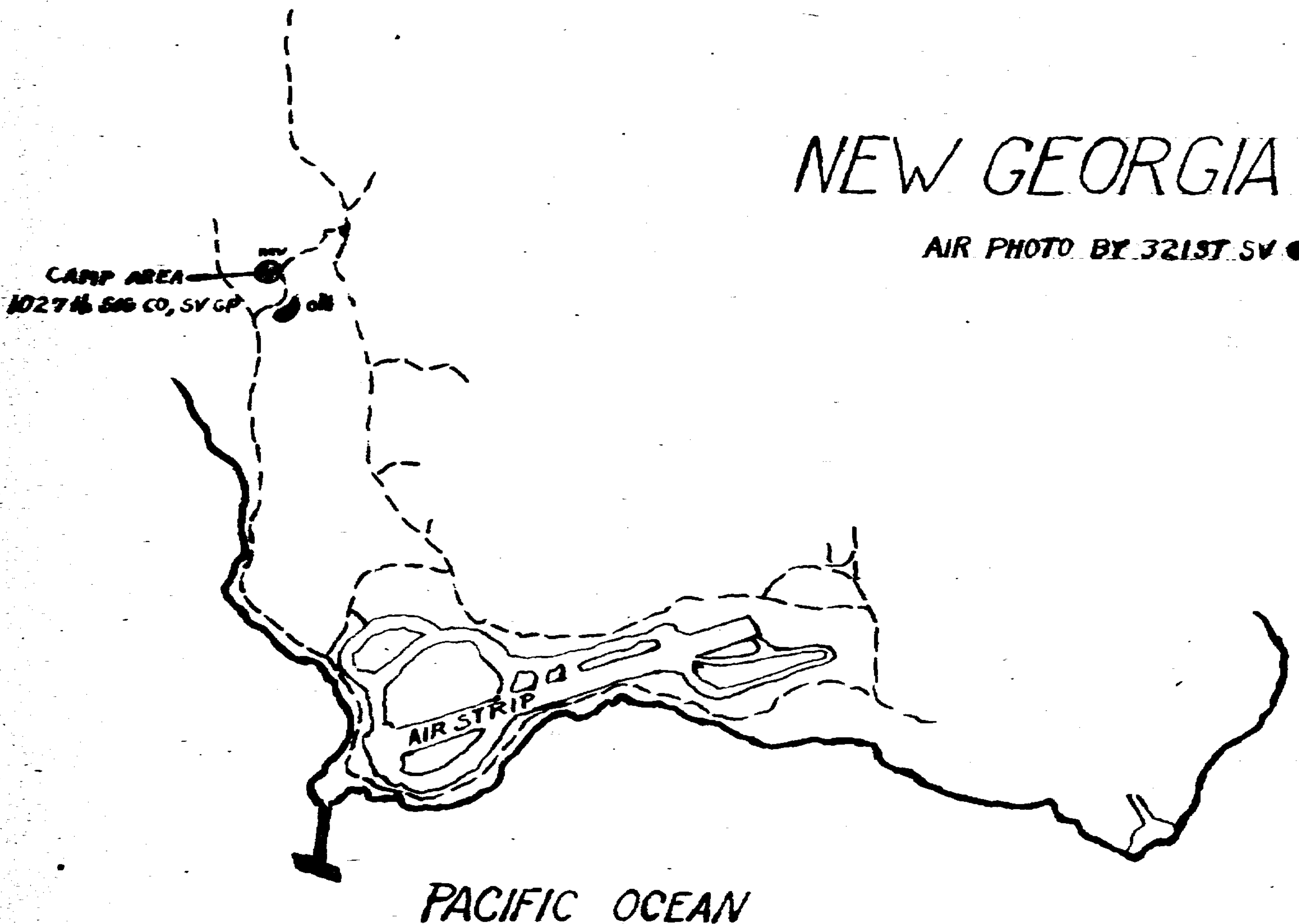
3. For entertainment one wing of the large mess hall originally built for the 321st Sv Gp (Air) and now used by this company alone was turned into a recreation room with a victrola, a ping pong table, reading material, and writing tables.

4. The work assigned to this unit when it first joined the 321st Sv Gp (Air) has for the most part been done. The company has prepared itself for movement; boxes built, unused equipment packed, shipping lists prepared, etc, but as yet the expected movement orders have not arrived.

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1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
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5 June 1944

Subject: Historical Data for May 1944

To : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, (Thru: Channels)
(Attn: Historical Section, A-2)

1. In compliance with AR 345-105 dated 18 November 1929 and Changes 1 and 3 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-7, 21 Feb 44, the following data is submitted:

a. Original unit: Completed.

b. There has been no change in this organization's designation, mission, W/O, or echelon of command. The change in strength for May 1944 is listed below:

1) Strength of commissioned personnel at the beginning of the period was; 1 Captain, 1 1st Lieutenant, 1 2d Lieutenant, 1 WOJG assigned, and 1 2d Lieutenant attached.

2) Strength of enlisted personnel at the beginning of the period was 97 enlisted men assigned and none attached.

3) Net decrease of commissioned personnel was 1 Captain assigned and 1 2d Lieutenant attached.

4) Net decrease of assigned enlisted men was 7.

5) The total strength of the company at the end of the period is: 1 1st Lt, 1 2d Lt, 1 WOJG and 90 enlisted men

c. At the beginning of the period this company operated as an independent unit with the Service Center (Air) serving as the next highest unit in the echelon of command. On May 25, the 70th Fighter Squadron began its movement into the old "E's" hill in this camp area and a few of their officers and enlisted men were attached to this unit for rations only. On May 27, after this movement had progressed enough to allow the 70th Ftr Sq to take over the management of the mess, all of the officers and enlisted men of this organization were attached to the larger unit for rations only.

d. This unit did not participate in any movements during May.

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e. This company is not at present participating in any campaign.

f. Chief military missions, engagements and sorties:
None.

g. Losses in action: None.

h. Awards to and decorations of members of this unit:
None.

2. The part that this unit has played in the war effort can best be told by the activities of each separate section listed separately in order to present a clear picture of the operations of the company as a whole.

a. The headquarters section has maintained the normal administration of the company and has operated the company supply. It operated an independent company mess in a highly satisfactory manner, until 27 May 44, when this unit was attached to the 70th Fighter Squadron for rations. With this change the work required of the two cooks, Tec 5 Carl A J Lundin, "Swede", and Tec 4 Woodrow W Davis was made easier, but for the rest of the company, however it meant "mass production" food and chow lines again.

In the last month the company has lost 7 enlisted men; 3 on rotation, 2 for OCS, 1 on an emergency furlough, and 1 evacuation. Tec 3 Joseph Chepel, Tec 4 Raymond C Moore, and Pfc Fred J Penfold left the unit on rotation at noon on May 2 after having served 24 months in the South West Pacific theatre. Not a man in the crowd who saw them leave wasn't envious, especially the older members of the company who had as much as 27 months overseas. For those 34 older men eligible for rotation but not yet selected, there was the hope, "I'll be on that next quota." - but as yet no quota has arrived. S/Sgt Louis E Reams, and S/Sgt David G Bean were sent to Guadalcanal May 19 and May 30 respectively, on their way to the United States for attendance at the next available Signal Corps Officer Candidate School. T/Sgt Carl T Beranek was admitted to the 114th Station Hospital May 1, and later evacuated to Guadalcanal as a psychopathic case. Tec 4 Leonard A Mobley was transferred out of the unit and left for home on May 9. The Red Cross notified him that his father was seriously ill; an emergency furlough was arranged making it possible for him to leave the company when he did. All of these men to leave the unit were eligible for rotation, having spent over 26 months in the South West Pacific theatre of war. 2d Lt Rensular V Pearson who was attached to the unit during March and April was promoted to 1st Lt May 3, and on May 17 he was relieved from attached and left this organization. The second officer to leave during May

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was it's commanding officer, Captain Melvin L Maxson, who was evacuated 21 May 44. Captain Maxson had been in command of this unit since 29 December 1942 when he assumed command of the old 27th Signal Company, Service Group on Tongatabu Island. Since then the unit has grown to 90 men from a staff of only 25, and on 3 May 1943 it was redesignated 1027th Signal Company, Service Group. Captain Maxson entered on extended active duty 13 Jan 29 after having recieved his commission in the Ohio National Guard. He was promoted to Captain 11 Dec 42. With his technical and administrative knowledge, Captain Maxson made a good commanding officer, one who held the friendship and respect of all his men and fellow officers.

Five Privates; Saladino, Smith, Nagy, Milsey, Miller, and Fuchs, assigned in April, joined this company May 21, and were assigned to the various sections.

b. Operations Platoon:

1) In addition to cleaning and packing equipment, the Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section has done repair jobs on local systems still being used in the area.

2) In the Radio Section at present we have only one man operating. He is operating at a fixed radio station WVJU Kunda stationed at the VI Island Command.

3) The Message Center Section operates a message center in a 24 hour schedule. Scheduled messenger service and special messenger service is maintained as required.

c. Supply and Repair Platoon:

1) The Storage and Issue Section handles the normal shipping and receiving of Signal Supplies for Air Force units in this area.

2) The Radio Repair Section (fixed) has been carrying on normal repair and maintenance of radio radar for Air Force units in this area. The shop is now run on only one shift of eight hours instead of the old 16 hour, two shift schedule found necessary during the first of the year.

3) The Radio Repair Section (mobile) has joined in the operation of the Radio Repair Section (fixed) and has not worked as a separate section during May.

4) The Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section has assisted in the work of the Telephone and Telegraph Section.

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3. Station life has remained much the same through out the period. Since the 321st Sv Gp (Air) left this area the work assigned to this unit has been for the most part completed; very little work is being done by the sections. Classes have been held, however, and a training program in the various sections has been completed.

A second ping-pong table has been added to the recreation hall which by now is a very popular spot in camp. The practice of coffee and sandwiches at night after the movie in the mess hall had to be discontinued during the last of the month due to the difficulty in keeping the kitchen clean.

The company has prepared itself for movement; boxes built, unused equipment packed, shipping lists prepared, etc, but as yet the expected movement orders have not arrived.

Charles L. Bolton
CHARLES L BOLTON
1st Lt, Sig C
Comdg

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Describe difficulties encountered - physical, administrative, operational - training, lessons learned, new techniques evolved (see par 7, Circulars #1 and par 8, Circular #3). (over)

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Remarks: .

In narrative, deal only with key personnel, outstanding individual achievements (see par 7, Circular #1).

Furnish photographs, maps, mission reports (see par 5, Circular #2).

Identify properly photographs, maps, charts (see par 8 l, Circular #1).

Cite authority, in parenthesis, for basic facts, such as change of station, awards, etc. (see par 3 c, Circular #2).

Include supporting documents, 2 copies, for establishment of basic facts (see par 4, Circular #2).

Include biographies of key personnel (see par 8 h, Circular #1).

Mark history secret, official designation of unit, period covered, on each page (see par 4, Circular #1 and par 11, Circular #3).

Benj E. Lippincott

BENJAMIN E. LIPPINCOTT
Capt, A.C.
Historical Officer

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HISTORICAL DATA

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JUNE 1944

*1027th Signal Company
Service Group*

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1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 717 Unit 1, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

Auth: CG XIII AFSC
Init: *jar*
Date: 4 Jul 44
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In reply refer to:
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4 July 1944

Subject: Historical Data for June 1944

To : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force (Thru: Channels)
(Attn: Historical Section, A-2)

1. In compliance with AR 345-105 dated 18 November 1929 and Changes 1 and 3 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-7, 21 Feb 44, the following data is submitted:

a. Original unit: Completed.

b. There has been no change in this organization's designation, mission, or T/O. The change in strength for June 1944 is listed below:

1) The total strength of the company at the beginning of the period was: 1 1st Lt, 1 2d Lt, 1 WOJG, and 90 enlisted men.

2) There has been no change in the strength of the commissioned personnel.

3) The net increase of enlisted men was 7.

4) The total strength of the company at the end of the period is: 1 1st Lt, 1 2d Lt, 1 WOJG, and 97 enlisted men.

c. During June 1944 this unit, along with all other units comprising the Thirteenth Air Force, was joined with the Fifth Air Force per GO 7, Hq, Far Eastern Air Force (P), to form the new Far Eastern Air Force.

d. This unit did not participate in any movements during June.

e. This company is not at present participating in any campaign.

f. Chief military missions, engagements and sorties:
None.

g. Losses in action: None.

Basic: Ltr, 1027th Sig Co, Sv Op, APO 717 Unit 1, 4 July 1944,
Sub "Historical Data for June 1944". S E C R E T

h. Thirteen enlisted men of this organization were awarded Good Conduct Medals per par 1, SC 66, which was later found to be in error and was rescinded. As a result no awards or decorations were made to members of this company.

2. The part this unit has played in the war effort can best be told by the activities of each section listed separately in order to present a clear picture of the operations of the company as a whole.

a. The headquarters section has maintained the normal administration of the company and has operated the company supply.

In the last month the company has lost two enlisted men through transfer; Sgt Albertson and Tec 5 Minor, both absent on DS with the 905th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) were transferred to that organization effective 21 June 1944, "AS OP", per par 1, SO 155, Hq, VIII AFSS, APO 709. The company gained nine enlisted men through transfer: Sgt Patterson, Cpls Schumacher and Wait, Pfc's Fumell, Thurman, Bienlein, and Pvt's Ernst, Frahl, and Shaffer, per par 26, SO 151, Hq, 6th Repl Dep, APO 502, effective 2 June 1944.

Effective 10 June 1944 seven men were promoted to the grades indicated per par 2, SO 64, Hq, Sv Cen (Air). (See SO 64 atchd)

Three enlisted men lost fourteen days through sickness during June.

No quota for rotation arrived in June.

b. Operations Platoon:

1) In addition to cleaning and packing equipment, the Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section has done repair jobs on local systems still being used in the area.

2) In the Radio Section at present we have only one man operating. He is operating at a fixed radio station WJGU Munda stationed at the VI Island Command.

3) The Message Center Section operates a message center in a 24 hour schedule. Scheduled messenger service and special messenger service is maintained as required.

c. Supply and Repair Platoon:

1) The Storage and Issue Section handles the normal shipping and receiving of Signal Supplies for Air Force units in this area.

2) The Radio Repair Section (fixed) has been carrying on normal repair and maintenance of radio radar for Air Force units in this area.

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3) The Radio Repair Section (mobile) has joined in the operation of the Radio Repair Section (fixed) and has not worked as a separate section during June.

4) The Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section has assisted in the work of the Telephone and Telegraph Section.

5. Station life has remained much the same throughout the month. The fact that the notation "No Change" appeared 20 times in 30 days on the company morning reports is reflective of the attitude of the organization during June. Very little work was assigned to the company in June.

Further preparations have been made for movement but as yet no orders have been received.

Lyle C Atkinson
LYLE C ATKINSON
2d Lt, Sig C
Unit Hist O

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HEADQUARTERS SERVICE CENTER (AIR)
APO 717 Unit 1

10 June 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 64)

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2. The following EM 1027th Signal Company, Service Group,
APO 717 Unit 1 are temp prom to gr indicated.

TO BE TECHNICAL SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)

S/Sgt Hyman Skurow 35116496

TO BE STAFF SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)

Sgt Stanley A. Leszczewicz 16037328
Sgt Orlyn T. Pressler 20500911

TO BE SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)

Tec 5 Wilbert J. Albertson 15326037
Tec 5 Robert D. Childs 31186552

TO BE TECHNICIAN, FORTH GRADE (TEMPORARY)

Tec 5 Kermit E. Alton 20500384

TO BE TECHNICIAN, FIFTH GRADE (TEMPORARY)

Pfc Neil F. McLean 39326095

By order of Major SMITH:

OFFICIAL:

s/ Frederick A Cavicchi
FREDERICK A. CAVICCHI,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

FREDERICK A. CAVICCHI,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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Comdg, 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp

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Comply with par 5, Circular #1.

Not necessary to comply with par 5, Circular #1 (par 5 for initial installment only).

Comply with par' 6. Circular #1.

Not necessary to give individual changes in strength (see par 6 a. (6) Circular #1).

Narrative missing (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Expand narrative (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Describe briefly background of operations (see par 6, Circular #3).

Describe your activities and achievements, as much as possible in quantitative terms (see par 7, Circular #3).

Summarize your activities and achievements, present an over-all view (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Furnish information on station life, living conditions, morale (see par 7, Circular #1).

Describe difficulties encountered - physical, administrative, operational - training, lessons learned, new techniques evolved (see par 7, Circulars #1 and par 8, Circular #3).(over)

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In narrative, deal only with key personnel, outstanding individual achievements (see par 7, Circular #1).

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Include supporting documents, 2 copies, for establishment of basic facts (see par 4, Circular #2).

Include biographies of key personnel (see par 8 h, Circular #1).

Mark history secret, official designation of unit, period covered, on each page (see par 4, Circular #1 and par 11, Circular #3).

Benjamin E. Lippincott

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Capt, A.C.
Historical officer

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HISTORICAL DATA FOR

JULY 1944

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1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 717 Unit 1, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

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Auth: CG XIII AFSC
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Date: 3 Aug 44
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In reply refer to:
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3 August 1944

Subject: Historical Data for July 1944

To : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force (Thru: Channels)
(Attn: Historical Section, A-2)

1. In compliance with AR 345-105 dated 18 Nov 29 and Ch 1 and 2 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-7, 21 Feb 44, the following data is submitted:

a. Original unit: Completed.

b. There has been no change in this organization's designation, mission, chain of command, or T/O. The change in strength for July 1944 is listed below:

1) The total strength of the company at the beginning of the period was: 1 1st Lt, 1 2d Lt, 1 WOJG, and 97 enlisted men.

2) The net increase of commissioned personnel was 1.

3) The net increase of enlisted men was 1.

4) The total strength of the company at the end of the period is: 1 1st Lt, 2 2d Lts, 1 WOJG, and 98 enlisted men.

c. This unit did not participate in any movements during July.

d. This company is not at present participating in any campaign.

e. Chief military missions, engagements and sorties:
None.

f. Losses in action: None.

g. Thirteen enlisted men of this organization were awarded Good Conduct Medals for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity (see GO 1 atchd).

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Basic: Ltr, 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp, APO 717 Unit 1, 3 Aug 44,
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2. The part this unit has played in the war effort can best be told by the activities of each section listed separately in order to present a clear picture of the operations of the company as a whole.

a. The headquarters section has maintained the normal administration of the company and has operated the company supply.

In the last month the company gained one officer, 2d Lt John E Owens, O-510 513, who joined July 5 and assumed primary duty of Maintenance and Repair Officer, AB Sig Equip (4402). He was also appointed Soldier Voting Officer 27 July 1944 as an additional duty. One enlisted man was transferred into the organization, Pvt Henry Gordon, 32 692 626, per par 2 SO 162, Hq XIII AFSC, 29 Jun 44 and joined July 6.

Effective 1 July 1944 two enlisted men were appointed to Technician Grade 5 (see SO 69 atchd). Effective 24 July 1944 Tec 5 Neil F McLean, chief company clerk, was appointed to the grade of Sergeant (see SO 70 atchd).

T/Sgt Hyman Skurow left the organization July 2 on DS to USA Services of Supply Signal Training School, Oro Bay, New Guinea, per par 1 SO 181, Hq XIII AF. Word has been received since from the school that the instruction offered was not advanced enough to be of use to a man with as much practical experience as Sgt Skurow possessed and that orders were being processed to return him to his company.

The only remaining men on DS to the 905th Sig Co Dep (Avn) from this company were returned July 11 and 13 per SO 167 and SO 134, Hq XIII AFSC.

S/Sgt George F Owen assumed the duties of acting First Sergeant 31 July 1944.

Five enlisted men lost a total of twenty three days through sickness during the month.

No quota for rotation arrived in July.

b. Operations Platoon:

1) The telephone and telegraph repair section, under the supervision of S/Sgt Charles J Dunham, line chief, has helped repair damaged cables and aid maintenance of telephone lines on the island. One such job called for the wire crew to restring a mile of 50 pair cable through the jungle, in some places in the line it was necessary to cut and erect new poles.

2) In the Radio Section at present we have only one man operating. S/Sgt Pressler is operating at a fixed radio station WVJU Munda stationed at the VI Island Command. A school for radio operators has been started however, and classes are held six days a week for both Beginners and Advanced students.

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Classes are being conducted by Sgt Chester C Coats, who is well qualified as an instructor having 9 months experience in that duty while stationed at Scott Fld, Ill, and at the AAFPS, Chicago, Ill. Six men who are classified as radio operators but have not been needed as such at this station, attend the advance class 12 hours a week. Seven beginners who signified an interest in code work have attended classes six hours a week in their spare time.

3) The Message Center Section operates a message center in a 24 hour schedule. Scheduled messenger service and special messenger service is maintained as required.

c. Supply and Repair Platoon:

1) The storage and issue section handles the normal shipping and receiving of Signal Supplies for Air Force units in this area. The amount of supplies on hand have increased during the period. The transshipments (transactions which do not effect the amount of stock on hand) from and to the eleven organizations still supplied by this section numbered over 50 for the month.

2) The Radio Repair Section (fixed) has been carrying on normal repair and maintenance of radio radar for Air Force units in this area. Only 35 work orders were received during the month and all units were repaired.

3) The Radio Repair Section (mobile) has joined in the operation of the radio repair section (fixed) and has not worked as a separate section during July.

4) The Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section has assisted in the work of the Telephone and Telegraph Section.

3. Station life has not changed during the period. The fourth of July was declared an island holiday and only necessary details in the company were performed. A steak roast was held in the afternoon with buns, potato salad, and beer, for all the company. That evening several island entertainments, including a fireworks display, were provided on the island.

The 34th Red Alert to be entered on the company's morning reports was entered July 5.

No orders for movement have been received as yet.

Lyle C Atkinson
LYLE C ATKINSON
2d Lt, Sig C
Unit Hist O

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HEADQUARTERS SERVICE CENTER (AIR)
APO 717 Unit 1

1 July 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 69)

The following EM, 1027th Signal Company, Service
Group, APO 717 Unit 1 are temp prom to gr indicated.

TO BE TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE

Pfc Robert C Hamilton	14 105 646
Pfc Herbert W Thompson	39 540 080

By Order of Major SMITH:

FREDERICK A. CAVICCHI,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

s/ Frederick A Cavicchi
FREDERICK A. CAVICCHI,
1st Lt, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS SERVICE CENTER (AIR)
APO 717 Unit 1

22 July 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 70)

The following EM, 1027th Signal Company,
Service Group, APO 717 Unit 1 is temp prom to gr indicated:

TO BE SERGEANT

Tec 5 Neil F McLean 39 326 095

By Order of Major SMITH:

FREDERICK A CAVICCHI
1st Lt, Air Corps
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

s/ Frederick A Cavicchi
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HEADQUARTERS SERVICE CENTER (AIR) APO 717 UNIT 1

17 July 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 1)

1. The following EM, 1027th Signal Company, Service Group are awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

Sgt	Childs, Robert D.	31186552	Pfc	Porter, Edwin	32582679
Tec 4	Davis, Woodrow W.	34040536	Pfc	Raymond, Leon R.	32236800
Tec 5	Pavlak, Robert L.	32259728	Pfc	Shaffer, Thomas A.	13111670
Pfc	Galazzi, Vittorio D.	31257366	Pvt	Brooks, Guy R.	15372769
Pfc	Derrick, Kenneth K.	18056166	Pvt	Fuchs, Alfred	32630776
Pfc	Hewes, Elmer E.	11118617	Pvt	Worley, Alex C., Jr.	14102420
Pfc	MacRae, Edward D.	31232574			

2. The following EM, 14th Airdrome Squadron (SP) are awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

1st/ Sgt	Moss, John G., Jr.	38032422	Sgt	Gaskins, Albert A., Jr.	13048315
M/ Sgt	McCloskey, John	6945148	Sgt	Goldstein, Hyman	11021478
M/ Sgt	Schmidt, Gerhard F.	20249575	Sgt	Green, Austin C.	39831228
T/ Sgt	Falk, Edgar C.	6976745	Sgt	Harris, Donald A.	39840591
T/ Sgt	Gerrity, James B., Jr.	6976990	Sgt	Heitz, Wilbur H.	12049195
T/ Sgt	Kohout, Edward F.	32260109	Sgt	Holloway, Otis L.	38288432
T/ Sgt	Soucek, Maxwell W.	18004113	Sgt	Holman, John C.	39309528
T/ Sgt	Wooten, Garnett W.	14021711	Sgt	Howie, Clarence E.	39309113
S/ Sgt	Beck, Ansley W.	38002038	Sgt	Huey, Richard D.	33300825
S/ Sgt	Beebe, Lester J.	20318449	Sgt	Jordan, James P.	36320848
S/ Sgt	Blanc, Richard J.	18071008	Sgt	Jorgensen, Earl S.	39172111
S/ Sgt	Breneman, Gerald H.	17038667	Sgt	Jurevich, William J.	36318970
S/ Sgt	Chamberlain, Charles H.	39092367	Sgt	Keaney, John J.	31139636
S/ Sgt	Christensen, Dean R.	39826595	Sgt	King, Lyle F.	37546682
S/ Sgt	Fabiny, Joseph M.	13055574	Sgt	Kruck, Norman E.	16048985
S/ Sgt	Henry, Homer W.	37142047	Sgt	Lachowski, Chester S.	33366636
S/ Sgt	Kavanagh, Paul R.	32377983	Sgt	Matejcek, Frank F.	37282467
S/ Sgt	Kennedy, John C.	34162194	Sgt	Lazzone, Paul	35304099
S/ Sgt	Marcoc, Chester P.	36221382	Sgt	McCauley, Francis P.	11052118
S/ Sgt	Marlin, James R.	37011845	Sgt	Merigoni, Henry Jr.	18149003
S/ Sgt	Pearson, Carl W.	36028337	Sgt	Meyer, Julius J.	37411962
S/ Sgt	Pettinato, Cruz	20919896	Sgt	Myers, George	32260362
S/ Sgt	Potosnak, Stephen J.	12038660	Sgt	Nicolino, Anthony J.	35378460
S/ Sgt	Saia, Nick A.	36251320	Sgt	Odom, Robert G., Jr.	34356186
S/ Sgt	Zacharczyk, Charles J.	11041285	Sgt	O'Meara, Joseph A.	32278732
Sgt	Alexander, Theodore G.	38123661	Sgt	Phillips, Jack D.	19039009
Sgt	Burrows, Noah W.	34211596	Sgt	Raubach, Harold D.	35371986
Sgt	Carter, Edward G.	36501135	Sgt	Reiher, Albin S.	32278196
Sgt	Dameron, Chelsie E.	37201615	Sgt	Sabol, Frank	33277813
Sgt	Dobbins, Chester	35279962	Sgt	Santarufio, Thomas J.	34205211

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CO #1, Hq, Service Center (Air), APO 717 Unit 1, dated 17 July 1944, cont'd.

Sgt Scanlan, Edward C.	36324110	Cpl Mudge, Ernest F.	32349870
Sgt Schuldt, Arthur W.	32187454	Cpl Perry, Donald F.	39240520
Sgt Serrano, Antonio	32325317	Cpl Riggs, James L.	15103783
Sgt Sheehan, Carl F.	35384871	Cpl Robertson, Richard L.	38240101
Sgt Smallwood, Della A.	35680093	Cpl Ross, Calvin C.	38228794
Sgt Snyder, Vernon C.	32292614	Cpl Salverson, Richard H.	37249236
Sgt Soza, Fred	18096985	Cpl Shannon, Polley D.	39530044
Sgt Starstead, Orville V.	36206441	Cpl Simko, George J.	13025968
Sgt Tankersley, James D.	36519852	Cpl Slate, Vernon C.	19080961
Sgt Taylor, James L.	34196811	Cpl Smith, James B.	33126663
Sgt Thorson, Emmett L.	36398118	Cpl Stewart, Woodruff K.	32315571
Sgt Tracy, Melford H.	39276175	Cpl Stutts, Otto R.	34123800
Sgt Vrooman, Jack	39172685	Cpl Tameling, Edward R.	35479318
Sgt Wagner, Thatcher W.	39827790	Cpl Viterbo, Peter P.	12137419
Sgt Weppner, Edward C.	32375016	Cpl Wallace, Lewis N.	14062119
Sgt White, Sam	37067936	Cpl Ward, Dean W.	37146688
Sgt Wolcott, Chauncey J.	32266314	Cpl Ward, Francis P.	33206217
Cpl Ashcraft, Hughie J.	38288488	Cpl Wollack, John J.	36335509
Cpl Banducca, Leo E.	39121016	Cpl Wright, Alton H.	11071029
Cpl Blanco, Juan H.	38249263	Cpl Wright, George C.	31178070
Cpl Bodnar, William	31120530	Pfc Acevedo, Alberto	38363742
Cpl Bradshaw, James W.	38237783	Pfc Arellano, Manuel	38124301
Cpl Brown, Robert A.	35581547	Pfc Babiarz, Lawrence A.	31133356
Cpl Caldwell, Lenard L.	38288478	Pfc Barnett, Ralph V.	33245482
Cpl Caporuscio, John R.	33570015	Pfc Breth, Jennings H.	13089558
Cpl Chamberlain, Basil F.	31159625	Pfc Brofermaker, Louis L.	12065528
Cpl Chan, Kenneth N.	32406068	Pfc Brown, James	38237745
Cpl Conley, Robert E.	31164741	Pfc Burkert, Harold F.	33160144
Cpl Davis, Robert J.	38237717	Pfc Cota, Marvin J.	36221692
Cpl Dickie, James A.	18102704	Pfc Denby, John Q.	38206275
Cpl Edwards, Thomas H., Jr.	34268356	Pfc Diebold, John T.	13155688
Cpl Futrell, William R.	38228593	Pfc Donnell, Alvin D.	36228782
Cpl George, Angelo F.	39036315	Pfc Erwin, Herbert F.	19102522
Cpl Hachtmann, Charles W.	32410406	Pfc Fiumano, Michael J.	32763184
Cpl Henning, Edward E.	37260086	Pfc Flynn, Edward	32430361
Cpl Hoffman, Lester H.	33232115	Pfc Gillespie, Thomas	32278628
Cpl Huss, Joseph L.	32449458	Pfc Glynn, Frederick A.	37423197
Cpl Itzkowitz, Jerome J.	32221791	Pfc Hobert, Chancey W.	38132737
Cpl Juarez, Tomas G., Jr.	38111930	Pfc Hoefelmeyer, Robert	38207899
Cpl Kaufman, Carl H.	32283054	Pfc Inskip, Wilbur H.	33374826
Cpl Keiffer, Charles A.	33262656	Pfc Johanson, Gustaf L.	32311819
Cpl Koester, Marion G.	37236479	Pfc Jonas, Robert H.	37259982
Cpl Kuhn, John L.	38142370	Pfc Koster, William A.	16124766
Cpl Landsberg, David	32260261	Pfc Krempa, Joseph A.	32603337
Cpl Lee, John E.	18053938	Pfc Leyva, Gabriel L.	39551295
Cpl Maloy, Francis S.	31118350	Pfc Magaldi, Anthony	32358862
Cpl Margolis, Daniel J.	36253650	Pfc Matlock, Henry B.	37411996
Cpl Martens, Henry E.	31143602	Pfc Mueller, Harvey G.	38113370
Cpl Matty, Andrew N.	36146603	Pfc Murphy, Miles A.	39453143
Cpl Matusik, Fred T.	35580915	Pfc Neely, Cecil S.	39184769
Cpl Michel, Bernard L.	35599048	Pfc Fluta, Benjamin G.	35328666
Cpl Miller, Charles F.	35382455	Pfc Polich, John	39453121

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GO #1, Hq. Service Center (Air), APO 717 Unit 1, dated 17 July 1944, cont'd.

Pfc Rimsa, John B.	36620824	Pvt Dobsha, John J., Jr.	12160174
Pfc Ritchie, Herbert L.	32431544	Pvt Eddins, Harold F.	35474492
Pfc Rogers, Philip H.	36297504	Pvt Ervin, Earl H.	35622187
Pfc Salasky, Edward L.	35304375	Pvt Felter, Burton	33192889
Pfc Schellert, Chris P.	37370884	Pvt Fredlund, Cornelius	32332663
Pfc Shepherd, Robert S.	37213974	Pvt Gross, Paul R.	13095211
Pfc Silverman, Louis	37134098	Pvt Hamersky, Lawrence J.	13046816
Pfc Smith, Fred C.	19074025	Pvt Hayes, Arthur W.	38326114
Pfc Summers, W. J.	38279050	Pvt Johnson, Richard J.	39258300
Pfc Tracy, Chester B.	39528137	Pvt Jones, Dale C.	37493835
Pfc Trivison, Matthew C.	35523230	Pvt Martin, Vincent C.	33366472
Pfc Wharton, John W., Jr.	35316889	Pvt Roberts, Argus F.	38288582
Pfc Woodford, Florizel T.	35742935	Pvt Slutsk, John L.	39554354
Pfc Yarding, Robert H.	16144589	Pvt Steele, Richard J.	39234551
Pvt Baker, Howard R.	38236980	Pvt Strawich, Stanley J.	32361310
Pvt Brown, Martin	12160196	Pvt Thurlow, Charles H.	12138979
Pvt Coffey, Albert W.	33528139	Pvt Villa, Gilberto D.	38158395
Pvt Cook, James E.	16073935	Pvt Werra, Eugene J.	36242971
Pvt Costanzo, Peter S.	32562826	Pvt Widmann, Charles W.	12049163
Pvt Crist, Elgin E.	37263589	Pvt Woznicki, Edmund S.	15117054
Pvt Cummings, Roy J.	13113626		

By order of Major SMITH:

FREDERICK A. CAVICCHI,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
APO 709SIC - 1027-171
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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 10 Sept 44

Checked by A.E.F. Name of unit: 1027th Signal Co Sv Gp.

APO: 717 Unit 1

Period: August 44

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of subsequent historical reports.

REFERENCEACTION TO BE TAKEN

	Forward Supp.	Correct in next report
Comply with par 9 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Omissions and/or errors exist in outline		(over)
Narrative is missing: comply with par 10, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Lacks background of operations: see par 10 a, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Summary of achievements lacking or insufficient. See par 10 b 2, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Lacks information on policies & decisions. See par 10 e & f, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Facts on station life, morale, health, etc., lacking or insufficient. See par 10 i, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Lacks supporting documents to establish basic facts. See par 11, 13 AF Reg 80-15		(over)
Quote authority in parens to establish basic facts. See par 12 c, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Include photographs. See par 12 f, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Identify photographs properly. See par 12 f, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Attention to paper size, captions, signatures, etc. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15		
Attention to proper classification of text, supporting documents, photographs. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15		

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REMARKS:

You may have misinterpreted par 9, 13 AF Reg 80-18. The outline says: "Original designation or change in designation," etc. Once you have made an original report on activation: Y/O etc., you only need report changes: So you may list "no change" or "as previously reported." You need enclose supporting documents to establish important facts only. Promotions of an of existing nature probably isn't so important as to require supporting documents.

AUSTIN E. FIFE,
1st Lt., AC,
Historical Officer.

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1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 717 Unit 1, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

SECRET
Auth: CG XIII AFSC
Init:
Date: 4 Sep 44
CVH/rdm

In reply refer to:
000.4

4 September 1944

Subject: Historical Data for August 1944

To : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719
(Attention: Historical Section)

Thru : Commanding General, XIII Air Force Service Command
APO 709

1. In compliance with AF 345-105 dated 18 November 1929 and Changes 1 and 3 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-15, dated 14 August 1944, the following data is submitted:

a. Organization of unit:

(1) Original designation: 27th Signal Platoon
(Air Base).

(2) Mission, or alteration of mission: The present mission of this unit is defined in Appendix III, AF 1-195, "Signal Company, Serv. Gr., stores and issues all classes of Signal equipment for SC area; operates SC wire, radio and telephone systems; installs and maintains wire lines for SC; performs 3rd echelon repair of Signal equipment for SC area."

(3) Date and place of activation of unit: 5 March 1941 at Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

(4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers: Original cadre of 11 enlisted men from 309th Signal Aviation Company per SO 50, Hq Air Corps Advanced Flying School, Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

(5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of units, changes caused by F/O, etc: The 27th Signal Platoon (Air Base), was redesignated to the 27th Signal Company, Service Group per GO 25, Hq Force 0051, APO 930, dtd 26 Oct 42. The 175th Radio Repair Detachment and Signal Detachment, Force 0051, transferred into the 27th Signal Company, Service Group per SO 36, Hq Force 0051, APO 930, dtd 10 Feb 43. The 27th Signal Company, Service Group was redesignated to the 1027th Signal Company, Service Group per GO 110, Hq USAFISPA, APO 502, dtd 3 May 43. Table of Organization 11-237, dtd 16 Dec 40,

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Signal Platoon (Air Base), strength 1 Officer and 57 enlisted men, changed to 11-237, dtd 21 Jul 42, strength 2 Officers, 1 WOJG, and 70 enlisted men per GO 25, Hq, Force 0051, APO 930, dtd 26 Oct 42. Reorganization under Tables of Organization 11-237, dtd 26 Mar 43 per GO 21, Hq Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719, dtd 31 Jul 43.

(6) Strength, personnel:

(a) At the beginning of period: 1 1st Lt, 2 2d Lts, 1 WOJG, and 98 enlisted men.

(b) Net increase was 1 enlisted man.

(c) At the end of period: 1 1st Lt, 2 2d Lts, 1 WOJG, and 99 enlisted men.

(d) Total (22+0): 103.

(7) Strength, airplanes: Does not apply.

(8) Names of key personnel and changes during the period: Second Lieutenant EYLA C. AFFINSON assumed command of the unit from 5 Aug 44 to 9 Aug 44 incl, during the absence of First Lieutenant CHARLES L. BOLTON, Comdg, TD to Guadalcanal. First Sergeant Francis J. Foster was replaced by Staff Sergeant George F. Owen 30 July 1944 and was officially reduced without prejudice to the grade of Staff Sergeant effective 16 August 1944, date of rank 8 December 1944.

b. Command relationships, including changes, with:

(1) Next higher headquarters: No change.

(2) Subordinate units: Does not apply.

(3) Other services, such as Navy or Marine Corps: Does not apply.

c. Resume of movements: This unit did not participate in any movements during August 1944.

d. Name of campaign (or battle) participated in, with dates: This unit is not at present participating in any campaign, however, this unit did participate in the Northern Solomons Campaign within the dates outlined in AD ltr, 29 Oct 43, AG 200.6, (26 Oct 43, O-I-A-MB-A, Stb "Battle Participation Awards". (auth: 4th Ind, Hq USAFISPA, APO 502, 16 Feb 44, to ltr 1027th Sig Co, Sv Gp, 9 Jan 44, Sub "Claim for Battle Participation Award".)

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e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places, and name of commander participating: None.

f. Losses in action (killed, wounded, missing, prisoner) giving names of personnel, with identification of place (or mission), circumstances, and date: None.

g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting units: None.

2. Narrative Account.

During the month of August 1944, this company has had no special objectives or missions other than the general mission of a Signal Company, Service Group (see 1a(2) above) as adapted to the local conditions here at Munda. More specifically the mission as applied to the Storage and Issue Section of the Supply and Repair Platoon which "...stores and issues all classes of Signal equipment for SC area,...", meant that since only eleven units, which are normally supplied through this section, are left in this area little work was required. All requisitions received by the section were filled and all transshipments (fewer than 50 for the month) were handled without error. Although the number of transshipments has been very small, some of the radar shipments have been large, ranging from 20 tons to 41 tons. With the volume of trade so far below the volume that this section is prepared to handle, it can be seen that no problems were apt to arise. The section has had nearly all of the estimated 100 tons of signal equipment on hand packed and ready to ship when ever movement orders are received.

The mission as applied to the Operations Platoon which, "...operates SC Wire, Radio and Telephone systems; installs and maintains wire lines for SC;...", meant that in the absence of any Service Command the tasks assigned to the sections were of a minor and varied nature. For example, the Telephone and Telegraph repair section, under the supervision of S/Sgt Dunham, line chief, was called upon to assist the 975th Signal Service Company, the VI Island Command Signal Company, in the construction of a new pole line from the Navy Radio Station to the transmitters of Radio Munda, a distance of about 2 miles. After the old poles had been removed and new poles erected by the 975th, our wire gang would follow and string a messenger line, along which, a 65 pair cable was suspended. This cable was made up from the seven strands of wire and five smaller cables carried on the old pole line. Some difficulty was encountered due to the terrain and vegetation through which the line was run, but the greatest difficulty was caused by the fact that some of the poles were not correctly aligned or tamped, as a result of this, when the

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messenger line was stretched tight several of the poles tilted and it was found necessary to construct supporting guys to these poles. In all approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of new pole line was strung during August and work on this job still continues.

The Radio Section has had no system of its own to operate and at present only one radio operator is working, S/Sgt Pressler, who is operating at a fixed radio station WJGU Lunda, stationed at the VI Island Command. The Message Center maintained by the Message Center Section was disbanded 1 August due to the fact that it was no longer needed. That little traffic still handled by the section during July was directed to the VI Island Message Center.

The mission as applied to the three repair sections; Radio Repair Section (fixed), Radio Repair Section (mobile), and the Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section, each, "...performs 3rd echelon repair of Signal equipment for SC area.", means that in the absence of any Service Command these sections had very little work assigned during August. The Telephone and Telegraph Repair section did not receive a single work order and did not operate as a section during August, all equipment having been packed for movement several months ago. The two radio repair sections working together, received and completed only 19 work orders, a number far below the maximum number of repairs that these two sections are able to handle.

A training program for radio operators started in July has been continued, organized classes were disbanded the first week in August but equipment and facilities for practice have been made available to the radio operators in the company. Training in the operation of the three position telephone switchboard has also been given to six men during August. Three of these men; Chry, Agusti, and Shippey, are qualified operators on the one panel, 50 drop, switchboard (BD 96) and are receiving instructions in the operation of the larger board in order to increase their usefulness. The other five men; Ernst, Shaffer, Bienlein, Smith, and Tiernan, have never had any experience in this type of work but were chosen because the need for more telephone switchboard operators has become apparent. These men are assigned shifts, two at a time, and are instructed by the personnel regularly assigned to the Pacific switchboard.

Two other men are receiving training while on DS to the Loran Training School, Lae, New Guinea, these two men, Sgt Childs and Cpl Sabotka were sent to school for additional training in radar repair.

T/Sgt Hyman Skurow, section chief of the Storage and Issue Section, returned from DS to the United States Army Services of Supply Signal Training School, Oro Bay, New Guinea, 10 August where he completed a Signal Supply refresher course.

Three men were assigned and joined during the month (see SC 208 and SC 211, Hq 6th Repl Dep atchd) and three men were changed in grade (see SC 211 and SC 205, Hq AIII AFSC atchd).

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By the end of August ten more enlisted men and one officer have been sent out of the company; four teletype operators, Fox, Cathcart, Gaizzai and Derrick were sent to Guadalcanal on DS to the 1008th Signal Company, Service Group. A detachment of six enlisted men and one officer, 2d Lt John E Owens, was sent to Los Negros 27 August.

The 77 enlisted men and 1 officer of the 70th Fighter Squadron, who had been attached for rations during the later part of July left the first 5 days in August and once again this company was eating by itself and operating its own mess hall. Since Sgt Owen, mess sgt, was given the duties of acting first sergeant 30 July, two mess sergeants have held the job: Tec 4 Woodrow W Davis, a Cook, followed Owen as mess sergeant until 5 August when he was transferred to the Detachment of Patients as a psychopathic case; Tec 3 Richard H Fisher then assumed the task and is now making a fine record in running the mess hall. Another change in the management of the mess came with the temporary assigning of six men to act as MPs for a period of at least three weeks. This change was suggested by Capt Hostetter of the 11th Airborne Squadron Medical section in an effort to trace the cause of a small outbreak of dysentery earlier in the month.

The only other significant changes in station life have come as a result of a new athletic program instituted early in the period. Something of this nature seemed necessary to keep the men in shape and to keep them from going "stale" through a lack of work. One half an hour of setting-up exercises are given each morning after roll call and a two hour period of supervised athletics in the afternoon. Four softball teams were formed and games are played each day, the rest of the men not on duty have a choice of several other activities, swimming being the most popular of the choices.

3. Supporting Documents:

- a. Extract, SO 208, Hq 6th Repl Dep, 26 Jul 44
- b. Extract, SO 211, Hq 6th Repl Dep, 1 Aug 44
- c. Extract, SO 211, Hq XIII AFSC, 22 Aug 44
- d. Extract, SO 205, Hq XIII AFSC, 14 Aug 44

Robert A. [Signature]
JOHN E. OWENS
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HEAD QUARTERS SIXTH REPLACEMENT DEPT
APO 502

28 July 1944

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36. The following named SM are reld fr atchd unasgd Repl
Co indicated and fr temp dy w/27th Repl Bn and are trfd in gr to
1027th Sig Co Sv Gp APO 717-1, EDD. IP via FAGRI. TDN. 66-425
F431-02 A 0425-25. Auth: Regn No 23 Rq 13th Air Force APO 719
dtd 9 June 1944 and ATO No 376.

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>GR</u>	<u>A-S</u>	<u>MOS</u>	<u>REPL CO</u>
1.	Bassevich, Philip E	37550451	Cpl	AC	521	412
2.	McConnell, Charles L Jr	16096582	Cpl	AC	955	417

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By order of Colonel RICHMOND:

WILBUR H BALMOS
Major FA
Actg Adj Gen

OFFICIAL:

s/ Wilbur H Balmos
WILBUR H BALMOS
Major FA
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HEADQUARTERS SIXTH REPLACEMENT DETACHMENT
APO 502

1 August 1944

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23. The following named EM is held for attached unassigned 412th
Repl Co and is trfd in gr to 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp APO 717-1,
3DD. JP via PACFLT. IDN. 66-425 P431-02 A 0425-23. Auth: Regn
No 23 Hq 13th Air Force APO 719 dtd 9 June 1944 and RPO No 386.

NAME	ASN	GA	A-S	MOS
Stinich, Andrew	13157916	Pvt	AC	647

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By order of Colonel RICHMOND:

WILBUR H. BALMOS
Major PA,
Actg. Adj. Gen

OFFICIAL:

s/ Wilbur H. Balmos
WILBUR H. BALMOS
Major PA
Actg. Adj. Gen

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4. The following SN 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp AFO 717-1 are temp
promoted to gr indicated:

PO AS 1SGT

S Sgt George F Owen 34080992

PO AS 1SGT

Tec 5 Carl A J Lundin 12125572

By command of Brigadier General McCoy:

WILLIAM B. D. D.,
Lt. Col., ESC,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

s/ Lyle J Robertson
LYLE J ROBERTSON
Lt Col ASD
Adj Gen

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14 August 1944

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2. Under the provisions of AR 615-5 as amended the following
named EM 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp APC 717-1 is rd to gr indicated w/out
prejudice:

TO BE PVT

1st Sgt Francis J Foster 6924521

3. The following named EM 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp APC 717-1
is temp promoted to gr indicated w/ date of rank fr 8 Dec 42.
(Date of rank has been determined in accordance w/ the provisions
of Par 2b AR 615-5.)

TO BE SSGT

Pvt Francis J Foster 6924521

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By command of Brigadier General McCoy:

OFFICIAL:

MATTHEW BAIRD,
Lt. Col., SSC,
Chief of Staff

s/ Max Hampton
MAX HAMPTON
Capt AC
Actg Asst Adj Gen

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Cedric V. Fawcett
CEDRIC V. FAWCETT
MOC, HML
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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date **16 Oct. 44**

Checked by **A.E.F.**

Name of unit: **1027th Signal Co, Sv Gp**

APO: **717**

Period: **Sept. 44**

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of subsequent historical reports.

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1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

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: Auth: CG XIII AFSC :
: Init: :
: Date: 30 Sep 44 :
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In reply
refer to: 000.4

AFG 717
30 September 1944

Subject: Historical Data for September 1944.

To: Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, AFG 719
(Attention: Historical Section)

Thru: Commanding General, XIII Air Force Service Command,
AFG 709

1. In compliance with AR 345-105 dated 12 November 1929 and Changes 1 and 3 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-15, dated 14 August 1944, the following data is submitted:

a. Organization of unit:

- (1) Original designation: No change.
- (2) Mission, or alteration of mission: No change.
- (3) Date and place of activation of unit: No change.
- (4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers: No change.
- (5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of units, changes caused by T/O, etc: No changes except that the 13th Signal Service Group (Provisional) was formed pursuant to Authority contained in TAAF Radio AX71306, 16 August 1944, and WD Circular 241, 1944. The 1027th Signal Company Service Group was placed under administrative control of the Commanding Officer, 13th Signal Service Group (Provisional) (see 30 No. 105, Hq 13 AF).

(6) Strength, personnel:

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(a) At beginning of period	EM 0 99 4
(b) Net decrease	2
(c) At end of period	99 2
(d) Total (EM+O)	99 2

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(7) Strength, airplanes: Does not apply.

(8) Names of key personnel and changes during period: Warrant Officer M. HARRIS was transferred 15 September 1944 and 1st LT. CHARLES H. TAYLOR was transferred 22 September 1944 to Island Command, Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands for return to the United States under provisions of Section II, WD Circular No. 53. Upon transfer of 1st LT. TAYLOR, 2d LT. WILLIAM C. KATHLEEN assumed command of this organization.

b. Command relationships including changes, with:

(1) Next higher headquarters: No change.

(2) Subordinate units: Does not apply.

(3) Other services: Does not apply.

c. Resumé of movements: No change.

d. Name of campaign participated in: None.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places, and name of commander participating: None.

f. Losses in action: None.

g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting unit: While T/Sgt Hyman Skurrow was attending Signal Supply School at Lae, New Guinea, he was authorized to wear the Bronze Battle Star for the New Guinea Campaign per orders their headquarters.

2. Narrative Account.

During the month of September 1944, this company has had no special objectives or missions other than the general mission of a Signal Company, Service Group as adapted to the local conditions here at Lunda. There being only one unit remaining at this base which is supplied by the Storage and Issue Section of this unit, little work has been required during the past month.

The Headquarters Section of this organization has been busier than usual since so many men have been placed on detached service. There remains only a few personnel in this section and the commanding officer has to carry out the administrative work along with all the other duties that are required of officers in an organization of this type. However, enlisted personnel

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have doubled up on their jobs and the headquarters section has been performing in an excellent manner.

The telephone and telegraph repair section that was called upon to assist the 975th Signal Service Company of the VI Island Command, in the construction of a new pole line from the Navy Radio Station to the transmitters of Radio Munda, has completed its job and commendations were received for the fine work that they had accomplished.

All personnel assigned to the Radio Section and the Messare Center Section were placed on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company, Service Group and are now working at Guadalcanal.

Corporals Lyons and Bates, of the Radio Repair Section, were placed on detached service with the Loran Training School at Lae, New Guinea for additional training in radar repair. Privates Brooks and Worley were placed on temporary duty with AT-20 and TW-12 School, USASOS at Sidney, Australia. All the other personnel in the Radio Repair Section are on detached service with the 15th Airborne Squadron working in a detachment at Los Negros under the command of 2D LT. JOHN E. OAKES.

There are now only 33 enlisted men and one officer remaining at this base. Most of these personnel are men who are eligible for rotation and were left here for the purpose of moving supplies and equipment in our anticipated move to Guadalcanal.

The source of the outbreak of dysentery that occurred in this organization has been determined and no cases are evident at the present time.

Although there remains only a small nucleus for a ball team, the outfit has shown such an interest that a club has been formed that has been taken on all corners. To date, it has made a remarkable showing with not a single loss to its credit.

Due to the movement of so many organizations from this area, Army Postal Unit 717-1 was disbanded, so our address was changed to APO 717.

During the past month there were four promotions of enlisted men in this organization. T/Sgt Owen was promoted to 1st Sgt, Sgt McLean to S/Sgt, Tec 5 Labonski to Sgt and Pfc MacKae to Tec 5.

All in all, the men remaining at this base are living like one happy little family and seem to be enjoying the situation immensely.

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Basic: Ltr, 1627th Sig Co, Sv Gp, APO 717, 30 Sep 44, Subject:
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3. Supporting Documents:

- a. Extract, GO 105, Hq Thirteenth Air Force, 24 Sep 44

Lyle C Atkinson

LYLE C ATKINSON
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13th Signal Service Group
HQ 719

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: Auth: CJ, 13th AF :
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FEDERAL ORDER :

NUMBER 105 :

21 September 1944

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SECTION III

1. Pursuant to authority contained in FMH radio AX 71306, 16 August 1944, and AD Circular 241, 1944, announcement is made of the formation, effective 13 September 1944, of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 13th Signal Service Group (Provisional), with station at Guadalcanal.

2. This unit will administer all Signal Service organizations assigned direct to the XIII Air Force Service Command.

3. This unit is attached to the XIII Air Force Service Command.

4. The following units are placed under administrative control of the Commanding Officer, 13th Signal Service Group (Provisional):

1027th Signal Company Service Group
1000th Signal Company Service Group

5. The Commanding General, XIII Air Force Service Command is authorized to grant to the Commanding Officer, 13th Signal Service Group (Provisional) the authority to correspond and direct with this headquarters on routine administrative matters.

6. No personnel will be assigned or attached unassigned to this provisional unit. Personnel on duty with this provisional unit will be carried on detached service by the organization to which assigned and as attached from other organizations by the provisional unit.

7. Grades and ratings for individuals detached to this unit will come from the same source as the personnel therefor.

8. Promotion of personnel detached to this unit will be accomplished in the units to which such personnel is regularly assigned.

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c. Any supplies, equipment, spare parts and/or accessories required by this unit will be furnished by the Commanding General VIII Air Force Service Command from sources under his control.

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By command of Major General STANLEY:

JOHN M. STERLING,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Acting Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ LINDA L. STANLEY
/t/ LINDA L. STANLEY
Major, A.G.D.
Adjutant General.

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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 4 Dec 44

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Name of Unit: 1027th Signal Company, Sv Gp

APO: 709

Period: October 1944

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of the subsequent historical reports.

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HEADQUARTERS
1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

In reply refer
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APO 717
31 October 1944

Subject: Historical Data for October 1944.

To: Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719
(Attention: Historical Section)

Thru: Commanding Officer, XIII Air Force Service Command,
APO 709

1. In compliance with AR 345-105 dated 18 November 1929 and Change 4 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-15, dated 14 August 1944, the following data is submitted:

a. Organization of unit:

- (1) Original designation: No change.
- (2) Mission or alteration of mission: No change.
- (3) Date and place of activation of unit: No change.
- (4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers: No change.
- (5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of unit, changes caused by T/O, etc: No change except that Section III, General Order No. 105, Headquarters Thirteenth Air Force, 24 September 1944, was amended in that the announcement of the formation, effective 18 September 1944, of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 13th Signal Service Group (Provisional), with station at Guadalcanal, was changed to the announcement of the formation, effective 18 September 1944, of the 13th Signal Service Company (Provisional), with station at Guadalcanal. The 1027th Signal Company, Service Group was then placed under the administrative control of the Commanding Officer, 13th Signal Service Company (Provisional). (See Extract, GO No. 111, Hq 13 AF)

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- (6) Strength, personnel:
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| (a) At beginning of period | <u>EM</u> 0
99 2 |
| (b) Net increase | 1 |
| (c) At end of period | <u>100</u> 2 |
| (d) Total (EM+O) | 102 |
- (7) Strength, airplanes: Does not apply.
- (8) Names of key personnel and changes during period: No change.
- b. Command relationships including changes, with:
- (1) Next higher headquarters: No change.
 - (2) Subordinate units: Does not apply.
 - (3) Other Services: Does not apply.
- c. Resume of movements: No change.
- d. Name of campaign participated in: None.
- e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places, and name of commander participating: None.
- f. Losses in action: None.
- g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting unit: None.

2. Narrative Account.

During the month of October 1944, this company has had no special objectives or missions as far as activities here at Munda are concerned. There remains not one single unit at this base for which this organization has been called upon to service. The official activities or duties for the personnel remaining at this base during the past month can be summed up by stating that all personnel have been "sitting tight" awaiting further orders. All equipment except that being used at present has been packed or crated and this organization is prepared for movement immediately upon receipt of orders. However, this headquarters is in the dark as far as the future activities of this organization is concerned.

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There remains only thirty-four (34) enlisted personnel and one (1) officer at this base. Ten (10) of the enlisted personnel that remain here were placed on the rotation quota for the month of October, but as yet, no travel orders have been received. Two (2) enlisted men on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company, Service Group at Guadalcanal were also placed on the rotation quota for October.

The duties or mission of the forty-five (45) enlisted men on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company at Guadalcanal has not officially been made known to this headquarters, so little can be said about their activities except that every man has been assigned a job or duty and is being kept quite busy.

The 1027th Signal Company Detachment under the command of Lt. Owens that was stationed at Los Negros has moved to Noenfoor where they are on detached service with the 64th Service Group. Notice of this change was just received today, so their actual duties or mission is unknown at the present time.

One (1) enlisted man, Cpl. Ronald I. Dennis, was reassigned to this organization the 8th of October 1944 from the Detachment of Patients, 144th Station Hospital, located at this base. Pfc John E. Agusti, who was on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company was placed on detached service with USASOS Signal Training School at Base B, APO 503, for additional training in teletype work. Cpl. Joseph H. Bates completed a four weeks course in the maintenance of AN/APN-4 Loran Airborne equipment and graduated 9th out of a class of 24. He is now on detached service at Guadalcanal. Four (4) enlisted men, Pressler, Pavlak, Calazzi and Fox, who were on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company are now on detached service with the 410th Signal Company (Avn) at Los Negros. Privates Brooks and Worley are still attending AT-20 and TW-12, USASOS School at Sidney, Australia.

Since the activities of this organization during the past month have been limited to the general administrative activities that are constant, no change in governing policies nor major decisions have been noted. The personnel remaining here at this headquarters might be classified as veterans in that the majority of them have spent over two years of overseas duty in this area. They are well acquainted with the existing regulations and administrative practices, so no difficulties have been encountered along this line. Prior to this month, the morale of some of the men with long overseas service was pretty low since a rotation quota had not been allotted since April.

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Since a quota has been received for October, their morale has almost jumped to the bursting point. This change has naturally raised the morale of the entire unit.

The living condition of the personnel of this organization is considered to be of the very highest under the existing conditions. The living quarters and also the chow would be hard to improve with the present facilities. In fact, the men take quite pride in maintaining that they have one of the nicest areas on the entire island. The only difficulty encountered has been the lack of a refrigeration system for the mess hall. However, the mess sergeant has been able to prey upon the good will of some of the navy units on the island and has found a place for the storage of the more perishable items.

Until last week, this organization had borrowed a movie projector from the Chaplain at the 114th Station Hospital. However, that unit is preparing to move so we lost our projector. This is one item that is greatly missed by all of the personnel and although many ways and means have been attempted to secure a projector, no success has been encountered.

Our softball team met a couple of weeks of inactivity due to the lack of even one softball. However, two balls were obtained from the 27th Special Service upon their departure from the island, and the team is now back in the groove.

Quite a number of the men in the organization have obtained the fishing crave during the last month, and several fish fries were greatly appreciated by all the personnel.

Taking everything into consideration, the welfare of not only the enlisted men, but also the officers, is of the very best. When and if this organization is ever split up, it will be a sad day for all concerned.

3. Supporting Documents:

a. Extract, GO No. 111, Hq Thirteenth Air Force,
12 October 1944.

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SECTION II

1. Section III, General Orders No. 105, this headquarters, 24 September 1944, is amended as follows:

a. So much of paragraph 1 as reads:

"Pursuant to authority contained in FEAF Radio AX 71306, 16 August 1944, and WD Circular No. 241, 1944, announcement is made of the formation, effective 13 September 1944, of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 13th Signal Service Group (Provisional), with station at Guadalcanal".

is amended to read:

"Pursuant to authority contained in FEAF Radio AX 71306, 16 August 1944, and WD Circular No. 241, 1944, announcement is made of the formation, effective 13 September 1944, of the 13th Signal Service Company (Provisional), with station at Guadalcanal".

b. So much of paragraph 4 as reads:

"The following units are placed under administrative control of the Commanding Officer, 13th Signal Service Group (Provisional):".

is amended to read:

"The following units are placed under administrative control of the Commanding Officer, 13th Signal Service Company (Provisional)

c. Paragraph 5 is deleted.

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By command of Major General STREET:

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/t/ JOHN W STERLING
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief of Staff.

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/s/ Paul R Davis
/t/ PAUL R. DAVIS
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XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 26 Dec 44

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Name of Unit: 1087th Signal Company, Service Gp

APO: 719

Period: November 1944

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APO 719
19 December 1944

Subject: Historical Data for November 1944.

To: Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719
(Attention: Historical Section) (Thru Channels)

1. In compliance with AR 345-105 dated 18 November 1929 and Change 4 thereto and 13 AF Regulation 80-15, dated 14 August 1944, the following data is submitted:

a. Organization of unit:

- (1) Original designation: No change.
- (2) Mission or alteration of mission: No change.
- (3) Date and place of activation of unit: No change.
- (4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers: No change.
- (5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of unit, changes caused by T/O, etc: No change.

(6) Strength, personnel:

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| | EM | O |
| (a) At beginning of period | 100 | 2 |
| (b) Net decrease | 11 | |
| (c) At end of period | 89 | 2 |
| (d) Total (EM+O) | | 91 |

(7) Strength, airplanes: Does not apply.

(8) Name of key personnel and changes during period: No change.

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b. Command relationships including changes, with:

- (1) Next higher headquarters: No change.
- (2) Subordinate units: Does not apply.
- (3) Other Services: Does not apply.

c. Resume of movements: Headquarters, 1027th Signal Company, Service Group, moved from Munda, New Georgia Islands (See TRUE COPY EMBARKATION ORDERS NUMBER 21, Hq SV COMD, APO 717) at 0700 on the morning of 22 November 1944, and arrived at Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands at 1000 23 November 1944. The Headquarters then departed from Guadalcanal (See EXTRACT, Movement Order No. 50, Hq, Thirteenth Air Force and EXTRACT, Ltr, AG 400, Hq Guadalcanal Island Command, Subject: "Supplies for APUS - Addition No. 1 to Shipping Order No. 189) at 0600 29 November 1944.

d. Name of campaign participated in: None.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places, and name of commander participating: None.

f. Losses in action: None.

g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting unit: None.

2. Narrative Account:

During the month of November this company had no special objectives or missions as far as activities at Munda were concerned. All equipment, except that in actual use, was crated and packed and this unit was prepared for movement upon receipt of orders.

The ten (10) enlisted men, stationed at Munda, who were selected for rotation for October, left the organization 4 November 1944. This left only twenty-four (24) enlisted men and one (1) officer remaining at Munda. On the 20th of the month orders were received to move to Guadalcanal and to have all supplies and equipment loaded on the S.S. "Sabik" by 1900 of the 21st. Since this unit had been collecting equipment for almost three years, a fairly large supply was on hand. Moving these supplies proved to be a pretty darn big task for the men that were there as no help was obtainable from other organizations. After the movement of the supplies had been completed, the men thought that they would at least

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be able to have a few hours of relaxation that evening. No such luck. An Engineering Officer of the Island Command paid a visit to the camp area and informed us that it was necessary to tear down the framework of all the tents. If it had not been for the few bottles of beer that the men had been saving for consumption after their work was completed, a more disgusted group of men would never be seen. However, with a few tastes of that rare but inspirational beverage, the men pitched in and had the tents tore down in record time. That evening, the tables in the quonset hut that was used as the mess hall, and any other available spot that could be found, were used as feather beds, or at least they felt that way to most of the men.

On the morning of the 22d, the personnel boarded the S.S. "Sabik", and at noon the boat sailed for Guadalcanal. It was a very enjoyable boat ride and at 0700 on 23 November 1944, the ship anchored at the canal. The men debarked from the ship at 1000 and immediately proceeded to their temporary area with the 1008th Signal Company, Service Group. The first meal at the new location was Thanksgiving dinner. It was really something to give thanks for and was certainly enjoyed by every man.

Finding our equipment after it had been unloaded from the S.S. "Sabik" proved to be quite a problem. The men of the outfit were traveling all over the island trying to locate the pieces of equipment that had been erroneously taken by other units. Not all of our lost equipment had been found when on the morning of the 27th of November orders were received for one (1) officer and twenty-four (24) enlisted men, along with 600 cubic feet of equipment, be prepared to board the U.S.S. "General Harry Taylor" that day. Still being in sort of a daze, this made the situation worse. Three of the original enlisted men who came from Munda were selected to remain at the canal. Two were supply men who were well acquainted with the equipment of the outfit, and the other was our motor non-commissioned officer. To replace these three men, the like number of enlisted men were selected from those that were already on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company. On the 28th of the month, our commanding and only officer present, Lt. Atkinson, along with the twenty-four enlisted men, embarked on the U.S.S. "General Harry Taylor". The ship set sail at 0600 on 29 November 1944, and the last day of the month found us aboard ship on the high seas.

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The few days that this headquarters was stationed at Guadalcanal, a good idea of what the men of this organization on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company was obtained. Men are assigned to message center, cryptographic, radio repair, telephone, radio, administrative and other sections, and the majority of the men have been doing the work they are actually trained and qualified in. From the praise of Lt. Levin, the commanding officer of the 1008th, and the other officers in his organization under whom the men have been working, the personnel of this organization on detached service with them have been doing a remarkable job. However, after personal contact with the majority of the men, it is the general opinion that most of them would like to get back to their own organization, for, as the old saying goes, "There is no place like home".

Satisfactory correspondence has finally been obtained from Lt. Owens and his detachment of men that are stationed at Neemfeer with the 64th Service Group. At first they encountered a few difficulties such as transportation problems, living quarter obstacles, tools and equipment with which to work and a few other minor things. These difficulties have been remedied and the detachment has established a Storage and Issue Section and also a Radio Repair Section and from the latest reports are doing a very excellent job.

The earlier part of November, in regards to the station life of the men at Munda, was spent mostly in sport activities and other recreational programs. Two or three softball games were played weekly, and of course these men with the fishing bug were hard to drag away from their favorite spots. Several of the enlisted men have mentioned in regards to their last three months of life at Munda, the following statement, "No matter what I have to do or the places I have to go while I remain in the army, these last three months of life here are something that they will never be able to take away from me". This is a good statement giving an idea of the morale of the men of this company.

Since very few changes occurred during the month, administrative activities have been running along in the same smooth manner. Only one change in governing policy was noted although nothing official on paper has been seen. The anticipated uniting of the 1008th and the 1027th Signal Companies has fell through and it appears as if the 13th Signal Service Company (P) has gone the way of all good flesh.

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During the month, a quota for one enlisted man for November and seventeen men for December rotation was received. This takes care of all the men in the organization who have completed over 30 months of overseas service. It has been a long grind for these men, and notice of their return to the good old states will, no doubt, be one of the happiest moments of their lives.

During the month, one enlisted man, a cook, was assigned to the organization from the 266th Replacement Company, 91st Replacement Battalion, Finschafen and was placed on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company at Guadalcanal before ever joining our outfit. One of our enlisted men who was on detached service with the Loran Training School at Lae, New Guinea was released from there and placed on detached service at Guadalcanal. Two switchboard operators on DS at the canal were relieved from there and placed on detached service with the 64th Service Group at Neomfeer. The way the men of this organization are scattered around it almost takes "The Great Dunninger" to account for them.

Since leaving Munda, the men of the organization have encountered a little change in the army life, but they have taken it all in stride and this company will make a name for itself no matter where it goes or under what circumstances it may be placed.

3. Supporting documents:

- a. True Copy, MOVEMENT ORDERS NO. 50 (EXTRACT)
- b. True Copy, EMBARKATION ORDERS NO. 21.
- c. True Copy, Ltr AG 400 Hq Guadalcanal Island Comd (EXTRACT)

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MOVEMENT ORDER)
NUMBER 50)

27 November 1944

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1. a. Pursuant to authority contained in Troop Movement Directive 121, Headquarters Allied Air Forces, SWPA, 31 October 1944, the following units will move by PAGHT unless otherwise indicated from stations indicated to an unannounced destination:

| <u>Unit</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>Priority</u> | <u>Shipping Number</u> |
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b. This is a permanent change of station effective upon arrival at destination.

c. The destination of the units will be the subject of a supplemental letter.

d. Upon embarkation the command passes to the agency handling the movement.

2. The following supplies and equipment will accompany the units:

Class I - 25 days "B", 5 "C" or "K" and 1 "D" plus 11 days voyage rations.
Class II & IV - T/O & E plus heavy tentage, cots and 30 days supply, including cleaning and preserving materials.

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By command of Major General STREETT:

JOHN M. STERLING
Colonel GSC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/S/ P. Nevitt
/t/ PEYTON G. NEVITT
Colonel AGD
Adjutant General

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Comdg. 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp

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HEADQUARTERS
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APO 717

S E C R E T
AUTH: CO. Svc
INIT: _____
DATE: 20 Nov 44

20 November 1944

EMBARKATION ORDERS)
NUMBER 21)

1. The 1027th Signal Company, Service Group, will embark at Munda on the S.S. Sabik on or about 20 November 1944.

2. All equipment and impedimenta will be moved to Sasavalle to an area assigned by Director, Water Transportation (Major E. L. Kinner).

3. The 1027th Signal Company, Service Group, will be prepared to embark at the time and in the order prescribed by the Director, Water Transportation.

4. Upon embarkation, control of the 1027th Signal Company, Service Group, passes to agency handling the movement.

5. A Liaison Officer will report to Commanding Officer, Service Command, upon receipt of this order.

6. The unit will be prepared to send Liaison Officer to report to Director, Water Transportation, on call, prepared to receive detailed instructions relative to exact time and manner of loading.

7. Equipment and supplies to be loaded:

Class I - Two (2) days emergency rations.

8. The shipping designator of this movement is BEVY.

By order of Colonel DIXON:

LEON J. GUND,
Major, AGD,
Adjutant General

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Leon J. Gund
/t/ LEON J. GUND
Major, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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Comdg., 1027th Sig Co. Svc Gp

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GUADALCANAL ISLAND COMMAND
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SUBJECT: Supplies for APUS - Addition No. 1 to Shipping Order 189.

TO : Port Superintendent, Guadalcanal.

It is desired that you load the following aboard the
GENERAL HARRY TAYLOR in addition to that already scheduled:

For discharge APUS:

For 1027th Signal Co, Service Group, APUS:
(Call Lt. Atkinson, 1027th Sig. Co, Serv Grp)

1 Officer
24 Enlisted Men

84 Pcs. Misc. Property (GA-41) 750 cu ft. 6.1 tons

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By command of Major General MURRAY:

/s/ L.B. Thomas
/t/ I.B. THOMAS
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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

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APO: 719

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(6) Strength, personnel:

- (a) At beginning of period
- (b) Net decrease
- (c) At end of period
- (d) Total (EM+O)

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- (7) Strength, airplanes: Does not apply.
- (8) Name of key personnel and changes during period: No Change.

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 - (1) Next higher headquarters: No Change.
 - (2) Subordinate units: Does not apply.
 - (3) Other Services: Does not apply.
- c. Resume of movements: No Change.
- d. Name of campaign participated in: None.
- e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places, and name of commander participating: None.
- f. Losses in action: None.
- g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting unit: None.

2. Narrative Account:

During the month of December 1944, this company had no special objectives or mission as far as the activities of the personnel of the headquarters here at Morotai were concerned. The main objective during the month was the movement of this headquarters from Guadalcanal to Morotai.

The first day of December found this headquarters aboard ship on the high seas. One officer and twenty-four enlisted men compromised the strength of the cadre making the trip. Upon arrival of the ship at Hollandia, one of the enlisted men of the outfit was lost to the company, being transferred to the Detachment of Patients, 334th Station Hospital at Hollandia. The development of blood poison in his right arm was the cause of his evacuation.

The ship arrived at Morotai 12 December 1944, and the personnel debarked that morning. It was found that no permanent camp area had been assigned to this company and quite some difficulty was encountered in obtaining information as to the whereabouts of a temporary camp site. Finally it was decided that this organization be quartered and rationed with Headquarters Squadron, XIII Air Force Service Command. No tents had been pitched, so the men set to work doing this and also digging fox-holes to establish a haven of security from Charlie's nightly prowls.

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Some obstacles were encountered the first few days, in that the Headquarters Squadron of the Service Command was intent on using all of our personnel for the establishing of their camp area, disregarding the fact that there were duties to perform for the building of the few necessary things in our small area. This difficulty was soon overcome, and things began to run a little more smoothly.

No sooner had we set foot on the island than it was learned that a special order had been forwarded to this headquarters at the old location, transferring the personnel of this organization on the December Rotation quota to the Island Casual Camp at Guadalcanal. Of the men on this quota, eight were now with this headquarters at Morotai. Some very sad faces were seen on these men for a few days, but things were finally straightened out and arranged, and after quite a few days of "sweating out" by the men concerned, transportation became available and the men started on their first leg of the journey back to the good old states. These very sad faces were changed into gaping grins, and who wouldn't grin with such prospects in view. Other enlisted men on the rotation quota were one man on detached service with the 410th Signal Company (Avn), one on detached service with the 1069th Signal Company Service Group, two on detached service with the 64th Service Squadron at Noemfoor and five on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company, Service Group at Guadalcanal. Although these latter men were not seen by the personnel at this headquarters before their departure, it is certain that a more happy bunch of fellows would never be found. Who wouldn't be happy with the prospects of seeing their girl friend, family or loved ones after spending thirty-three months in the beautiful islands of the south seas.

After a temporary camp site had been established for the headquarters at Morotai, the personnel with certain technical qualifications were placed on temporary duty and special duty with other signal units on the island. The type of work these men were qualified in doing was such that their ability could be greatly appreciated and advantageously put to use by the organizations to which they were sent. Five Radio Repair men were placed on temporary duty with the 1069th Signal Company, Service Group; three men from the telephone section went to the 410th Signal Company (Avn) along with one teletype operator and three switchboard operators. This left only four enlisted men at this headquarters to take care of the administrative and other necessary details.

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On the 28th of the month, two enlisted men joined the company, having been on rest leave at MacKay, Australia. One man was a teletype operator and the other a telephone lineman. These men were immediately placed on special duty with the 410th Signal Company.

The 29th of the month found two new men being assigned to the organization. S/Sgt Shannon, a lineman, being transferred from the 65th Air Service Squadron, Sansapor, and M/Sgt Arnold, who is to be our new first sergeant, from Headquarters Squadron XIII Air Force Service Command.

The majority of the personnel of this organization are still on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company at Guadalcanal. Word has been received that they have been doing a marvelous piece of work at their technical jobs, and the supply men left there to take care of our supplies and equipment have managed to crate, stencil and number all the boxes in preparation for the movement of the rest of the organization and equipment to this base.

The small detachment of men at Moemfoor are still doing their job in an efficient manner.

It is the general opinion of this headquarters that all the assigned personnel of this company are quite anxious to see this headquarters firmly established in order that they might return to the home organization and start living like one big happy family once again instead of being scattered all over the globe.

No educational, athletic or other such activities have been carried out during the month due to the movement and also the unsettled condition that exists at the present time. However, it is hoped that before too long things can be straightened out so that activities of this nature can get into the swing of things as of days of old.

The last day of 1944 found the men hoping and praying that during the new year the enemy would be completely defeated in order that they might return home to their families and loved ones.

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(6) Strength, personnel:

(a) At beginning of period

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(e) Disposition of personnel, end of month:

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| 1 Off & 11 EM at Noemfoor |
| 0 Off & 16 EM at Guadalcanal |
| 0 Off & 2 EM at Lae, New Guinea |
| 0 Off & 3 EM at Mackay, Australia |
| 0 Off & 8 EM at Leyte |
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f. Losses in action: None.

g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting
unit: None.

2. Narrative Account:

Here it is January 1945, a new month of a new year, and,
we hope, a new era in this great war in which our country has
so gallantly participated.

The 1027th Signal Company, Service Group has made an
excellent beginning this year, in that the personnel of this
organization, for the first time in many months, have been
actually working at the objectives or missions that are set
forth for a unit of this nature. All the assigned personnel
are not present at this base, but those that are here have all
been assigned jobs along their specialty and are doing excellent
work.

During the early part of the month, a permanent camp
area was finally assigned to the organization. This was great
news to all of the men, and they immediately set forth in
establishing their new homes. Our newly assigned location was
adjacent to the 410th Signal Company area. It was immediately
brought to our attention that the 410th had received superior
ratings and also a commendation from the Commanding General
in regards to their nice camp area. This fact established

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quite an example for us to live up to, but we are now just as proud of our area as the 410th Signal Company is of theirs.

The announcement of the formation of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 13th Signal Service Battalion (Provisional) on 1 January 1945, with station at Moretai, was received by this company on 2 January 1945. The 1027th, along with the 410th, 316th and 1008th Signal Companies, was attached to this newly formed battalion. Although the administration of the new unit has not really got into the full swing of things, it is hoped that in the near future this new battalion will be seen operating smoothly.

The mission set forth for this new unit is mainly as an operations battalion. With this in view, the personnel of the 1027th have been placed accordingly. All of the men assigned to the radio repair section have been placed on detached service with other signal companies. The men assigned to the operations platoon are working the various shifts that are required in the communications section of the Thirteenth Air Force. Our wire chief, two linemen, several teletype operators and radio operators have been sent to Leyte on the advanced echelon. In fact, only seventeen (17) enlisted men are now present for duty in this organization.

Information concerning the activities of our small detachment of men at Noemfoor was recently received. The men at that base are all radio repairmen and storage and issue clerks. Their supply has been chiefly concerned with salvage, extraction of incoming requisitions, and disposal of equipment turned in. No great amount of stock was issued by them, and that issued consisted mainly of expendables. A requisition for initial stock was filled by FEASC Depot 1 shortly after their arrival at Noemfoor, supplying them with enough stock of major components to handle emergencies.

Their supply source has been FEASC Depot 3 at Biak until recently, when a letter was received from the XIII Air Force Service Command advising them to draw signal corps equipment common to all arms and services from the nearest USASOS supply depot, 6th or 8th Army supply points. Other equipment is still drawn from FEASC Depot 3.

Since their arrival at Noemfoor, a great deal of signal equipment has been turned into them as excess or in return for new equipment already received. They were forced to handle shipment of such equipment to FEASC Depot 3. They received several shipments addressed to the 1024th and 1089th Signal Companies, and have had to hold same until receipt of orders to forward. They are now beginning to dispose of it, and expect

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to be pretty well cleaned up in a short time.

The radio repair men have been very busy most of the time. At present their repair work consists mostly of SCR-522, IFF repair and IFF Hazeltine checks. A fair amount of SCR-287 work is brought in, but practically no radio compasses SCR-274 sets.

All in all, the men at Noemfoor have been doing a remarkable job, taking into consideration that so few personnel are stationed there.

During the month, three (3) men of the organization were sent to Mackay, Australia on rest leave. None of these men have as yet returned, but there is no doubt that these men certainly deserved the rest and should be enjoying themselves while they are there.

A great number of promotions were seen in the company during the month of January. These vacancies were due to the return to the states of the old men in the outfit under the present rotation policy. These new promotions were rightly deserved and greatly appreciated by all of the men. Many of the fellows had been "sweating out" the departure of these old men for two years.

Since the building of the baseball diamond adjacent to our area, a few of the men in the company have been getting a little exercise by participating in this nation-wide sport. Due to the odd shifts that the men of the company are working, it is almost impossible to organize a team within the company. However, after watching some of the other teams play, many of the men have remarked that we could for a pick up team any Sunday and defeat most of the outfits without a day of practice. They are generally boasting from the past success of our ball clubs, and whether this could be done is still a question, but maybe one of these Sundays we will find out.

The morale of the men in the outfit, as a whole, has been excellent. The only "squawk" encountered to date is the poor chow that exists occasionally. This, however, is no fault of the kitchen personnel, but is due to the supply problem and seems to be constant throughout the island. The food lately has been improving, and we hope that it continues to do so in the future.

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Since there are so few men present at this headquarters, no administration problems were encountered during the month. However, it is hoped that before too long the exact mission and disposition of the personnel in the company will be determined so that this headquarters will have a better idea as to the future outcome of this unit.

The members of the 1008th and the 1027th Signal Companies have been editing a weekly paper. A Christmas issue (See Copy attached) was edited, and it, in itself, gives a good example of the fine work the members of this organization are doing.

3. Supporting documents:

- a. EXTRACT, General Orders Number 3.
- b. Jungle Daze.

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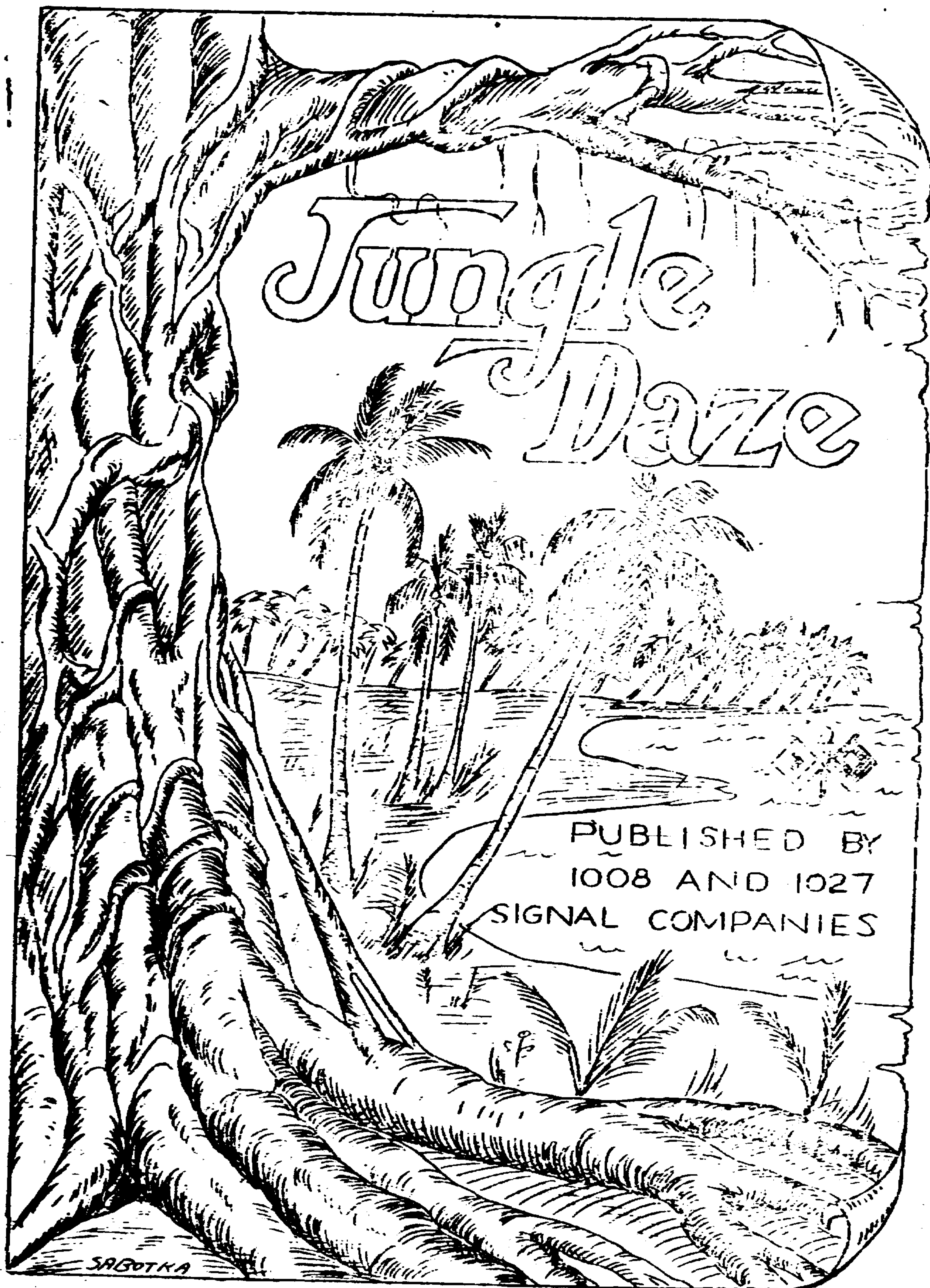
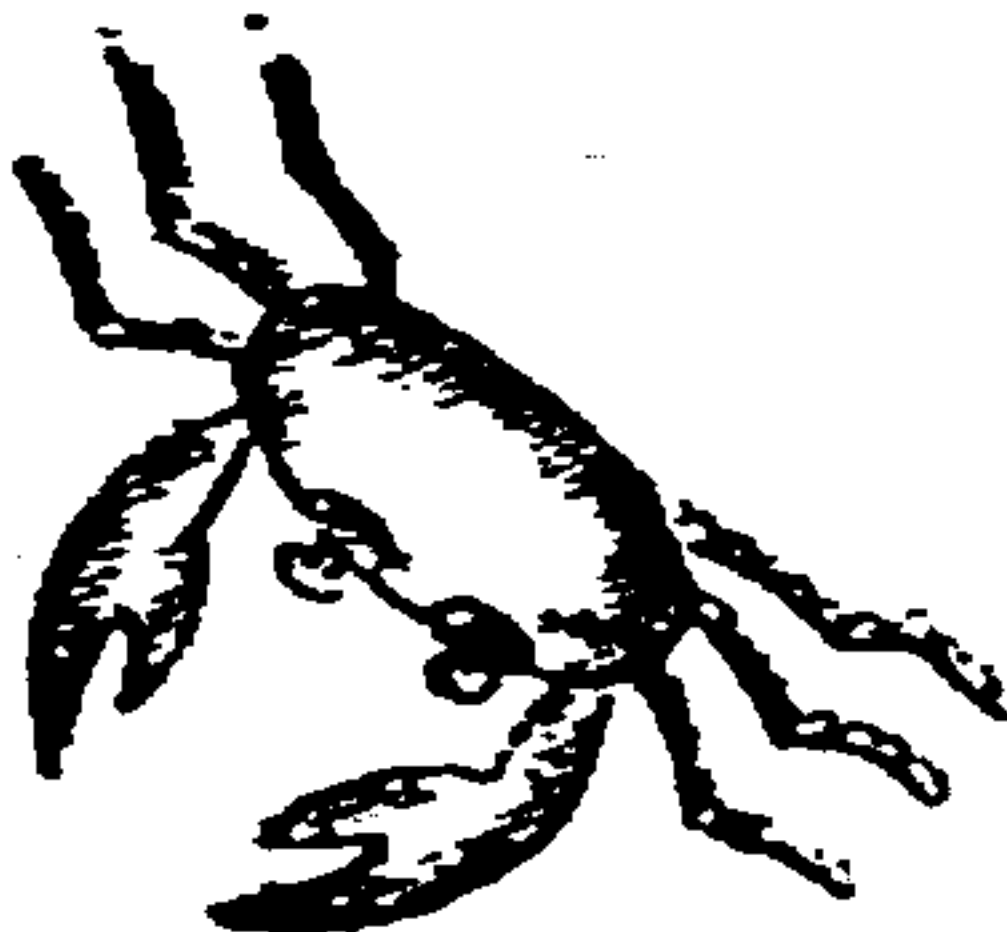




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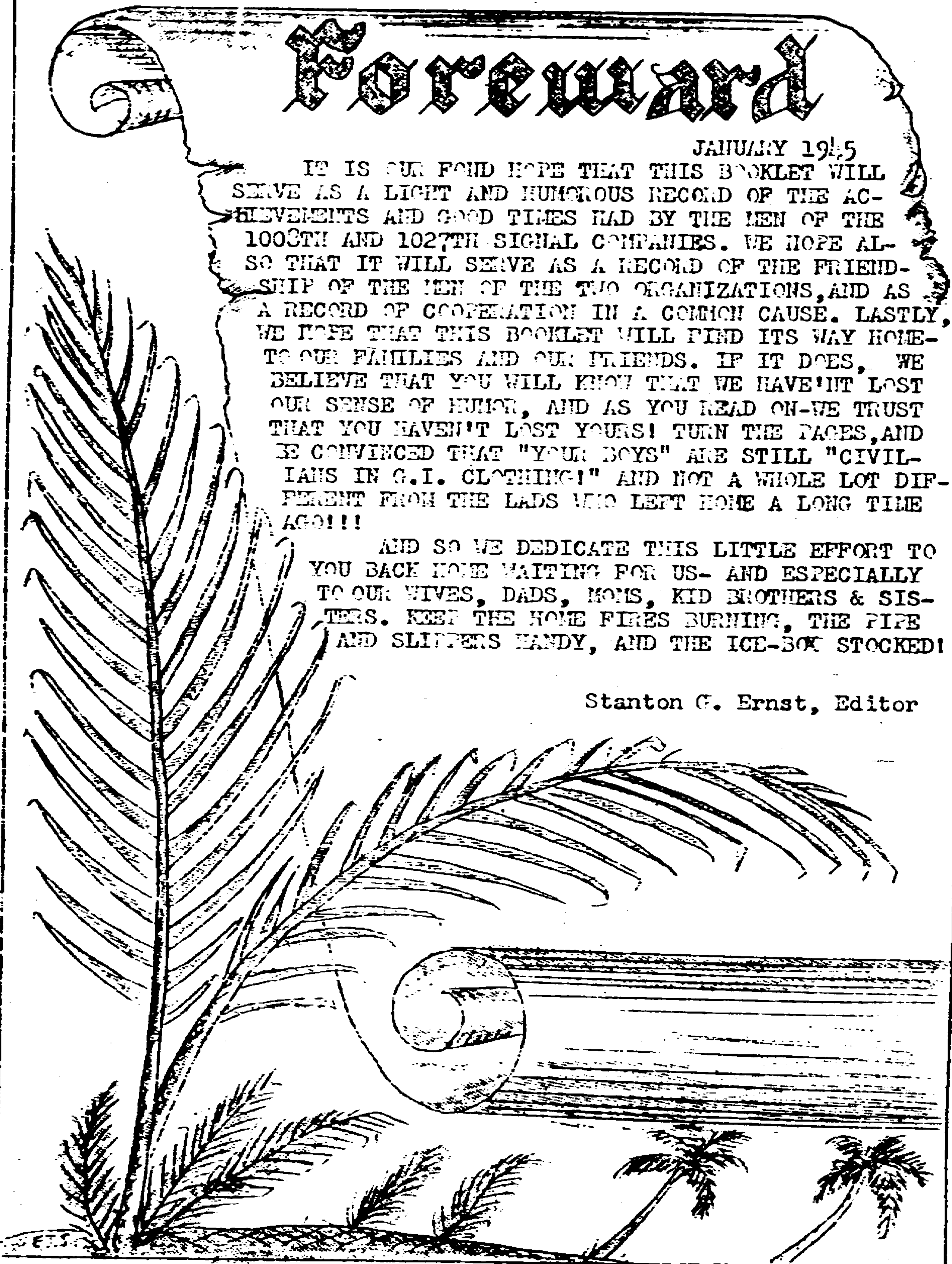
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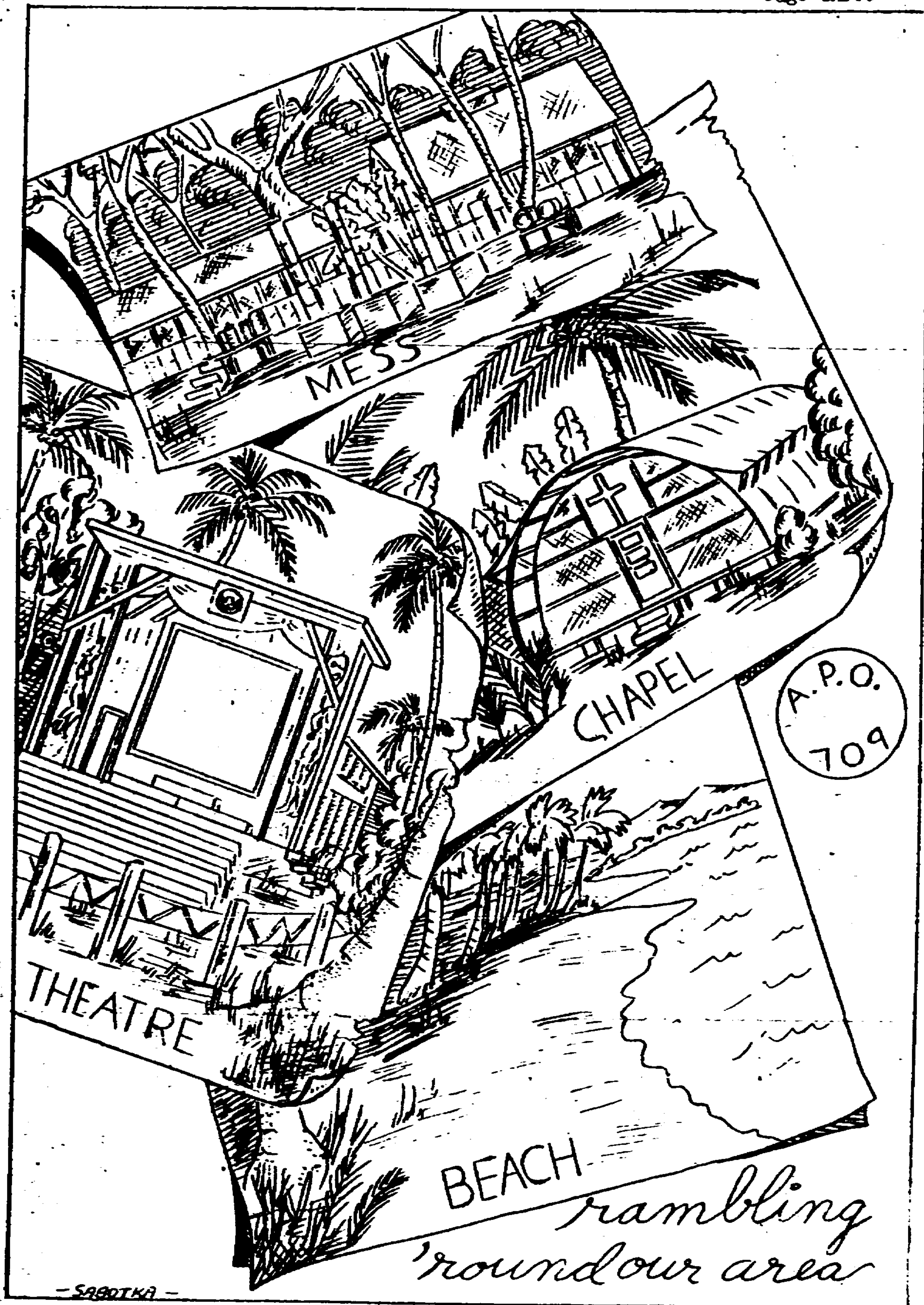
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IT IS OUR FOND HOPE THAT THIS BOOKLET WILL SERVE AS A LIGHT AND HUMOROUS RECORD OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS AND GOOD TIMES HAD BY THE MEN OF THE 1003TH AND 1027TH SIGNAL COMPANIES. WE HOPE ALSO THAT IT WILL SERVE AS A RECORD OF THE FRIENDSHIP OF THE MEN OF THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS, AND AS A RECORD OF COOPERATION IN A COMMON CAUSE. LASTLY, WE HOPE THAT THIS BOOKLET WILL FIND ITS WAY HOME TO OUR FAMILIES AND OUR FRIENDS. IF IT DOES, WE BELIEVE THAT YOU WILL KNOW THAT WE HAVEN'T LOST OUR SENSE OF HUMOR, AND AS YOU READ ON-WE TRUST THAT YOU HAVEN'T LOST YOURS! TURN THE PAGES, AND BE CONVINCED THAT "YOUR BOYS" ARE STILL "CIVILIANS IN G.I. CLOTHING!" AND NOT A WHOLE LOT DIFFERENT FROM THE LADS WHO LEFT HOME A LONG TIME AGO!!!

AND SO WE DEDICATE THIS LITTLE EFFORT TO YOU BACK HOME WAITING FOR US- AND ESPECIALLY TO OUR WIVES, DADS, MOMS, KID BROTHERS & SISTERS. KEEP THE HOME FIRES BURNING, THE PIPE AND SLIPPERS HANDY, AND THE ICE-BOX STOCKED!

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One of the oldest active outfits in the Pacific is the 1008 Signal Company. An outgrowth of the 8th Signal Platoon, the outfit originated at Hamilton Fld. California. It started with only thirty enlisted men and one officer, and on December 7, 1941 was on the high seas headed for the Philippines! Needless to say, the unit was rerouted and ended up in the Fijis. Here the organization set up and operated communications at an air-base. In May 1943, the platoon was activated as the 8th Signal Company, and in June became the 1008th Signal Company, Service Group. In August, 1943, the organization hit one of the local Pacific Islands and found out how the Japs wage war at first hand. They worked at two fields on this Island, doing all types of ground and air communication servicing. During this time, new replacements joined the Company and some of the original members returned to the States. A few months later, Lt Marshall S. Levin became Company Commander, succeeding Captain Elmer Hilfinger. In August, 1944, the Company was attached directly to the 13th Air Force Service Command; its mission being to handle all ground and air communication work for that Command. Since that time, there has been many changes in personnel and further changes in job assignments, but the Company has shown ingenuity and versatility in successfully handling all of

the communications (radio, message center, telephone, aircraft radio) for the aforementioned Command.

With better than three years of overseas experience behind it, this outfit & its men have seen the Japanese checked and driven back along the road to Honshu via New Guinea, New Britain, the Philippines and the Carolines.

We have done our part when we could, and are looking forward to an even more active participation before that final day of reckoning! In any event, we will always carry with us the fond memories and pride of working with a bunch of swell fellows as a real unit!!!

Some of the things we will look back on with fond remembrance are: those Air Corps steaks we ate while all of the other Island Mess Halls were serving canned willy and beans; riding the C-47s and B-24s instead of the Liberty Ships, the big beach barbecue with steaks, beer, and lots of laughter-the picnic in the Fijis with bottles flying every which way; living and working with the old 1027th; the hordes of landcrabs and sand-fleas at APO 709; Jap bombs and clanny, friendly fox-holes; Lt. Freedman and "Stogie" Radzik, "Red" Hines; the baseball games between the "Gentlemen" and the Enlisted Men, the "hot rumors" of beachheads on Japan; "sack-time", Pete Strong & his NO MAIL TODAY; tent bull-sessioning.

1027th Sig. Co. Ser. Gp.

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In the Fall of 1941, a new unit, the 27th Signal Platoon (Air Base) was born at Barksdale Field, La; a unit composed of fewer than twenty-five men and one officer. From this small beginning, the organization has grown into the 1027th Signal Co Service Gp of today. Less than three months after Pearl Harbor at a time when the Japanese were advancing on all fronts, the unit found itself in Australia. After short stays in Brisbane and Ballarat, the platoon moved to Tongatabo in the Tonga Islands, where they received their first job, that of setting up communications for a new and then advanced base. While there, the platoon was joined by a second unit of the 37th Infantry Division--composed almost entirely of men of the Ohio National Guard.

Thus the new organization was formed, one half "NG's" & one half "Rebels", under the command of Captain Melvin L. Hanson--and the unit was called the 27th Signal Company Sv Gp. The Company then moved to Efate in the New Hebrides Islands, and on May 10, 1943 emerged as the 1027th Signal Co Service Gp.

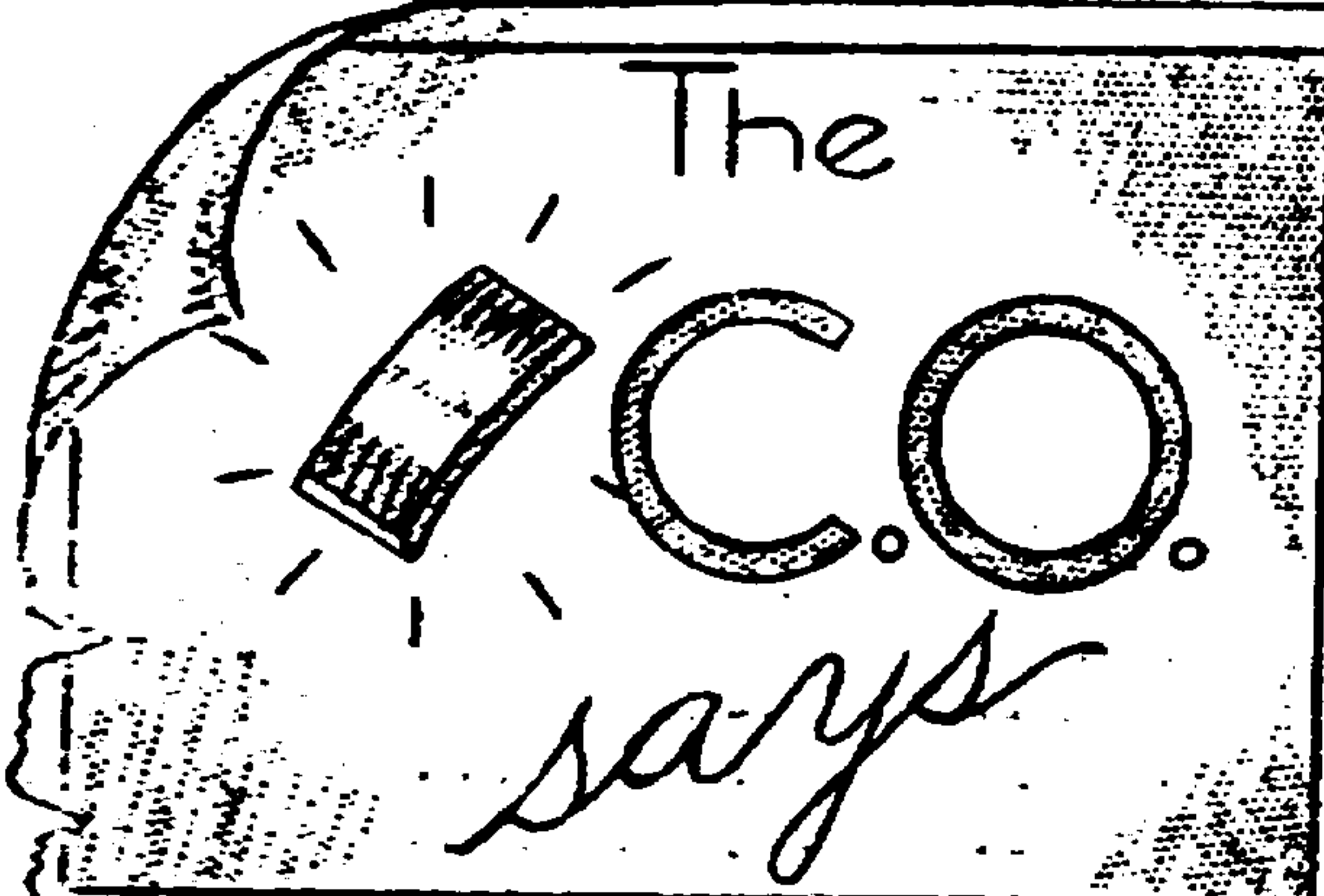
Small groups of replacements began to come in to fill the new and larger unit to its authorized strength. The unit then left Efate bound for Guadalcanal, Solomon's Islands, and it was there that the men first learned what a Jap bomb

sounded like. They were stationed near famed Henderson Field, where they maintained communications for a local fighter strip.

Later the Company moved to a more advanced base in the New Georgia Islands, working at Ondonga and Munda. New Years day 1944 found the men at Munda working overtime supplying and repairing equipment on the bombers attacking the then powerful Japanese Bases in the Northern Solomons.

Now under the command of Lt Lyle C Atkinson, the Company will continue to operate against the Japanese whenever and wherever it can. Born in Peace, the Unit has seen four years of war, and none of the original handful of men are still overseas--but the outfit has seen and helped the War turn in our favor, and the men who make up the outfit today are "carrying on".

Some of the things we will never forget are the sound of the Jap bombs whishing through the night, those spaghetti dinners on real tableclothes, our old mascot "Bastard", and little "Munda". Nor will we forget the baseball games on the Fighter Strip, or the white coral that didn't want to be turned into fo-holes, or Charlie Bolton & Foster. Sometimes it was real rough and other times it wasn't hard to take at all--but tough or rough, we'll never forget the "old 1027th".



MARSHALL S. LEVIN

THIS EDITION OF JUNGLE DAZE IS THE REALIZATION OF MANY MONTHS ANTICIPATION BY MYSELF, & ALSO ON THE PART OF THE MEN & OFFICERS OF THE 1008TH AND 1027TH SIGNAL COMPANIES, SERVICE GROUP.

DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS, I HAVE SEEN THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS, AND IT HAS MADE ME PROUD TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THEM! AND I BELIEVE THAT THIS BOOKLET WILL SERVE AS A FINE MEMOIR AND SOUVENIR OF THE DAYS I SPENT WITH THE OUT-FITS!

ON BEHALF OF LT. LYLE C. ATKINSON, COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE 1027TH, AND FOR MYSELF, WE WISH TO THANK OUR EDITOR, PFC STAN ERNST FOR HIS EFFORTS TO MAKE JUNGLE DAZE THE FINE ISSUE IT IS; ED SABOTKA, OUR FINE ARTIST, AND THE OTHER MEN WHO MADE THIS SOUVENIR ISSUE POSSIBLE.

THIS BOOKLET IS THE RESULT OF MANY HOURS OF WORK UNDER TRYING CONDITIONS, WITH INADEQUATE MATERIALS AND HOMEMADE EQUIPMENT. IT IS MY HOPE THAT WE HAVE OVERCOME THESE OBSTACLES AND PRODUCED A MEMOIR WORTHY OF THE BOOK-SHELF AT HOME. ONE DAY IT WILL BE A SOURCE OF MEMORIES & FUN-AND PLEASURE AS WE LOOK OVER THE LISTS OF THINGS WE DID AND THE FELLOWS WE ALL KNEW. ONCE AGAIN, LET ME THANK ALL WHO AIDED IN THE PREPARATION OF "JUNGLE-DAZE".

ALBERT H. BUCHANAN

TODAY I WRITE, NOT AS A FIRST SERGEANT, BUT AS ONE WHO HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF SEEING THIS PRESENT WORLD CONFLICT CONCEIVED, DEVELOPED, EXECUTED; AND RIGHT HERE LET ME SAY THAT I AM NOT PROUD OF THE PART I PLAYED DURING THE FORMATIVE YEARS BEFORE THIS WAR. WHY YOU ASK? BECAUSE I SAW IT COMING AND DID NOTHING ABOUT IT! I HAD PASSED THROUGH THE LAST POST-WAR PERIOD, AND I WAS SO EN-ROSSSED WITH MY PERSONAL AFFAIRS THAT I TRUSTED ALL OF MY NATIONAL AFFAIRS TO THE HANDS OF A FEW. DON'T YOU MAKE THIS MISTAKE; FROM THE DAY YOU GET HOME TAKE INTEREST IN YOUR NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS IN PLANNING YOUR POLITICAL POLICIES, LOOK AHEAD A GENERATION-NOT FIVE OR TEN YEARS HENCE. YOU HAVE PAID FOR THIS PRIVILEGE IN BLOOD, SWEAT, & PRIVATION. DON'T LET FUTURE GENERATIONS SAY "IF DAD HAD BEEN ON THE BALL, WE WOULDN'T BE OUT HERE KILLING OR BEING KILLED!" REMEMBER, YOU HAVE A LOT TO SAY ABOUT THE FUTURE DESTINIES OF COUNTRIES & PEOPLE YOU NEVER SAW; DEAL WITH THEM AS YOU WOULD DEAL WITH YOUR OWN, & AS YOU WOULD HAVE THEM DEAL WITH YOU. THEN AND THEN ONLY WILL WE BE ABLE TO SPEAK OF WORLD PEACE. WE DO NOT WANT OUR SONS & DAUGHTERS TO ENDURE THE HORRORS OF A WAR THAT WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR. IN CLOSING, LET ME WISH YOU ALL A SAFE RETURN HOME & HAPPINESS!



IT SAYS
HERE

...Stanton C. Ernst.....

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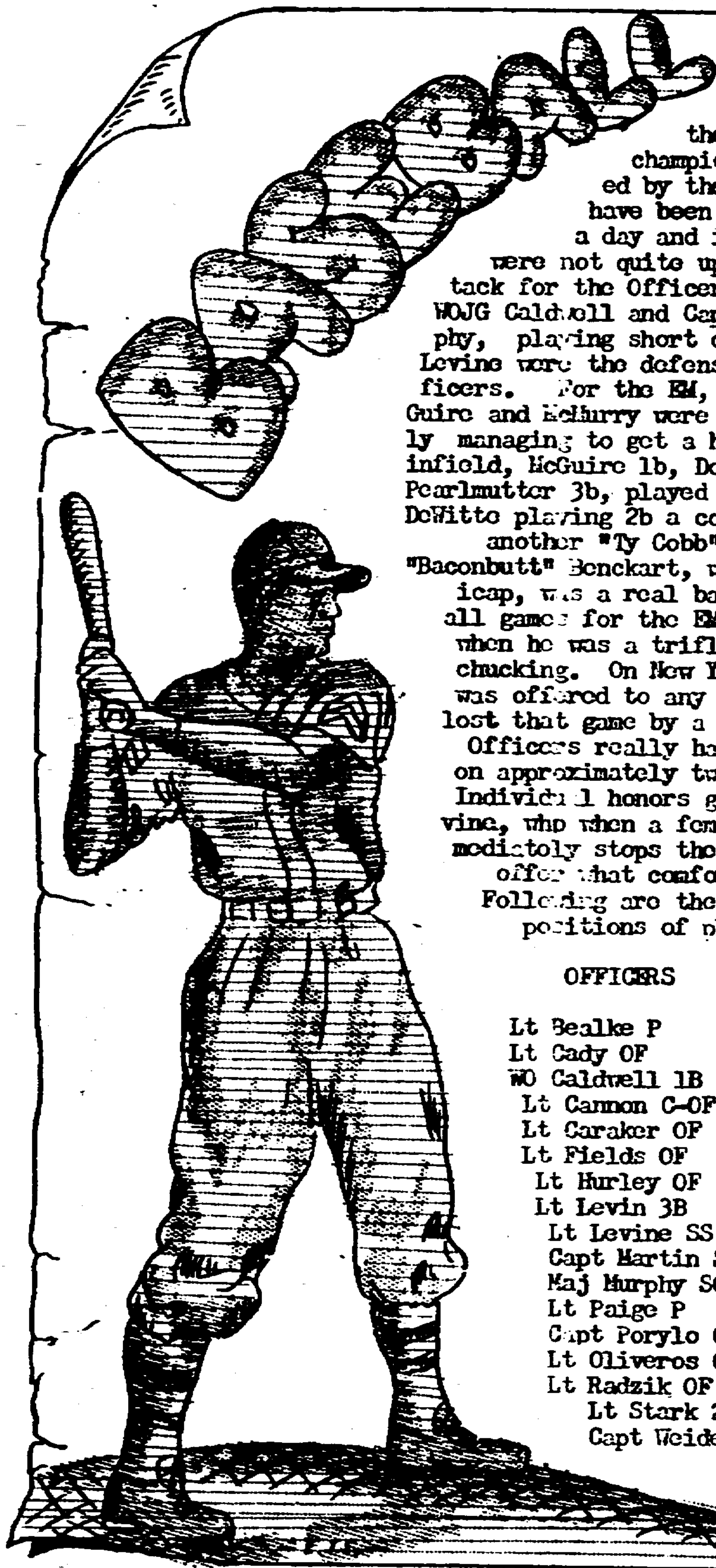
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Taking four games out of seven, the Umpires and Officers nosed out the EM in the local Palmtree championship. Only excuse offered by the EM is the fact that they have been worked from 8 to 12 hours a day and in this weakened condition were not quite up to par. Sparking the attack for the Officers were Lt's Levin, Stark, WOJG Caldwell and Capt Weideman. Father Murphy, playing short center, Lt Levin 3b and Lt Levine were the defensive standouts for the Officers. For the EM, DeWitte, Pearlmutter, McGuire and McHurry were the heavy hitters, usually managing to get a hit or two a game. The EM infield, McGuire 1b, Doldus 2b, Laverick ss, and Pearlmutter 3b, played a bangup job defensively, DeWitte playing 2b a couple of games. We have another "Ty Cobb" in the outfield in Danny "Baconbutt" Benckart, who in spite of that handicap, was a real ballhawk. Sgt Roid pitched all games for the EM and except for one game when he was a trifle wild, did a real job of chucking. On New Years day a bottle of beer was offered to any player reaching 3b. We lost that game by a substantial score and the Officers really had a "Happy" New Years day on approximately two bottles of beer apiece. Individual honors go to Lt "Sir Galahad" Levine, who when a female audience appears, immediately stops the game to chat a while and offer that comfort and assistance he can. Following are the men who participated and positions of play.

OFFICERS

Lt Bealke P
Lt Gady OF
WO Caldwell 1B
Lt Cannon C-OF
Lt Caraker OF
Lt Fields OF
Lt Hurley OF
Lt Levin 3B
Lt Levine SS
Capt Martin SS
Maj Murphy SC
Lt Paige P
Capt Porylo C
Lt Oliveros C
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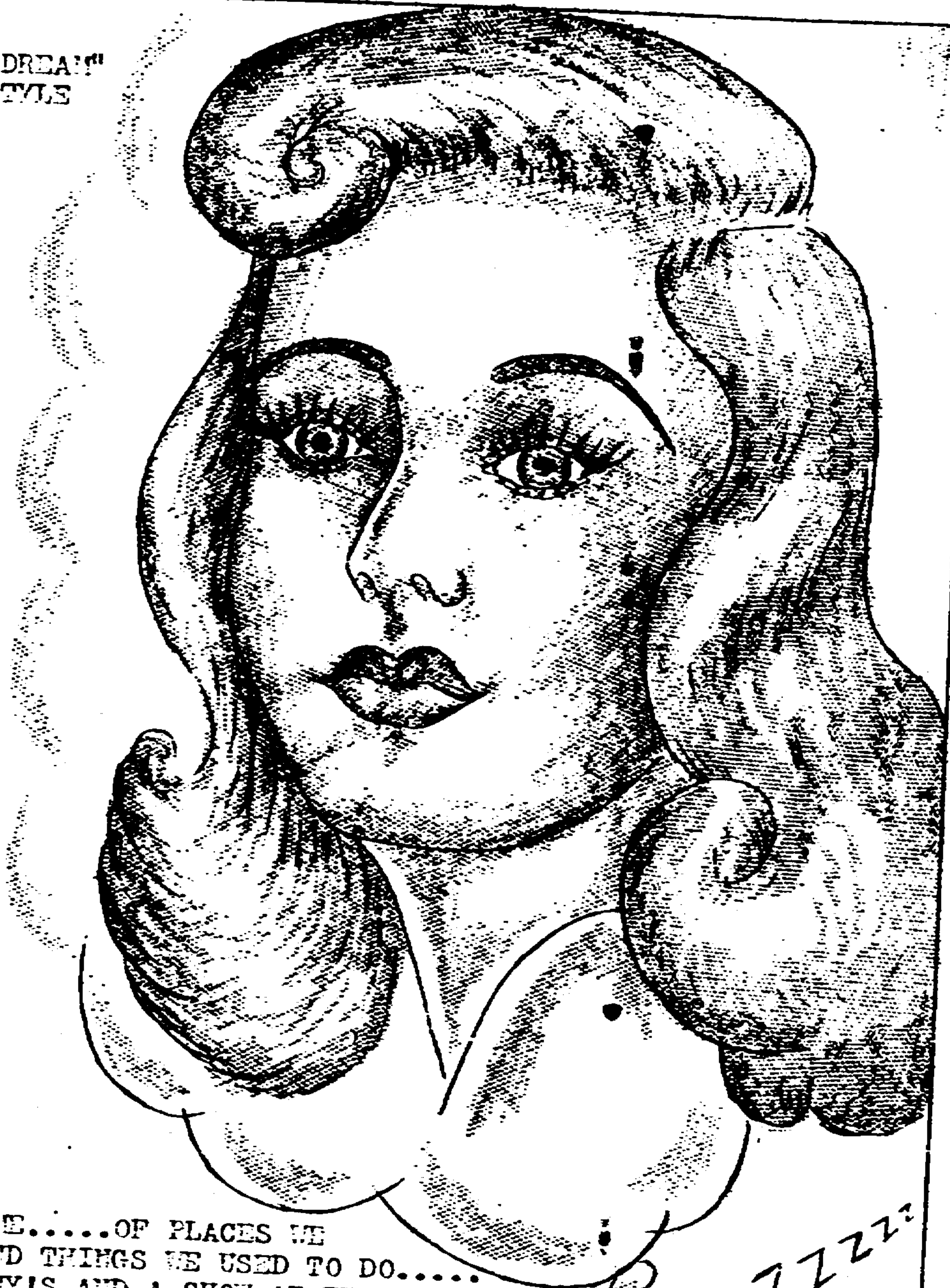
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Tec 4 Benckart OF
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Pfc Lambertz OF
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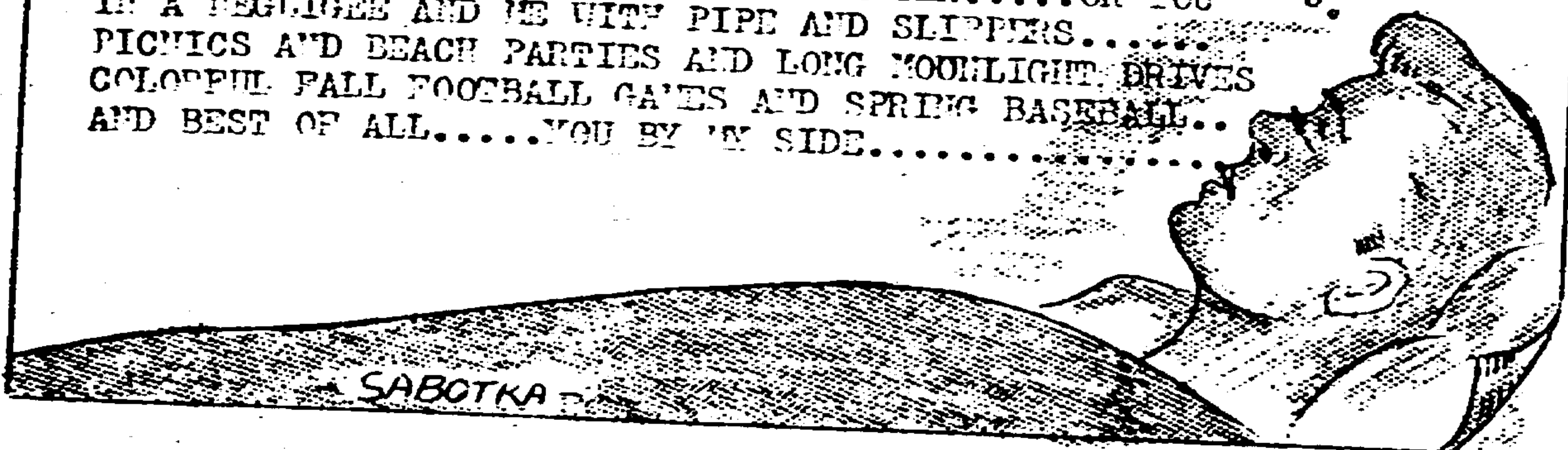
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"PACIFIC DREAM"
G.I. STYLE



DREAMS OF HOME.....OF PLACES WE
USED TO GO AND THINGS WE USED TO DO.....
STEAKS AT TONY'S AND A SHOW AT THE STATE.....
DANCING AT THE CLUB, AND A SNACK AFTER.....OR YOU
IN A NEGGLIGEE AND ME WITH PIPE AND SLIPPERS.....
PICNICS AND BEACH PARTIES AND LONG MOONLIGHT DRIVES
COLOSSAL FALL FOOTBALL GAMES AND SPRING BASEBALL..
AND BEST OF ALL.....YOU BY MY SIDE.....

Oooooo Zzzzz



SABOTKA

Golden gate in 'forty --?

YES, THE GOLDEN GATE IN FORTY-?
WHEN WE CAN ONCE AGAIN:

SLIDE BETWEEN WHITE CLEAN SHEETS
ON A SPRING BED!

SEE A PAIR OF SILK STOCKINGS GO
HIGHER THAN THE ANKLE!

GET A THRILL OUT OF A WINDY DAY!

GO TO THE BEACH FOR SOMETHING
BESIDES SWIMMING!

WAKE UP IN THE MORNING AND FIND
LAST NIGHT'S DREAM BESIDE YOU!

SHAVE, SHAMPOO, AND SHOWER
IN REAL HOT WATER WITH LOTS OF
SOAP SUDS-AND RELAX IN A TUB!

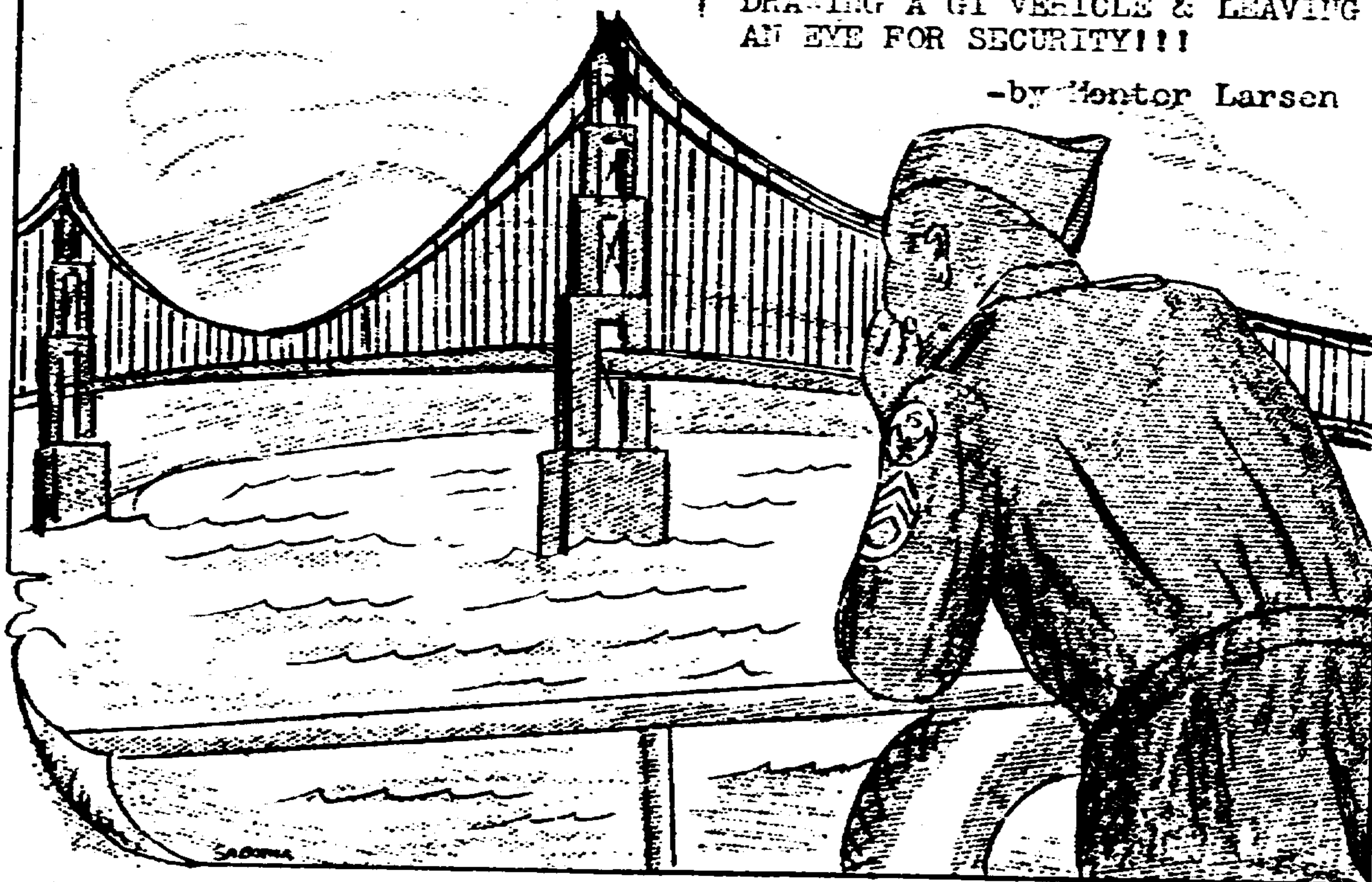
LAUGH AND JOKE WITH FORMER 2ND
LIEUTENANTS WHO WILL BE ABLE TO
FORGET BEING GENTLEMEN!

GO INTO A THEATER AND SIT DOWN
WITHOUT SPREADING A RAINCOAT
OVER THE SEAT!

USE MATCHED SALT & PEPPER SHA-
KERS, AND REAL CHINA PLATES!

DRIVE OUR OWN CARS, INSTEAD OF
DRAWING A GI VEHICLE & LEAVING
AN EYE FOR SECURITY!!!

-by Mentor Larsen



WE'VE A FIGHTER UP TONIGHT

Condition Red we do not dread,
As free from care we seek our bed;
The reason that our hearts are light,
We've got a fighter up tonight!

A Lightning Fighter with twin tails,
And all those guns; he never fails;
Let Haytag Charlie zoom and skin,
His doom is waiting there for him!

We turn into our nice soft cot,
To know we're safe sure helps a lot;
Wakened by a siren's wail,
For once the damned thing didn't fail;
Half asleep, jump from bed,
Jam a helmet on your head;
Damn it, now let's stew and fret,
Tangled in a mosquito net;
Skin your hand upon a nail,
Step into an empty pail;
Bump your shins, fall with a crash,
Arise and make a frantic dash;
Give your head just one more bump,
Slide to your dugout on your rump.

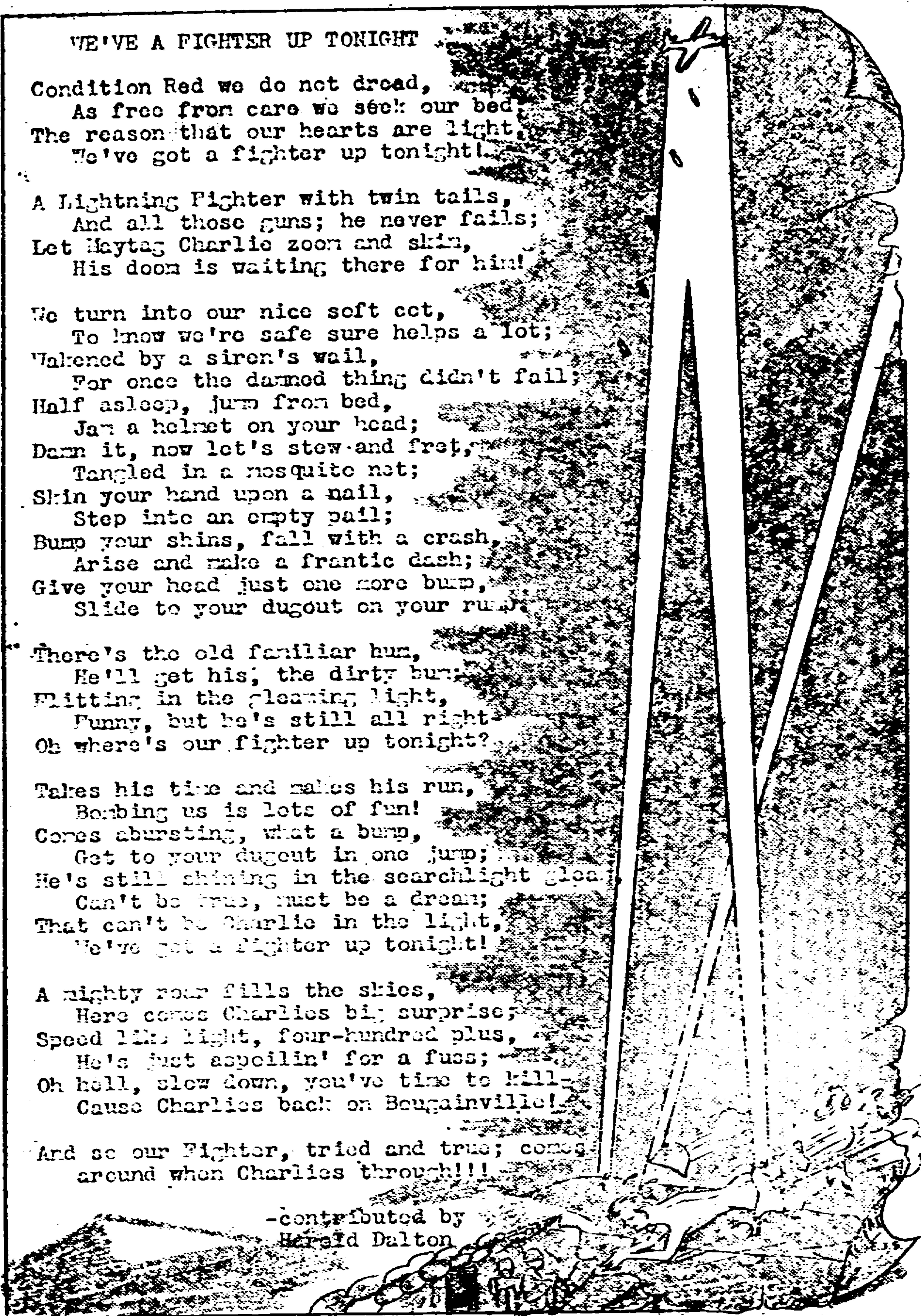
There's the old familiar hum,
He'll get his; the dirty bum;
Flitting in the gleaming light,
Funny, but he's still all right;
Oh where's our fighter up tonight?

Takes his time and makes his run,
Bombing us is lots of fun!
Cores abursting, what a bump,
Get to your dugout in one jump;
He's still shining in the searchlight gleam;
Can't be true, must be a dream;
That can't be Charlie in the light,
We've got a fighter up tonight!

A mighty roar fills the skies,
Here comes Charlie's big surprise;
Speed like light, four-hundred plus,
He's just aspeilin' for a fuss;
Oh hell, slow down, you've time to kill—
Cause Charlie's back on Bougainville!

And so our Fighter, tried and true; comes
around when Charlie's through!!!

-contributed by
Harold Dalton





YOU COULD HEAR IT ALL OVER THE AREA, GUYS SOUNDING OFF THAT "OVER HERE CHRISTMAS DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING", AND "WE DON'T WANT ANYBODY TO SEND US ANYTHING AT ALL". "IT'S JUST THAT MUCH MORE STUFF THAT WE'LL HAVE TO CARRY AROUND". BUT YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE EAR TO EAR GRINS AND THE HAPPY FACES WHEN THE PACKAGES STARTED ROLLING IN! AND THE CONTENTS POURED OUT AND FILLED THE LONELY HEARTS TO CAPACITY WITH JOY AND THE STOMACHS WITH STATESIDE FOOD! IT WAS A BIG YEAR FOR PRESENTS, AND IT WAS AS GOOD A CHRISTMAS AS ANY OF US COULD HAVE OVER HERE AWAY FROM OUR HOMES AND FAMILIES.

THE POST OFFICE REPORTED THAT THIS WAS THEIR BIGGEST YEAR, AND THAT THE NUMBER OF PACKAGES GOING OVERSEAS BOTH EAST AND WEST NUMBERED IN THE MILLIONS! LOTS OF THEM REACHED US ONLY THIRTY DAYS AFTER THEY WERE MAILED, & OTHERS ARE STILL COMING IN! MOST ARRIVED IN GOOD CONDITION; A FEW SADLY WRAPPED WERE FIT ONLY TO TOSS INTO THE WASTE!

THE FRONT OF THE ORDERLY ROOM LOOKED LIKE "MACY'S BASEMENT ON BUSY SATURDAY!" FOR WEEKS THE PACKAGES ROLLED IN AND WERE PILED IN MOUNTAINS ON CANVASES. AT THE CALL "MAIL", MEN COULD DROP ANYTHING THEY WERE DOING. GUYS DASHED OUT OF THE SHOWERS CLAD ONLY IN GI TOWELS; GREASE COVERED MOTOR POOL MEN DUG OUT FROM BENEATH TRUCKS, JEEPS AND WEAPONS CARRIERS, AND CINEMEN FELL OFF POLES!!!

THE FIRST MAN TO REACH THIS PILE USUALLY DID A "STAI" DIVE IN APPROVED STYLE, AND WHEN DUST & DEBRIS HAD SETTLED, HEAVILY LOADED GI'S COULD BE SEEN DASHING IN EVERY DIRECTION. SOME FELLOWS NEEDED TRUCKS TO GET THEIR PACKAGES TO THE TENTS. "SHORT-HAIR" MATTHEWS FINALLY DID GET A JEEP AND COULD BE SEEN DAILY DRIVING TENTWARD WITH HIS LOOT. "THE GUT" (BIG ED MILLER), "CHAPPY" FALLS, AND "WHIP" DALTON ALSO DID O.K. AND WITH THE HELP OF McCONNELL AND A WHEELBARROW THEY MANAGED TO TRANSPORT THEIR BOOTY "HOME". "DEACON" MITCHELL ALSO FAIRED WELL-AND "THE BOSS" LT LEVIN WAS LOST IN A MAZE OF FRUITCAKES!!!

RECONNAISSANCE THROUGH TENTS IN THE AREA SHOWED REAL YANKEE (AND THAT INCLUDES REBEL) INGENUITY. EVERYWHERE THE LADS WERE ENGAGED IN HANGING THE PACKAGES FROM TENT POLES AND IN SEALING THE MORE DELECTABLE TID-BITS IN TIN CANS.

EVERYONE WAS HAPPY, EXCEPT THE ANTS AND THE RATS, WHO MARCHED TO THEIR OBJECTIVES ONLY TO SEE IT SAFELY ENCASED IN ARMO. THE ANTS COULDN'T STAND THE ALTITUDE OF THE "STRING-HUNG" PACKAGES-AND OUR WANDERING CHICKEN'S APETITE WAS SATISFIED BY A PASSION FRUIT, WHICH HIT HER IN THE POSTERIOR! SO 'TIS XMAS, 1944..... WE'LL SETTLE NEXT YEAR FOR OUR OWN TREES IN OUR OWN HOMES-THUS SAVING THE POST OFFICE ALL THAT WORK AND TROUBLE!!!

Thank to Don Falls & McConnell

OLD TIMERS

READING TIME: 3 min. -by Robert L. Christman



HERE IS THE STORY OF BIRTH; THE BIRTH OF THE 1008TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP & SOME OF THE EVENTS PRECEDING ITS FORMATION. IT IS ALSO THE STORY OF SOME OF THE MEN WHO MADE UP THE ORIGINAL ORGANIZATION; MEN WHO HAVE LONG SINCE RETURNED TO THE STATES FOR LONG AND WELL-DESERVED RESTS AND DOMESTIC DUTY.

MOST OF US WHO NOW MAKE UP THE 1008TH WILL NOT REMEMBER OR RECOGNIZE THE NAMES OF THOSE FELLOWS, BUT AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER MOST OF US HAVE HEARD OF THEIR EARLY EXPLOITS IN THE 1ST DAYS OF THE WAR. MOST OF US AT THAT TIME WERE CIVILIANS, AND A LOT OF US WEREN'T MUCH INTERESTED IN THE ARMY OR IN WAR, BUT THE FELLOWS IN THE EIGHTH SIGNAL PLATOON WERE VERY MUCH INTERESTED! FOR THE VERY DAY OF THE PEARL HARBOR ATTACK, THOSE LADS WERE ON THE HIGH SEAS, AND MOVING ACROSS THE PACIFIC! THEY NATURALLY PUT BACK INTO A U.S. PORT, FOR THEY WOULD HAVE RECEIVED A HOT RECEPTION INDEED AT THEIR ORIGINAL DESTINATION. NOT LONG AFTERWARD, THOUGH, THEY ONCE AGAIN SAILED-THIS TIME IT WAS THE FIJI ISLANDS!!!

OUR MEN WERE AMONG THE FIRST AMERICAN TROOPS TO LAND IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC, AND HAD THE JAPS BEEN ABLE TO PUSH FURTHER SOUTH, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN UP TO THESE MEN TO HELP IN THE DEFENSE AND BATTLE FOR THOSE STRATEGIC ISLANDS.

WHILE IN THE FIJIS, THE MEN OF THE 8TH SIGNAL PLATOON EARNED THEMSELVES A FINE REPUTATION WITH THEIR RAPID AND ACCURATE COMMUNICATIONS WORK, AND IT WAS THERE THAT THE 1008TH WAS BORN.

WE CAN THANK THOSE MEN WHO CAME OUT HERE IN 1940 AND 1941 FOR MUCH-FOR IT IS THOSE MEN WHO STARTED US DOWN THAT LONG RETURN ROAD TO TOKYO & HOME! IT IS THE HARD WORK AND THE EFFORTS OF THOSE OLD-TIMERS THAT MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO EAT, DRINK, SLEEP, AND LIVE IN COMPARATIVE LUXURY AND SAFETY!!! IN CLOSING; "HATS OFF TO THOSE OLD TIMERS, AND MAY THEY HAVE A PLEASANT TOUR OF DUTY IN THE STATES". SOME OF THE ORIGINAL MEMBERS OF THE OUTFIT WERE: 1ST SGT KING, T/3 GARDNER, T/4 SPOON, S/SGT FOWKLES, T/4 MEYERS, T/SGT LONG, S/SGT FOWLER, T/SGT GRODY, T/5 HOLLIDAY, T/4 BARNETT, S/SGT PUNK, T/SGT TANNIS, LT LINGO, S/SGT KOCORIS, T/SGT LANDON, 1ST SGT PFAU, & T/SGT TAYLOR. ALSO: T/4 VON HAFPTEN, T/4 LEVEILLE AND SHEFF, MURPHY, BRYANT, FRANKLIN, DIELMAN, AKERS, KELLY, FLADER, AND PALMER.

=OVERHEARD LOCALLY=

Nagy: "Gib, how many cigarettes do you smoke a day?"

Giblin: "Oh, any GIVEN amount!"

SHORT AND SWEET!

Pearlutter: (holding four aces) "What have you got, George?"

Weintraub: "A pair of duccos & a razor!"

Pearlutter: "Drag your money, you win!"

And somebody tells us that Del Shaffer "put his head on the sidewalk to keep his mind out of the gutter".

Our Mission

(COME WITH US, FOLKS, ON A TRIP
AROUND OUR COMPANY!!! HERE IS
YOUR CHANCE TO SEE HOW "WE DO
WHAT WE DO IN A SIG CO SV GP")

"HI Ya FOLKS!" I'M A GI JOE
ASSIGNED TO SHOW YOU AROUND OUR
COMPANY, AND I'M ALSO GOING TO
TRY TO CLEAR UP SOME OF THOSE ?
YOU HAVE BEEN ASKING IN LETTERS.

LET'S START AT THE "NERVE-
CENTER OF THE COMPANY, THE ORD-
ERLY ROOM OR HEADQUARTERS SECT-
ION! IN THAT HUT ARE LOTS OF RE-
CORDS AND PAPER-WORK COVERING
EVERYTHING THAT IN ANY WAY CON-
CERNS THE OUTFIT. SEE THAT MAN
BACK THERE? THAT'S THE COMMAN-
DING OFFICER, LT MARSHALL LEVIN.
AND LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO OUR
FIRST SERGEANT, "BUCK" BUCHANAN.
THOSE OTHER LADS ARE BURR, ERNST
McMURRY, MATTHEWS AND STRONG.
AND THOSE TWO MEN COMING THRU
THE DOOR; THE WARRANT OFFICER IS
MR. CALDWELL, OUR SUPPLY OFFIC-
ER; AND LT. RADZIK THE RADIO OF-
FICER. YEP, THIS LITTLE BUILD-
ING HOUSES THE SECTION THAT CON-
TROLS THE ACTIVITIES OF ALL OF
THE OTHER SECTIONS.

OVER THERE BEHIND YOU ARE THE
SUPPLY AND STORAGE & ISSUE HUTS.
WHAT? OH YES, ALL OF THAT CLOTH-
ING THAT SERGEANT ANDERSON HAN-
DLES IS "GI AND FREE". WHICH RE-
MINDS ME, SERGEANT WYNN HAS GOT
A NEW PAIR OF SHOES FOR ME, EX-
CUSE ME A MOMENT WHILE I PICK
THEM UP! NOW THAT HUT NEXT DOOR
IS THE HOME OF STORAGE & ISSUE;
THE DOMAIN OF SERGEANT FALLS. HE
SUPPLIES ALL OF OUR SECTIONS
WITH THE TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT WE
NEED TO MAINTAIN COMMUNICATION
AND AIRBORNE INSTRUMENTS! HIS
IS A PRETTY BIG JOB TOOL. LOOK
OVER IN THAT CORNER...SEE THAT

BROKEN TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT? IT
WILL LOOK LIKE NEW AS SOON AS
CHRISTMAN AND DALTON GET A BIT
OF SPARE TIME TO WORK ON IT. AT
PRESENT THEY ARE WORKING WITH
THE LINE CREW STRINGING WIRE.

SAY, HOW ABOUT A LITTLE DIN-
NER? YOU'LL PROBABLY HAVE TO
SWEAT OUT THE LINE WITH THE OT-
HER GUESTS AND THE GI'S, CAUSE
WE EAT CAFETERIA STYLE ALWAYS.
THOSE ARE A COUPLE OF OUR LADS
MIXING UP A CAKE OVER THERE--
GARCIA AND SMITTY. AND THE FEL-
LOW ON THE SERVING LINE IS LO-
VETT. WHAT HAVE WE GOT ON THE
MENU TODAY? STEAK, POTATOES, &
CREAMED CORN, ALONG WITH SLAW,
FRUIT SALAD, BREAD AND BUTTER,
AND A COLD DRINK. IT ISN'T AL-
WAYS THIS GOOD-WE HAVE ALL HAD
PLENTY OF THAT DEHYDRATED STUFF
ON OTHER ISLANDS, AND WE'LL PRO-
BABLY SEE PLENTY MORE BEFORE WE
ARE THRU!!! AFTER YOU HAVE EAT-
EN, AND WASHED YOUR MESS GEAR,
WE'LL TAKE A JEEP RIDE DOWN TO
THE AIRSTRIP AND WATCH OUR LINE
CREW IN ACTION.

THIS IS IT FOLKS, AND YOU
SEEM A LITTLE ASTOUNDED AT THE
NUMBER OF AIRPLANES. THOSE OV-
ER THERE ARE BEING CHECKED BY
OUR MEN FOR DEFECTIVE RADIO E-
QUIPMENT. THAT IS CORPORAL W.
E. MILLER IN THE COCKPIT; AND
SERGEANT HANKS COMING THRU THE
HATCH. THE FELLOWS CLIMBING IN-
TO THAT JEEP ARE BOLEN AND MIT-
CHELL; THEY ARE TAKING A RADIO
SET FROM THAT SHOT-UP SHIP OV-
ER THERE UP TO OUR SHOP TO BE
REPAIRED. MEANWHILE, ANOTHER SET
WILL BE PUT IN THE SHIP; "THESE

OUR MISSION (cont'd)

BOYS REALLY KEEP 'EM FLYING".

NOW ABOUT STOPPING IN AT OUR POST EXCHANGE FOR A COLD COKE? THIS LITTLE BUILDING HERE HOUSES WHAT CORRESPONDS TO OUR CORNER DRUG STORE BACK HOME- & WE CAN GET EVERYTHING FROM MAGAZINE COPIES TO HAIR TONIC AND PIPES IN HERE. NOW WOULD YOU LIKE A FEW CARTONS OF CIGARETTES AT 50 CENTS A CARTON, DAD? WHEN & IF WE EVER LEAVE THIS PLACE, OUR POST EXCHANGE FACILITIES WILL PROBABLY TAKE A TURN FOR THE WORSE, SO THE LADS ARE REALLY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS TASTE OF CIVILIZATION!

LET'S STEP OVER AND HAVE A LOOK AT THAT "RUBE GOLDBERG" CONTRAPTION; OVER BEHIND IT IS VES KOEFFLER AND FRANK DISANTO, THE INVENTORS. WHAT YOU SEE IS A HOMEMADE GENERATOR MADE OUT OF SALVAGED PARTS-AND THE FUNNY PART ABOUT IT IS THAT IT REALLY WORKS WITHOUT A HITCH!!!

BOTH OF THE FELLOWS ARE ATTACHED TO THE RADIO SHOP; INCIDENTALLY, LETS STEP RIGHT IN HERE AND LOOK OVER THE SHOP. IT IS OFFICIALLY CALLED THE RADIO REPAIR SECTION, AND IS IN CHARGE OF LT RADZIK AND HIS SHOP FEE MAN, ANTHONY CARBONE. THOSE MEN WORKING AT THE BENCHES AND WITH THAT TEST EQUIPMENT ARE RESPECTIVELY: KNOKE, BATES, CHILDS, THACKER, AND BAKER. JUST A FEW STEPS AWAY IS THE TELEPHONE & MESSAGE CENTER BUILDING. THOSE TWO MEN WORKING ON THE LIGHTED SWITCHBOARD ARE FUREY AND DOLDUS, AND THEIR JOB IS TO MAINTAIN TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION IN AND THRU THE VARIOUS OFFICES OF THIS COMMAND. THE WIRE REPAIRMEN ARE JUST LEAVING THEIR SHOP AND ARE EVIDENTLY GOING OUT ON AN OUTSIDE REPAIR JOB-PROBABLY SOME WIRES DOWN WITH TREES ACROSS THEM! THOSE MEN CLIMBING INTO THAT WEAPONS CARRIER ARE MEMBERS OF THE WIRE CREW-VAIL,

BOYLE, AND HUNT. POLE CLIMBING AND WIRE REPAIR IS ONLY PART OF THEIR JOB THOUGH; WHEN THEY GET BACK THERE WILL BE PHONES TO REPAIR, INSTALL, OR TAKE OUT.

IN THE LEFT WING OF THE BUILDING THE MESSAGE CENTER IS IN FULL SWING UNDER THE DIRECTION OF LT LEVINE AND HIS ASSISTANTS ROBERTS, BENCKART, REID, FRENCH, PAUL, BOB SHEA, TP SHEA, LARSEN, PARSONS, HAMILTON, CHIVETTE, REGIS, AND WATCH OFFICER NINES.

IT'S IN HERE THAT MESSAGES & REPORTS ARE RECEIVED, CODED, & DISPATCHED TO OFFICES AND TO OUR RADIO STATION, WHERE THEY MAY BE RELAYED TO ANOTHER DESTINATION! SPEAKING OF THE RADIO STATION, THERE GO TWO OF OUR OPERATORS NOW, DARHAM & PINELLI.

IT'S ALMOST QUITTING TIME, AND WE'D BETTER START BACK. ON THE WAY WE'LL HAVE A LOOK IN AT THE MOTOR POOL-THAT'S IT OVER THERE WHERE YOU SEE THOSE PARKED VEHICLES. AL DALTON IS IN CHARGE & "POP" ROBERTS IS THE NUMBER TWO MAN, ASSISTED BY CORRIE, RAYMOND NAGY, AND LYONS. THEY KEEP OUR TRUCKS, JEEPS, AND WEAPONS CARRIERS IN TIP-TOP CONDITION.

AND WE ALMOST FORGOT TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE BARTON-BAUMERT LAUNDRY, THE LITTLE INSTALLATION THAT TAKES CARE OF OUR WASHING.

WELL FOLKS, THATS OUR COMPANY! YOU HAVE MET SOME OF OUR FELLOWS AND SEEN SOME OF THE WORK...AND IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE TO ACT AS YOUR ESCORT. WE'LL SEE YOU OFF ON YOUR PLANE NOW- AND THEN WITH THE GRACE OF GOD, OF MARYMUR, AND OF THE 13TH AIRY AIR FORCE: WE'LL TELL YOU THE REST OF THE STORY FROM THAT PLUSH CHAIR IN THE LIVING ROOM!!! AND SOON!!!



SPOT INTERVIEWS

ALBERT H. BUCHANAN

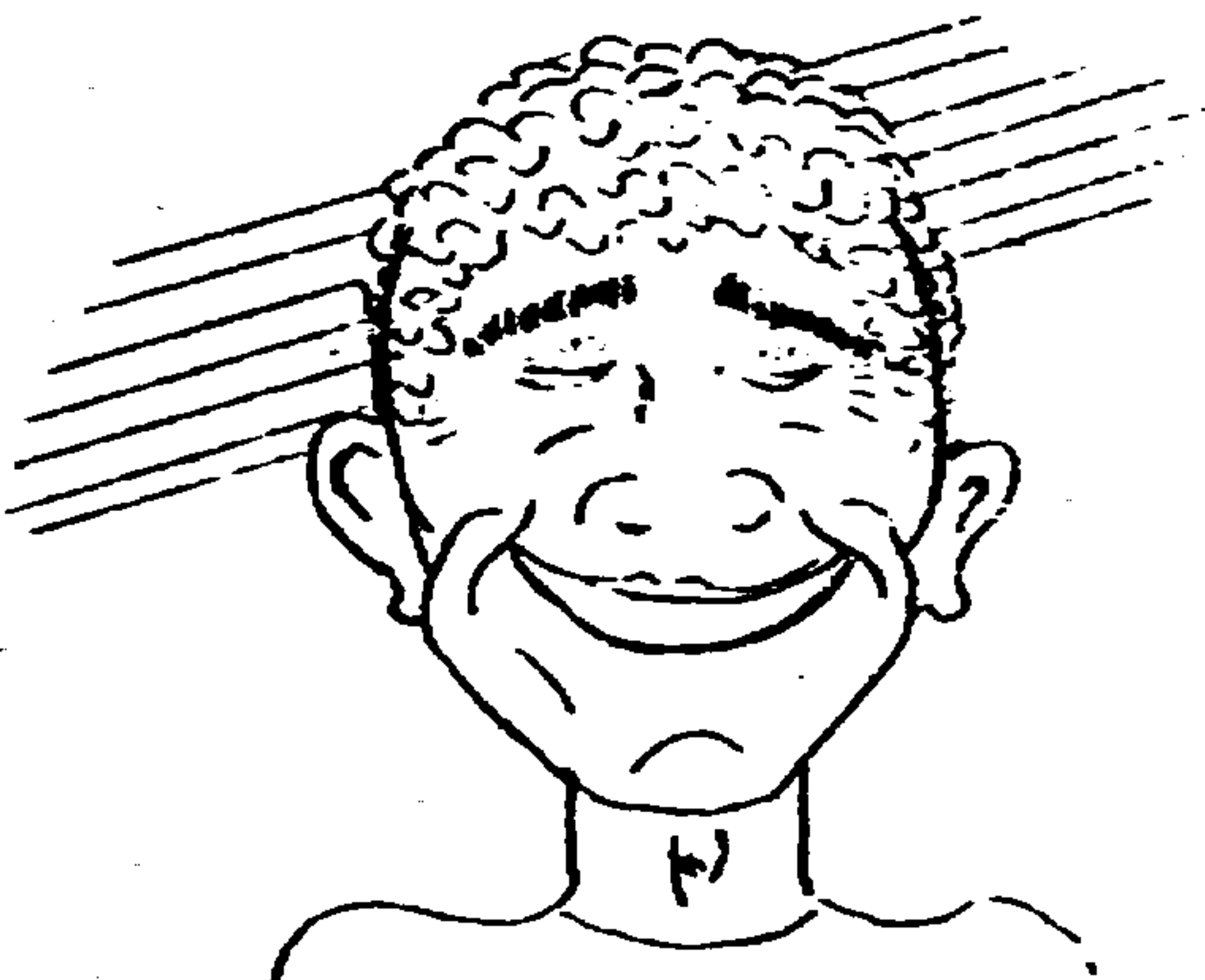
Likes: Non-fiction Books, Medical and Travel Subjects
 Dislikes: Movies That Tend To Cheapen Womanhood.
 Remembers: Jap Planes and Return Fire of 90mm A.A. Battery About 100 Yards From Our Camp.....
 Reads: Non-fiction, Science
 Has: Wonderful Wife
 Favorite Book: Any Book Containing Constructive Information.....
 Favorite Actress: Ingrid Bergman.....
 Favorite Actor: Edward G. Robinson.....
 Admires: Lincoln, General Lee, General Pershing....
 Wants: Home; Interntl. Politics



"BUCK"

EDWIN J. SABOTKA....

Likes: Art Work, Snow, Big Cities, Tall Buildings
 Dislikes: War, New Guinea, & Dehydrated Potatoes
 Remembers: The Stevens Hotel, Chicago, Those Good Old Days at the Art Institute, Sodas...
 Reads: Adventure, Autobiography
 Has: Over 2 years in the Army.
 Favorite Book: "Under a Lucky Star"-R. Andrews
 Favorite Actress: June Allyson
 Favorite Actor: Cary Grant
 Admires: Norman Rockwell, Grant Wood (Illustrators)
 Wants: Good wife and a few little Sabotkas, BA degree in Art.
 Nicknames: "Saboot", "Sabot", "Sabatage"
 Noted: For his big grin, his drawings of Pin-Ups, the way and fervor with which he plugs Indiana.



"SABOT"

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-Guy R. Brooks

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Her dimples now are wrinkles, and her hair as
white as snow;
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do;
Her lips no longer rosy, but her heart is kind
and true.
She isn't "sex appealing", nor much to look
upon,
But she's the kind of Pin-Up girl to make a
happy home!
At night when others gaze at pin-ups so fair,
I sit and stare at Mother, and to her say a
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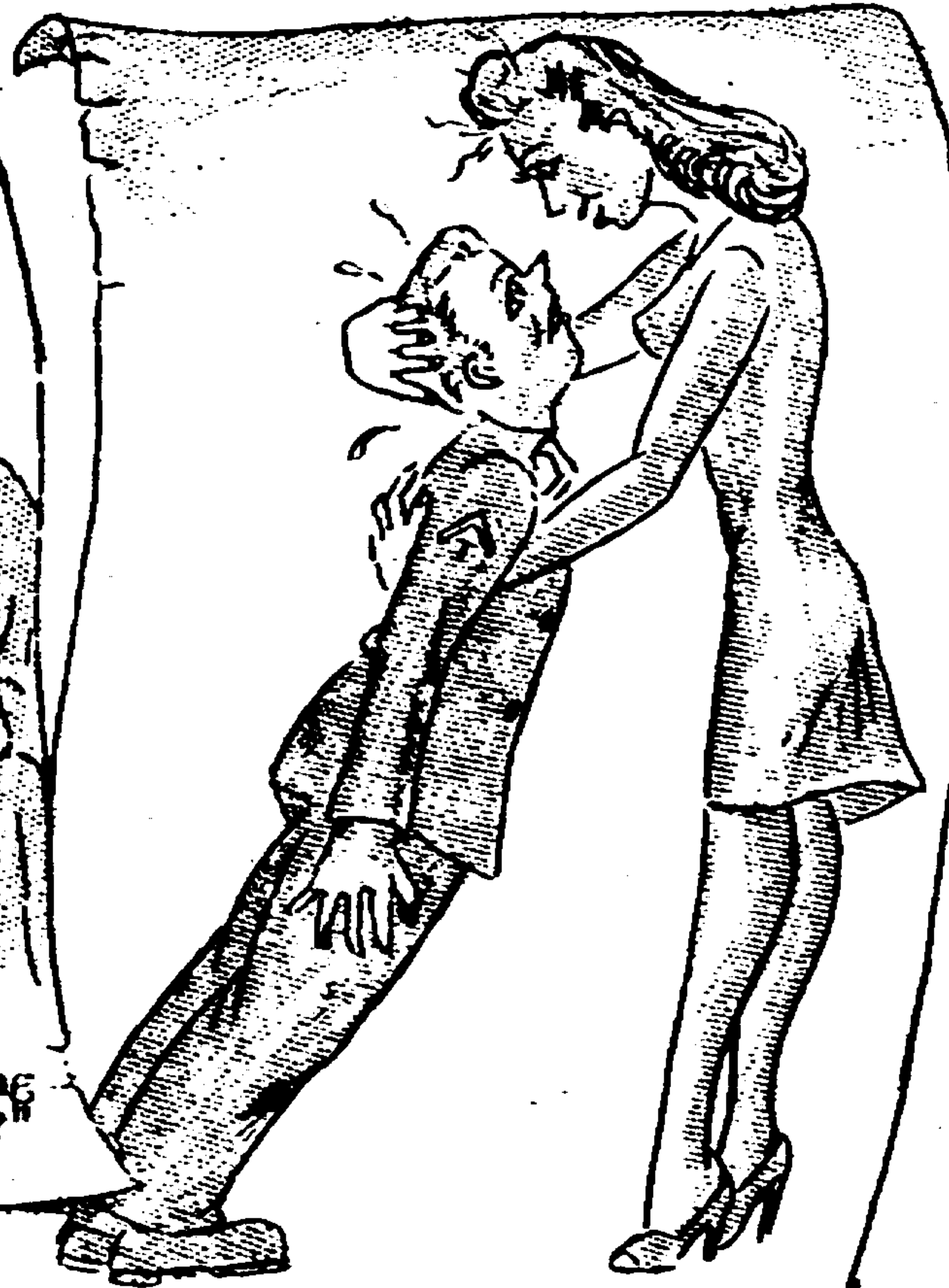
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"Well, what are you waiting for, bub, reinforcements?"



"You G.I.'s are so strong that a girl can't help but surrender!"



"Oh don't mind that-it's just my husband raiding the refrigerator!"





Pvt. (out of breath): "Sir, the First Sergeant has just hanged himself!"
 Lt. "You don't say. Did you cut him down?"
 Pvt. "No sir, he wasn't dead yet!"

Mother (entering the dark room unexpectedly): "Why, I never....."
 Daughter: "Oh, come mother, you must have."

Overheard at a dance: "Hands off, Columbus, you've discovered enough for tonight".

Officer: "Why didn't you salute me yesterday?"
 Soldier: "I didn't see you, sir"
 Officer: "Good, I was afraid that you were mad at me!"

Sweater girls are seen in the 'best places'.

Cab Driver: (unfamiliar with the road) "I take the next turn, don't I?"
 G.I.: (busy with girl friend) "Like hell you do!"

Mary has a little swing,
 It isn't hard to find.....
 Everywhere that Mary goes,
 The swing is right behind..

"There are a lot of couples who don't pet in parked cars!"
 "Yeh, the woods are full of them".

Pilot, after trying a tail-spin: "I'll bet 50% of the people down there thought we would be killed!"
 Student: "yes sir, and 50% of the people up here did too!"

G.I.: "I suppose you dance".
 Girl: "Yes, I love too!"
 G.I.: "Swell, that's even better than dancing!"

A sweet young thing from the window: "Iceman, do you have the time?"
 Iceman: "Sure have, but who will hold the horses?"

A fool is a man who argues whether or not women have brains...a wise man contents himself with what they have got!





L. L. Humor

BARTON: "I WANT A TICKET FOR VIRGINIA."

TICKET AGENT: "WHAT PART OF VIRGINIA?"

BARTON: "ALL OF HER; THAT'S HER OVER BY THE SUITCASE."

SCHULLMAN SAYS THAT "A MAN IS JUST A WORM WHO WRIGGLES AROUND TILL SOME CHICK GETS HIM."

CHUCK PRAHL ADDS, AND "A DEVOTED SON IS ONE WHO LETS HIS DAD TAKE THE CAR NOW AND THEN."

PAIL: "WHY IS MARRIAGE LIKE A CAFETERIA?"

LT HINES: "BECAUSE YOU GRAB WHAT LOOKS NICE-THEN PAY FOR IT AFTERWARD!"

C. JACK: "WILL YOU PLEASE EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NERVOUSNESS AND SHYNESS?"

DOCTOR: "PRETTY WOMEN MAKE ME SHY; THEIR HUSBANDS MAKE ME NERVOUS!"

AGUSTI SAYS THAT "A GAL CAN GO PRETTY FAR IF SHE'S STRAIGHT, & A HECK OF A LOT FURTHER IF SHE'S CURVED!"

"I GO FOR SERGEANTS WHO ARE FRANK AND ERNEST".
"SORRY, BABE, MY NAME IS REID".

"JUNIOR, IS THAT LIQUOR I CAN SMELL ON YOUR BREATH?"
"YES MOTHER, I GUESS IT IS".
"THEN YOU'LL HAVE TO STOP GOING OUT WITH GIRLS."

TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTLE STAR,
A SOLDIER TOOK ME IN HIS CAR;
WHAT WE DID I AINT ADMITTIN'
BUT WHAT I'M KNITTIN' AINT
FOR BRITAIN.....

FUREY, VERY HOARSE WITH COLD
AND NOT ABLE TO SPEAK ABOVE
A WHISPER, KNOCKS AT DOOR OF
DOCTOR'S HOME AND DOC'S WIFE
COMES TO DOOR. "DOC HOME?" JIM
ASKS IN A WHISPER. WIFE, ALSO
IN A WHISPER, "NO, COME ON IN!"

CHALKED ON THE SIDE OF AN OLD
RATTLETRAP CAR: DO NOT COLLECT
THIS SCRAP; I STILL DRIVE IT.

"LIQUOR GRIEVES ME", SAID PETE
STRONG AS HE CHOKED DOWN HIS
GRIEF!

ON A LONELY ROAD THE MOTOR IN
HIS PRE-WAR CAR POUNDED TO A
STOP. "I WONDER, MUSED SCHUM-
ACHER, WHAT THAT KNOCK IS?"
"MAYBE", SAID HIS BLONDE COM-
PANION, "IT'S OPPORTUNITY".

McCONNELL SAYS: "NATURE SEEMS
DETERMINED TO MAKE US WORK...
THE LESS HAIR WE HAVE TO COMB
THE MORE FACE WE HAVE TO WASH".

ANDY'S GIRL: "I THOUGHT I
TOLD YOU TO COME AFTER SUPPER"
ANDY: "THAT'S WHAT I'M AFTER"

Thanks to: Bill Wynn
Alex Worley
Walt Penka
And the Spec. Ser. "Beachcomber"



The Inquiring Reporter

QUESTION: WHAT INCIDENT IN YOUR ARMY LIFE STANDS OUT MOST VIVIDLY IN YOUR MEMORY?

PAUL ANDERSON: MY TRIP TO THE ISLAND OF NEW ZEALAND.

JOE BATES: MY FURLOUGH HOME AND THE PLEASANT SENSATION OF BEING A CIVILIAN AGAIN.

KENNETH KNOKE: THE GIRLS IN THE BATHING SUITS WHO USED TO TAKE PHYSICAL TRAINING WITH US AT MIAMI BEACH. (UNOFFICIALLY)

PAUL MILLER: COMING OUT UNDER THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, BUT I'LL REMEMBER GOING IN MUCH LONGER!

SOLOMON LEVIN: THAT FIRST NIGHT OUT OF FRISCO; HANGING OVER THE RAIL!

RAYMOND BOYD: THE 10 DAYS I WAS ON ANGEL ISLAND, COULD SEE MY HOUSE, BUT COULDN'T GET HOME.

JOHN JEANS: GETTING A THIRTY DAY MEDICAL FURLO (I DIDN'T THINK IT COULD BE DONE).

ANDREW STINICH: PASSING OUT IN THE PRESSURE CHAMBER AT THE HARTLINGEN AERIAL GUNNERY SCHOOL.

STANTON ERNST: COMING OVERSEAS AS AN AERIAL GUNNER AND GETTING ASSIGNED AS A CLERK TO A SIGNAL UNIT.

HOWARD HUNT: THAT LONG TRIP OVERSEAS.

M.E. MILLER: FLYING OVERSEAS IN B-21.

E.J. SABOTKA: ME TOO!

EDWARD REGIS: THE TRAIN-RIDE ACROSS THE STATES, AND OUR NEAR ABDUCTION BY THE GIRLS IN THE FULTON, KY. STATION DURING A 15 MINUTE STOP-OVER.

W.R. HANKS: TAKING OFF FROM THE FIELD AT PORT MORESBY, FLYING FOR THREE HOURS, LANDING AT A FIELD AND DISCOVERING THAT WE WERE BACK AT MORESBY AGAIN!

ART BAKER: THE TRIP I PLANNED BUT NEVER TOOK TO AUSTRALIA.

WALTER THACKER: THE TIME I PUT IN IN BASIC TRAINING-THE ONLY TIME I FELT THAT I WAS REALLY IN THE ARMY.

WESLEY KOEFFLER: TAKING OFF IN A PLANE FROM A STRIP; AND SEEING SHELLS FROM OUR NAVAL GUNS HITTING JAPANESE POSITIONS ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS SAME STRIP.

FRANK DISANTO: THE FIRST TIME I SHAVED; AS A G.I.!

GUY BURR: THOSE MOONLIGHT NITES AT MIAMI BEACH. WOW!

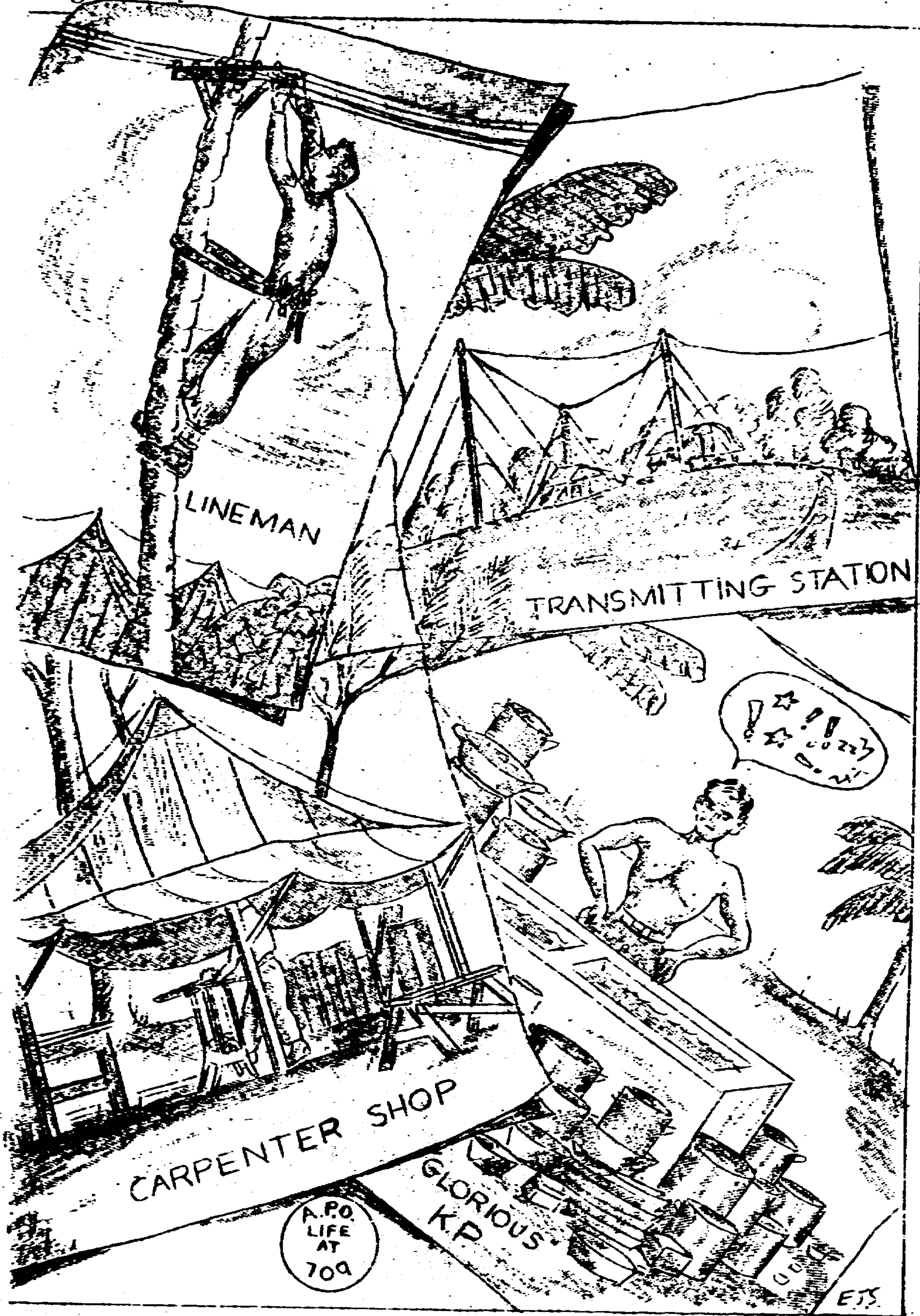
ALBERT BUCHANAN: THAT FIRST JAP BOMBING RAID, AND THAT BRILLIANT FLARE THAT THEY DROPPED RIGHT OVER OUR HEADS.

WILLIAM MCMURRY: 27 MONTHS AT THE SANTA ANNA AIR BASE- THE "COUNTRY CLUB" OF THE AAF.

WRITTEN BY:

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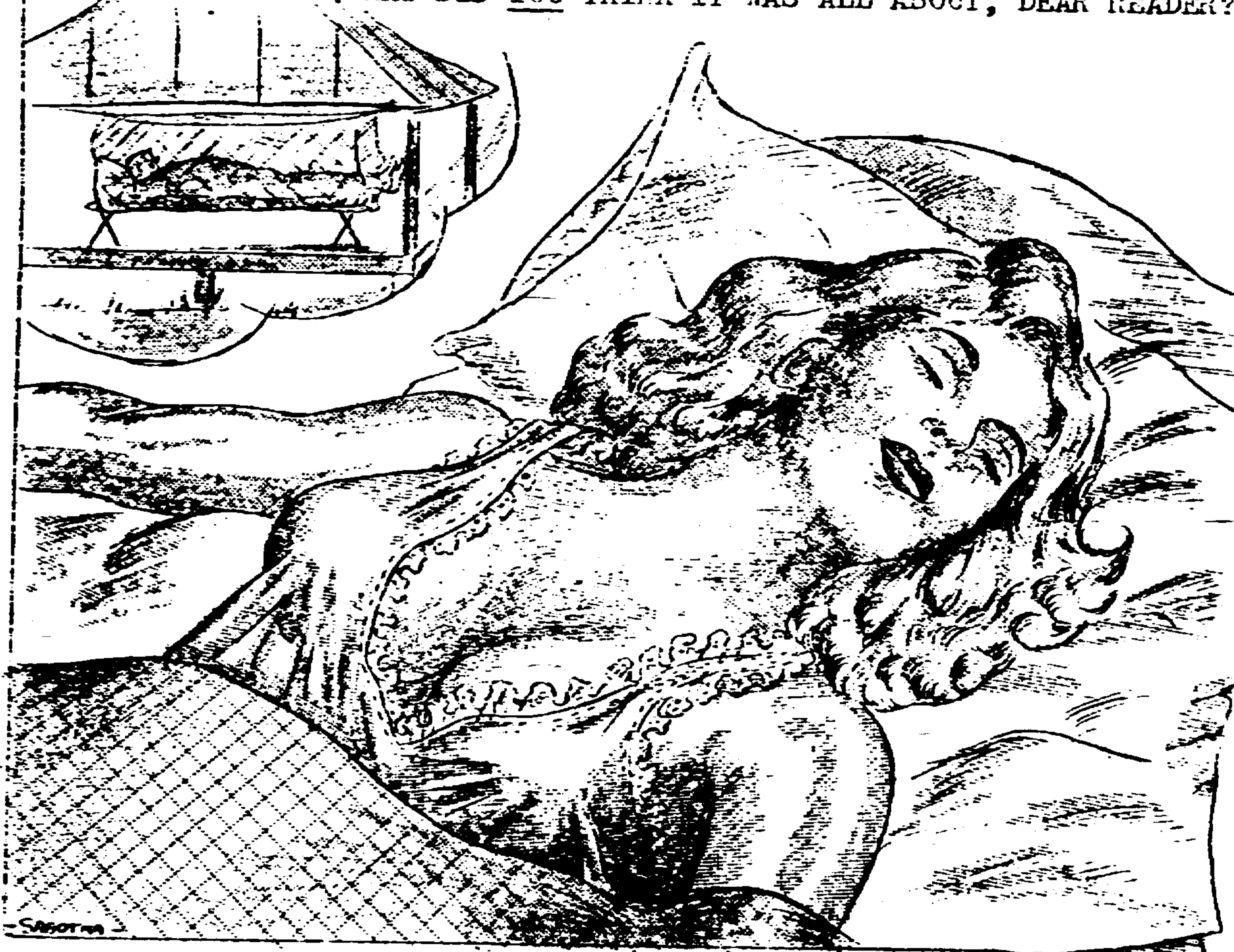


"LOST LOVE", or- It's a Hell of a Long Way From New York
To Suva

-by Eugene Schwartz

SHE WAS MADLY IN LOVE WITH HIM. HE WAS MADLY IN LOVE WITH HER. SHE WAS SINGLE AND WANTED TO MARRY. HE WAS SINGLE AND WANTED DREADFULLY TO MARRY HER! SHE STOOD ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE OF THE ROOM. HE STOOD ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE. SHE TOOK OFF HER TIGHTLY FITTED DRESS AND HUNG IT NEATLY IN THE CLOSET; HE TOOK OFF HIS SHIRT AND HUNG IT ON A CHAIR. SHE TOOK OFF HER SLIP AND FOLDED IT ON HER DRESSING TABLE. HE TOOK OFF HIS PANTS AND HUNG THEM ON A HOOK NEAR THE DOOR. SHE SAT ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE BED, AND ROLLED OFF HER STOCKINGS. HE SAT ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE BED AND TOOK OFF HIS SHOES AND SOCKS. SHE STOOD UP AND DAINTELY TOOK OFF HER TINY PANTIES AND BRASSIERE. HE STOOD UP AND TOOK OFF HIS SHORTS. SHE PUT ON A FILMY SILK NIGHTY AND CLIMBED INTO THE RIGHT HAND SIDE OF THE BED; HE PULLED ON HIS PAJAMAS AND CLIMBED IN ON THE LEFT SIDE. SHE REACHED UP AND PRESSED THE SWITCH THAT TURNED OFF THE TOP LIGHT. HE REACHED UP AND PULLED THE CORD THAT PUT OUT THE BED LIGHT. SHE FACED TOWARD THE LEFT; HE FACED TOWARD THE RIGHT. HE WAS IN A TENT IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC; SHE WAS IN HER HOME IN NEW YORK. SO THEY BOTH TURNED OVER AND WENT TO SLEEP!!!

EDITOR'S NOTE: (WHAT DID YOU THINK IT WAS ALL ABOUT, DEAR READER?)





-by C.W. Fleischer

AFTER WADING THROUGH MYRIADS OF RED TAPE, SEVERAL OF US OBTAINED PERMISSION TO VISIT THE NATIVE VILLAGE AT (CENSORED)... A NEW ZEALAND MEDIC PLEADED OUR CASE, AND WITHOUT HIM OUR MISSION WOULD HAVE BEEN A FAILURE, FOR THIS PARTICULAR VILLAGE IS STRICTLY "OFF LIMITS".

THE GENERAL HEALTH OF THIS VILLAGE WAS POOR, AND THE KIWI MEDICS OF THE NEW ZEALAND MEDICAL CORPS VISIT IT PERIODICALLY TO DOCTOR THE INHABITANTS. YAWS, VARICUS FORMS OF RING-WORM, AND TROPICAL ULCERS AND "SCABIES" ARE THE CHIEF AFFLICTIONS. NONE OF THESE AFFLICTIONS ARE RESPECTORS OF AGE, AND I STILL FEEL A BIT UNCOMFORTABLE AFTER SEEING SOME OF THE CASES! YAWS SEEMED TO BE THE MOST PREVELANT ILL, & YOUNG AND OLD ALIKE SUFFERED IN EQUAL NUMBERS. THIS DISEASE AFFECTS MOSTLY THE ARMS, LEGS, & FEET; IF ALLOWED TO GO FAR ENOUGH, THE AFFLICTED MEMBER LITERALLY "ROTS OFF". THERE WAS A PITIFUL OLD MAN IN THE VILLAGE WHO HAD LOST A FOOT, AND A WOMAN WHO WOULD HAVE LOST A LEG, IF IT HADN'T BEEN DISCOVERED BY THE NEW ZEALANDERS AND TREATED IN TIME. THE MEDIC WHO TREATS THIS VILLAGE IS RESPECTFULLY CALLED "DOCTOR BILL" BY THE INHABITANTS. HE HAS BEEN HELD IN AWE AND ESTEEM SINCE HE BEGAN CURING THEM NINE MONTHS AGO, AND IT WAS THROUGH HIS INFLUENCE THAT WE WERE ABLE TO SECURE SOME GOOD PHOTOS. THESE NATIVES SEEMED FEARFUL OF CAMERAS; BUT IT MAY

HAVE BEEN MERELY A MATTER OF PRIDE OR PREDJUDICE. IN ANY EVENT, THEY WERE DEFINITELY SHY OF THE LITTLE BLACK BOX.

THE VILLAGE ITSELF COVERED ABOUT TWO CITY BLOCKS, & HAD A POPULATION OF EIGHTY-SEVEN PERSONS. THEIR HOMES ARE LOW AND SMALL; THATCHED AND DARK INSIDE. FOR THE MOST PART, THEY ARE ILL KEPT AND DINGY. THE FURNISHINGS PRIMITIVE BUT SUFFICIENT. THEY DO SHOW SOME CONTACT WITH CIVILIZATION THOUGH, IN THE FORM OF TIN CANS, POTS, AND EVEN A FEW MATTRESSES. FIRES ARE MADE BY RUBBING TWO DRY STICKS TOGETHER OVER A PILE OF DRY SHAVINGS, & ARE USUALLY BUILT IN A CORNER OF THE HUT. THE SMOKE FINDS IT WAY OUT BETWEEN THE CRACKS, AS THERE IS NO OTHER VENTILATION. THE NATIVE DIET CONSISTS LARGE- LY OF PAPAYAS, BANANAS, CHICK-ENS, EGGS, PORK, AND A FEW VEGETABLES-ALL OF WHICH THEY RAISE OR GROW THEMSELVES. INCIDENTAL- LY, THIS IS JUST ABOUT THE ONLY WORK THAT THEY DO!

THERE IS A DEFINITE VITAMIN DEFECIENCY IN THIS DIET, AND IT MANIFESTS ITSELF IN THE "POT BEL- LIES" AND SPINDLY LEGS OF THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN. OCCASIONAL- LY, THE DAILY FARE IS SUPPLEME- NTED BY RATIONS DONATED BY THE TROOPS ON THE ISLAND. I WENT DOWN THE RIVER IN A CANOE WITH TWO NATIVES TO PICK UP A FEW CA- SES OF SUPPLIES THAT THE KIWIS HAD LEFT FOR THEM NEAR A DESIG- NATED TREE. ON RETURNING TO THE VILLAGE, I DISCOVERED THAT THESE CASES CONTAINED SALAMI, CANNED CORN BEEF, AND FLOUR.

NATIVE VILLAGE TRIP (cont'd)

THE WHOLE VILLAGE TURNED OUT FOR THE OPENING OF THE CASES, & THERE WAS A MAD SCRAMBLE FOR THE CONTENTS. LYONS, SCHULLMAN & I HAD TAKEN ALONG SOME TOBACCO & CHEWING GUM; ALONG WITH SALT, CANDY, AND SUNDRY OTHER ARTICLES, NOT KNOWING WHETHER THE NATIVES WOULD WANT THEM OR NOT. WE NEEDN'T HAVE WORRIED, FOR THEY TOOK EVERYTHING WE HAD TO OFFER! THE TOBACCO WAS ESPECIALLY POPULAR, BECAUSE EVERYBODY IN THE PLACE SMOKED; FROM SEVERAL FIVE YEAR-OLD CHILDREN TO A COUPLE OF ANCIENT CRONES!!!

ONE OF THE HUTS WAS DIFFERENT FROM THE REST, AND HAD A PAD LOCK ON THE DOOR. WE FOUND THAT IT BELONGED TO A NATIVE WHO WAS RAISED IN A MISSION, AND IN CONTRAST TO HIS NEIGHBORS, LIKED HIS THINGS KEPT NEAT AND CLEAN. ANOTHER LARGER HUT WAS USED AS A SCHOOL; THE STUDENTS SAT IN A SEMI-CIRCLE IN FRONT OF A BLACKBOARD ON WHICH WERE PRINTED THE LETTERS OF THE ALPHABET AND THE BASIC VOWEL AND CONSONANT SOUNDS.

ONE RARE OPPORTUNITY WAS AFFORDED US. WE WERE ALLOWED TO SNEAK A LOOK INTO A NATIVE BRIDAL CHAMBER. I USE THE TERM LOOSELY; ACTUALLY IT WAS THE BRIDE'S CORNER IN HER FORMER HOME--WHICH WAS NO DIFFERENT THAN THE REST! THE WEDDING HAD TAKEN PLACE THE NIGHT BEFORE, AND SHE WAS SLEEPING OFF THE EFFECTS OF THE CELEBRATION, THE GROOM NOWHERE IN SIGHT!

A TWO MILE HIKE THROUGH THE JUNGLE WAS THE PRICE WE PAID FOR OUR VISIT, BUT AFTER GLIMPING THE INTIMATE LIFE OF NATIVES--(NON-HOLLYWOOD) WE FELT JUSTLY REWARDED.

WHAT'S THIS?

"Just think, John, we don't have to pull down the shades any more- we're married now!"

"SOUTH PACIFIC- A LA HOLLYWOOD"

FROM THE DISTANT HILLS THE TOM-TOMS VIBRATE WICKEDLY IN THE EARS OF THE WHITE MAN AS HE STAGGERS THRU THE DENSE TROPICAL GROWTH! HE IS GOOD LOOKING, CLEAN SHAVEN, AND NATTILY DRESSED FOR ALL HIS THREE DAYS BEING LOST. SUDDENLY A GORGEOUS WHITE MAIDEN, DRESSED IN A BRIEF SARONG STEPS OUT OF A DISMAL SWAMP, FOLLOWED BY A CHORUS LINE OF FIERCE SAVAGES- CHANTING SOFTLY "WE LIKUM WHITE MEAT" TO THE TUNE OF "THE TROLLY SONG". THE NATIVES SPEAK AN UNKNOWN GIBBERISH, BUT THE GIRL ADDRESSES HIM IN PERFECT ENGLISH, FLAVORED WITH A BROOKLYN TANG. THE GENERAL IDEA IS THAT SHE IS A WHITE QUEEN, BUT HOW SHE GETS THERE WE NEVER FIND OUT! ANYHOW, THE TWO OF THEM RUN THRU THE JUNGLES CHASING EACH OTHER, SWIM IN SCENIC LAGOONS, AND HAVE SEVERAL FIGHTS WITH SNAKES, ALLIGATORS, AND JAP SPIES, WHO SEEM TO BE IN EVERY PALM TREE! THEY ALSO DO A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF LOVING, AND DECIDE THAT THIS MARRIAGE BUSINESS IS FOR THEM- AND AFTER TAKING CARE OF THE WITCH DOCTOR WHO HAS BEEN WISING UP THE JAPS, A PASSING BOAT CAPTAIN HITCHES THEM UP. BUT JUST AS THE HONEYMOON CANOE FADES INTO THE TROPICAL SUNSET, OUR HERO TELLS THE BEAUTIFUL QUEEN THAT HE HAD BETTER GET IN THE FIGHT, AND HE SHOWS HER HIS ENLISTMENT PAPERS IN THE AIR CORPS! SCENE FADES WITH HIM ZOOMING OVER THE ISLAND IN A P-38, AND HER WITH THREE OF THEIR CHILDREN STANDING BRAVE & TRUE ON A SAND BAR WAVING TO HER BIG, BRAVE HUSBAND!!!

(MORAL: IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO A SOUTH PACIFIC PICTURE, YOU ARE A HELL OF A LOT BETTER OFF WHEN YOU SEE THE REAL THING!)

-by Sonneborn, variations by Ernst... Music & Settings by Monogram Films Co.

WAY BACK WHEN

WRITTEN IN 1975

(JOSEPH SONNEBORN, DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN AUTHOR, LOOKS BACK ON HIS DAYS SPENT IN THE U.S. ARMY IN WORLD WAR II)

IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME NOW SINCE MY DISCHARGE FROM THE ARMY, AND THE WAR HAS BEEN PRETTY WELL FORGOTTEN. NOW I CAN LOOK BACK ON SOME OF THOSE PAST EVENTS (SWATHED AS THEY ARE IN THE GUAZE OF MEMORY) WITHOUT BITTERNESS!

MY FIRST TASTE OF THE "ARMY WAY" CAME THE DAY I TOOK THAT ARMY PHYSICAL. I STOOD IN LINE ALL DAY LONG, AND FROM THEN ON STANDING IN LINE CONSUMED THE MAJOR PART OF MY TIME..STANDING IN LINE FOR CHOW, FOR PAY, & EVEN FOR THE MOVIES! GETTING PUSHED AROUND WAS SECOND IN IMPORTANCE, AND I'LL NEVER FORGET GETTING UP AT THREE A.M. FOR K.P., WORKING ALL DAY LONG ON THE "CHINA CLIPPER," AND THEN STUMBLING TO BED WITH THE SOUNDS AND SMELLS OF THE MESS HALL IN MY EARS.

IN MY CASE, AS IN MOST CASES, THE FIRST REAL TASTE OF ARMY LIFE CAME IN BASIC TRAINING. IT WAS HERE WE WERE TAUGHT THE EARLY "FACTS OF LIFE", LEARNED TO GET UP AT 4:30 A.M. (BUT WE NEVER DID LEARN TO LIKE THAT), GET USED TO GI CLOTHES, LEARN THE GENERAL ORDERS, AND "SALUTE THE UNIFORM, NOT THE MAN". THEN FOLLOWED SCHOOLING, LIVING IN SWANKY HOTELS LEASED BY THE EVER THOUGHTFUL AIR CORPS, LEARN-TO-WORK AT NIGHT AND TO SLEEP DURING THE DAY!! SINGING THE AIR CORPS SONGS. BULL SESSIONS AND GETTING DRUNK ON THE WEEK-ENDS. INSPECTIONS EVERY SATURDAY MORNING!!!

THEN CAME TWO MONTHS ON THE OLD GUARD SQUADRON. EIGHTEEN MONTHS OF TECHNICAL TRAINING AND THEN THIS!

CAME MY FIRST AIRPLANE RIDE, AND AT THE END OF THE LINE I FIND MYSELF IN AN OVERSEAS REPLACEMENT CENTER. THEY CAN'T DO THIS TO ME!!! BUT THEY DID, AND LIFE GOT PRETTY ROUGH..SWIMMING IN GREAT SALT LAKE AND BIVOUAC-ING IN THE ROCKIES! THEN CAME THE POE, AND THIS WAS REALLY IT. NO FURLONGS AND GOING A LONG WAY FROM HOME FOR A LONG TIME!

THEN THAT MEMORABLE DAY WHEN WE RODE DOWN THE BAY WITH THE GULLS FLYING AROUND THE BOAT CATCHING BITS OF FOOD WE TOSSED TO THEM...AND THE SHORELINE AND THE GOLDEN GATE FADING INTO THE DISTANCE! MAN, WHAT AN EMPTY FEELING, AND HOW QUIET EVERYONE WAS. NOW WE ARE ALONE ON THAT PACIFIC, AND THE PONDEROUS ROLLING OF THE SHIP GNAWS AT OUR IN-NARDS; AND THE RAILS ON THREE DECKS ARE LINED WITH GIs LOSING TONS OF GI FOOD!

YES, I CAN REMEMBER STAR-LIT NIGHTS. THE ZIG-ZAG PHOSPHORESCENCE OF THE SHIP'S WAKE; THE FLYING FISH AND THE DAY THAT THE LOUD-SPEAKER TOLD OF JAPANESE SUBMARINES ON OUR TRAIL! AT LAST AN ISLAND- JAGGED REEFS, MISTY JUNGLE, AND A LAND LOCKED HARBOR. AND OUR FIRST THRILLING LOOK AT AMERICAN MIGHT LYING AT ANCHOR IN THE BAY OR BEING UNLOADED AT THE WHARVES. LOTS OF EXCITEMENT AND CONFUSION!!!

WAY BACK WHEN.....cont'd.

WE LANDED AS CASUALS, AND WE WORKED AS CASUALS ON ROADS, ON THE DOCKS, AND AROUND THE CAMP. AT THE CASUAL CAMP I CHIEFLY REMEMBER THE HERDS OF CATTLE WANDERING THRU OUR AIR CONDITIONED LATRINE! AND DO YOU REMEMBER HOW ABOUT 75% OF THE MEN CAME DOWN WITH THE GI'S ON THOSE BOATS? THEY HAD TO POST GUARDS ON THE LATRINES TO HANDLE THE CROWDS!

THEN CAME THE DAY WHEN WE SIGHTED THE ISLAND FAMOUS IN THE ANNALS OF MILITARY HISTORY WHICH WAS TO BE OUR HOME FOR A LONG TIME. IT LAY PEACEFUL IN THE MORNING SUNLIGHT, QUIET AND PALM-LINED LIKE CHOICE SCENES FROM A TRAVELOGUE. WE COULDN'T SEE THE LIZARDS, THE MOSQUITOES AND THE RATS- WE COULDN'T FEEL THE OMNIPRESENT HUMIDITY OR THE BLAZING EQUATORIAL SUN! EVERYONE SCRAMBLED OFF THE SHIP AND GRABBED A COCONUT TO WRESTLE WITH AND EAT (OUR FIRST & LAST) WE ATE K RATIONS, AND VISITED THE FRESH GRAVES OF OUR BUDDIES. WE CAN'T FORGET THE CANTEENS AND MESS KITS HANGING ON THOSE ROWS OF WHITE CROSSES BEARING MESSAGES FROM HEARTBROKEN PAIS. NOW WE WERE IN OUR OUTFIT- WHO EVER THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A SIGNAL OUTFIT? AIR CORPS THOUGH!!!

THEN CAME DAYS OF HARD AND HOT WORK ON THE AIRSTRIPS, AND THE THRILLS THAT GO WITH WORKING ON BOMBERS AND P-38s. AND SOMETIMES IT GOT ROUGH-REMEMBER THAT SIX INCHES OF WATER IN OUR MESS HALL? HOW ABOUT THE NIGHTS THE RATS TIGHT-ROPE WALKED ACROSS OUR MOSQUITO BARS? AND THE WAITING FOR ROTATION OR AT LEAST A DAMNED REST LEAVE TO AUSTRALIA! WELL, PLENTY HAPPENED AFTER THAT, BUT WE'LL GET AT THAT SOME OTHER TIME.

ONE MEMORY STANDS OUT ABOVE ALL OTHERS; THE MEN THEMSELVES. WE MET ALL KINDS OF FELLOWS-OF ALL RACES AND CREEDS. WE DIDN'T

THINK WE COULD EVER LIKE SOME OF THEM- BUT IT WAS EASIER OUT THERE SOMEHOW. IT COULDN'T HAPPEN IN CIVILIAN LIFE, BECAUSE WE WOULDN'T BE MOVING IN THE SAME CIRCLES- WE WOULDN'T BE LIVING ON THE SAME SIDE OF THE TRACKS. YES, THE U.S. ARMY WAS A GREAT "MELTING POT", AND IT MIXED ALL MEN INTO A GREAT INDISTINGUISHABLE STEW- ALL STRIVING FOR A COMMON CAUSE!

THESE TROPICAL ISLES

The splendor of the tropics,
Has often time been told.
You've seen it on the screen-
In colors rich and bold;
Lovely palm trees swaying,
In the South Sea breeze,
Snow white coral stretching,
To meet the blueness of the sea.

It's a lover's paradise,
I'm sure you've heard tell,
To us who've seen it clearly,
'Tis a paradise in Hell!
The palm trees aren't swaying,
For there's not a bit of breeze;
It's just a pile of coral,
Surrounded by the seas!

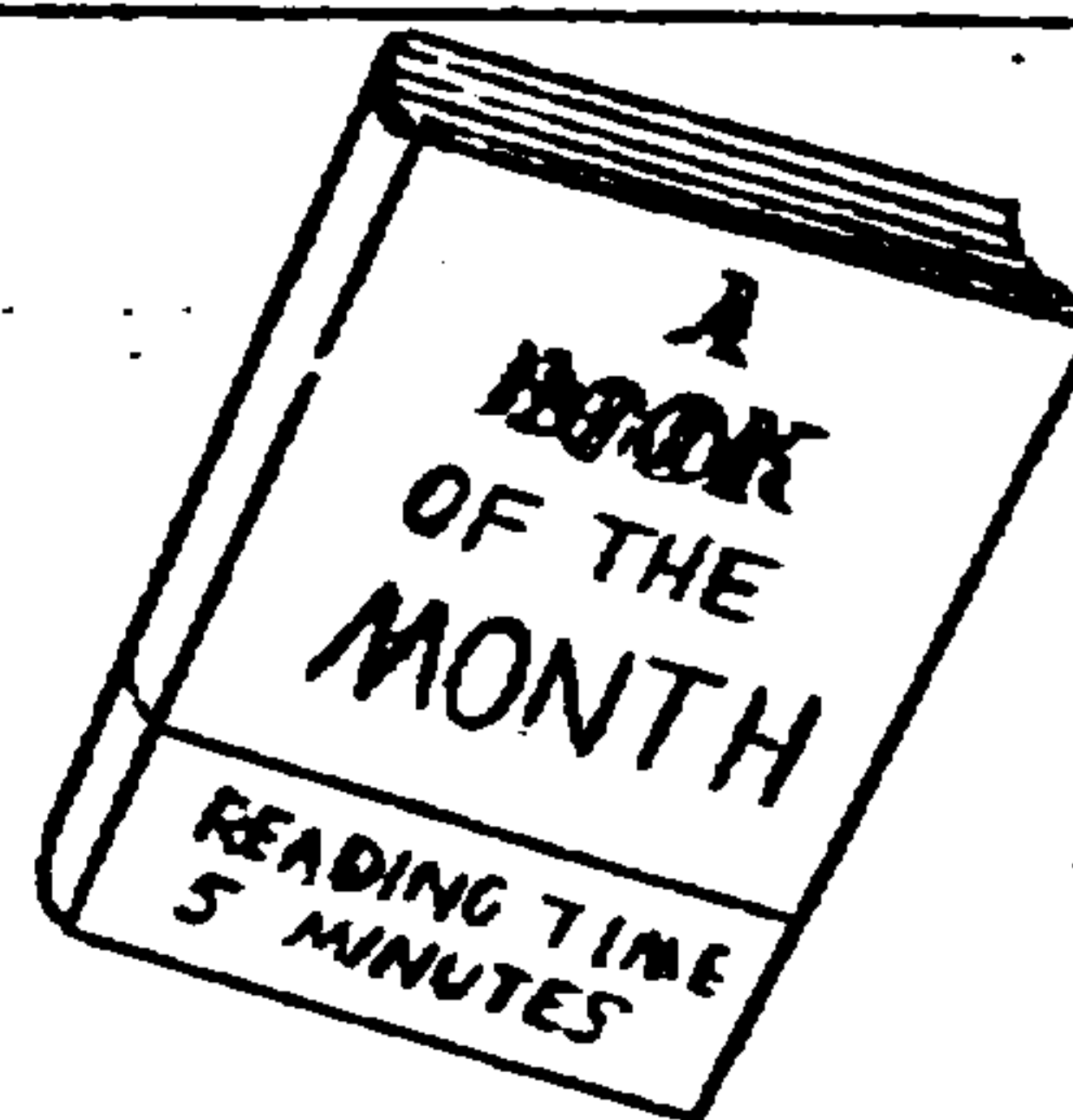
The only habitation,
That it can proudly boast-
Are the vermin that infest it,
And land-crabs on it's coast.
So forget the fancy stories,
And the pictures that you saw-
Take it from me it's lousey;
I saw it in the raw!!!

(EDITOR'S NOTE: THE "IAMBIC PENTAMETER" OF THIS POEM IS OFF A BIT, BUT THE IDEAS ARE SOUND!)

WHERE ARE OUR WANDERING BOYS TO-NIGHT? LETTERS ARE IN ORDER FROM ADELMANN, JOST, TITERA, KRUMREY, SLOAN, ADAMS, SKILLMAN, HOFFMAN, MASTIN, TANZOLA, ROHM, SCOTT, WEST, WOOTEN, PORTER, MCGHEE, BRECH, LOY, GARCIA, BRECHER, KING, LERCH, HAPGOOD, KOZLOW.

The Case of Ronald Mcsmerch

-Stanton C. Ernst



THIS IS A SHORT PLAY INVOLVING A PVT WHO MADE FIRST SERGEANT, A FIRST SERGEANT WHO MADE PVT, AND A CAPTAIN WHO MADE A HELL OF A MISTAKE.....

SCENE ONE

As this scene opens, we find Pvt. Ronald McSmerch seated outside the CO's Office on a hard wooden bench. The 1st Sergeant is slashing at the cringing McSmerch with a huge black bull whip, while three administrative clerks clap their hands and jump up & down in joyous accompaniment to McSmerch's screams-

1st SGT: "Talk, McSmerch, or you'll really get the business!"

McSMERCH: "I-"

1st SGT: "So you won't talk, eh? Flugoor, bring in the canteens!"
(At this point, Supply Sgt Flugoor enters with several canteens tied in tandem. There are holes punched in the bottoms, and the water drips out a drop at a time- a truly fiendish form of the old Chinese torture. But hold on, dear reader, this Sgt has got a million of 'em!)

1st SGT: "Tie him up, men!" (The three clerks, flattered at being called men, hasten to obey. Sing in unison: "We will obey, oh mighty Sergeant") Clerks wrap McSmerch in old typewriter ribbon; fasten it with paper clips.

McSMERCH: "Wait, I-"

1st SGT: "Clam up-we gave ya a chance ta talk! Now take what da hell we're goin ta give ya!" (It should be obvious to you by this time what kind of a typical 1st Sgt this guy is. He got his stripes after the CO found him beating a girl baby over the head with a seven inch lead pipe in an attempt to get the kid's sucker.)

McSMERCH: "Wait I-"

(Enters the CO, a twenty year old Captain who has the clean-shaven look of a man who has never shaved- and he hasn't! He has the striking wild eyes of a madman, and he is pretty darned crazy at that!)

THE CASE OF RONALD McSMERCH.....cont'd

CAPTAIN: (Looking at McSmerch, who is lying on the floor with a fluorescent light focused on his head, and water from the canteens dripping on a drop at a time rite between his close-set eyes!) "Who initiated these proceedings without consulting me, and how come you started before I got here?" After stepping over and giving McSmerches inert body a few test kicks, the Captain goes all out and gives him a beaut right under the floating ril. "What is this man charged with?"

1st SGT: "Foist off all, he came in da Orderly Room wid his hat on, den he leaned on pe desk, & I think he was comin' in ta bother youse about a Pfc stripe- only got 3 yrs in da Army too!"

CAPTAIN: (In a hideous rage, face purple and mouth foaming) "Stop- I've heard enough!" (Gives McSmerch another kick and cracks whip at Administrative Clerk, testing its flexibility) "What do you say, McSmerch?"

McSMERCH: (His body broken & bruised, ribs caved in, & both arms broken in three places) "I only wanted an afternoon pass to see my Dad, Lt. Gen. McSmerch, who will be on the Post today!"

CAPTAIN: (swallows his Adams apple, coughs it up; has a coronary thrombosis of the heart, recovers; turns blue then white and finally a greenish color) "Who?...Lt. General-"

SCENE TWO

(This Scene takes place on the Post Parade Grounds. General McSmerch, Chief of Mess Kit Repair, U.S.A., sits with son Ronald in the grandstand. It is late afternoon, and the evening sun bathes the field in gold and purplish haze. On the parade strip, the Captain (now 2nd Lt) is drilling the First Sergeant (now a Pvt) and three administrative clerks, who are softly singing the cadence. And as the sun slowly sinks below the horizon, its dying rays edge the six stripes and diamond on Ronald's sleeve in gold!

"Hey, pa, dis is da life fer me," says Ronald- once again proving that it aint what you know; it's who you know!!!

THE END

THIS PLAY WRITTEN FOR OVERSEAS SOLDIERS, COMBAT TYPE; INCLUDING: DiLeo, Bionlela, Christie, Miller, Lambert, Laverick, Gidding, Strandberg, Grindstaff, Jennings, Bob Smith, Lillard, Luebeck, McGuire, Vail, Bassevich, Harley, Pavlak, Pavlik, Bates, Calzani, Corrie, Al Dalton, DeWitte, Hamilton, Pop Shea & Roberts, Ben Schwartz, Shippey, Vande, Fox, Gordon, Thurman, Howie Hunt, Knight, Baumert, Gray, Purnell
GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF YOU, WHEREVER YOU MAY BE!

"PERSONALITIES"

WILLIAM "PETE" STRONG



Likes: Beer and Pop Corn
 Dislikes: Ale and Pretzels
 Remembers: Last Beer Issue
 Reads: The Bulletin Board
 Has: Huge Capacity For Beer
 Favorite Book: None, Though He
 Does Enjoy "Encyclopedia Brit-
 annica".....
 Favorite Actress: Mae West
 Favorite Actor: Bugs Bunny
 Admires: The Brewmaster At The
 Piel Brewery.....
 Wants: To Go Home So That He
 Can Get Servod Over The
 Bar.....
 Noted For: His Skippy Mail Calls
 Spiky Hair-cuts.....
 The Time He Spends
 On The Sack & In The Showers

LT WILLIAM "STOGIE" RADZIK
 (Interviewed by-
 M.J. Caldwell)

Likes: Good big black cigars,
 Huge curved watery pipes
 Lots of sack-time
 Dislikes: Native Women, People
 who get radios repaired
 without going thru chan-
 nels.....
 Remembers: The day & hour he
 made 2nd Lieutenant
 Reads: Farnumville Bugle
 Has: Nice Wife, good hunting dog
 Favorite Book: Yank
 Favorite Actress: None
 Favorite Actor: Robert Taylor
 Admires: Anyone with Rank.....
 Wants: More Radios to Fix
 To Go Home

ACCEPT THESE INTERVIEWS IN A
 HUMOROUS LIGHT, OR YOU TOO
 MAY MAKE THIS SCANDAL SHEET!
 WARNING!!!



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HEADQUARTERS
XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
APO 709

Rating A-

UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 17 March 45

Checked by A.E.P. Name of Unit: 1027th Signal Company, Service Group

APO: 719

Period: February 1945

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of the subsequent historical reports.

REFERENCE

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

| Forward | Correct in |
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Comply with par 9, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Omissions and/or errors exist in outline
Narrative is missing; comply with par 10,
13 AF Reg 80-15

(Below)

Lacks background of operations; see par 10 a,
13 AF Reg 80-15

Summary of achievements lacking or insufficient
See par 10 b 2, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Lacks information on policies and decisions. See
par 10 e & f, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Facts on station life, morale, health, etc., lack-
ing or insufficient. See par 10 i, 13 AF Reg
80-15

Lacks supporting documents to establish basic
facts. See par 11, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Quote authority in parens to establish basic
facts. See par 12 c, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Include photographs. See par 12 f, 13 AF
Reg 80-15

Identify photographs properly. See par 12 f
13 AF Reg 80-15

Attention to paper size, captions, signatures,
etc. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Attention to proper classification of text,
supporting documents, photographs. See par
12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15

REMARKS: In the outline under movements you report "none". Then on page 3 you say some enlisted men were sent to Layte on D/S. This should appear in outline under movements per letter, this Headquarters, dated 27 January 45, subject: "Clarification for Outline Sections of Unit Histories."

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HEADQUARTERS
1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

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In reply refer
to: 000.4

AP0 719
1 March 1945

Subject: Historical Data for February 1945.

To: Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, AP0 719
(Attention: Historical Section) (Thru Channels)

1. In compliance with AR 345-105, dated 18 November 1929 and Change 4 thereto, and 13th AF Regulation 80-15, dated 14 August 1944, the following data is submitted:

a. Organization of unit:

- (1) Original designation: No change.
- (2) Mission or alteration of mission: No change.
- (3) Date and place of activation of unit: No change.
- (4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers: No change.
- (5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of unit, changes caused by T/O, etc: No change.

(6) Strength, personnel:

| | GROUND | |
|---|--------|----|
| | EM | 0 |
| (a) At beginning of period | 76 | 2 |
| (b) Net increase | | 9 |
| (c) At end of period | 85 | 2 |
| (d) Total (EM+0) | | 87 |
| (e) Disposition of personnel, end of month: | | |

1 Off & 40 EM at Morotai
1 Off & 9 EM at Noemfoor
0 Off & 15 EM at Guadalcanal
0 Off & 12 EM at Leyte
0 Off & 6 EM at Nadzab
0 Off & 3 EM at Sansapor
2 Off 85 EM

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Basic: Ltr, 000.4, Hq, 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719, 1 Mar 45,
Subj: "Historical Data for February 1945", contd.

1. (Contd)

a. (Contd)

(7) Strength, airplanes: Does not apply.

(8) Name of key personnel and changes during
period: No change.

b. Command relationships including changes, with:

(1) Next higher headquarters: No change.

(2) Subordinate units: Does not apply.

(3) Other Services: Does not apply.

c. Resume of movements: No movements during period.

d. Name of campaign participated in: None.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements,
with dates, places, and name of commander participating: None.

f. Losses in action: None.

g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting
unit: None.

2. Narrative Account:

Although the personnel of the 1027th Signal Company, Service Group are actually performing the duties that are set forth in the mission of a unit of this type, the unit itself is not performing the mission as established by the existing table of organization. This fact is due to the anticipated change over of this organization.

The newly formed 13th Signal Service Battalion is still in its infancy. However, from the latest reports, the new table of organization has been authorized by the War Department, and it is hoped that the new battalion will be on its way to a rapid and beneficial formation in the near future. With this viewpoint in mind, the personnel of this company are gradually being placed and trained for the positions that they are scheduled to hold in the future.

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Basic: Ltr, 000.4, Hq, 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719, 1 Mar 45,
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The radio repair section has no place or bearing in the new battalion. Consequently, all men in this section, as far as possible, have either been placed on detached service with units doing this type of work or have been sent to school in preparation for the work they are scheduled to do in the future.

The latest reports from our small detachment of men at Noemfoor, under the command of Lt. Owens, indicates that they are doing little, if any, work at all. This situation, although unfortunate, is something that cannot be helped. As long as the 868th Bombardment Squadron remains at Noemfoor, it is imperative that our detachment remains there to take care of the storage and issue and also the radio and radar repair problems that are bound to arise.

The personnel of this organization stationed at Guadalcanal on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company, Service Group are men with miscellaneous military qualifications, and are kept there for the purpose of taking care of our supplies and equipment that is stored at that base. As soon as transportation facilities arise, these men will no doubt be moved to this headquarters.

During the month, quite a number of personnel of this unit were sent to Leyte with the advanced detachment. These men were all members of the operations platoon which consists of radio and teletype operators, message center clerks and men in the wire crew. All of these men have been placed on detached service with the 410th Signal Company, Aviation. One of our men, S Sgt Thomas P. Harley, has been appointed acting first sergeant of this advanced detachment, and from all reports is doing an excellent job. Of this detachment, which numbers close to two hundred (200) enlisted men, only twelve (12) are members of the 1027th Signal Company. However, these twelve (12) men are the key personnel in this group and are considered to be the backbone of this detachment. We are proud to hear of such reports, as the personnel of the 1027th Signal Company have always been proud of their organization and will certainly make a name for themselves in the future battalion.

During the month several men were lost to the organization, but many more new faces entered the picture. The loss of the rotational personnel during the months of November and December greatly affected the strength of the unit, but to date, the company strength has gradually been increased until we are now only twelve (12) enlisted men below strength.

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Basic: Ltr, 000.4, Hq, 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719, 1 Mar 45,
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There are still so few personnel present for duty in the organization that few administrative difficulties are encountered. Some difficulty has been encountered in the performance of an information and education program and a chemical warfare program. The few men present are working such odd shifts that programs of this nature are almost impossible in the unit itself. The men have been attending all programs along this line conducted by the 410th Signal Company and both the Headquarters Thirteenth Air Force and the XIII Air Force Service Command shows are available to the men of this company, where programs along this line are conducted from time to time.

The rainy condition during the past month has prevented athletic programs to a great extent. The men of the organization took full advantage of the few days that the weather was agreeable. There are still too few men in the outfit to form a ball club of any caliber, but the fellows interested have been playing ball with the 410th Signal Company and have been making an excellent showing.

The chow during the month of February was excellent. This is one item on which the enlisted men readily express their opinion, and the men have often remarked about the improvement of the food during the month.

The real big factor for not only the enlisted men but also the officers of this organization is the anticipated formation of the new battalion. The part the men of this unit will play in the new organization will not only be important but will also be very interesting. The members of the 1027th Signal Company have always taken a great pride in their outfit, and it is a certain fact that they will have the same feelings toward the new organization.

3. Supporting documents: None.

Lyle C Atkinson
LYLE C ATKINSON
1st Lt., Sig. C.
Comdg.

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HEADQUARTERS
THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE
Historical Section
APO 719

MAR 1945

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REPORT ON UNIT HISTORY

Date 16 May 45

Checked by CSH

Name of Unit 1027th Signal Co. Serv Gp

APO 719

Period Covered March 1945

An item checked in the column "Correct By Forwarding Supplement", or thus requested in the Remarks section, means that corrective action must be taken promptly (within 10 days) in accordance with par 13, Thirteenth Air Force Regulation No. 80-15, 14 August 1944.

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Expand narrative (par 10, Reg 80-15)

Describe briefly background of operations (par 10 a, Reg 80-15)

Describe difficulties encountered (par 10 g, Reg 80-15)

Include supporting documents, 2 copies for establishment of basic facts (par 11, Reg 80-15)

Furnish photographs, maps, 2 copies (par 13 f, Reg 80-15)

Identify photographs properly (par 13 f (1), Reg 80-15)

Reduce statistical information to Tables and Charts and include as appendices

More detailed information necessary on movements and location of unit's detachments

Mount Photographs on letter size paper

Remarks:

Give us the information on detachments as requested in remarks for previous months.

Benjamin E. Lippincott

BENJAMIN E. LIPPINCOTT
Major, Air Corps
Historical Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
1027TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

In reply refer
to: 000.4

APO 719
1 April 1945

Subject: Historical Data for March 1945.

To: Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719
(Attention: Historical Section)

1. In compliance with AR 345-105, dated 18 November 1929 and Change 4 thereto, and 13th AF Regulation 80-15, dated 14 August 1944, the following data is submitted:

a. Organization of unit:

- (1) Original designation: No Change.
- (2) Mission or alteration of mission: No Change.
- (3) Date and place of activation of unit: No Change.
- (4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers: No Change.

(5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of unit, changes caused by T/O, etc: The 1027th Signal Company, Service Group was relieved from assignment to XIII Air Force Service Command and assigned directly to Headquarters, Thirteenth Air Force, effective 1 March 1945. (See EXTRACT, GO No. 187, Hq 13th AF, 10 Mar 45)

(6) Strength, personnel:

- (a) At beginning of period
- (b) Net increase
- (c) At end of period
- (d) Total (EM+O)

| GROUND | |
|--------|---|
| EM | 0 |
| 85 | 2 |
| 5 | |
| 90 | 2 |
| 92 | |

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Basic: Ltr, 000.4, Hq 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719, 1 Apr 45,
Subj: "Historical Data for March 1945", contd.

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(e) Disposition of personnel, end of month:

1 Off & 56 EM at Morotai
1 Off & 14 EM at Guadalcanal
0 Off & 18 EM at Leyte
0 Off & 2 EM at Nadzab
2 Off 90 EM

(7) Strength, airplanes: Does not apply.

(8) Name of key personnel and changes during period: No change.

b. Command relationships including changes, with:

(1) Next higher headquarters: The 1027th Signal Company, Service Group was relieved from assignment to XIII Air Force Service Command and assigned directly to Headquarters, Thirteenth Air Force. (See EXTRACT, GO No 187, Hq 13th AF, 10 Mar 45)

(2) Subordinate units: Does not apply.

(3) Other Services: Does not apply.

c. Resume of movements:

| Detachment | Number | Former Station | Departure Date | New Station | Arrival Date | Travel Via |
|------------|--------|----------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| Det. | 10 | Noemfoor | 25-26-30 Mar | Morotai | 25-26-30 Mar | Air |
| DS Sig Sch | 2 | Guadal | 10 Mar | Nadzab | 10 Mar | Air |
| DS | 2 | Morotai | 15 Mar | Leyte | 15 Mar | Air |
| DS Sig Sch | 6 | Nadzab | 17-20-22 Mar | Morotai | 19-22-24 Mar | Air |
| TDY | 2 | Morotai | 27 Mar | Guadal | ? | Air |

d. Name of campaign participated in: None.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places, and name of commander participating: None.

f. Losses in action: None.

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Basic: Ltr, 000.4, Hq 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719, 1 Apr 45,
Subj: "Historical Data for March 1945", contd.

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g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting unit: None.

2. Narrative Account:

The writing of a narrative account of the monthly history of the 1027th Signal Company, Service Group grows more difficult as the months progress. This is due to the fact that the organization is not actually operating as a single unit, but is working in conjunction with the anticipated 13th Signal Service Battalion. The activities of the 1027th Signal Company as a unit itself can be summarized as solely administrative.

Out of a total assigned strength of two (2) officers and ninety (90) enlisted men, only forty one (41) enlisted men and one (1) officer were present for duty at the end of March. With the exception of a few radio and radar repairmen and the necessary administrative personnel, those enlisted men present for duty are all working with the 410th Signal Company in carrying out the communication functions for Headquarters Thirteenth Air Force. Such functions are the missions as set forth in the table of organization for the new battalion.

The operation of a storage and issue section in this organization has come to an end. All previous functions along this line that were carried out by this unit have been transferred to other signal companys who still maintain storage and issue sections. All of the signal equipment of our detachment at Moemfoor has arrived at this base, and all of the enlisted personnel who were there with the detachment have joined the organization.

Thirteen enlisted men still remain at Guadalcanal on detached service with the 1008th Signal Company. The work that these men are actually performing is unknown at this headquarters. Lt. Atkinson, our commanding officer, and S Sgt Mac Rae, our supply sergeant, departed the 27th of March for Guadalcanal. They are on temporary duty at that base for the purpose of taking a physical inventory of all the equipment belonging to the 1027th Signal Company that still remains there. This is going to be quite a task as all equipment and supplies were previously crated and stored for shipment to Morotai. The reason for this inventory is to secure a list of the equipment that would be beneficial to the new battalion. The remaining supplies will be turned into the signal depot at Guadalcanal, thus deleting unnecessary shipment to this base. The majority of the equipment is expected to be in unserviceable condition as some of it has been crated for over a year and other supplies

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are over three years old.

All of the radio and radar repair personnel who were sent to Kadzab to attend school have completed their courses. The grades received to date have been excellent. Since the new battalion has no use whatsoever for these personnel, it is expected that they will be transferred to other organizations who perform that type of work. There are a lot of excellent men who are classified in this work, and we are going to hate to lose them.

The 1027th Signal Company, Service Group was relieved from assignment to the XIII Air Force Service Command and assigned directly to Headquarters, Thirteenth Air Force, effective 1 March 1945. This change has been a great help in reducing the complications that arose along the administrative line. Previously we were working under one headquarters and under administrative control of another. Since the change over, no administrative problems have been encountered by this headquarters.

The morale of the men of this unit is excellent. We have been fortunate in having a nice area in which to live. Of course there is a little mud due to the excessive amount of rainfall, but in comparison to the other outfits on the island, our camp area is in excellent condition.

During the early part of the month the chow was rather poor. However, a great improvement was seen in the food during the latter part of the month. It seems as if no matter how tough other conditions might be, if the food is of a good quality, little complaining is heard from the men.

As stated before, the big factor for not only the enlisted men but also the officers of the organization is the anticipated formation of the new battalion. The personnel are all anxious to learn the part they will play in the new organization. Let us hope that we will see its actual formation in the near future.

This narrative was prepared by S Sgt Neil F. Mc Lean.

3. Supporting documents:

- a. EXTRACT, General Orders No. 187.

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John E. Owens
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1st Lt Sig C
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SECTION IV

8. The following changes in assignment are announced,
effective 1 Mar 45:

| <u>Unit</u> | <u>Present Assignment</u> | <u>New Assignment</u> |
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| 1008th Signal Company S/G | XIII AFSC | Direct Hq, 13th AF |
| 1027th Signal Company S/G | XIII AFSC | Direct Hq, 13th AF |
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By command of Brigadier General WURSMITH:

JOHN M. STERLING
Colonel GSC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ P.G. Nevitt
PAYTON G. NEVITT
Colonel AGD
Adjutant General

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Comdg. 1027th Sig Co Sv Gp

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1028TH SIGNAL COMPANY
83RD SERVICE GROUP

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AUTH: MEMO 80-10
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DATE: 5 May 1944
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APC 149, U. S. Army
5 May 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History, April.

TO : Commanding Officer, 83rd Service Group, APC 149, U. S. Army.
Att: Group Historian.

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Ninety-six (96) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Negative.
4. Casualties: Negative.
5. Decorations: Negative.

Douglas W. Livingston
DOUGLAS W. LIVINGSTON
Captain, Signal Corps
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
1028TH SIGNAL COMPANY
83RD SERVICE GROUP

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UNIT HISTORY

APC 149, U. S. Army
5 May 1944.

APRIL

1. By the time the first of April rolled around, this unit had been functioning with its new group, the 83rd Service Group, exactly fifteen days. This group, unlike the 75th Service Group, which the 1028th Signal Company had just left, was organized and split on the exact lines as set forth in Memorandum No. 20-11, IX Air Force Service Command. The "A" Team of the group was located with Group Headquarters at Bistern, servicing the 371st Fighter Group. The "B" Team of the group was located at Winton servicing the 404th Fighter Group. In order to furnish the signal supplies and the service and maintenance required by the two tactical units, and the two teams, one half of the supply and maintenance platoon, this unit, was assigned to Team "A"; and the other half to Team "B".

2. With this set up, and with the increased service naturally required by tactical units on an operational basis, as were the 371st and 404th Fighter Groups, our unit, for the first time since arriving in the United Kingdom, was able to report one-hundred percent of its personnel working on their assigned T/O jobs. The two supply sections were kept on the hop, with their requisition total more than doubling their previous peak month, and their tally-out total tripled. The radar repairmen were kept busy, sometimes around the clock, with their work on SCR 695 sets, as were the VHF radio repairmen with their work on SCR 522 sets. They were able to salvage wrecked sets from three crashed aircraft and put them in working order again. This section designed and installed the control system for a mobile control tower. The message center and radio sections found plenty to keep them busy during this period with the required level of one-hundred code groups per day for radio transmission set for them.

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3. The most serious difficulty encountered during this month was the weakness in telephone and teleprinter communication. With a group in a state of reorganization, and at the same time, on the verge of being alerted for overseas movement, as was the 83rd, it was absolutely imperative that telephone and teleprinter service of maximum efficiency be installed. The telephone system proved to be our greatest set-back. Though the group signal officer was able to secure two GPO Exchange lines for the sole use of the service group, and though two direct field lines were laid between the service group switchboard and the tactical wing to evade the heavy traffic from tactical group to wing, the situation remained serious enough to affect the group's efforts to furnish supply service to its tactical units.

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4. It was still necessary for representatives of the various supply sections to use motor transportation to contact their various depots, when a smooth functioning telephone system would have prevented such practice. The GPO system was just too overburdened with military and other traffic, and the army network too weak to allow either of these systems to be of much aid. The only possible solution was the establishment of special service command networks for the different AADA's and though the signal officer of the 83rd Service Group, doubtless along with others, urged that this system be installed, it was refused.

5. The teleprinter difficulties were due to the lack of experience and cooperation of operating personnel at tactical wings. There were times when group operators of this unit tried vainly for eighteen hours to get a message out on what was theoretically a service command line from Wing to a switching central. There were instances of operational priority messages from this group being denied transmission for relay. There was one instance when, due to our inability to reach Wing, they were called on the telephone and asked to check their wiring. Only a half-hearted attempt was made to do so, their excuse being that the trouble was on our board or our line. Two days were spent checking our installation and the trunk lines from our installation to Wing. Finally the wire chief of this unit was sent over to check the Wing installations and found a grounded line between their main frame and switchboard. Such instances as this must further indicate the necessity for the establishment of an independent service command network on arrival in any new theatre.

6. The following enlisted men were assigned to this company during the month of April:

| <u>RANK</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| T/4 Gr. | Sturm, Aaron J. | 13096462 | 954 |
| Cal. | Basmierski, John S. | 36711134 | 951 |
| Cal. | Monnson, Jerome S. | 32725685 | 647 |
| T/5 Gr. | Nielke, Edward J. | 16155250 | 951 |
| T/5 Gr. | Scott, Donald A. | 39900125 | 648 |
| Pvt 1st. | Coughlin, Paul P. | 31242010 | 647 |
| Pvt. | Smulinski, Stanley J. | 32478745 | 647 |

7. The following enlisted men transferred from this unit to organizations indicated:

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|---------|--------------------|----------|-----|
| T/5 Gr. | Mann, Steven (NMI) | 32384731 | 951 |
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Transferred to: Detachment of Patients, 312th General Hospital.

8. This unit was alerted for overseas departure on 29 April, 1944.

Douglas M. Livingston
DOUGLAS M. LIVINGSTON
 Captain, Signal Corps
 Commanding

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83RD SERVICE GROUP

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APO 149, U. S. Army
3 June, 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History, May.

TO : Commanding Officer, 83rd Service Group, APO 149, U. S. Army.
Att: Group Historian.

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Ninety-eight (98) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Negative.
4. Casualties: Negative.
5. Decorations: Negative.

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Captain, Signal Corps
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UNIT HISTORY

AFC 149, U. S. Army
3 June, 1944.

MAY

1. The month of May marked the first time since the unit's organization in June of 1942 that the 1028th Signal Company has been 100% in personnel. The unit started the month with a shortage of three men. During the month, this situation was remedied through the efforts of the Signal Section, 2nd AADM. It has been the observation of the commanding officer of this unit that by having personnel assignments of subordinate units handled by personnel officers of the branch concerned at higher headquarters, better results were obtained than by letting an air corps A-1 office at the higher headquarters handle all transfers and assignments. The confusions and mis-assignments noted in other branches of the service have never been a problem to this unit, due to the fact that all personnel matters have been handled by Signal Corps officers.
2. On the 19th of May, 1944 this unit completed one year's service in the U. K. It has been a year of great experience during which this unit has performed, in its capacity as a signal unit, many duties in widely separated parts of the U. K. At no time has the company been called on, and failed to respond, through lack of either willingness or ability.
3. In the past month, aside from its routine duties of furnishing supplies and service to the two tactical fighter groups being serviced, this unit has been kept very much on the hop. All boxes and crates for shipment overseas were completely waterproofed and marked. Four practice mobility exercises were participated in and improvements shown each time. Loading plans, march tables, and unloading plans were completed and tested. All surplus equipment was completely marked and returned to 5th TAD for later shipment to the far shore. First phase waterproofing of vehicles was completed and several test runs, with excellent results, were made with two completely waterproofed vehicles. In short, in addition to performing its regularly assigned duties, the unit spent the month making final preparations for movement.
4. In addition to regular courier schedules maintained, the 1028th began functioning as the courier center for two additional units during May, the 1296th and 1358th M. P. Companies.
5. The athletic life of the company came into its own again during the month in the form of softball. Five games were played, four won, and one lost.

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The team promises to be as strong as last year's team which lost only one game out of twenty played. The interest of the whole company is centered on its team and morale is excellent.

6. The following enlisted men were assigned to the company during May, 1944:

| <u>RANK</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SCN</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|------------|------------|
| T/3 Gr. | Bibb, Arthur F. | 38401107 | 647 |
| T/5 Gr. | Fein, Donald G. | 16164594 | 951 |
| T/5 Gr. | Munn, Steven (NWI) | 32384731 | 951 |

7. The following enlisted man was relieved from assignment to company during the month of May, 1944:

| <u>RANK</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> | <u>TRANSFERRED TO</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Pvt 1st | Bradley, George J. | 32482817 | 060 | Det of Pat, 95th Gen Hosp |
| T/3 Gr. | *Scott, Charles A. | 34253493 | 405 | 1053rd Sig Co Serv Gp |

*Transferred 13 April, 1944.

8. This completes unit history for May, 1944.

Douglas M. Livingston
 DOUGLAS M. LIVINGSTON
 Captain, Signal Corps
 Commanding

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SUBJECT: Unit History, November.

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Eighty-six (86) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Negative.
4. Casualties: Negative.
5. Decorations: Negative.

RICHARD P. PERCY,
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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1028TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
83rd Service Group

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UNIT HISTORY

APO 374, U. S. Army
6 December, 1944

NOVEMBER

1. The company Hq and both detachments operated normally during the entire month with no changes in location. The Hq had telephone communications to all teams and to higher headquarters. Teletype was simplexed on the telephone lines to 64th Wing Hq, providing teletype communication to all fighter groups serviced by the group, and to First TACAF and 86th ADG. Radio communication in the 86th ADG net was more satisfactory than during the previous month.

2. Det "A" was forced to move from the air strip on the 10th of the month because of flood waters. Because units of Team "A" were split between the air strip and the new site in Dole, a switchboard was necessary in both locations. Having two boards in one Team was undesirable because of difficulty in routing calls, but was necessary to prevent having very long extensions. Use of Hq's wire teams to aid detachments in major moves to prevent delay in establishing telephone communications was found very desirable.

3. Det "B" on the 26th of November also moved from the field to a more desirable location in a village near air strip A-95. Radio operators and message center personnel began operations at Det "B" on November 25th in the same radio net with the Hq. Fair communications were established.

4. During the month units of both teams operated at distances of from three to five miles from the air strip, which had no apparent disadvantages in signal maintenance and supply, but caused considerable delay and used up to 25 miles of field wire in establishing telephone communications.

5. The principle maintenance difficulty was with power units. PG-75's had a turn-over for 3rd echelon maintenance approximately every month, and service on all power units from the depots was not sufficiently good to keep the required number of units on hand. There is a definite need for a general repair section in each detachment to handle 3rd echelon maintenance on Signal Corps power units.

6. The following named enlisted man was relieved from assignment to the company during the month of November, 1944:

| <u>GRADE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> | <u>TRANSFERRED TO</u> |
|--------------|----------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Cpl. | Seiler, Sidney | 32297416 | 055 | 1st Air Sv Sq |

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(Unit History, Hq 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp, November, 1944, contd)

7. The following named enlisted man was assigned to the company during the month of November, 1944:

| <u>RANK</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> |
|-------------|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Pvtlcl. | Michaels, Chester S. | 32797232 | 667 |

8. The company gained the following named officer and enlisted men in the exchange of "B" Detachments between this unit and the 1053rd Signal Company Service Group on the 26th of October, 1944:

| <u>RANK</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> |
|-------------|------------------------|------------|------------|
| 1st Lt. | Geyer, Gustave J., Jr. | 0-1643581 | 4400 |
| T/Sgt. | Carver, William A. | 39026693 | 955 |
| S/Sgt. | Dawson, Fred P. | 38425075 | 581 |
| S/Sgt. | Joines, Dolphus J. | 15172331 | 955 |
| S/Sgt. | Thomas, Jack N. | 15075205 | 405 |
| Sgt. | Weller, Arthur C. | 36430592 | 647 |
| T/4 Gr. | Aulito, Thomas C. Jr. | 32772670 | 647 |
| T/4 Gr. | Carroll, Harry H. | 36504562 | 955 |
| T/4 Gr. | Eliseuson, Robert J. | 17106347 | 955 |
| T/4 Gr. | Hemphill, Clarence B. | 18231612 | 647 |
| T/4 Gr. | Levin, Morton L. | 16071403 | 955 |
| Cpl. | Abrams, Wilbur P. | 32792288 | 951 |
| T/5 Gr. | Adams, Lewis C. | 34770413 | 647 |
| T/5 Gr. | Barbato, Gerry A. | 31297410 | 950 |
| T/5 Gr. | Dorsey, James W. | 39529236 | 955 |
| T/5 Gr. | Greenstein, Jack | 12154637 | 955 |
| T/5 Gr. | Houk, Joe F. | 38119803 | 955 |
| T/5 Gr. | McDaniel, John G. | 37459289 | 405 |
| T/5 Gr. | Phillips, Ira J. | 13111962 | 647 |
| Pvt lcl. | Barish, Marvin | 12099203 | 835 |
| Pvt lcl. | Dover, Charles | 36646673 | 950 |
| Pvt lcl. | McLaughlin, Eugene P. | 11117356 | 835 |
| Pvt lcl. | Penix, Ogle E. | 15116423 | 951 |

9. The company lost the following named officer and enlisted men in the exchange of "B" Detachments between this unit and the 1053rd Signal Company Service Group on the 26th of October, 1944:

| <u>RANK</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|------------|------------|
| 2nd Lt. | Gray, Arthur N. | 0-1643607 | 0500 |
| M/Sgt. | Williams, Walter P. | 14025830 | 955 |
| T/Sgt. | Sabato, Nuncy J. | 33095383 | 581 |
| S/Sgt. | Newton, Leslie N. | 33027283 | 951 |
| S/Sgt. | Warner, Oral W. | 37135687 | 955 |
| T/3 Gr. | Bibb, Arthur F. | 38401107 | 647 |


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| <u>RANK</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> |
|-------------|------------------------|------------|------------|
| Sgt. | Weisel, Donald T. | 17106327 | 955 |
| Sgt. | Wohl, John J. | 32356374 | 951 |
| T/4 Gr. | Koehler, Henry R. | 37448014 | 405 |
| T/4 Gr. | Kuh, Charles L. | 35486597 | 238 |
| T/4 Gr. | Morrison, Robert C. | 38181296 | 955 |
| T/4 Gr. | Sturm, Aaron J. | 13096462 | 955 |
| T/4 Gr. | Ullery, Lester A. | 35259458 | 955 |
| T/5 Gr. | Beusen, Menno E. | 37296118 | 955 |
| T/5 Gr. | Cahill, Frank J. | 33591901 | 950 |
| T/5 Gr. | Kucera, Anton C. | 12124100 | 647 |
| T/5 Gr. | Mattson, Rudolph G. | 37325932 | 835 |
| T/5 Gr. | Mielke, Edward J. | 16155250 | 955 |
| T/5 Gr. | Mofle, Robert T. | 17109329 | 647 |
| T/5 Gr. | Pappas, Spyros (NMT) | 12084913 | 647 |
| T/5 Gr. | Rhodes, Meredith (NMT) | 39024027 | 647 |
| T/5 Gr. | Weis, Donald G. | 16164594 | 951 |
| Pvt 1cl. | Anderson, William J. | 37458595 | 950 |
| Pvt 1cl. | Comeau, Anthony J. | 31154575 | 835 |

10. This completes the unit history for the month of November, 1944.


 RICHARD P. PERCY,
 Captain, Signal Corps,
 Commanding.

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1028TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
83rd Service Group

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AFC 374, U. S. Army.
17 January 1945

UNIT HISTORY

Air Force First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
Command First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)
Wing None
Group 83rd Service Group
Company 1028th Signal Company Service Group
Dates Incl'd 1 December 1944 to 31 December 1944

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83rd Service Group

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AFC 374, U. S. Army.
17 January 1945

UNIT HISTORY

DECEMBER

1. On the 2nd of December, the company headquarters moved from its site at Authume, O-405410, near Y-7 Dole/Tavaux, to the village of Vezelise, Z-788-893. The 140 mile trip was made by truck in one day without special incident. Nine men stayed behind for two days to police the company area and pick up wire. Due to the short notice on the move the advance line crew arrived at the new location only two days before the Group Headquarters, consequently normal telephone communication was not possible for several days. Two trunk lines were connected to the 64th Fighter Wing Headquarters, a distance of approximately 12 miles, using S/4 cable and some open wire lines. One trunk line was later extended to the 312th Service Group in Nancy. Teletype was simplex on the Wing circuit and provided a good outlet for teletype traffic to all stations in the First TACAF. A circuit was also obtained from the 312th to Team "B" 83rd Service Group to provide telephone service to that unit.

2. The company headquarters and Signal Center were completely housed in buildings, part of a bombed-out monastery and an adjacent building, for the first time since arriving in France. The radio and message center detachment at Team "B" was returned to the headquarters on December 9th as Team "B" was then close enough to preclude the necessity for radio communication. The headquarters was relieved from attachment to Hq & Hq Squadron and attached to the 1590th Ordnance S & M Company for rations as of the 3rd of December.

3. On the 27th of December Det "A" moved from strip Y-7, Dole/Tavaux, to Y-1, Tantonville. Move was completed largely by truck, though approximately fifty percent of the personnel moved in the Group's C-47. Det "A" personnel were quartered with headquarters but the supply and maintenance sections were set up at the Vezelise railroad station. This set-up was necessary due to the lack of space in Vezelise, but was undesirable due to the necessity of using transportation between quarters and working site. Telephones for Team "A" units were connected to the headquarters switchboard and no Team "A" switchboard was installed, as both Hq and Team "A" units were practically all in the same area.

4. Activities of Det "B" were normal during the entire month.

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5. Maintenance of Signal Corps power units continued to be the most difficult problem to confront the detachments. Shortage of spare parts was responsible for the delay in repair work by the depot on these units. Considerable time was spent on the development of a practical amplifier for speech circuits, for use on long distance calls. None of the experiments have been put to regular use as yet.

6. The following named enlisted men were relieved from assignment to the company during the month of December, 1944:

| <u>GRADE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> | <u>TRANSFERRED TO</u> |
|--------------|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
| T/5 Gr. | Rockenbach, Glenn H. | 37284967 | 955 | Hq Sq 63rd Ftr Wing |
| Pvt. | Almaguer, Martin F. | 37463875 | 345 | 920th Sig Co Dep (A) |

7. The following named enlisted men were assigned to the company during the month of December, 1944:

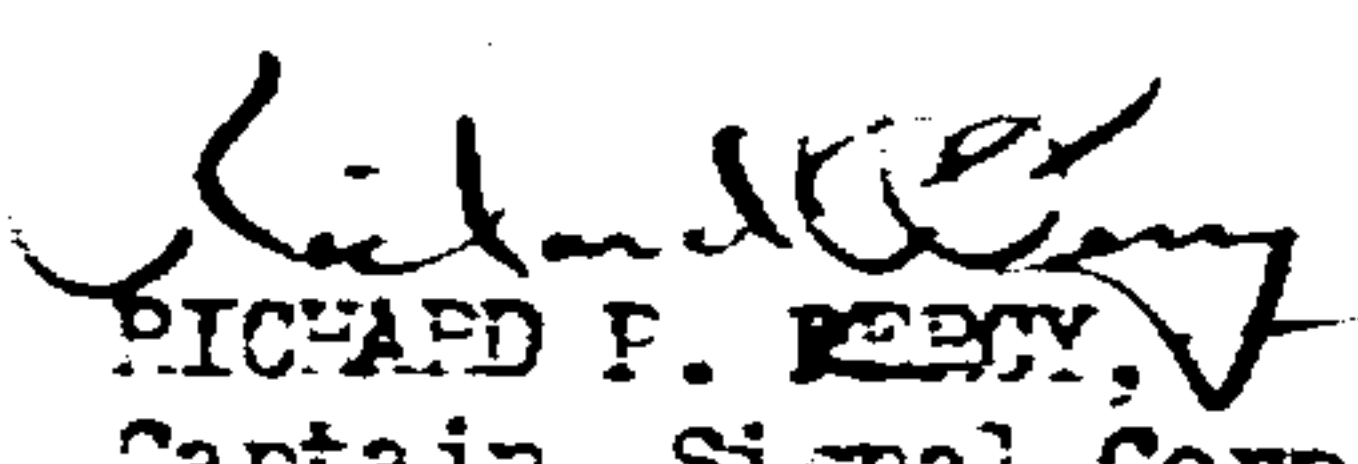
| <u>GRADE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> |
|--------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Cpl. | Shugart, Bruce E. | 32752906 | 647 |
| Pfc | Zagon, Hyman | 32624555 | 237 |

8. The strength of the company as of the 31st December, 1944 is as follows:

a. Officers: Three (3) Officers.

b. Enlisted Men: Eighty-Six (86) Enlisted Men.

9. This completes the unit history for the month of December, 1944.


RICHARD P. KIRBY,
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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APC 374, U. S. Army
15 February 1945

UNIT HISTORY

Air Force First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
Command First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)
Wing None
Group 83rd Service Group
Company 1028th Signal Company Service Group
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Captain, Signal Corps,
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(Unit History, Hq 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp, January, 1945, cont'd)

SECTION I

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Eighty-four (84) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Negative.
4. Casualties: Negative.
5. Decorations: Negative.

SECTION II

1. There were no major moves of the Headquarters or Teams during January. Det "A" moved its supply and maintenance sections into Vezelise to be near enough to the living quarters to eliminate the necessity of using transportation to get to work. There was an increase in deadlined vehicles during the month, probable caused by the rough and icy conditions of the roads.

2. Communications were in general better than at former locations. Teletype was good, and telephone was fair, though trunk lines were overcrowded during peak loads. The latter was due to having both headquarters and "A" Team on the same switchboard. Radio communication was good, though rarely used as teletype was generally more convenient. Courier runs were initially made to all teams and the 312th Service Group twice daily (approximately a 75 mile run), but this was cut to once daily to save transportation.

3. The signal supply and maintenance for Team "C", 83rd Service Group was taken over from Det "C" 878th Signal Company Depot (Avn) by this unit on the 19 January. Two men each from headquarters and Det "B", and five from Det "A" were put on DS with the 1st Air Service Squadron to handle this work. By the end of the month the detachment was well set up and operating efficiently. Supply runs were usually made in conjunction with Det "B". The main difficulty with the unit operating three teams is in the shortage of switchboard operators. This difficulty will be increased if Team "A" has to operate its own board in the future.

4. The fact that the company was quartered in buildings was fortunate as there was considerable snow and cold weather, and fuel supplies would not have adequately heated tents. A good day room was set up with a ping pong table and a small library of special service books. Beer was available from the local brewery.

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Richard P. Percy
RICHARD P. PERCY
Captain, Signal Corps,
Unit Historian.

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83rd Service Group

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APO 374, U. S. Army
15 March 1945

UNIT HISTORY

Air Force First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
Command First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)
Wing None
Group 83rd Service Group
Company 1028th Signal Company Service Group
Dates Incl'd 1 February 1945 to 28 February 1945

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(Unit History, Hq 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp, dtd 15 Mar 45, cont'd)

SECTION I

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Eighty-six (86) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Headquarters 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp from Vezelise, Z-788893, to Dombasle, U-978043 on the 19 February 1945. Det "A" 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp from Vezelise, Z-788893, to Luneville, Q-081005, on the 20 February 1945.
4. Casualties: Negative.
5. Decorations: Eligibility for Battle Participation Star for the Air Offensive Over Europe has been rescinded by W.D. G.O. No. 89, dated 28 November 1944.

SECTION II

1. Operations continued normally at Vezelise until the 6 February 1945, when the unit headquarters was alerted to move to Dombasle, U-978043. On the 7 February 1945 an advance party of nine men was sent to the new location to prepare the living quarters and install communications. For the next few days unit vehicles made several trips transporting company property so that it was possible to move the entire headquarters personnel and property without additional transportation. The remainder of the headquarters personnel moved on the 19 February 1945.

2. Due to the work of the advance party there was no break in communications for the Group Headquarters during the move. Trunk lines from the new location to the 64th Fighter Wing and XII TAC were installed by the Signal Battalion attached to the 64th Fighter Wing. The circuit from Team "C" to the 312th Service Group was broken and connected to the Headquarters switchboard providing direct lines to both units. A field wire line was installed to Team "B". Teletype was simplexed on the line to the 64th Fighter Wing. All the above installations were completed before the move of the Group Headquarters and by the end of the moving day the switchboard, all trunk lines, and approximately twenty extensions were installed and in use. There was no interruption in teletype or radio communication. Communications at this location were considerable better than at any previous time due to more and improved trunk outlets. Radio communication continued to be mainly a standby in case of breakdown in wire communications.

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3. The company headquarters personnel were quartered in a school building with the exception of approximately twenty men in winterized tents. The signal office was set up in a large school room with partitioned off switchboard and code rooms.

4. Det "A" operated normally, servicing the 371st Fighter Group, until approximately the middle of the month when the Fighter Group was transferred to the Ninth Air Force. Det "A" was then ordered to Team "C" at Luneville to take over the work of the small detachment set up there the 19 January to service the 324th Fighter Group. By the 23 February their installation was complete and the detached personnel were returned to their normal duties. The detachment living quarters and supply section was located in a large building, formerly a French barracks and originally a palace. They were attached to the 1722nd Ordnance S & M Company for rations, except four telephone operators who were located nearer the 1st Air Service Squadron and were attached to that unit.

5. The versatility of the unit personnel was demonstrated by the fact that for a period of several days during the moves of Headquarters and Det "A", the unit was operating a total of five switchboards, twenty-four hours a day, in addition to their normal duties and the added work involved in moving. This was due to the necessity of holding open fighter group and service group switchboards at the old location until new units arrived.

6. Det "B", servicing the Provisional Tactical Reconnaissance Group, were normal and uneventful throughout the month.

7. The following named enlisted men were relieved from assignment to the company during the months of January and February, 1945:

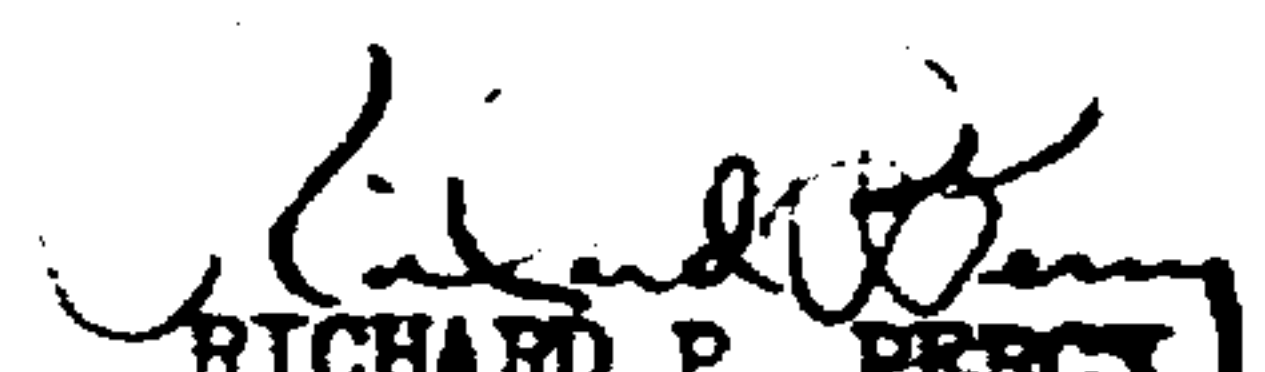
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| Pvt. | Eliseuson, Robert J. | 17106347 | 955 | 19th Bomb Gp |
| Pfc | Burns, Homer P. | 35122058 | 060 | 12th Repl Dep |

8. The following named enlisted men were assigned to the company during the months of January and February, 1945:

| <u>GRADE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>MOS</u> |
|--------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
| T/5 Gr. | Trent, Robert K. | 34602643 | 776 |
| Pvt. | Murphy, Robert M. | 11090385 | 776 |

9. This completes the unit history for the month of February, 1945.

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1028TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
83rd Service Group

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APC 374, U. S. Army
12 April 1945

UNIT HISTORY

Air Force First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
Command First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)
Wing None
Group 83rd Service Group
Company 1028th Signal Company Service Group
Dates Incl'd 1 March 1945 to 31 March 1945

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SECTION I

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Eighty-seven (87) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Det "B" 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp from La Madeleine, U-911068, to Haguenau, R-059225, on the 28 March 1945.
4. Casualties: Negative.
5. Decorations: Unit has been awarded battle credit for participation in the campaign "Normandy" as established by paragraph 2, Section III, General Orders No. 49, War Department, 1944, as amended by paragraph 2, Section VI, General Orders No. 80, War Department, 1944; by letter, Hq ETOUSA, subject: "Battle Participation Awards - Normandy Campaign (No. 4)", dated 17 March 1945.

SECTION II

1. Operations of the headquarters at Dombasle was normal during the entire month. Communications; telephone, teletype and radio, continued good during this period. The unit was attached to the First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) as of the 10th of March, 1945. Near the end of the month Service Command reorganized the radio net to include all Service Groups and Teams in a Service Command radio net. There continued to be only a very small amount of radio traffic.

2. On the 28th of March, 1945, Det "B" moved from A-95 to Y-39, Haguenau, R-059225, continuing to service the Provisional Tactical Reconnaissance Group there. An advance party was sent to the new location about four days prior to the move to begin the installation of telephone lines. The installation was complete with two lines to the Tactical Group switchboard as soon as that board was set-up. Telephone service between Team "B" and Headquarters was poor as there were not sufficient lines available to allow a trunk for the service team. Calls rested on the Tactical unit's lines frequently were delayed up to several hours as the tactical units had priority. A courier run was set up by headquarters to Team "B" and also to First TACAF to insure prompt delivery at First TACAF of service team daily reports. This resulted in a run of more than three hundred miles a day. Supply trips to the depot were also very difficult for Det "B" as it was approximately one hundred and sixty miles to the depot and required a two day trip. By the end of the month the detachment was completely setup and maintenance and supply sections were in full operation, housed in buildings. Living quarters were in tents.

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3. Det "A" continued to service the 324th Fighter Group during the month. Operations were normal.

4. The signal supply and maintenance situation improved during the month. The supply of batteries BA-30 had been critical, but was relieved toward the end of the month. There were no items of critical need in short supply. Maintenance and replacement of power units, which has been a difficult problem since arriving in France, was relieved by the receipt of a sufficient number of new power units, PE-197 to put both tactical units and other users in good shape.

5. Morale of the unit has been high. Living quarters of all detachments were good and there have been four 7 day furloughs to England and four 60 hour passes to Paris.


6. The following named enlisted man was relieved from assignment to the company during the month of March 1945:

| <u>GRADE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> | <u>TRANSFERRED TO</u> |
|--------------|-------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| Pvt. | Murphy, Robert W. | 11090385 | 776 | 70th Reinforcement Depot (AAF) |

7. The following named enlisted men were assigned to the company during the month of March 1945:

| <u>GRADE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> | <u>SSN</u> |
|--------------|---------------------|------------|------------|
| T/4 Gr. | Haus, William (RET) | 32295717 | 776 |
| Pvt. | McDaniel, Floyd I. | 35293571 | 776 |

8. This completes the unit history for the month of March, 1945.


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1028TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
83rd Service Group

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APC 374, U. S. Army
6 May 1945

UNIT HISTORY

Air Force First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
Command First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)
Wing None
Group 83rd Service Group
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SECTION I

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Eighty-Seven (87) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Negative.
4. Casualties: Negative.
5. Decorations: The unit has been awarded battle credit for participation in the campaign "Northern France" as established by par 3, Section VI, G.O. No. 80, W.D., 5 October 1944; by letter, Hq ETOUSA, subject: "Battle Participation Awards - Northern France Campaign (No. 3)", dated 30 March 1945. The unit received this award for operations while at air strip A-6, St. Vere Eglise, during the period 25 July 1944 to 22 September 1944. The operations at that time consisted of providing signal supply and third echelon aircraft radio maintenance for the 371st Fighter Group at A-6 and the 404th Fighter Group at A-5, and for installing, maintaining, and operating communications for the Service Group Headquarters and Teams.
T/Sgt. Canty, Howard W., A.S.N. 32375022, (950), this unit, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal per par 1, G.O. No. 80, Hq First Tactical Air Force (Prov), dated 5 April 1945, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 July 1944 to 12 February 1945. The award was for outstanding achievement in installing and maintaining wire communications for the 83rd Service Group during that period. Working long hours under difficult conditions, with inadequate equipment and partially trained personnel, he contributed in a large measure to the efficiency of communications necessary to the operations of the 83rd Service Group.

SECTION II

1. Operations of the entire company was normal, there being no moves during the month. Communications were good until after the middle of the month when the movement of several large switching centers from the Nancy area caused considerable confusion in wire communications. New units setting up switching centers were hampered by insufficient records and equipment and unqualified personnel. The 19th A.D.G. at Y-42 became the switching center for air force units in this area. The trunk lines from this headquarters to XII T.A.C. and 64th Wing, and also the 312th Service Group were discontinued and only one circuit to the 19th A.D.G. was available. At the end of the month one dial circuit to Nancy switch

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was completed which helped communications on some routings. The 19th A.D.C. also finally received circuits to Air Service Command, advanced and rear, and the 69th Tac Recon Gp which solved most telephone communications problems. For a period of about ten days there was no teletype circuits and only intermittent and poor service to Team "B" and higher headquarters.

2. The courier service to Team "B", at Hagenu, a run of over one hundred and eighty miles, continued during the month. A stop at the First French Service Command was added. The collection point for all couriers from higher headquarters was at the 19th A.D.C. Wear on vehicles due to rough roads caused several breakdowns, but all vehicles were operational at the end of the month. Credit for this goes to the motor maintenance section, Sgt. Charles P. Dees and Cpl. John A. Sowa, for excellent work in preventative maintenance, and in assisting 3rd echelon maintenance units in obtaining replacement parts and repairing vehicles.

3. Both signal supply and maintenance detachments had a busier month than usual. Det "B" had a very heavy load as the new 69th Tactical Recon Group, which they service, requisitioned a considerable quantity of T/E equipment, initial issue, in addition to the normal replacement requirements. A total of seventy-one requisitions were handled by the detachment during the month. Det "A" handled the largest quantity of signal supplies, in both weight and number of items, since arriving in France. They showed an increase of approximately one hundred percent in the number of debit vouchers and ten percent in credit vouchers handled over the number for the previous month. Availability of supplies continued to be very good.

4. The headquarters section of the unit set up a typewriter maintenance section with tool equipment loaned from the Gm Company. T/3 Hellings, T/4 Pearson (teletype maintenance men) and Pfc Quigley (radio operator), organized and set up the work shop. In addition to typewriter maintenance, repair work has been done on movie projectors and civilian radio sets.

5. The living condition and general morale remained good. The headquarters section received a 'Superior' rating in the monthly administrative inspection with special commendation by the Group Administrative Inspector for the excellent work of 1st Sgt. Franusich, T/Sgt. Kempen, and T/4 Spillane in maintenance of administrative records and performance of housekeeping duties.

6. The following named enlisted men were assigned or relieved from assignment to the company during the month of April, 1945:

a. Pfc Michaels, Chester S., A.S.N. 32797232, (667), was transferred from the unit to the 12th Reinforcement Depot for infantry training prior to assignment to a combat unit. Pfc Michaels had an excellent record in the mes-

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sage center of this unit. He was transferred to the unit from Hq & Hq Sq, 83rd Service Group the 22 November 1944.

b. Pvt. Wood, William H., A.S.N. 6927151, (766), was transferred to the 878th Sig Co Dep (Avn), 86th A.D.G. He had been with the unit since the month of November 1941 and was an excellent high speed operator. As the company had an overage in his M.O.S. he was transferred at his own request.

c. Sgt. Eggen, Kenneth E., A.S.N. 36705728, (647), was assigned to the unit from the 134th Reinforcement Bn (AAF). He had previous experience with Service Groups in the U.S. as a radio repairman and was assigned to Det "A". He arrived in the E.T.O. the 6 March 1945.

d. Pvt. Chacon, Cirilo, A.S.N. 18089400, (650), was assigned to the unit from the 134th Reinforcement Bn (AAF) and reassigned to Det "A". He had previous experience as a telephone operator with the Fourth Infantry Regiment. He is classified for limited assignment only due to neuropsychosis.

7. This completes the unit history for the month of April, 1945.


RICHARD P. PERCY,
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UNIT HISTORY

Air Force Ninth Air Force
Command Ninth Air Force Service Command
Wing I TACTICAL Air Force Service Wing (Prov)
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Company 1028th Signal Company Service Group
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SECTION I

1. Organization: Negative
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Eighty-Seven (87) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Det. "A" 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp from Luneville, Q-081005, to Echterdingen, Germany, WH-052105, 2 May 1945. Headquarters 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp from Dombasle, France, U-978043, to Mohringen, Germany, WS-040152, on the 11 May 1945.
4. Casualties: Negative
5. Decorations: The unit was awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque per General Order No. 36, Headquarters I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) dated 18 May 1945. The award was for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks from 1 July 1944 to 30 April 1945. During this period, while Allied operations of great tactical importance were being conducted, the personnel of the 1028th Signal Company, Service Group worked long and arduous hours under extremely adverse conditions to supply combat units with all needed signal supplies and to maintain radio and radar equipment for assigned aircraft in order that they might successfully complete their missions. The enviable record established by the officers and men of the 1028th Signal Company, Service Group has been made possible by the highest degree of cooperation with all units serviced and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service.

SECTION II

1. On 2 May 1945 the advanced party of four (4) men Cpl. Shugart, T/5 DeCurtis, T/5 Mallins and Pvt. Chacon from Det. "A" moved from Y-2, Luneville to R-50, Echterdingen. They were linemen and telephone operators and began installation in preparation for the movement of the Team "A" main party. They were accompanied by a five man radio and message center team, Sgt. Pullington, Sgt. Wendorf, T/5 Frye, Pfc Quigley and Pfc. Wright, to set up radio communications with Headquarters. On 7 May 1945 the remainder of Det "A" moved. At the new location the signal supply section set up in one bay of the ordnance shop and the men were quartered in wooden barracks. They continued to mess with the 1722nd Ordnance S & N Company.
2. On approximately the first of the month the 83rd Service Group Hq. received orders to move from Dombasle, France to the vicinity of Air Strip R-50, Echterdingen, Germany. The unit commanding officer with Hq. Sqdn. C.O. and the Group Executive Officer went on a two (2) day trip for advance planning and locating the new site. On 9 May 1945 a line crew of six men moved to the new location for advance line work. The crew consisted of T/Sgt. Canty, Sgt. Puckett, T/5 Moline, T/5 Self, T/5 Perryman and Pfc. Mode. Two field wire

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lines to Gizard Able (Team "A") and some local extension work was completed by the time the main party of the Headquarters had arrived. The main party moved by truck on 11 May 1945 crossing the Rhine at 1400 hours and arriving at Mohringen, map coordinates, WS-040152, at approx. 1800 hours. Distance traveled was approx. 200 miles. The Hq. was set up in two (2) school buildings in the center of Mohringen.

3. On the day the headquarters moved the radio and message center team at headquarters consisting of T/4 Smith, Cpl. Jurewicz, T/5 McClure, T/5 Trent and T/5 Wheelock was sent to Team "B" at Y-39, Hannebaum, so that the Hq. at all times had at least radio communications with the isolated team. The radio team at Team "A" then moved back to Hq. on 12 May 1945. Radio transmission was good from all sites and considerable traffic was passed as the Hq. was frequently out of telephone communication with the isolated team.

4. On 12 May 1945 a team of seven (7) men from the 562nd Sig. A.W. Bn. arrived to install carrier equipment for the Group's trunk lines to 1st TAFSC. An additional team of seven men from the same unit installed and operated the FM radio station for the radio link in the circuit. The transmitter was set up in Begerloch, a suburb of Stuttgart. On the 13th and 14th of May a platoon of the 459th Signal Construction Bn. (H) installed the spiral-four cable from the carrier equipment in the switchboard room to the transmitter site. Two telephone circuits and one teletype circuit were in use on the four channel system.

5. Operations of Det. "B" were normal during the month. The work of both detachments decreased after V-E Day and particularly signal supply activities were light. Communications work for the Hq. section was up to normal.


6. Morale of the unit during the month was high. V-E Day celebrations by the personnel were interrupted by the move, but living conditions of the new location were good. There was a high percentage of participation in sports and particularly in swimming as a good out-door swimming pool was available in the same town. Near the end of the month passes to Paris and furloughs to the Riviera and U.K. were resumed.

7. The following EM were promoted during the month:

T/Sgt. Carver to M/Sgt.
T/3. Landschoot to T/Sgt.
Sgt. Pullington to S/Sgt.
Sgt. Glaser to T/3rd Gr.
Pvt. McDaniel to Pfc.
Pvt. Melton to Pfc.

8. The only transfer from the unit during the month was the return of T/Sgt. Travis to the Z. of I. on an emergency furlough. He was later transferred out in accordance with theatre directives. He had an excellent record in Det. "A" radio maintenance section and had been with the unit two and a half years.

9. This completes the unit history for the month of May, 1945.


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1028TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
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UNIT HISTORY

Air Force Ninth Air Force
Command Ninth Air Force Service Command
Wing I Tactical Air Force Service Wing (P)
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SECTION I

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength: Three (3) Officers and Eighty-Six (86) Enlisted Men.
3. Movement: Negative.
4. Casualties: Negative.
5. Decorations: Negative.

SECTION II

1. On 1 June the 83rd Service Group received orders for disbandment and reorganization into the 500th Air Service Group and the 502nd Air Service Group effective 6 June 1945. The 1028th Sig Co Sv Gp was included in the disbandment and reorganization, approx. one half of the personnel and equipment going to each of the new Air Service Groups. During the period 1 June to 6 June the unit, in addition to normal duties, was busy closing out records, disposing of property, and making final reports. T/Sgt. Canty and the line crew completed advance preparations necessary for the movement of the present Team "A" (to be 502nd Air Sv. Gp.) to a German barracks area about 1½ miles from the present Group Headquarters location. All personnel of the 1028th moved to their new unit on 6 June 1945.

2. The following is the list of transfers made from the 1028th Sig. Co. Sv. Gp.

| <u>GRADE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASSIGNED TO</u> |
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| T/3rd Gr. | Charles W. Mooneyhan | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | Zigmond A. Knakiewicz | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/3rd Gr. | William M. Thompson | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/3rd Gr. | Harvey C. Hellings | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Sgt. | Francis O. Puckett | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | James V. D'Anna | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| M/Sgt. | William A. Carver | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/Sgt. | John E. Wempen | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/Sgt. | Robert F. Landschoot | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Sgt. | Ruben B. Fossi | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Sgt. | Adolphus C. Wendorf | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Malcolm H. Black | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | William Haux | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Herbert L. Hostettler | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Maurice J. Spillane | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Cpl. | Robert E. Greif | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Cpl. | John A. Sowa | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Joseph P. Demuth | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | John W. Perryman | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Clifford Self | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |

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| T/5th Gr. | Robert K. Trent | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Claude P. Wheelock | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | James V. Federico | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Robert G. Hice | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Lewis Wright | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Hyman Zagon | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pvt. | Cirilo Chacon | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | Dolphus J. Joines | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Sgt. | Arthur C. Weller | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Thomas C. Aulito | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Harry H. Carroll | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Clarence L. Hamphill | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Morton L. Levin | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Cpl. | Wilbur P. Abrams | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Lewis C. Adams | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Gerry A. Barbato | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Jack Greenstine | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Joe F. Hawk | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Ira J. Phillips | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Charles Dover | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Ogle E. Penix | 918th Air Engr. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| 1st/ Sgt. | John F. Fransulich | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | Charles T. Abraham | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | Leon W. Pullington | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | Jack M. Thomas | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | William H. Youree | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | John K. Fielden | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | James W. Dorsey | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Noble A. Frye | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | David C. McClure | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Hans G. Moline | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | James G. Schlett | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Wallace G. Smith | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Charles E. Stumpf | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Frank L. Fabris | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Ambros P. Goins | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Floyd I. McDaniel | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Joseph C. Quigley | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Fred C. Samrow | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/Sgt. | Howard W. Canty | Hq. & Base Sv. Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | Clifford R. Henderson | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/3rd Gr. | Morris A. Glaser | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Sgt. | Kenneth E. Eggen | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Walter E. Field | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | John E. Parker | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | James E. Pearson | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/4th Gr. | Leo C. Schmits | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Cpl. | Bruce E. Shugart | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | John B. DeCurtis | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | James R. Macdonald | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Clayton M. Mullins | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |

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| T/5th Gr. | Steven Mann | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | John E. Schroll | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pvt. | Donald A. Scott | 920th Air Engr. Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | Kenneth W. Rayburn | 744th Air Materiel Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Sgt. | Charles B. Dees | 744th Air Materiel Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Cpl. | James E. Gibbons | 744th Air Materiel Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | Joseph R. Herda | 744th Air Materiel Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Ray T. Melton | 744th Air Materiel Sq., 502nd Air Sv. Gp. |
| S/Sgt. | Fred P. Dawson | 742nd Air Materiel Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| T/5th Gr. | John G. McDaniel | 742nd Air Materiel Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Marvin Barish | 742nd Air Materiel Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |
| Pfc. | Eugene P. McLaughlin | 742nd Air Materiel Sq., 500th Air Sv. Gp. |

3. This completes the final unit history.

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TO EVERYTHING THERE MUST COME AN END. WITH THE LONG EXPECTED REORGANIZATION OF THE 97TH BECOMING AN ACTUAL FACT, THE 1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY WAS DISBANDED PARAGRAPH 7, SECTION 2, GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 52, HEAD-QUARTERS, EIGHTH AIR FORCE, DATED APRIL 15, 1945. ALL MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION WERE TRANSFERRED INTO THE AIR CORPS, AND INTO ONE OF THE THREE SQUADRONS THAT COMPRISE THE NEW 446TH AIR SERVICE GROUP. THE BREAKDOWN IS AS FOLLOWS:

446TH HQ AND BASE SV SQ, AIR SV GROUP

| RANK | MOS | NAME | ASN |
|-------|-----|--------------------------|----------|
| S/SGT | 405 | SIGNORELLI, NICHOLAS C. | 3330042 |
| SGT | 060 | STROBECK, CLAUDE E. | 32262190 |
| T/SGT | 766 | BIELA, JOHN W. | 31048294 |
| S/SGT | 805 | BENNER, JOHN D. | 36120522 |
| TEC/3 | 805 | SPARKMAN, ELMER J. | 19074979 |
| TEC/4 | 805 | BURKE, JOHN K. | 20149694 |
| TEC/5 | 237 | MONTEMAYOR, ARTHUR J. | 3 250456 |
| CPL | 950 | WILNE, JOHN J. | 39311282 |
| TEC/5 | 667 | SMOOT, WALTER T. | 15115558 |
| PFC | 345 | BROWNING, WILLIAM H. | 33442500 |
| PFC | 667 | HANSBROUGH, MCDEARMAN T. | 14155930 |
| TEC/4 | 766 | SHIMKUS, WILLIAM (M1) JR | 37133198 |
| TEC/5 | 776 | ROSE, FRANK J. JR | 17044397 |
| TEC/5 | 766 | MURPHY, JAMES A. | 13089984 |
| PFC | 835 | HVIZDA, GEORGE J. | 33515096 |
| CPL | 933 | CARSON, EDWARD S. | 13128857 |
| PFC | 776 | WHITE, JOHN E. | 34230362 |
| TEC/5 | 650 | PHILLIPS, FRED J. | 19138030 |
| TEC/5 | 238 | JOHNSON, LLOYD L. | 19091515 |
| TEC/4 | 650 | FISHMAN, JOSEPH (M1) | 36607806 |
| PFC | 650 | NEFF, STANLEY E. | 35602691 |
| PFC | 590 | HEIFERLING, LEONARD (M1) | 32790535 |
| PFC | 650 | HELMS, GARAH F. | 34674385 |
| SGT | 237 | ROBERTSON, WILLIAM J. | 19116835 |
| TEC/5 | 237 | HURTEL, GORDON N. | 39256762 |
| PFC | 650 | AGLIANO, FRANK (M1) | 39085231 |

646TH AIR MATERIEL SQ

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| TEC/5 | 014 | AITKEN, JAMES F. | 37186072 |
| S/SGT | 581 | SEAMAN, FRED C. | 32186952 |

146TH MATERIEL SQ

| <u>RANK</u> | <u>MOS</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> |
|-------------|------------|----------------------|------------|
| TEC/4 | 617 | BLONTARZ, WILLIAM E. | 36341412 |
| TEC/5 | 511 | FREEMAN, OLLIS C. | 34332745 |
| SGT | 950 | COX, GILFORD W. | 38067334 |
| PVT | 590 | HENLINE, ROBERT G. | 34436009 |

822ND AIR ENGINEERING SQ

| <u>RANK</u> | <u>MOS</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>ASN</u> |
|-------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|
| T/SGT | 502 | MERKIN, YALE (NM1) | 32191122 |
| TEC/4 | 955 | LAJOIE, GEORGE E. | 36341455 |
| T/SGT | 647 | LINDEKE, RAYMOND (NM1) JR | 39378266 |
| SGT | 647 | VOGT, RONALD J. | 32138977 |
| TEC/4 | 647 | FLETCHER, MERTON R. | 32138747 |
| TEC/5 | 951 | DEMBY, SANFORD J. | 13159392 |
| TEC/5 | 951 | WALECKA, GEORGE (NM1) | 11052694 |
| PFC | 647 | ARMSTRISTER, JOHN J. | 13115103 |
| TEC/4 | 238 | BECK, RUFUS W. | 38105776 |
| TEC/4 | 239 | LEHRKE, LEROY F. | 35312990 |
| PFC | 239 | GRACE, WILLIAM D. | 31291545 |

CAPT. TROUT, 01638688 WAS TRANSFERRED PER THE SAME 8TH AIR FORCE ORDER INTO THE 146TH HQ AND BASE SV SQUADRON.

BEFORE THE ORGANIZATION WAS DISBANDED ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL CHANGES TOOK PLACE. ON APRIL 1ST, T/5 RICHARD VAN SAUN, 32463149, WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE INFANTRY OCS SCHOOL, 9TH REINFORCEMENT DEPOT, APO 545, PER PARA. 2, S.O. #89, 1ST AIR DIVISION. ON APRIL 3RD PFC JAMES DOYLE, 17122484, FOLLOWED IN VAN SAUN'S FOOTSTEPS, BEING TRANSFERRED PER PARA 5, S.O. #91, HQ, 1ST AIR DIVISION. PVT. JOHN OZACK, 32448377, WAS THE FIRST, AND LAST, MAN THAT THE UNIT LOST TO THE RANKS OF THE INFANTRY. HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE 12TH REINFORCEMENT DEPOT, PER PARA. 9, S.O. #80, HQ, 67TH FIGHTER WING.

ON APRIL 2ND, PFC MICHAEL FARLEY, 37262595 WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE 1101ST SIGNAL COMPANY AT STATION 369, PER PARA. 2, S.O. #69, DATED 2 APRIL 1945.

THE ONLY ADDITION TO THE UNIT WAS THAT OF CPL. EDWARD CARSON, 13128857. SHORTLY AFTER JOINING, HE WAS SENT ON DS TO STATION 141, PER PARA. 1, S.O. #71 TO HELP SET UP THE CONTROL TOWER AT THAT STATION. HE WAS GONE FROM APRIL 3RD - 7TH.

THUS THE 1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP COMES TO AN END. SINCE ITS ORIGIN AS THE 29TH SIGNAL PLATOON,

OVER FOUR YEARS AGO, THE UNIT HAS SEEN SERVICE AT MCCORD FIELD, WASHINGTON; LOCKBURN FIELD, COLUMBUS, OHIO, TOBYHANNA, PENNSYLVANIA; FT. DIX AND CAMP KILMER, NEW JERSEY; AND AT STATION 367, ENGLAND. ITS PERSONNEL HAS RANGED FROM A MEER HANDFUL AT MCCORD FIELD TO SEVERAL HUNDRED AT TOBYHANNA, WHERE IT SERVED AS A TRAINING AND REPLACEMENT UNIT. SEVERAL OF ITS MEMBERS HAVE GONE TO VARIOUS OCS SCHOOLS AND ARE NOW SERVING IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD. OTHERS, STILL ENLISTED MEN, RECEIVED SPECIALIST TRAINING WITH THE ORGANIZATION, WERE TRANSFERRED OUT, AND ARE NOW CARRYING OUT THEIR DUTIES IN EVERY THEATER OF WAR. WHEREVER THE UNIT HAS BEEN, ITS DUTIES HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT TO THE UTMOST OF ITS ABILITIES, AND AN ENVIABLE REPUTATION HAS BEEN BUILT UP. DURING ITS LIFE THE ORGANIZATION HAS HAD THREE COMMANDING OFFICERS. HOWEVER, ONE SERVED FOR ONLY A FEW WEEKS, SO THE OTHER TWO ARE USUALLY REMEMBERED WHEN COMMANDING OFFICERS ARE THOUGHT OF, THESE BEING MAJOR PETTIT AND THE PRESENT COMMANDER, CAPT. TROUT. MAJOR PETTIT WAS A 1ST LIEUTENANT WHEN HE ASSUMED COMMAND, CAPT. TROUT, A SECOND LIEUTENANT. NO OTHER ORGANIZATION EVER POSSESSED MORE CONSCIENTIOUS, THOUGHTFUL, AND LIKEABLE OFFICERS THAN THESE TWO MEN.

THE COMPANY IS NO MORE, BUT ITS SPIRIT WILL CARRY ON WHEREVER A FORMER 1029TH SIGNAL MEMBER GOES.

JOHN D. BENNER
S/SGT.
UNIT HISTORIAN

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FIRST AIR DIVISION

67TH FIGHTER WING

20TH FIGHTER GROUP

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PERSONNEL CHANGES CONTINUED TO HIGHLIGHT THE HISTORY OF THE 1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH. SOME MEN WERE LOST, OTHERS GAINED. MOST IMPORTANT OF THESE CHANGES WAS THE TRANSFER OF 1ST LT. KENNETH R. SLATER, O-1641603, TO THE 9TH REINFORCEMENT DEPOT TRAINING DEPOT, GROUND REINFORCEMENT COMMAND. THIS COMMAND IS ON THE CONTINENT, FUNCTIONING AS A TRAINING UNIT FOR THOSE TRANSFERRED FROM OTHER BRANCHES OF THE SERVICE INTO THE INFANTRY. MANY WEEKS AGO LT. SLATER MADE APPLICATION TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE INFANTRY, FEELING THAT HIS YEARS SPENT IN THE CAVALRY, HIS KNOWLEDGE OF WEAPONS, AND HIS ABILITY TO HANDLE MEN WOULD BE OF GREATER VALUE IN COMBAT THAN ON AN AIR BASE. HIS TRANSFER WAS GRANTED PER PARA. 2, S.O.#80, HQ, 8TH AIR FORCE. LT. SLATER'S LOSS WILL BE SORELY FELT BY THIS ORGANIZATION. HE HAD BEEN A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY SINCE THE EARLY MONTHS OF 1943, JOINING THE UNIT AT TOBYHANNA, PENNSYLVANIA. FROM THAT TIME ON HE FUNCTIONED IN MANY CAPACITIES, THAT OF SIGNAL SUPPLY OFFICER BEING HIS CHIEF DUTY AND RESPONSIBILITY. BOTH AS AN OFFICER AND AS A MAN HE WAS WELL LIKED BY EVERY MEMBER OF THE UNIT. IN ALL ACTIONS HE WAS FAIR, IMPARTIAL, AND CONSIDERATE. WE ALL FEEL SURE THAT WHEREVER HE GOES, AND WHATEVER HE DOES, HIS DUTY WILL BE WELL EXECUTED. OUR LOSS WILL BE SOMEONE'S GAIN.

T/4 ROBERT B. MCCAULEY, 38164254 WAS ALSO TRANSFERRED ON MARCH 24TH. ON DS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE CONTINENT FOR MANY MONTHS T/4 MCCAULEY WAS FINALLY TRANSFERRED TO THE 57TH FIGHTER CONTROL SQUADRON, PER PARA. 11, SO# 79, HQS, 1ST AIR DIVISION.

THREE NEW MEN JOINED THE COMPANY THIS MONTH, COMPENSATING IN NUMBERS FOR THE MEN LOST. PFC FRANK AGLIANO, 39085231 WHO HAD REACHED THIS STATION THROUGH THE PLAN OF ROTATING MEN FROM COMBAT UNITS, WAS TRANSFERRED INTO OUR UNIT FROM THE 20TH FIGHTER GROUP, PER PARA. 7, S.O.# 59 FROM THE 1ST DIVISION OF THE 1ST ARMY ON THE 16TH OF MARCH. AGLIANO HAS SEEN PLENTY OF ARMY SERVICE, TOUGH ARMY SERVICE. FOR TWO YEARS HE WAS STATIONED IN THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS; LAST FALL HE REACHED THE ETO, AND SAW ACTION DURING THE WINTER, TAKING PART IN THE BATTLE OF RUNSTEDT'S SALIENT. NOW, HE IS MOST HAPPY TO BE A MEMBER OF THE 8TH AIR FORCE. "JUST LIKE BEING BACK IN CIVILIAN LIFE", HE SAYS.

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ON THE 19TH OF MARCH, PFC JOHN E. WHITE, 38230362, JOINED THE ORGANIZATION PER PARA. 4, SO #61, THIS HEADQUARTERS. A RADIO OPERATOR, HE HAD SPENT SOME TWO YEARS IN THE STATES, MOST OF IT AT FT. JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, BEFORE BEING SHIPPED OVERSEAS. HE JOINED OUR UNIT ON HIS SEVENTH DAY IN THE ETO. PFC WHITE IS A SOLDIER OF LONG STANDING, HAVING COMPLETED TWELVE YEARS IN THE NATIONAL GUARD.

THE THIRD MAN TO JOIN THE SIGNAL COMPANY DURING THE MONTH WAS CPL. EDWARD S. CARSON, 13128857 WHO WAS TRANSFERRED FROM THE 97TH HQ. & HQS. SQUADRON THIS STATION, PER PARA 5, S.O. #48, DATED 5 MARCH. CPL. CARSON IS ANOTHER RADIO MAN AND LONG FELT THAT HE COULD BE MORE USEFUL IN A SIGNAL ORGANIZATION. FINALLY, HIS REQUEST WAS GRANTED.

THREE PROMOTIONS WERE MADE ON MARCH 25. THE FOLLOWING MEN WERE PROMOTED FROM T/5 TO T/4 PER PAR 1, S.O. #65, THIS HEADQUARTERS, DATED MARCH 25, 1945: RUFUS BECK, 38105776, JOHN K. BURKE, 20149694, JOSEPH FISHMAN, 36607806. T/4 BECK IS CHIEF OF THE T & T REPAIR SECTION, T/4 FISHMAN, CHIEF SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR, AND T/4 BURKE, A MEMBER OF THE CRYPTOGRAPHIC SECTION.

PFC WILLIAM GRACE, 31291545, SPENT ANOTHER STRETCH IN THE 303RD HOSPITAL, BEING CONFINED FROM THE 2ND - 24TH OF MARCH. THIS TIME HIS AILMENT WAS DIAGNOSED AS ARTHRITIS. PFC GRACE HAS LONG BEEN TROUBLED WITH THIS CHRONIC ILL WITHOUT BENEFITING FROM HIS MANY TRIPS TO THE HOSPITAL AND SICK CALL. REFRAINMENT FROM ANY PHYSICAL EXERCISE HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED BY THE MEDICAL AUTHORITIES.

T/4 JOHN K. BURKE WAS APPOINTED AS V.D. ADVISOR FOR THE ORGANIZATION IN THE EARLY PART OF THE MONTH. THE UNIT'S V.D. RATE AT THE PRESENT TIME IS 42, IN COMPARISON WITH 45 FOR THE ENTIRE 1ST AIR DIVISION. HOWEVER, ALTHOUGH THE RATE SEEMS HIGH, THE UNIT HAS HAD BUT ONE CASE OF V.D. IN A FOUR YEAR PERIOD.

COMMUNICATIONS RAN SMOOTHLY DURING THE PAST MONTH. NO TROUBLE WAS EXPERIENCED ALONG PHYSICAL LINES, THE FINE WEATHER NO DOUBT BEING PARTLY RESPONSIBLE. TRAFFIC IN SIGNAL CENTER, THE CODE ROOM, AND ON THE SWITCHBOARD WAS FAR ABOVE AVERAGE. NO DEFINITE REASON CAN BE GIVEN, ALTHOUGH MANY CAN BE MENTIONED. INCREASED MISSIONS DUE TO FAVORABLE FLYING WEATHER, THE SWIFT PROGRESS OF THE WAR DURING THE PAST FEW WEEKS, AND THE COMING OF SPRING HAVE PROBABLY ALL HAD A PART TO PLAY IN THE MORE NUMEROUS AMOUNT OF MESSAGES AND PHONE CALLS.

T/5 RICHARD VAN SAUN HAS APPLIED FOR INFANTRY OCS AND HAS TO DATE APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARDS AT THIS STATION

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AND AT 1ST AIR DIVISION. RESULTS OF THE LATEST HEARING HAVE NOT AS YET BEEN RECEIVED.

WITH THE ADVENT OF SPRING, THE MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY ARE BECOMING SPORT CONSCIOUS ONCE AGAIN. A VOLLEY BALL COURT HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED IN THE AREA AND ALMOST EACH AFTERNOON SEES A GOODLY NUMBER ENGAGED IN A SPIRITED GAME. IN THE NEAR FUTURE, THE SOFTBALL TEAM WILL HOLD ITS FIRST PRACTICE. ALTHOUGH TWO MEN HAVE BEEN LOST FROM LAST YEAR'S TEAM WHICH WON 14 GAMES IN A ROW, IT IS STILL HOPED THAT ANOTHER WINNING COMBINATION CAN BE PUT ON THE FIELD.

JOHN D. BENNER
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CUPID SHOT HIS ARROW INTO THE MIDST OF THE SIGNAL COMPANY AGAIN LAST MONTH, AND THIS TIME HIT T/5 JAMES A. MURPHY, 13089984. HIS MARRIAGE TO OLIVE ELSIE JACKSON OF THE WOMEN'S LAND ARMY ON FEBRUARY 17TH CULMINATED A ROMANCE WHICH STARTED BETTER THAN A YEAR AGO. THE NUPTIALS TOOK PLACE AT WELLINGBORO, THE HOME OF THE BRIDE. THE HAPPY COUPLE HONEYMOONED AT STOKE ON TRENT. MRS. MURPHY IS WITHDRAWING FROM THE LAND ARMY TO ACCEPT A PART TIME JOB....T/5 MURPHY WILL RETAIN HIS POSITION IN THE ARMY. THIS MARRIAGE MARKED THE THIRD FOR OUR ORGANIZATION SINCE COMING TO ENGLAND SOME EIGHTEEN MONTHS AGO. GREATER THAN THE NUMBER IS THE PERCENTAGE THAT IT REPRESENTS; ALMOST 10% HAVE NOW LEFT THE STATE OF SINGLE BLESSEDNESS.

ON FEBRUARY 24TH, T/4 GEORGE E. LAJOIE, 36341455, RETURNED FROM EIGHT MONTHS OF DS ON THE CONTINENT WITH THE 401ST SIGNAL COMPANY, AVN. MOST OF HIS TIME ON THE CONTINENT WAS SPENT NEAR EICES, HOLLAND, NOT FAR FROM AACHEN. A SUPPLY MAN, T/4 LAJOIE'S DUTY WAS TO REQUISITION AND SECURE MATERIALS OF ALL KINDS.

PFC THOMAS HIGGINS, 32982534, WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE 5TH EMERGENCY RESCUE SQUADRON, STATION 365, ON FEBRUARY 8TH. ALTHOUGH HIGGINS WAS WITH THE COMPANY FOR ALMOST A YEAR, THE GREATER PART OF THIS TIME WAS SPENT ON DS.

PFC STANLEY NEFF, 35602691, RETURNED FROM THE 303RD HOSPITAL ON FEBRUARY 17TH, AFTER HAVING A CYST REMOVED FROM HIS FOOT. BESIDES PICKING UP A FEW POUNDS IN WEIGHT, PFC NEFF ALMOST MANAGED TO ADD A FEW PAPER POUNDS TO HIS WALLET.

THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY WAS A HECTIC MONTH FOR THE TELEPHONE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE SECTION. DUE TO THE EVER REBUILDING AND MODIFICATION OF THE AIRDROME FOR ADDITIONAL FACILITIES, IT WAS THE CONSTRUCTION OF AIRCRAFT HARDSTANDS THAT DISRUPTED THE TELEPHONE SETUP. WHEN THIS AIRBASE WAS LAID OUT, TELEPHONE CABLES WERE INSTALLED UNDERGROUND BEFORE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE RUNWAYS, PERIMETER TRACK AND BUILDINGS. NOT HAVING SUFFICIENT MARKERS OR MOLE-TRACK IMPRESSIONS TO FOLLOW THE CONTOUR OF THE CABLING, THE FIRST RUPTURE CAME WHEN ONE OF THE LONG SPIKES PUNCTURED "B" CABLE FEEDING SEVERAL OPERATIONAL CIRCUITS. A CABLE LOCATOR WAS OBTAINED

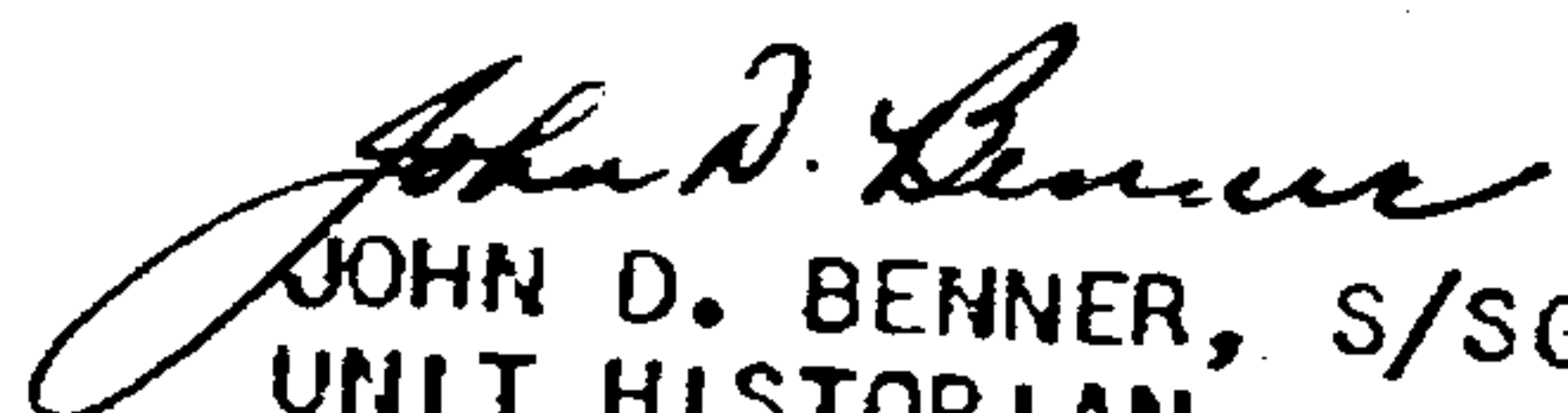
FROM THE LOCAL GPO REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTHOUGH THIS DID NOT END ALL TROUBLE EXPERIENCED, IT DID REDUCE IT TO A MINIMUM. THE FINAL WORK ON THE HARDSTANDS DAMAGED THE CABLE AGAIN, BUT IT WAS REPAIRED ONCE MORE IN A MATTER OF A FEW HOURS. THE WORK OF THE ENGINEERS, ALTHOUGH PERTURBING TO THE TELEPHONE SECTION, WAS WELCOMED BY THE SUPPLY SECTION. THEY NOW HAVE A NEW CEMENT ROAD TO FACILITATE LOADING AND UNLOADING OF SIGNAL SUPPLIES.

IN A MINOR CHANGE OF DUTY, PFC GEORGE HVIKZA AND T/5 SANFORD DEMBY SWITCHED SUPPLY POSITIONS, THE FORMER LEAVING SIGNAL SUPPLY TO TAKE OVER COMPANY SUPPLY, WHILE THE LATTER MADE THE REVERSE CHANGE.

ALTHOUGH THE CALL FOR MEN TO JOIN THE INFANTRY HAS NOT AFFECTED OUR COMPANY IN A PHYSICAL SENSE AS YET, IT HAS STIRRED UP A DEFINITE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION, WONDERING, AND SOME ACTION. T/5 VAN SAUN, AND PFC JAMES DOYLE HAVE BOTH APPLIED FOR INFANTRY OCS AND ARE NOW AWAITING ACTION ON THEIR PAPERS. THE FUTURE WILL, NO DOUBT, HAVE MORE FAR REACHING EFFECT THAN HAS THUS FAR TAKEN PLACE.

THE COMPANY DAY-ROOM WAS FURTHER ADDED TO THIS MONTH BY THE ACQUISITION OF A SNOOKER TABLE FROM THE SPECIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT. THE TABLE HAD TO BE SET UP BEFORE BEING PLAYED UPON, A NONE TOO EASY JOB. HOWEVER, THE WORK WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY SEVERAL OF THE OUTFIT'S TECHNICIANS AND ALREADY THE TABLE HAS PROVIDED MANY HOURS OF ENTERTAINMENT.

T/5 RICHARD VAN SAUN CONTINUES TO BE ONE OF THE MAINSTAYS ON THE STATION BASKETBALL TEAM. IN A RECENT CONTEST AGAINST HONINGTON, HE SUFFERED A BROKEN NOSE, WHICH IS NOW HEALING NICELY.


JOHN D. BENNER, S/SGT
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THE FIRST MONTH OF REAL WINTER THAT IT HAS BEEN OUR MISFORTUNE TO SEE SINCE LEAVING THE STATES HAD A DEFINITE EFFECT UPON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SIGNAL COMPANY. WHETHER IT WAS THE UNUSUAL COLD, AND THE PRESENCE OF SNOW, OR WHETHER IT WAS THE FACT THAT OPERATIONS WERE BELOW PAR, THE SIGNAL BOYS HAD A VERY QUIET MONTH IN ALL WAYS.

WE WERE ALL GLAD TO SEE PFC TOM HIGGINS RETURN FROM DS ON JANUARY 15TH FROM DET. B, FLIGHT SECTION, 65TH FIGHTER WING, WHICH IN TOM'S OPINION, WAS JUST A FANCY TITLE FOR PERMANENT K.P. FOR OVER SIX MONTHS PFC HIGGINS DID NOTHING BUT PULL ONE DETAIL AFTER ANOTHER. AT PRESENT HE IS WORKING WITH CPL JOHNSON AND THE WIRE CREW.

ON JANUARY 6TH, PVTS. HANSBOROUGH, HELMS, HIGGINS, AND HVIZDA WERE MADE PFC'S PER C.O.#1, 1945. IT IS A COINCIDENCE THAT ALL THE MEN RECEIVING PROMOTIONS HAVE A SURNAME BEGINNING WITH THE LETTER 'H'.

THE MONTH SAW A FEW MORE HOSPITAL CASES THAN USUAL. T/5 GEORGE WALECKA WAS LISTED AS A NON BATTLE CASUALTY ON NEW YEAR'S EVE. THE MEDICAL REPORT READ AS FOLLOWS: LACERATION 1/2 INCH, LEFT EYEBROW; CONCUSSION, MODERATE SEVERE UPPER LIP. OFFICIALLY, T/5 WALECKA DOES NOT KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, BUT IT IS EVIDENT THAT SOMEONE DID NOT TREAT HIM WITH UNDUE KINDNESS.

PFC STANLEY NEFF ENTERED THE 303RD GENERAL HOSPITAL ON JANUARY 12TH TO HAVE A CYST REMOVED FROM HIS LEFT FOOT. TO DATE, THE CYST HAS NOT BEEN REMOVED, AND PFC NEFF IS RECLINING ON A SOFT BED AND WATCHING THE PRETTY NURSES GO BY.

ALSO AMONG THE HOSPITAL CASES WAS OUR GOOD COOK, SGT. CLAUDE STROBECK WHO SPENT FROM JAN. 7TH - 13TH IN THE 903RD GENERAL HOSPITAL, ALSO WITH A CYST.

THE BACHELOR DIVISION OF THE COMPANY IS SOON TO BE SUBTRACTED FROM. T/5 JAMES MURPHY RECENTLY OBTAINED PERMISSION TO GET MARRIED. SO, WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE, THIS COLUMN SHOULD BE CARRYING THE STORY OF ANOTHER WEDDING.

DURING THE MONTH, THE SIGNAL COMPANY WAS GIVEN THE JOB OF RETRIEVING AND REINSTALLING TANOY SPEAKERS. MANY OF THESE HAD BEEN DISCONNECTED AND WERE BEING USED AS SPEAKERS

ON PRIVATE RADIO SETS. ALTHOUGH THE WORK ON THE SYSTEM DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE SIGNAL COMPANY WILL HAVE THE DUTY OF FURTHER MAINTAINING THE NETWORK, IT DOES STAND TO REASON THAT BECAUSE OF THEIR ENDEAVOR THE SYSTEM WAS PUT BACK INTO WORKING ORDER.

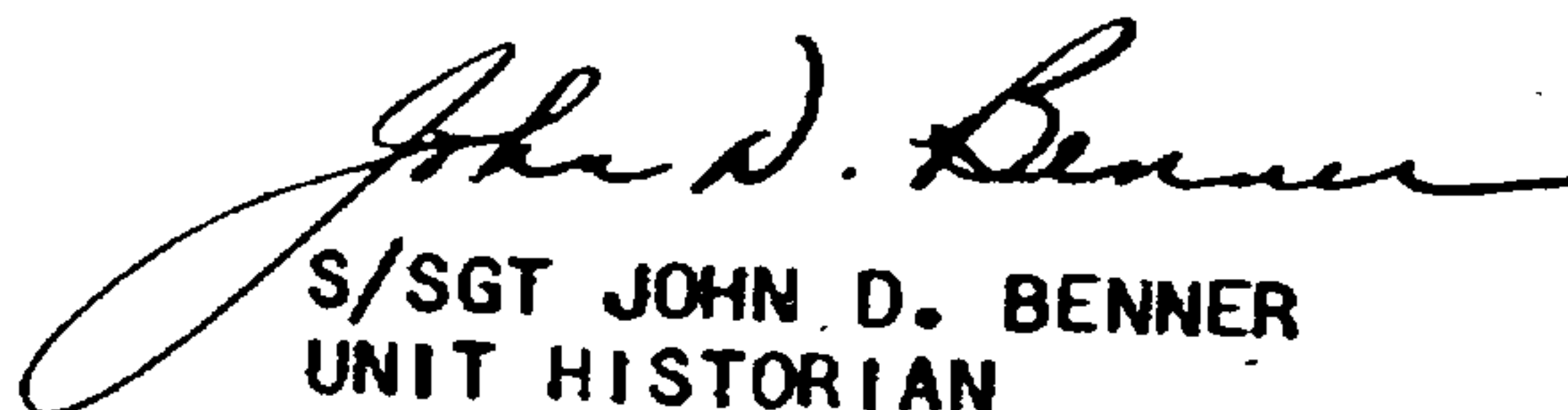
A SWITCHOVER OF OFFICES WAS MADE THIS PAST WEEK, IN WHICH CAPT. TROUT MOVED HIS SIGNAL OFFICE INTO THE ROOM PREVIOUSLY OCCUPIED BY THE SIGNAL CENTER, AND THE SIGNAL CENTER TOOK OVER THE OFFICE LEFT VACANT BY THE CAPTAIN. THIS NECESSITATED MOVING THE TELEPRINTERS, BUT THE JOB WAS COMPLETED IN A FEW HOURS TIME WITH THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF CAPT. TROUT, T/SGT LINDEKE, SGT. LEHRKE, AND PFC GRACE. THE MOVE WILL GIVE CAPT. TROUT MORE PRIVACY, AND WILL MAKE THE SIGNAL CENTER MORE ACCESSIBLE TO HEADQUARTERS PERSONNEL.

THE WIRE SECTION FELT PROUD OF THEIR WORK, WHEN DURING THE CHRISTMAS SPELL OF FROST AND HIGH WINDS ONLY ONE FIELD LINE WAS LOST OUT OF AN AGGREGATE OF 40 MILES. AND THAT WAS DUE TO A LIMB FALLING ON THE LINE. THE WEIGHT OF THE FROST ITSELF HAD NO DAMAGING EFFECTS.

THE SWITCHBOARD, AS USUAL, ENJOYED A GOOD MONTH. AT PRESENT TWO ADMINISTRATIVE BOARDS ARE IN USE WITH 120 EXTENSIONS, PLUS 27 PARALLEL PHONES, MAKING A TOTAL OF 147 PHONES. ONE OPERATIONS BOARD IS BEING USED, WITH 31 OF ITS 44 DROPS IN CONSTANT USE.

SIGNAL SUPPLY SHALL SOON HAVE A CEMENT DRIVEWAY WHEREBY DRIVERS CAN EASILY REACH THE WAREHOUSE, RATHER THAN CHURNING THROUGH THE MUD, AS THEY HAVE BEEN FORCED TO DO SINCE LAST FALL. FRAMES AND A FOUNDATION HAS BEEN LAID, SO IT SHOULD NOT BE TOO MUCH LONGER BEFORE THE CEMENT IS POURED IN.

A NOTE OF HUMOR ENTERED INTO PROCEEDINGS THIS WEEK. SGT. LEHRKE AND PFC GRACE HAVE RECENTLY ADDED AN ADDITIONAL DUTY TO THEIR ALREADY LARGE LIST.... THAT OF REPAIRING THE NICKELODEON MACHINE AT OFFICERS' MESS. BECAUSE THE REWARD IS USUALLY A DRINK OR TWO OF SCOTCH THE BOYS MAKE FREQUENT CHECKS TO SEE THAT ALL IS GOING WELL. LAST SATURDAY PFC GRACE STUCK TWO SHILLINGS IN THE SLOT MACHINE IN THE MESS AND HIT THE JACKPOT, WINNING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF THREE POUNDS, TEN SHILLINGS. AT THAT RATE THE NEW JOB IS TURNING OUT TO BE QUITE A PROFITABLE ONE.


S/SGT JOHN D. BENNER
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THE MONTH OF DECEMBER SAW FURTHER CHANGES IN THE PERSONNEL OF THE COMPANY. ON DECEMBER 11TH PFC CHARLES W. FOY, JR, 39102595 WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE 311TH SIGNAL COMPANY, AVN. AT THE 1ST BOMB DIVISION. ON THE SAME DAY, SGT. WILLIAM SHIMKUS, 37133198, WAS SENT ON TD TO THE SAME ORGANIZATION. THESE LOSSES WERE A SAD BLOW TO THE UNIT, FOR NOT ONLY WERE THESE MEN TO THE CRYPTOGRAPHIC AND RADIO SECTIONS, RESPECTIVELY, BUT THEY WERE ALSO WELL LIKED AND THOUGHT OF BY EVERYONE. SGT. SHIMKUS DID NOT STOP AT 1ST BOMB DIVISION, BUT WAS RUSHED ONTO FRANCE, AS WAS T/SGT BIELA LAST MONTH.

ON THE SAME DAY THAT THE ABOVE TWO MEN DEPARTED, PVT ROBERT G. HENLINE, 34436009, JOINED THE UNIT FROM THE 11TH STATION COMPLEMENT, STATION 110.

TWO PROMOTIONS WERE FORTHCOMING ON THE FIRST OF THE MONTH. PVT RAY KOSMATKA, 35370489, WAS APPOINTED T/5 PER S.O. #246, PARA. 4, HQS, STATION 367, DATED DECEMBER 1. PVT WILLIAM BROWNING, 33442500 WAS APPOINTED PFC ON THE SAME DATE PER COMPANY ORDER #5.

T/5 FRED PHILLIPS, AFTER SPENDING WELL OVER A MONTH AT THE 49TH STATION HOSPITAL, RECOVERING FROM A HERNIA OPERATION, REJOINED THE UNIT ON DECEMBER 9TH.

SCHOOLS STILL CLAIM OUR PERSONNEL OCCASIONALLY. FROM DECEMBER 17TH-23RD, CAPT. TROUT WAS ON DS AT THE POST WAR ARMY EDUCATION SCHOOL, NO. 24 UPPER BROOK STREET, LONDON. THE CAPTAIN RETURNED FULL OF ENTHUSIASM FOR THE PROPOSED PLANS.

ON DECEMBER 20TH, S/SGT NICK SIGNORELLI WAS APPOINTED SAFETY NCO, AND THE FOLLOWING DAY HE PERFORMED HIS FIRST DUTIES AT HIS NEW CHORE WHEN T/5 GEORGE WALECKA, 11052694, SUFFERED A SLIGHT INJURY TO HIS KNEE CAP IN A FALL FROM A BICYCLE. GEORGE WAS LISTED AS A NON-BATTLE CASUALTY.

LOSS OF PERSONNEL NECESSITATED MOVING THE RADIO STATION FROM ITS USUAL HOME IN BATTLE HEADQUARTERS ON THE AIR BASE, TO A POSITION IN THE STATION HQ BUILDING. HERE THE STATION APPROXIMATES THE SIGNAL OFFICE, SIGNAL CENTER, AND CRYPTOGRAPHIC ROOM, THUS PUTTING EVERYTHING UNDER ONE

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ROOF. AN EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY HAS BEEN SET UP WHEREBY BOTH THE RADIO STATION AND THE TELETYPE ROOM CAN OPERATE SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH JUST A FLIP OF A SWITCH.

A CHANGE WAS MADE IN THE WIRING SYSTEM IN WHICH ALL PAY TELEPHONES ON THE BASE WERE CONNECTED SO AS TO BE CONTROLLED FROM THE MAIN FRAME IN THE SWITCHBOARD ROOM. AT ANY MOMENT THESE PHONES CAN NOW BE MADE EITHER OPERATIVE OR NON-OPERATIVE, AS THE CASE MAY DEMAND. THIS NEW SETUP SAVES THE WIRE CREW LOTS OF WORK, FOR PREVIOUSLY, WHEN A MISSION WAS IN THE OFFING, IT NECESSITATED REMOVING THE FUSES FROM ALL THE PHONES MANUALLY. THE SAME EFFECT CAN BE OBTAINED UNDER THE NEW SETUP IN A MOMENT'S TIME.

BECAUSE THE SWITCHBOARD HAS ALSO FELT THE LOSS OF PERSONNEL, THREE BOARDS HAVE BEEN SET INTO OPERATION TO AID PROCEDURE. THIS ALLOWS ONE MAN TO HANDLE ALL CALLS DURING THE SLACK HOURS DURING THE NIGHT.

DURING THE MONTH THE PHYSICAL FITNESS TESTS LAID DOWN BY 1ST BOMB DIVISION WERE COMPLIED WITH. EACH MAN IN THE UNIT RAN 300 YARDS, AND DID AS MANY PUSH-UPS, AND PULL-UPS AS HE POSSIBLY COULD. IN FACT, SOME DID TOO MANY AS WERE EVIDENCED BY MANY A SORE MUSCLE THE FOLLOWING DAY. PFC JAMES DOYLE PROVED TO BE THE SPEED DEMON IN THE UNIT WHEN HE RACED THE 300 YARD COURSE IN 38 SECONDS, WHICH IS REALLY RUNNING.

EACH WEDNESDAY, AND ONE MONDAY, DURING THE MONTH THE UNIT SUPPLIED 20 OR MORE MEN FOR THE MOBILE STRIKING FORCE. FOR A WHILE EACH SECTION IN THE COMPANY HAD TO SUPPLY A CERTAIN QUOTA FOR EACH EXERCISE, BUT TWO WEEKS AGO THIS SYSTEM WAS CHANGED; TWO SQUADS WERE CHOSEN TO BE A PERMANENT SETUP FOR THIS FORCE.

CHRISTMAS SAW THE UNIT AS HAPPY AS IT COULD BE OVERSEAS FOR THE SECOND HOLIDAY SEASON IN A ROW. THINGS WERE BETTERED WHEN A LARGE MAIL CALL WAS HELD ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17TH. JUST ABOUT EVERYONE RECEIVED 10 OR MORE LETTERS, AND AS PACKAGES HAD COME THROUGH IN GOOD ORDER FOR PAST WEEKS, THE BOYS WERE PRETTY HAPPY.


S/SGT JOHN D. BENNER
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30TH FIGHTER GROUP

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THE RADIO SECTION OF THE 1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY WAS SADLY DEPLETED THIS PAST MONTH WHEN ONE OF ITS MEMBERS WAS TRANSFERRED OUTRIGHT AND ANOTHER WAS SENT ON DS FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME. CPL. LEON C. SAWYER, 30524945, WAS TRANSFERRED SUDDENLY ON THE 25TH OF NOVEMBER TO THE 489TH BOMB GROUP AT HALESWORTH, PER PAR. 6, S.O. #239, HQS, 1ST BOMB DIVISION, DATED 24 NOVEMBER 1944. THE ADVENT OF T/SGT JOHN W. BIELA, 31048294, WAS NOT AS UNEXPECTED, FOR SOME TIME AGO THE COMPANY HAD BEEN NOTIFIED TO READY A HIGH SPEED OPERATOR FOR TRANSFER. HOWEVER, T/SGT BIELA WAS NOT TRANSFERRED, BUT RATHER SENT ON DS TO THE 8TH AIR SERVICE COMMAND SERVICE CENTER, STATION A83, PER LETTER 8AF, DATED NOVEMBER 7TH. ALTHOUGH NOTHING OFFICIAL HAS BEEN FORTHCOMING SINCE HIS DEPARTURE ON NOVEMBER 11TH, IT IS FELT THAT T/SGT BIELA HAS FOUND HIS WAY TO FRANCE. IF SO, HE WILL HAVE THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THE FIRST MEMBER OF THE COMPANY TO SERVE IN THAT COUNTRY.

ON NOVEMBER 9TH, S/SGT JOHN E. BENNER, 30120522, AND T/5 JOHN K. BURKE, 2019674, ATTENDED A DAY'S REFRESHER COURSE IN CRYPTOGRAPHY AT HQS, 1ST BOMB DIVISION, PER PAR 3, S.O. #230, HQ, AAF STA 3-7, DATED 5 NOVEMBER 1944. PRIMARILY, THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WAS TO BETTER ACQUAINT THE CRYPTOGRAPHIC SECTIONS OF THE DIFFERENT STATIONS WITH ONE ANOTHER, AND WITH CAPT. LACROIX, OF 1ST BOMB DIVISION. TO THAT END IT WAS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL. SUCH MEETINGS ARE HIGHLY BENEFICIAL IN IRONING OUT ITEMS OF A CONTROVERSIAL NATURE, THEREBY ELIMINATING UNNECESSARY PAPER WORK, AND BETTER STILL, COSTLY ERRORS IN CRYPTOGRAPHIC WORK.

IT HAS BEEN LEARNED BY LETTER THAT CPL. EDWARD STREHLIN, RECENTLY RETURNED TO THE ZONE OF THE INTERIOR FROM THIS ORGANIZATION, IS NOW RESIDING AT THE ATLANTIC CITY REST HOME. THE 'REST' IS TO LAST FOR A PERIOD OF ROUGHLY TWO MONTHS. THUS FAR, IT IS NOT KNOWN WHAT CPL. STREHLIN'S DUTIES WILL BE THEREAFTER.

SOCIAL HEADLINES WERE WRITTEN BY T/4 WILLIAM SHINKUS, 37133198, OF ST. LOUIS, MO. WHEN HE BECAME WED TO MISS JOYCE BAKER OF RUSHTON, LOCATED NEAR NORTHAMPTON. WEDDINGS WERE HELD AT OUNDLE, NORTHANTS ON OCTOBER 26TH AT 2:15 P.M. BEFORE THE JUSTICE OF THE PLACE. THE NEW BRIDE AND GROOM THEN SPENT A WEEK'S HONEYMOON IN LONDON.

OPERATIONALLY, THE MONTH WAS A QUIET ONE. THIS DOES NOT IMPLY THAT IT WAS NOT A BUSY ONE, BUT SIMPLY THAT THE WORK WAS ACCOMPLISHED WITH A MINIMUM OF TRUBLE DUE TO WEATHER OR MECHANICAL DIFFICULTIES.

DURING THE MONTH, A NEW DUTY WAS ASSUMED BY THE SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION. IT IS NOW CHARGED WITH THE DUTY OF HANDLING AND ISSUING CHAFF, WHICH IS NOTHING MORE THAN LONG STRIPS OF TIN FOIL USED BY THE PILOTS ON OPERATIONAL MISSIONS TO SPOIL THE ACCURACY OF RADIO CONTROLLED ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY. A MINIMUM OF 100 CASES OF CHAFF IS TO BE KEPT ON HAND AT ALL TIMES. THIS IS REALLY MORE THAN ENOUGH TO SUPPLY THREE OPERATIONAL MISSIONS, WHICH WOULD CONSUME APPROXIMATELY 50 TO 60 CASES, THE LATTER BEING THE ABSOLUTE MINIMUM TO BE IN STOCK.

A NEW DEVELOPMENT IN THE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PILOT, CONTROL TOWER, AND AIR CONTROL TRUCK WAS WORKED OUT WITH THE INSTALLATION OF THE RECEIVING END OF A VHF RADIO IN THE CONTROL TRUCK, ALLOWING THE PERSONNEL THERE TO HEAR ANY CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE PILOT COMING IN FOR A LANDING, AND THE CONTROL TOWER. THIS GREATLY ASSISTS THE TRUCK IN THE LANDING OF AIRCRAFT. LINES WERE LAID TO SIX DIFFERENT POINTS ON THE FIELD FROM THE TOWER FOR THIS SERVICE. THE ABOVE WORK WAS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE COORDINATED EFFORTS OF THE SIGNAL WIRE CREW AND THE CENTRAL RADIO WORKSHOP.

THE NEW PHONE DIRECTORY, MORE COMPLETE THAN ANY PREVIOUS ONE, WAS DISAPPROVED BY 1ST BOMB DIVISION BECAUSE STANDARD PHONE NUMBERS AS LAID DOWN IN FM 24-5 WERE NOT FOLLOWED. THE SIGNAL OFFICER WAS AWARE OF THE FACT THE NUMBERS DID NOT COMPLY WITH THOSE LAID DOWN IN THE FIELD MANUAL, BUT PREVIOUS DIRECTORIES HAD BEEN APPROVED BY BOTH WING AND FIGHTER COMMAND HQS, USING NUMBERS ORIGINATED AT THIS STATION FOR MATTERS OF CONVENIENCE. THIS WOULD IMPLY THAT ADDITIONAL COORDINATION BETWEEN HIGHER HQS IS NEEDED TO STANDARDIZE THE ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE USED AT SUBORDINATE STATIONS.

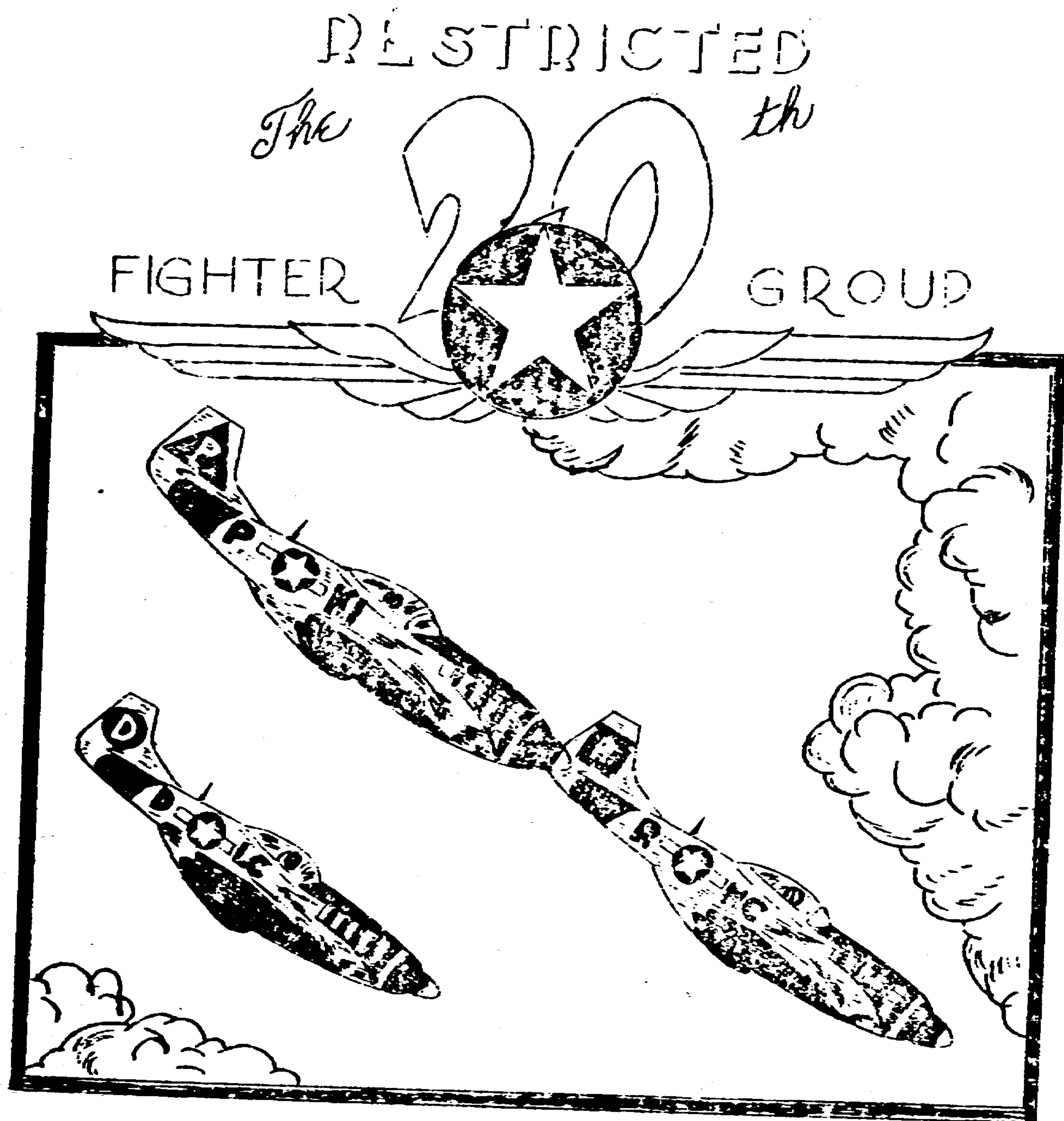
THE UNIT'S WEEKLY ORIENTATION LECTURE CONTINUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SERIES OF LECTURES PROMOTED AND CONDUCTED BY THE STATION SPECIAL SERVICE OFFICE. AT ONE OF THE COMPANY MEETINGS, LT. J. W. MASON, JR. OF THE WEATHER SECTION, GAVE AN INTERESTING DESCRIPTION OF THE DUTIES AND

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WORK OF THAT SECTION. LT. DASON BROKE THE TECHNICAL TERMS OF WEATHER DOWN INTO INTERESTING TERMINOLOGY, AND CREATED A FAVORABLE IMPRESSION WITH THE WEALTH OF ENLIGHTENING INFORMATION THAT HE PRESENTED.

IN THE FIELD OF ATHLETICS, THE COMPANY BASKETBALL TEAM HELD MORE PRACTICE SESSIONS IN READINESS FOR THE PETERBOROUGH RED CROSS LEAGUE WHICH IS DUE TO COMMENCE EARLY IN DECEMBER.

John D. Beamer
S/SGT JOHN D. BEAMER
UNIT HISTORIAN



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TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

GENERAL NOTES ON TELEPHONE SERVICE

1. IF THE LINES TO OTHER EXCHANGES ARE ENGAGED, THE OPERATOR WILL OFFER TO "BOOK" YOUR CALL AND WILL RING YOU WHEN THE CALL MATURES.
2. IF IT IS NECESSARY TO LEAVE THE VICINITY OF THE PHONE AFTER BOOKING A CALL, HAVE THAT CALL CANCELLED.
3. EXPECTED IMPORTANT OFFICIAL CALLS MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO ANY OTHER EXTENSION BY REQUESTING THE OPERATOR TO DO SO. HOWEVER, THE OPERATOR SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED OF YOUR RETURN TO THE ORIGINAL EXTENSION.
4. AFTER COMPLETING A CALL AND WISHING TO MAKE ANOTHER, SIGNAL OPERATOR BY DEPRESSING CRADLE BAR OR THE RECEIVER HOOK SLOWLY UNTIL THE OPERATOR ANSWERS. RAPID SIGNALING CANNOT BE OBSERVED BY THE OPERATOR.
5. DO NOT MAKE COMPLAINTS REGARDING SERVICE TO THE OPERATOR. INFORM THE STATION SIGNAL OFFICER OF YOUR COMPLAINT... EXTN 146.
6. DO NOT LEAVE MESSAGES WITH THE OPERATOR.
7. CALL BY EXTENSION NUMBER - - NOT BY NAME.

LONG DISTANCE CALLS

1. WHEN MAKING A CALL GIVE THE OPERATOR YOUR NAME, RANK AND WHETHER THE CALL IS OFFICIAL OR PERSONAL.
2. REFRAIN FROM INVITING PERSONAL CALLS BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 0800 TO 1800 HOURS.
3. TO EXPEDITE OFFICIAL TRAFFIC IT IS REQUESTED THAT NO PERSONAL CALLS BE PLACED BETWEEN 0800 TO 1800 HOURS.

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AN ACCURATE DIRECTORY IS NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT COOPERATION. PLEASE HELP BY NOTIFYING THE SIGNAL OFFICER OF ANY CHANGES, ADDITIONS, OR DELETIONS.....EXTN 146

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TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY CALLS

1. LIFT THE RECEIVER. WHEN THE OPERATOR ANSWERS SAY, "I WANT TO REPORT A FIRE", OR "I WANT THE MILITARY POLICE", OR "I WANT AN AMBULANCE". REMAIN AT THE TELEPHONE UNTIL THE CALLED PARTY ANSWERS.

2. GIVE CLEAR AND DEFINITE INSTRUCTIONS.

FIRE STATION

..... EXTENSION # 1

AMBULANCE

..... EXTENSION # 10

MILITARY POLICE

..... EXTENSION # 13

NUMBERS FREQUENTLY CALLED

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| COLONEL H. G. RAU | STATION COMMANDER | 40/132 |
| LT. COL R. P. MONTGOMERY | DEPUTY COMDR & AIR EXEC. | 40/132 |
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| MAJOR | C. H. ENGLISH | STA. ADJ. | 36 |
| MAJOR | E. G. FINDLEY | STA. ASS'T. ADJ.) | |
| | | STA. PERSONNEL OFF.) | 36 |
| | M/SGT DUCKHOLZ | STA. SGT. MAJOR | 111 |
| | T/SGT MILLS | PERSONNEL SGT. MAJOR | 111 |
| | S/SGT MOLER | SPECIAL ORDER CLERK | 111 |
| | SGT BLACK | DAILY BULLETIN CLERK | 111 |
| | SGT UNGER | FILE CLERK | 111 |
| | SGT SUING | DISTRIBUTION & COURIER | 45 |

S-1 SECTION

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| MAJOR | E. G. FINDLEY | STA. PERSONNEL OFF. | 36 |
| CAPT. | T. M. STANBACK | STATISTICAL OFF.) | |
| | | ASS'T. STA. ADJ.) | 45 |
| | T/SGT LOOP | SECTION CHIEF | 45 |
| | SGT NEFF | AWARDS & DECORATIONS | 45 |
| | SGT MOBLEY | MORNING REPORT CLERK | 45 |

S-2 SECTION

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| MAJOR | L. J. NICOLETTI | COUNTER INTELL. SECURITY | 116 |
| | CPL BALDOWSKI | CLERK | 116 |
| CAPT. | E. J. STEINER | COMBAT - INTELLIGENCE | 42 |
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| | SGT. CRAMER | CHIEF CLERK | 142/42 |

S-3 SECTION

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| MAJOR | G. S. WEISS | OFFICER IN CHARGE | |
| | | COMBAT OPERATIONS | |
| CAPT. | R. H. RIEMERSNIDER | OPS OFFICER | 138 |
| | M/SGT KNOER | CHIEF CLERK | 138 |
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| MAJOR | C. H. ENGLISH | GROUND S-3 | 36 |

S-4 SECTION

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| CAPT. | C. G. BENSON | STATION S-4 OFFICER | 34 |
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| CAPT. | W. B. ARENSBERG | ASS'T. STA. S-4 OFFICER | 34 |
| | T/SGT O'NEIL | TECH SUPPLY | 34 |

AIR CORPS SUPPLY SECTION

| | | | |
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| MAJOR | A. J. BRYANT | A/C SUPPLY OFFICER | 5 |
| CAPT. | J. J. DOCKE | ASS'T A/C SUPPLY OFF. | 105 |
| | M/SGT KING | CHIEF CLERK | 5/145 |
| | T/SGT SCHAPP | STOCK CONTROL CLERK | 145 |
| | M/SGT LINSKY | WAREHOUSE FOREMAN | 105 |

AIRBOME DEFENSE SECTION

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| CAPT. | J. J. DUMBROSKI | OFF. I/C DEFENSE | 30 |
| | T/SGT YOUNG | CLERK | 30 |

AIR INSPECTOR SECTION

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| MAJOR | E. J. O. SPEAK | STA. AIR INSPECTOR | 24 |
| | S/SGT HETTLETON | CLERK | 24 |

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| CWO | R. S. BROUGH | STA. ARMAMENT OFFICER | 106 |
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| LT. | T. N. GODFREY | 55TH FI. SQ. ARMAMENT OFF. | 121 |
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| LT. | C. T. SMITH | 79TH FI. SQ. ARMAMENT OFF. | 118 |

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| | CPL BRAUN | CHAPLAINS ASS'T. | 3 |

CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE

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| CAPT. | J. J. DUMBROSKI | STA. CHEMICAL OFFICER | 30 |
| LT. | G. R. ALLEN | ASS'T STA. CHEMICAL OFFICER | 30 |
| | T/SGT FEATHERS | CLERK | 30 |
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| <u>CLERK OF THE WORKS</u> | | |
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| MAJOR J. W. GATCHELL | GP. COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER | 49 |
| WO O. J. DESPAIN | ASS'T. GP. COMM. OFF. | 49 |
| <u>COURTS AND BOARDS</u> | | |
| CAPT. N. M. USSERY | C & B OFFICER | 124 |
| S/SGT HIPES | CLERK | 124 |
| <u>DENTAL CLINIC</u> | | |
| CAPT. A. W. MOORE | STA. DENTAL SURGEON | 23 |
| CAPT. I. B. GOLDSTON | ASS'T. STA. DENTAL SURGEON | 23 |
| SGT GAROFALO | SURGEON'S ASS'T. | 23 |
| <u>ENGINEERING</u> | | |
| MAJOR W. J. LAMEK | STA. ENG. OFFICER | 32 |
| CAPT. R. K. ANDERSON | ASS'T. STA. ENG. OFF. | 32 |
| LT. W. E. JEANNES | ASS'T. STA. ENG. OFF. | 109/32 |
| CWO J. H. VAN DEN BOSCH | STA. ENG. SHOP SUP'T | 32 |
| T/SGT FRUETT | CHIEF CLERK | 32 |
| T/SGT ANDREWS | NCO I/O BIG HANGAR | 109 |
| CAPT. J. R. CUREMAN | 55TH FI. SQ. ENG. OFF. | 121 |
| CAPT. S. A. DISHUP | 77TH FI. SQ. ENG. OFF. | R-1 |
| LT. K. F. HECHT | 77TH FI. SQ. ASS'T. ENG. OFF. | 26 |
| CAPT. E. R. HUNKSTON | 79TH FI. SQ. ENG. OFF. | 26 |
| LT. T. E. PARDOE | 67TH FI. WING ENG. OFF. | 119 |
| | | 113 |
| <u>FINANCE DEPARTMENT</u> | | |
| CAPT. N. BEALL | STA. FINANCE OFFICER | 35 |
| M/SGT ISENBERG | CHIEF CLERK | 35 |
| | OFFICERS PAY | 35 |
| | E/M PAY | 35 |
| <u>FLYING CONTROL SECTION</u> | | |
| CAPT. W. TATUM | OFF. I/O OF FLYING CONTROL | 15 |
| LT. M. H. GATT | FLYING CONTROL OFFICER | 15 |
| LT. D. T. McDONOUGH | FLYING CONTROL OFFICER | 15 |
| LT. F. C. MOORE | FLYING CONTROL OFFICER | 15 |
| SGT. PECK | CHIEF CLERK | 115/15 |

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NAME & RANK

ASSIGNMENT

EXTENSION NO.

GAS DUMPS

T/SGT GROWN
SGT NISSEN

NCO I/C VEHICLE PETROL
NCO I/C AVIATION PETROL

160
29

LIASON OFFICERS

F/LT. J. A. L. MOORE
F/LT. R. W. K. LOTT

EQUIPMENT
ADMINISTRATION

44
44

MEDICAL SECTION

MAJOR R. A. JACKSON
MAJOR G. A. GRANGER
CAPT. W. SOLOMON
CAPT. B. A. SCHIFF
CAPT. H. S. COWLEY
CAPT. P. C. ROBERTS

STATION SURGEON
ASS'T. STA. SURGEON
384TH SERV. SQ. SURG.
55TH FI. SQ. SURGEON
77TH FI. SQ. SURGEON
79TH FI. SQ. SURGEON

10
123
123
54*
57*
59*

MESS HALLS

CAPT. H. G. DOUGLAS
T/SGT OLIVARO
S/SGT DE SIMONE

OFF. I/C CONSOLIDATED MESS
MESS SERGEANT
MESS SERGEANT

16
16
16

LT. R. L. JERIK
T/SGT JONES

OFF. I/C OFFICERS MESS
MESS SERGEANT

125
125

MOTOR TRANSPORTATION

CAPT. G. E. GOGEL
CPL AITKEN

M/T OFFICER
CHIEF DISPATCHER

139
39

OFFICERS CLUB

LT. R. L. JERIK
CPL TENENBAUM
CPL FELDMAN

CLUB OFFICER
CHIEF CLERK
CLUB STEWARD

125
125
125

OFFICER'S LOUNGE

11

ORDNANCE SECTION

CAPT. E. M. MINOR
LT. P. R. LINCOLN
LT. O. R. TUCKERMAN
CWO R. S. BROUGH

STA. ORD. OFFICER
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE OFF.
AMMUNITION SUPPLY OFF.
ORD. SUPPLY & ARMAMENT

6
37
129
106

* DENOTES SQUADRON SWITCHBOARD. ASK FOR DISPENSARY.

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| <u>NAME & RANK</u> | | <u>ASSIGNMENT</u> | <u>EXTENSION NO.</u> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| <u>PHOTO LAB & ASSESSMENT</u> | | | |
| LT. | J. R. EATON | OFF. I/C OF PHOTO LAB. | 148 |
| | S/SGT RAYBOURNE | SECTION CHIEF | R-1
148 |
| | S/SGT RUFFE | NCO I/C ASSESSMENT LAB. | R-1
147 |
| <u>PROVOST MARSHAL</u> | | | |
| CAPT. | O. J. HENBEST | STA. PROVOST MARSHAL | 33 |
| LT. | J. B. STOUGHTON | PROVOST OFFICER | 33 |
| | | GUARD HOUSE | 13 |
| | | GUARD POST #1 | 131 |
| | | GUARD POST #5 | 135 |
| | | GUARD POST #6 | 136 |
| <u>PUBLIC RELATIONS</u> | | | |
| CAPT. | D. L. FREEMAN | STA. PUBLIC RELATIONS OFF. | 148 |
| | M/SGT MADISON | HISTORIAN | R-2
148
R-2 |
| <u>QUARTERMASTER SECTION</u> | | | |
| CAPT. | D. COHEN | STATION QUARTERMASTER | 20 |
| LT. | L. J. BARKSDALE | CLASS I SUPPLIES) | 19 |
| | | CLASS III SUPPLIES) | |
| LT. | M. S. GERTMAN | SALVAGE OFFICER) | |
| | | PX OFFICER) | |
| | | LAUNDRY OFFICER) | 19 |
| | | SHOE REPAIR OFFICER) | |
| | CPL HARRIS | NCO I/C RAIL TRANSPORTATION | 20 |
| <u>SIGNAL SECTION</u> | | | |
| CAPT. | G. W. TROUT | STA. SIGNAL OFFICER | 146 |
| LT. | K. R. SLATER | SIGNAL SUPPLY OFFICER | 102/146 |
| | CPL SMOOT | MESSAGE CENTER | 8 |
| | | CRYPT ROOM | 104 |
| <u>SPECIAL SERVICE</u> | | | |
| LT. | R. F. STAUBACHER | STA. SPECIAL SERVICE OFF. | 22 |
| LT. | A. S. WELCH | STA. ATHLETIC OFF. | 22 |
| | SGT SCHWARTZ | SPECIAL SERVICE NCO | 134 |
| | SGT TICKLERMAN | ATHLETIC NCO | 134 |

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TECH INSPECTOR'S SECTION

| | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|----|
| CAPT. H. R. RILEY | STA. TECH INSPECTOR | 41 |
| CAPT. R. J. LAERENTZ | ASS'T STA. TECH INSPECTOR | 41 |
| T/SGT MILLS | CHIEF CLERK | 41 |

UTILITIES

| | | |
|------------------|---------------------|-----|
| LT. J. W. SEFTON | STA. UTILITIES OFF. | 133 |
| S/SGT DRAUGHN | DETAIL SERGEANT | 133 |
| SGT CULLER | SIGN PAINTER | 133 |

WEATHER SECTION

| | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|-----|
| LT. J. W. MASON, JR. | STAFF WEATHER OFFICER | 101 |
| LT. E. B. POWERS | STA. WEATHER OFFICER | 101 |
| LT. G. M. REEVES | ASS'T. WEATHER OFFICER | 101 |
| M/SGT THOMPSON | CHIEF FORECASTER | 101 |
| SGT DUNN | CHIEF OBSERVER | 101 |

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MISCELLANEOUS EXTENSIONS

| | |
|---|-----|
| BATTLE HEADQUARTERS | 154 |
| BOMB DUMP | 112 |
| BRIEFING ROOM | 127 |
| DETAIL SERGEANT | 133 |
| DISPENSARY | 10 |
| GUARD HOUSE | 13 |
| GUARD POST 1 | 131 |
| GUARD POST 5 | 135 |
| GUARD POST 6 | 136 |
| HOBBY SHOP | 103 |
| PARACHUTE SHOP | 120 |
| POST OFFICE | 110 |
| SHOCK ROOM (FIRST AID LOCATED IN CONTROL TOWER) | 126 |

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UNITS ASSIGNED

| | | |
|---|-------|-----|
| HQ & HQ SQ., 97TH SERVICE GROUP | | 48 |
| 44TH STATION COMPLIMENT SQ. | | 21 |
| 384TH SERVICE SQUADRON (STA. AAF - 368) | | 47 |
| 1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP | | 149 |
| 1087TH QM. COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP | | 20 |
| 1806TH ORDNANCE S & M COMPANY (AVN) | | 2 |
| 1221ST MILITARY POLICE COMPANY | | 33 |
| 2041ST ENGINEER AVN, F/F PLATOON | | 1 |

HQ., 20TH FIGHTER GROUP

| | | |
|-----------------|--|----|
| ADJUTANT | | |
| PERSONNEL CLERK | | 36 |
| SQUADRON SUPPLY | | 45 |
| | | 34 |

55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, 20TH FIGHTER GROUP

| | | |
|--|--|-----|
| COMMANDING OFFICER & EXECUTIVE OFFICER | | 140 |
| ORDERLY ROOM | | 9 |
| OPERATIONS | | 200 |
| ARMAMENT | | 121 |
| | | R-2 |
| ENGINEERING | | 121 |
| | | R-1 |
| S-2 | | 144 |
| SQUADRON SUPPLY | | 137 |
| SQUADRON SWITCHBOARD | | 54* |

77TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, 20TH FIGHTER GROUP

| | | |
|------------------------------|--|-----|
| COMMANDING OFFICER | | 25 |
| EXECUTIVE OFFICER & ADJUTANT | | 4 |
| ORDERLY ROOM | | 4 |
| OPERATIONS | | 25 |
| ARMAMENT | | 27 |
| ENGINEERING | | 26 |
| S-2 | | 57* |
| SQUADRON SUPPLY | | 14 |
| SQUADRON SWITCHBOARD | | 57* |

79TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, 20TH FIGHTER GROUP

| | | |
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| COMMANDING OFFICER, EXECUTIVE & ADJUTANT | | 17 |
| ORDERLY ROOM | | 18 |
| OPERATIONS | | 12 |
| ARMAMENT | | 118 |
| ENGINEERING | | 119 |
| S-2 | | 12 |
| TECH SUPPLY | | 128 |
| SQDN SUPPLY | | 28 |
| SQUADRON SWITCHBOARD | | 55* |

* DENOTES SQUADRON SWITCHBOARD. WHEN OPERATOR ANSWERS AT THE SQUADRON SWITCHBOARD, ASK FOR "DISPENSARY," S-2 ETC".

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| NAME | RANK | BRANCH | ASSIGNMENT | OFFICE | BOQ |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|-----|
| ALLEN, G. R. | LT | CMS | ASS'T CHEM O | 30 | 21 |
| ANDERSON, R. K. | CAPT | AC | ASS'T STA ENG O | 32 | ** |
| ARENSBERG, W. B. | CAPT | AC | ASS'T STA S-4 O | 34 | 48 |
| ASBURY, H. F. | LT | AC | ADJ, 384 SERV SQ | 47 | ** |
| BANKS, F. W. | CAPT | AC | ADJ, 79 FI SQ | 17 | 18 |
| BARKLEY, F. W. | CAPT | AC | S-2, 77 FI SQ | 57 | 107 |
| BARKER, W. H. | LT | CE | CO, 2041 F/F PLAT | 1 | 48 |
| BARKESDALE, L. J. | LT | QMC | CO, 1007 QM CO | 19 | 20 |
| BEALL, H. | CAPT | FD | STA FINANCE O | 35 | 143 |
| BENSON, C. G. | CAPT | AC | STA S-4 O | 34 | 143 |
| BISHOP, S. A. | CAPT | AC | 77 FI SQ ENG O | 26 | 4 |
| BORKE, W. J. | CAPT | AC | ASS'T AC SUPPLY O | 105 | ** |
| BROUGH, R. S. | CWO | AUS | ORD, SUPPLY & ARM | 106 | 2 |
| BRYANT, A. | MAJ | AC | AC SUPPLY O | 5 | 143 |
| CHESTNUT, A. G. | LT | AC | 79 FI SQ COMM O | 55 | 18 |
| CICERO, M. P. | MAJ | AC | 55 FI SQ EXEC O | 140 | 117 |
| COHEN, D. | CAPT | QMC | STA QM O | 20 | 20 |
| COLLEY, H. S. | CAPT | MC | 77 FI SQ FLT SURG | 57 | 7 |
| CURFMAN, J. R. | CAPT | AC | 55 FI SQ ENG O | 121 | 239 |
| DANFELT, E. D. | LT | AC | ADJ, 77 FI SQ | R-1 | 4 |
| DAVIS, H. | LT | AC | STA PROPERTY O | 21 | 21 |
| DESPAIN, O. J. | WO | AUS | 20 GP ASS'T COMM O | 49 | 33 |
| DOUGLAS, H. G. | CAPT | AC | CONSLOTD MESS O | 16 | 21 |
| DUMBROSKI, J. J. | CAPT | CMS | STA CHEM O | 31 | 48 |
| EATON, J. R. | LT | AC | STA PHOTO O | 118 | 33 |
| ENGLISH, C. H. | MAJ | AC | STA ADJ | R-1 | 143 |
| ERLANDSON, D. E. | CAPT | AC | 55 FI SQ S-2 O | 144 | 239 |
| FINDLEY, E. G. | MAJ | AC | ASS'T STA ADJ | 36 | 213 |
| FREEMAN, E. G. | CAPT | AC | STA PUB REL O | 118 | 33 |
| FRY, N. D. | MAJ | AC | 79 FI SQ EXEC O | R-2 | 18 |
| GATCHELL, J. W. | MAJ | AC | GP COMM O | 49 | 213 |
| GENEST, J. R. | LT | AC | 77 FI SQ ASS'T S-2 | 57 | 107 |
| GETTMAN, M. S. | LT | QMC | PX, SALVAGE O | 20 | 20 |
| GODFREY, T. N. | LT | AC | 55 FI SQ ARM O | 121 | 117 |
| GOGEL, G. E. | CAPT | AC | M/T O | R-2 | 48 |
| GOLDSTON, I. B. | CAPT | MC | ASS'T STA DEN O | 23 | 48 |
| GOUDELOCK, J. M. | LT | AGD | POSTAL OFFICER | 110 | 33 |
| GRANGER, G. A. | MAJ | MC | ASS'T STA SURG | 123 | 143 |
| GUSTKE, R. F. | MAJ | AC | CO, 79 FI SQ | 25 | 228 |
| HALEY, W. H. | LT | AC | 55 FI SQ SUPPLY O | 137 | 117 |
| HECHT, K. F. | LT | AC | 77 FI SQ ASS'T ENG | 26 | 4 |
| HEIMSOOTH, A. E. | CAPT | CC | STA CHAPLIN | 3 | 235 |
| HINDS, R. T. | LT/CCL | AC | STA EXEC O | 43 | 158 |
| HINDS, R. C. | LT | AC | 20 FI GP ARM O | 114 | 235 |
| HINKSTON, E. R. | CAPT | AC | 79 FI SQ ENG O | 119 | 237 |

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| NAME | RANK | BRANCH | ASSIGNMENT | OFFICE | BOQ |
|---------------------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------|-----|
| HENSEST, O. J. | CAPT | CMP | PROVO MARSHAL | 33 | 33 |
| HOWARD, H. W. | CAPT | AC | ASS'T GP S-2 O | 42 | 213 |
| ILFREY, J. M. | CAPT | AC | CO, 79 FI SQ | 12 | 212 |
| JACKSON, R. A. | MAJ | MC | STA SURG | 10 | 10 |
| JEANES, W. E. | LT | AC | ASS'T STA ENG O | -109 | ** |
| JELKS, O. R., JR | LT | AC | 77 FI SQ SUPPLY O | -14 | 4 |
| JERIK, R. L. | LT | AC | O'S CLUB O | 125 | 125 |
| LAFRENTZ, R. J. | CAPT | AC | ASS'T STA TECH INSP | 41 | 21 |
| LAMEK, W. J. | MAJ | AC | STA ENG O | 32 | 143 |
| LARKIN, F. E. | CAPT | AC | 79 FI SQ S-2 O | 12 | 108 |
| LINCOLN, P. R. | LT | ORD | MOTOR MAINT O | 37 | 2 |
| LONG, C. W. | LT | AC | 55 FI SQ ASS'T S-2 | 144 | 239 |
| LOW, M. L. | LT/COL | AC | CO, 55 FI SQ | 144 | 239 |
| MABEN, N. G. | CAPT | AC | CO, 304 SERV SQ | 47 | ** |
| MASON, J. J. | LT | AC | STAFF WEATHER O | 101 | 101 |
| MCDONOUGH, D. T. | LT | AC | FLYING CONTROL O | 15 | 21 |
| MEYER, R. J. | CAPT | AC | 79 FI SQ OPS O | 12 | 212 |
| MILLER, J. H. | NO | AUS | 304 MESS O | 47 | ** |
| MINOR, E. M. | CAPT | ORD | CO, 1806 ORD CO | 6 | 2 |
| MINTUN, O. E. | LT | AC | 79 FI SQ ASS'T S-2 | 12 | 236 |
| MOHLERE, L. V. | LT | ORD | 77 FI SQ ARM O | -27 | 4 |
| MONTGOMERY, R. P. | LT/COL | AC | AIR EXECUTIVE O | 40 | 225 |
| MOORE, A. J. | CAPT | MC | STA DENTAL SURG | 23 | 23 |
| MOORE, F. C. | LT | AC | FLYING CONTROL O | 15 | 21 |
| MOORE, J. A. L. | F/LT | RAF | EQUIP LIASON O | 44 | |
| NICHOLS, M. B. | CAPT | AC | 77 FI SQ OPS O | 25 | 7 |
| NICOLETTI, L. J. | MAJ | AC | CO, 44 STA COMPL | 21 | 21 |
| NOTT, R. W. K. | F/LT | RAF | ADM LIASON O | 44 | 45 |
| O'CONNELL, J. J. | LT | AC | GP. PERS EQUIP O | 38 | 235 |
| OWEN, E. C. | LT | AC | ADJ, 44 STA COMPL | 21 | 21 |
| POWERS, E. B. | LT | AC | STA WEATHER O | 101 | 48 |
| RAU, H. J. | CCL | AC | STA COND'R | 40 | 150 |
| REEVES, G. M. | LT | AC | WEATHER O | 101 | 48 |
| RIEMENSCHIDER, R.H. | CAPT | AC | OPS O | 138 | 229 |
| RILEY, H. R. | CAPT | AC | STA TECH INSP | 41 | 33 |
| ROBINSON, H. S. | LT | AC | 77 FI SQ COMD O | 57 | 235 |
| ROBERTS, P. C. | CAPT | MC | 79 FI SQ FLT SURG | 55 | 108 |
| SCHIFF, B. A. | CAPT | MC | 55 FI SQ FLT SURG | 54 | 227 |
| SEFTON, J. W. | LT | CE | STA UTILITIES O | -133 | 21 |
| SIMONSEN, J. S. | CAPT | AC | CO, HQ SQ 97 S G | 46 | 48 |
| SLATER, K. R. | LT | SC | STA SIG SUPPLY O | 102 | 2 |
| SOLOMON, W. | CAPT | MC | 304 SERV SQ SURG | 125 | ** |
| SPEAK, A. J. O. | MAJ | AC | STA AIR INSP | 24 | 143 |
| STANBACK, T. M. | CAPT | AC | STA STATISTICAL O | 45 | 213 |
| STAUDACHER, R. F. | LT | AC | STA S S O | 22 | 46 |
| STEINER, E. J. | CAPT | AC | GP S-2 O | 42 | 213 |
| STEWART, J. A. | CAPT | AC | 77 FI SQ EXEC O | 4 | 4 |
| STOUGHTON, J. B. | LT | CMP | PROVO O | 33 | 33 |
| SMITH, C. T. | LT | ORD | 79 FI SQ ARM O | 118 | 18 |
| SMITH, W. W. | MAJ | AC | 55 FI SQ OPS O | 54 | 239 |

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| <u>NAME</u> | <u>RANK</u> | <u>BRANCH</u> | <u>ASSIGNMENT</u> | <u>OFFICE</u> | <u>BOQ</u> |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|------------|
| TATUM, W. | CAPT | AC | SENIOR F/C O | 15 | 15 |
| THOMAS, W. L. | WO | AUS | 55 FI SQ COMM O | 54 | 117 |
| TROUT, G. W. | CAPT | SC | STA SIG O | 146 | 2 |
| TUCKERMAN, O. R. | LT | ORD | STA ARM O | 129 | 2 |
| USSERY, D. M. | CAPT | AC | C & B O | 124 | 117 |
| VAN DEN BOSCH, J. | CWO | AUS | STA ENG SHOP SUP'T | 32 | ** |
| WATT, M. H. | LT | AC | FLYING CONTROL O | 15 | 21 |
| WEMYSS, C. S. | MAJ | AC | O I/C OPERATIONS | 138 | 7 |
| WELCH, A. S. | LT | AC | STA ATHLETIC O | 22 | 235 |

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NOTES

1. ALL CALLS, WHETHER PERSONAL OR OFFICIAL, MAY BE MADE FREE OF CHARGE ON THE LOCAL EXCHANGE.
2. PAY PHONES, FOR PERSONAL CALLS, ARE LOCATED ON THE STATION AS FOLLOWS.

AERO CLUB - ENLISTED PERSONNEL
OFFICERS CLUB - OFFICER PERSONNEL

REVISED TELEPHONE NUMBERS

OLD NUMBER

NEW NUMBER

OLD NUMBER

NEW NUMBER

| | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 | 111 | 102 | 102 |
| 2 | 112 | 103 | 53 |
| 3 | 19 | 104 | 104 |
| 4 | 46 | 105 | 43 |
| 5 | 33 | 106 | 108 |
| 6 | 8 | 107 | 107 |
| 7 | 122 | 108 | 103 |
| 8 | 11 | 109 | 115 |
| 9 | 141 | 110 | 20 |
| 10 | 16 | 111 | 1 |
| 11 | 101 | 112 | 110 |
| 12 | 50 | 113 | 113 |
| 13 | 27 | 114 | 14 |
| 14 | 114 | 115 | 130 |
| 15 | 30 | 116 | 2 |
| 16 | 106 | 117 | 117 |
| 17 | 138 | 118 | 124 |
| 18 | 129 | 119 | 119 |
| 19 | 121 | 120 | 120 |
| 20 | 21 | 121 | 142 |
| 21 | 49 | 122 | 36 |
| 22 | 37 | 123 | 116 |
| 23 | 134 | 124 | 17 |
| 24 | 9 | 125 | 125 |
| 25 | 45 | 126 | 126 |
| 26 | 26 | 127 | 127 |
| 27 | 109 | 128 | 128 |
| 28 | 28 | 129 | 25 |
| 29 | 105 | 130 | 23 |
| 30 | 23 | 131 | 147 |
| 31 | 41 | 132 | 5 |
| 32 | 15 | 133 | 42 |
| 33 | 123 | 134 | 137 |
| 34 | 4 | 135 | 145 |
| 35 | 18 | 136 | 136 |
| 36 | 7 | 137 | 139 |
| 37 | 48 | 138 | 32 |
| 38 | 132 | 139 | 55 |
| 39 | 135 | 140 | 140 |
| 40 | 6 | 141 | 40 |
| 41 | 29 | 142 | 112 |
| 42 | 12 | 143 | 143 |
| 43 | 13 | 144 | 144 |
| 44 | 44 | 145 | 133 |
| 45 | 38 | 146 | 146 |
| 47 | 47 | 147 | 131 |
| 48 | 148 | 148 | 31 |
| 49 | 10 | 149 | 149 |
| 101 | 39 | 150 | 150 |

EIGHTH AIR FORCE

FIRST BOMBARDMENT DIVISION

67TH FIGHTER WING

20TH FIGHTER GROUP

1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY

25 Sept to 25 Oct 1944

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STATION SIGNAL OFFICE
AAF STATION 367
APO 637 U.S. ARMY

HISTORY OF 1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SEPT. 25 - OCT. 25.

ALTHOUGH THERE ARE NUMEROUS SOURCES OF TELEPHONE CABLE DAMAGE, THIS PAST MONTH BROUGHT OUT A NEW FAULT WHICH STYMIED NOT ONLY SIGNAL PERSONNEL, BUT SOME OF THE GPOIS ENGINEERS AS WELL. SEVERAL MILITARY CIRCUITS STARTED GIVING TROUBLE SHORTLY AFTER A B-17 WENT OFF OF RUNWAY 26; THE END OF THE RUNWAY WHERE ALMOST ALL OF THE TELEPHONE AND TELEPRINTER CABLES PASS UNDER. AFTER A SURVEY OF THE FAULTS IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE MAIN CABLE FEEDING TO WING WAS DAMAGED AND MOISTURE WAS DISABLING THE CIRCUITS. INSPECTION SHOWED A LARGE INDENTATION IN THE EARTH OVER AND NEAR THE PATH THE MAIN CABLE FOLLOWS. DUE TO THE FAULT NOT SHOWING UP UNTIL AFTER DARKNESS, PORTABLE LIGHTS WERE RIGGED UP AND BOTH SIGNAL AND GPO PERSONNEL STARTED PROBING FOR A RUPTURED CABLE. AT THE SAME TIME A MEGGER, AN INSTRUMENT USED IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE TO DETERMINE THE DISTANCE OF THE FAULT FROM THE MAIN FRAME, WAS BEING USED FOR AN ACCURATE CHECK AS TO THE LOCATION OF THE FAULT.

AFTER AN HOUR OR SO OF PROBING FOR A FAULT AT THE END OF THE RUNWAY, PERSONNEL ENGAGED WERE NOTIFIED BY THE TESTER AT THE MAIN FRAME THAT THE FAULT WAS APPROXIMATELY THREE MILES FROM THE STATION. BEING TOO DARK TO CHECK THE AERIAL CABLE, THE FAULTY CIRCUITS WERE SWITCHED OVER TO USABLE CIRCUITS FOR THE NIGHT.

THE FOLLOWING MORNING, THE REPAIR CREW FOLLOWED THE PATH OF THE AERIAL CABLE TO A SPOT THREE MILES DISTANT FROM THE MAIN FRAME. INSPECTION OF THE CABLE SHOWED A DAMAGED SPOT OF ABOUT A FOOT IN LENGTH AND FULL OF HOLES TO THE EXTENT THAT IT LOOKED LIKE A SIEVE. SOMEONE HAD MADE A KILL WITH A SHOT GUN; NAMELY, ONE AERIAL TELEPHONE CABLE.

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AFTER A YEAR'S OPERATION USING THE BRITISH SYSTEM OF CARRIER FREQUENCY, DEFENSE TELEPRINTER SYSTEM, A SWITCH HAS BEEN MADE OVER TO THE INDIVIDUAL PHYSICAL TELEPRINTER CIRCUITS. TWO REASONS HAVE CAUSED THIS CHANGE TO COME ABOUT. THE FIRST, SCARCITY OF TELEPRINTER CHANNEL BAYS, IS THE HEART OF THE DEFENSE TELEPRINTER NETWORK. THE SECOND, THE STATION HAS ENOUGH

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CIRCUITS TO WING TO USE INDIVIDUAL PAIRS OF WIRES FOR EACH
TELEPRINTER IN USE.

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SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY TRIED FOR THE
CARBINE RIFLE TEAM OF THE STATION, WHICH IS TO COMPETE WITH
OTHER TEAMS OF THE 1ST BOMB DIVISION IN A PLAY-OFF. LT.
KENNETH R. SLATER MARKED UP A SCORE OF 362 OUT OF A POSSIBLE
400 TO BE HIGH MAN FOR THE COMPANY.

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ON THE WHOLE IT WAS A SMOOTH OPERATING MONTH
FOR ALL SECTIONS OF THE COMPANY. ESPECIALLY WAS THIS SO
IN THE TELEPHONE SECTION, WHERE LESS FAULTS AND DIFFICULTIES
WERE EXPERIENCED THAN IN ANY MONTH DURING OUR STAY IN THE
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ALTHOUGH QUITE SECRETIVE ABOUT THE WHOLE AFFAIR,
SGT. WILLIAM SKIMKUS GAVE EVERY INDICATION THAT HE WOULD SOON
LEAVE THE CIRCLE OF SINGLE BLESSEDNESS AND ENTER INTO THE
INSTITUTION OF MARRIAGE. BEFORE LEAVING ON FURLOUGH, SGT.
SHIMKUS WAS PRESENTED WITH A CASH GIFT OF APPROXIMATELY
\$25 BY THE MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY.

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THE BASKETBALL TEAM HELD ITS FIRST PRACTICE
DURING THE FINAL WEEK OF OCTOBER. SEVEN MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY
SHOWED UP FOR THE FIRST WORKOUT ON THE HARDWOOD FLOOR OF THE
PETERBOROUGH RED CROSS CLUB. A PRACTICE GAME WAS HELD WITH
MEMBERS OF THE 20TH FIGHTER GROUP HQS. TEAM. ALTHOUGH NO
DEFINITE SCORE WAS KEPT, THE SIGNAL BOYS MORE THAN HELD THEIR
OWN.

John D. Benner
JOHN D. BENNER
S/SGT
UNIT HISTORIAN

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DOTS AND DASHES.....1029TH SIGNAL CO.

THE PAST FEW WEEKS HAS FOUND THE BOYS OF CAPT. TROUT MAINTAINING COMMUNICATIONS ON THE BASE WITHOUT ANY MATTERS OF SERIOUS CONSEQUENCE APPEARING. ALTHOUGH MONOTONOUS, THIS SHOWS THAT THE SIGNAL BOYS HAVE BEEN ON THE 'BALL'....TO THEM NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS.

SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY TOOK ENFORCED VACATIONS RECENTLY BECAUSE OF BAD COLDS, SORE FEET, OR THE LIKE. ON JUNE 22ND SGT JOHN BENNER, 36120522, WAS PUT IN QUARTERS BECAUSE OF BUNIONS ON HIS RIGHT FOOT. AFTER SLEEPING FOR THREE DAYS HE WAS KICKED OUT ON THE 25TH, AND CAN STILL BE SEEN HOBBLING ABOUT, WHICH FACT HAS BROUGHT THE NAME 'GIMPY' DOWN UPON HIS HEAD. JULY 3RD SAW JOHN K. BURKE, ERSTWHILE T/5 FROM CASTELTON, VERMONT BEING CONFINED BECAUSE OF A SERIOUS COLD AND HIGH TEMPERATURE. HIS STAY LASTED UNTIL THE 7TH, AND PROBABLY WOULD HAVE LASTED LONGER IF THERE HAD BEEN ANY FEMININE NURSES TO CARE FOR HIM. CPL. EDWARD STREHLIN, 33008426, WHO HAD BEEN CONFINED AT HIS HOME IN PETERBOROUGH BECAUSE OF HIS WIFE HAVING MEASLES, FINALLY RETURNED TO DUTY ON JULY 2ND. IT WAS MUCH LIKE A HOME-COMING, FOR ED HAD BEEN AWAY FROM THE COMPANY SINCE THE 14TH OF JUNE. THE SAME DAY SAW PFC JOHN ARMBRUSTER, 13115103, BEING SENT TO THE 49TH STATION HOSPITAL WHERE HE IS AS YET CONFINED BECAUSE OF A CYST.

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MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF TELETYPE MACHINES SGT. LEEROY LEHRKE, 35312990, WAS MOST HAPPY WHEN HE LEARNED THAT HE WAS BEING SENT TO STA F-341 FOR AN ADDITIONAL MONTH OF INSTRUCTION AND TRAINING. SGT. LEHRKE ALREADY HAS SPENT ONE MONTH AT THE SCHOOL, SO SHOULD BE QUITE EXPERT AT THE COMPLETION OF HIS PRESENT COURSE. THE MONTH WILL ALSO GIVE HIM A CHANCE TO RENEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS WITH THE FEMALE POPULACE OF WATFORD, A NEAT, LITTLE TOWN JUST OUTSIDE OF STA. F-341. PERHAPS IT WAS MOSTLY BECAUSE OF THE LATTER REASON THAT SGT. LEHRKE WORE SUCH A BROAD SMILE THE DAY HE LEFT.

SGT. GILFORD COX, 38067334, OBTAINED A BIT OF HIGHER LEARNING BY ATTENDING A BOMB RECONNAISSANCE SCHOOL AT STA. 520 FOR A WEEK COMMENCING ON THE 27TH OF JUNE.

A PROMOTION WAS IN ORDER OF STANLEY E. NEFF, 35602691, ON JUNE 29TH. 'PAPPY', AS HE IS KNOWN TO THE BOYS, LEFT THE RANKS OF THE PRIVATES ON THIS DATE, AND IS NOW SPORTING A SLENDER STRIPE ON EACH SLEEVE. IT ISN'T MUCH OF A RAISE, PAPPY ADMITS, BUT IT ALLOWS HIM TO STICK IN THOSE POKER GAMES FOR AN EXTRA HAND OR TWO.

A BIT OF NATURALIZATION WAS CARRIED ON JUNE 27TH, WHEN PVTS GARAH HELMS, 34674385, THOMAS HIGGINS, 32982534, AND GEORGE HVIZDA, 33515096, ADDITIONS TO OUR COMPANY SINCE ARRIVAL OVERSEAS, WERE TRANSFERRED FROM THE AIR CORPS TO THE SIGNAL CORPS OFFICIALLY. ALTHOUGH THEY HAD BEEN MEMBERS

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OF OUR ORGANIZATION SINCE LAST WINTER, THE OFFICIAL TRANSFER WAS NOT CONSUMMATED UNTIL THIS LATE DATE. AND WELL IT WAS, FOR THERE IS NO WORSE FEELING THAN FOR A SIGNAL CORPS MAN TO BE MISTAKEN AS AN AIR CORPS MEMBER.

FOR A PERIOD OF THREE DAYS LT. KENNETH SLATER BECAME C.O. OF THE OUTFIT WHILE CAPT. TROUT, ACCOMPANIED BY 1ST SGT YALE MERKIN, 32191122, AND SGT. GILFORD COX, 38067334 TRAVELED TO WORMINGFORD WHERE THEY SPENT THREE DAYS WITH DET. 'A' OF THE 1029TH SIGNAL CO. SINCE DET. 'A' HAS BEEN SEPARATED FROM THE PARENT UNIT SINCE LAST OCTOBER THE MEETING WAS ONE OF CO-ORDINATION AND CHECKING OF RECORDS AND EQUIPMENT.

IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS THE SIGNAL BOYS KEPT UP THEIR FINE BASEBALL RECORD WITH AN OVERWHELMING VICTORY OVER CAPT. MINOR'S ORDNANCE TEAM. THE SCORE WAS 19-7 AND WAS SWEET REVENGE FOR EARLIER DEFEATS AT THE HANDS OF THE ORDNANCE OUTFIT. AS THE GAME WAS MERELY FOR PRACTICE, IT HAD NO BEARING ON THE LEAGUE STANDINGS. AT PRESENT THE SIGNAL COMPANY IS IN THIRD PLACE WITH 11 VICTORIES AS AGAINST ONLY 3 DEFEATS.

IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION, T/5 FRANK J. ROSE, JR., 17044397, IS BECOMING A VERITABLE WALKING DICTIONARY DUE TO THE MANY NEW WORDS HE HAS LEARNED TO USE IN THE G.I. COLLEGE ENGLISH AND GRAMMAR CLASS. WITH WORDS OF THREE AND FOUR SYLLABLES FLOWING FROM HIS MOUTH WITH THE EASE OF WATER SPOUTING FROM A SPRING, FRANK IS FAST ATTAINING STATURE FAR LOFTIER THAN HIS PHYSICAL HEIGHT OF SOME SIX FEET.

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1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY.....JULY 18TH - 25TH.

IF YOU HAPPENED TO BE AT THE THEATER THE NIGHT OF JULY 24TH YOU WERE AMONG THOSE WHO WITNESSED THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER BEING FLASHED ON THE SCREEN UPSIDE DOWN. THE MISTAKE WAS QUICKLY RECTIFIED AND OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM PLAYED CORRECTLY. AT THE TIME OF THE MISQUE, TECH SGT RAYMOND LINDEKE OF THIS ORGANIZATION WAS ONE OF THE OPERATORS ON DUTY. HOWEVER, RAY MAINTAINS THE MISTAKE TOOK PLACE ON THE 'OTHER MACHINE'. IT'S A WATERPROOF ALIBI FOR NO ONE IS IN A POSITION TO PROVE THAT HE WASN'T TO BLAME. NEEDLESS TO SAY, RAY HAS BEEN THE TARGET FOR MUCH RAZZING.

ON JULY 18TH CAPT. GORDON TROUT AND T/5 WALTER SMOOT DEPARTED FOR LONDON WHERE THEY SPENT THREE DAYS AT THE EDUCATION BRANCH OF THE SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION APPLYING THEMSELVES TO AN ORIENTATION COURSE. BESIDES THE BENEFIT OF THE ARMY TEACHING THEY ALSO GATHERED VALUABLE INFORMATION ON HOW TO 'SWEAT OUT' BUZZ BOMBS. CAPT. TROUT SAID MANY LANDED CLOSE ENOUGH TO MAKE THE BUILDING IN WHICH HE WAS QUARTERED SHAKE AND THE LEGS OF HIS BED TO VIBRATE. THE WORST PART WAS WAITING FOR THE SILENCE TO END ONCE THE MOTOR OF THE BUZZ BOMB HAD CEASED AND THE PROJECTILE BEGAN ITS EARTHWARD JOURNEY.

SGT LEEROY LEHRKE RETURNED FROM HIS TELETYPE COURSE AT HEADQUARTERS, VIII FIGHTER COMMAND ON JULY 18TH WITH MORE STORIES OF THE BUZZ BOMBS. HE WITNESSED ONE PASSING OVERHEAD, NO HIGHER THAN 500 FEET. MANY OF HIS HOURS WERE SPENT IN THE SAFETY OF AN AIR-RAID SHELTER WHILE HE WAS AT THE SCHOOL.

THE SOFTBALL TEAM CONTINUED ITS WINNING WAYS IN THE OPENING GAME OF THE SECOND ROUND IN DEFEATING CAPT. MINOR'S ORDNANCE BOYS BY A SCORE OF 12-0. THIS VICTORY BROKE A TIE FOR THIRD PLACE WHICH EXISTED BETWEEN THE TWO TEAMS.

DURING THE WEEK CPL. VAN SAUN PITCHED A MASTERFUL GAME FOR THE HARBALL TEAM AGAINST GRAFTON-UNDERWOOD BUT WAS DEFEATED IN 12 INNINGS BY A SCORE OF 1-0. DICK ALLOWED ONLY 4 HITS AND FANNED 18 BATTERS, BUT WAS THE VICTIM OF 7 ERRORS, ONE OF WHICH FINALLY DECIDED THE EXTRA INNING TILT.

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The Signal boys have the distinct honor of holding down first place in the current bond drive of the 8th Air Force. And at the present time have surpassed their quota by a wide margin; their sales stand at 367%, or almost three times again what the quota demanded. Top performers in the drive have been Pvt McDearman T. Hansbrough, 14155930 who has purchased a \$1,000 Bond, and T/Sgt Raymond Lindeke, 39378266 who has thus far purchased Bonds amounting to \$650.00 and who promises to add still more this month. The boys are hoping to surpass the 400% mark before the deadline arrives.

At the present time the Company is without an active Officer. Captain Trout left on August 9th to attend an Anti-aircraft school in Northern Ireland, leaving Lt Slater in sole command. On Sunday evening, August 13th, the good lieutenant was engaging in a game of villey ball when he suffered a sprained ankle. A phone has been installed at his bedside, enabling him to handle any problems necessitating the decision of an Officer. Otherwise the boys are shifting for themselves and so far doing a good job too.

Four casualties have thus far been suffered due to the bee invasion. This is considered low in comparison to the number of encounters engaged in by our stalwarts. Those suffering wounds are 1st Sgt Yale Merkin, T/5th's Beck, Hyrtel and Van Saun. Pfc's Chas Foy Jr., thus far tops our fighters with five victories in a single day.

On August 4th the third company party was held; this one in celebration of a years overseas duty. However the plans of mice and men often go astray--as they certainly did in this case. The greatest disappointment was the lack of women, Due to the faulty planning and competition with fine weather and three other dances. The less said about the party the better.

The Company softball team continues to roll along the victory path. In the past two weeks four victories have been added against the 55th and 77th Fighter Squadrons, the 44th Station Compliment and the 97th-20th Headquarters teams. These victories placed the Signal boys in sole possessions of second place on the station.

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Cpl. Edward Strehlin of the 1029 Signal Co, departed early this month on the first leg of his journey back to the zone of the Interior. He is among the initial number of men to be returned to the United States under the new rotation plan. Although happy to return to the States, Cpl Strehlin was reluctant to leave his pretty English wife and daughter behind. The separation will be of a temporary nature however, as Mrs Strehlin and their daughter Elizabeth expect to join him in the very near future.

The corporal, who is 31 years of age, has been a member of the armed forces since April of 1941 and has completed 26 months of overseas service. Coming to England in 1942, Cpl Strehlin met Miss Joyce Adams. A short while later found him in North Africa as a part of the Allied invasion, but his thoughts were still in England. Therefore when his company was returned to the States, he sent in a request to be transferred back to England. This was granted and he arrived early in September, 1943. Being used to quick conquests he wasted little time in overcoming any resistance locally and led Miss Joyce to the altar of St Andrews Catholic Church in Croyden on September, 21 1943.

On 1 October, 1943 he was assigned to the 1029th Signal Company at this station where he has spent the better part of a year as a switchboard operator. His home is at 2332 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland.



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97th Service Group
APO 637 U.S. ARMY

3 December 1943

SUBJECT: History of Unit.

TO : Headquarters, VIII Fighter Command, APO 637, U.S. Army. (Attention Historian) (thru Group Historian).

1. In compliance with Fighter Command Memorandum: Number 125-1, the history of this unit is submitted:

a. Assignment and transfer of all Officer and Enlisted Personnel.

(1) 1st Lt. James E. Parry reld fr atchd unasgd and asgd
Sta AAF F-436, 9th F.C., PP 18, SO #17, Sect. 1,
8 AFRO dtd 20 Nov 1943.

b. Strength of the organization by Officers and Enlisted Men:

(1) 1 November 1943 - 2 Officers(Asgd) 50 Enlisted Men
3 Officers(Atchd)

(2) 30 November 1943 - 2 Officers(Asgd) 50 Enlisted Men
2 Officers(Atchd)

Gordon W. Trout
GORDON W. TROUT
1st Lieut., Signal Corps
Commanding.

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1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
97th Service Group
APO 637 U.S. Army

6 November 1943

SUBJECT: History of Unit.

TO : Headquarters, VIII Fighter Command, APO 637, U.S. Army. (Attention Historian) (thru Group Historian).

1. In compliance with Fighter Command Memorandum: Number 125-1, the history of this unit is submitted:

a. Assignment and transfer of all Officer and Enlisted Personnel.

- (1) Cpl. Edward W. Strehlein asgd and jd this organization from Hqs Det. Special Troops, ETOUSA per par 2, SO#28 Hqs AAF Station F-367 dated 1 October 1943.
- (2) Following named Officers atchd and joined this organization per par 5, SO#249 Hqs 12 Repl. Control Depot, APO 635 (AAF Station 594) dated 23 October 1943:


NAME

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| Parry, James E. | 1st Lieut., SC |
| Miller, Gershon S. | 2nd Lieut., SC |
| Hauger, Lewis S. | 2nd Lieut., SC |

b. Strength of the organization by Officers and Enlisted Men:

- (1) 1 October 1943 - 2 Officers 49 Enlisted Men
- (2) 31 October 1943 - 2 Officers (Asgd) 50 Enlisted Men
3 Officers (Atchd)


GORDON W. TROUT
1st Lieut., Signal Corps
Commanding.

EIGHTH AIR FORCE

FIRST COMBINED DIVISION

67TH FIGHTER WING

20TH FIGHTER GROUP

1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SV GROUP

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1029th Signal Company

The initial outfit known today as the 1029th Signal Company was not a Company at all when first activated--it was a Platoon--the 1029th Signal Platoon. On 15 February 1941 the Platoon was activated at McChord Field, Washington, per G.O. #3 Headquarters, GHQ Air Force, Langley Field Virginia and S.O. #37, Air Base Headquarters, McChord Field, Wash., Feb 13th, 1941. But it was a full month later before a cadre of 11 men were transferred from the 320th Signal Company to become the first members of the new Platoon--none of these original men are now with the present organization.

The new platoon grew rapidly. On April 5th, M/Sgt Harper was transferred into the company and for the next year and a half he was to have a big voice in the doings of the company. Sgt Harper was even at this time entering his last hitch in the army. Most of his time had been spent in Alaska as a radio operator for the Alaska communications. Some eight years he spent in the wilds living as a civilian, though a member of the forces. When he joined the platoon, he took over the job as acting first sergeant.

By the end of April the platoon had increased its numbers to 23 by the addition of 12 recruits on the 14th of the month. Of this group only one man remains with the present outfit.

From its origin, 2nd Lt Flashman had been assigned as C.O. now on the 15th of May ratings were handed out and the new C.O. became a 1st Lieutenant. Those were the days of specialists ratings and the morning reports for the month of May are filled with items such as "Pvt 1st CI specialist 601 Merrill rated 4cl".

June saw the platoon actually get under way with its work. Men were assigned to the switchboard as operators, a base radio station was set up, and other men were assigned to the teletype station. Most of this was done under a new Commanding Officer--on June 3rd Lt Flashman was relieved of the command and 1st Lt. Dorn L. Pettit assumed command. He was to remain in command until the early spring of 1943.

Those were the halycon days of army life. Twenty day furloughs with ten and fifteen day extensions were the rule, not the exception. At McChord Field a three day pass started on Friday afternoon and ended the following Thursday morning at reveille. Near the base was located Camp Cushman, which was a vacation camp on a lake where every one was entitled to a week of fun and relaxation. Yes, it was a tough army in those days.

Thus the summer and early fall passed with the Platoon busy about its training and new work. Men were sent to Chicago to a teletype school others were sent on DS to the Ephrata bombing range as radio operators two were sent on DS to the plant school of the Pacific telephone and Telegraph Company, near Portland, Oregon.

In September the platoon was swelled by the arrival of 10 men from Ft Monmouth, New Jersey. This brought the total up to 41 men, but it wasn't to remain there long. On December 4th, 13 men were transferred to Ft Lawton, Wash due eventually for overseas duty in the Pacific. But on Dec 7th their lives and ours were changed by the sudden attack on Pearl Harbor. The men transferred out never left Ft Lawton but they were lost to our platoon. On the afternoon of Dec 7th when the first news came over the air waves, there was but a skeleton crew on the base. On pre-war week ends most every one went on pass, and Sunday especially was a day of inactivity. I believe we were able to muster about a dozen men in all. Messages started to crack in over the radio and Pvt Walker, who had just begun to work shifts as an operator sat there with the sweat pouring

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down his forehead, jotting down the messages. He was excited, as it was only natural that he should be, but he took the messages. None of our Officers were on the Base, and Corp Drabek assumed command of the unit and did an good job of planning for eventualities.

As we were located on Puget Sound we were definitely in a danger area and the Base made hurried preparations all that afternoon and evening. By nightfall there were strings of guards all over the base-- around the few airplanes, the hangers, barracks etc. Most of the guards had never fired a gun, and it proved to be a risky night for any one who had business outside. All during the night the men out of pass straggled in, being constantly challenged by the guards. In the early morning, a bus coming onto the field, either ignored or failed to hear an order to halt, and was fired upon by a machine gun post. Luckily, no one was injured, but the new bus had a neat line of holes about its middle.

Like most army bases, the war caught McChord Field in an unprepared state. There were few planes there and they were old B-18's and B-23's. But December 8th and succeeding days saw squadrons of P-43's, A-29's and B-25's come in rapid succession. Revetments, barracades, and road blocks were thrown up quickly and the place took on a belligerent aspect. The platoon itself had more work than it could handle, for all methods of communication were overtaxed and extended. The teletype rattled constantly and the radio station had more business than it had ever had before. Our wire crew had lots of new lines to lay and the phone men were kept busy with many new installations. Our platoon was undermanned, but working in conjunction with the 852nd Signal Service Co, the job of getting the messages through was accomplished.

The early months of '42 were busy ones for every one at McChord Field. The Squadrons on the base were engaged in patrol duty over the Pacific and the coasts of Washington. Places like Seattle, Bremerton Navy Yards and the entire Puget Sound area were vital zones. The pilots were in the air many hours, and the foggy climate of Washington was far from an easy place to operate.

In February, in addition to base signal functions, the platoon was given the duty of training signal recruits. On the 21st of February, 170 men were set up in a 'tent-city' and men detailed from our small platoon to care for them. This training of recruits was carried on through out the year. At times the numbers swelled to near 400 only to drop again when men were shipped to California. From there they went to all imaginable points. Some were sent overseas, others were sent for additional training.

On July 23rd 1942, per paragraph 1, G.O.#69, Hqrs., AAF Air Service Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, the 1029th Signal Platoon was redesignated 29th Signal Company, Service Group without change of assignment. This redesignation sort of marked a transitional stage in our development. Before, we had been a small outfit permanently settled on an Air Base. Although our new designation didn't change our immediate status, it could be seen that the future would be full of alterations.

In accordance with regulations the Company undertook training in individual duties. Officially this was done, but actually it made no change whatsoever, for the majority of the company had been at their individual jobs for some months and were already in a semi-skilled or skilled status.

As fall approached, our company was considered as a good one, well trained as a working unit in a zone of operations. Morale was good and the members of the unit were looking forward to working with one another in the future months under more war-like conditions.

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But this was not to be. The army was expanding rapidly during these months. New companies were being formed and experienced men needed. In August we lost some of our best radio men to a new organization in California, in September we lost five more men to a hot company in Seattle. Our sections were being broken up, and a lot of our good work and organization was going for naught--as far as the 29th was concerned.

As September changed into October news came through concerning the parent service group. At last it was to be gathered at Lockbourne Field, Columbus, Ohio. To form it, companies had been selected from all over the United States. It wasn't until the 13th of the month that the company was prepared to start.

Everyone was a bit reluctant in leaving McChord Field, it had been its birth place and had spent nearly a year and a half. To the honor of the organization, their duties there had been fulfilled in an honorable manner. A lot of ties were broken the day the men left, but that is the way of the army.

From early October until February the Company was stationed at Lockbourne Field not far from Columbus, Ohio. It was a new experience being part of a Group and not an independent organization working for a base. However the tie was more theoretical than actual, for the group was far from a working stage, and most of the duties performed by the Company were of a base nature. Once again members of the unit found themselves operating the message center and teletype station, running signal supply and helping out generally in the functioning of the base. One new activity was taken on here, that of operating communications between air and ground. This was done by means of a mobile GMC radio station. The planes worked with were B-17's on training flights from the field.

The personnel of the company changed a good deal during the few months stay. Once again a cadre was selected and more of our seasoned men disappeared. Among these were 1st Sgt Fewell, S/Sgt Harlan, Sgt Walker, Sgt Gray, Sgt Hildreth, Cpl Barker, T/5 Savella, T/5 Brabski, T/5 Wolff and Pvt Teakell. The majority of these men had been with the company for a good while and had worked themselves into positions as section heads. Now they were going and the work had to be done over.

From different camps and schools new men filtered into the company. Some of these were raw recruits, others were radio operators and repair men who had completed their training in specialized schools, but who had not as yet had any actual operating experience. From a mere 30 odd men when it had left McChord, the company grew to over 100 in November and soared to 118 on January 20th just prior to departure from Lockbourne.

There were also changes in the Commissioned personnel of the company. On November 6th, 1st Lt Dorn L Pettit was promoted to the rank of Captain. Prior to this, on October 16, 2nd Lt Gordon W Trout had been assigned to the organization from OCS Ft Manmouth. He joined the unit on October 25th and for the first time in the history of the company, or platoon, the organization boasted two Officers. This number was swelled to three on the 24th of November when Warrant Officer Martin T Lushbaugh was assigned and joined the unit.

During January it was decided at Hempstead NY to send the 1029 to the Tobyhanna Military Reservation in Pennsylvania. This was to be a temporary change only. So on January 20th the advance convoy set out in the Dodge half ton and a jeep, each drawing trailers, the men on this advance convoy were: W/O Lushbaugh, S/Sgt Banner, Sgts Seaman and Wagner, T/4 Sutherland, T/5 Allen, Pfc Brewer, Privs Emmel and Frank. The trip was a cold one, as a cold wave was sweeping the states. During the two days

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required for the journey, the thermometer stayed well below zero.

The advance convoy arrived at Tobyhanna on January 21st late in the evening. There wasn't much to see. The reservation had long been used by West Point for summer artillery firing, but for little else. What barracks existed were old and rickety. An old farm house served as headquarters. Valley Forge couldn't have looked any worse.

To our surprise we discovered that there were already about a hundred men at Tobyhanna who were designated as the 29th Signal Co detachment. These men had been sent from other camps and schools during the previous two weeks, without the parent company in Columbus being notified.

On January 23rd the rest of the Company arrived from Lockbourne. Thus began four of the most topsy turvy, but happy months that the unit ever lived through. Problems were endless, and there was never a dull moment either day or night.

The Company was originally sent to Tobyhanna to open a signal training school for service group companies. Theoretically, ours was to be the job of training companies in their individual specialties. Grand plans were drawn up to train something like 300 men a month. Equipment galore was shipped in--teleprinters, radios, etc., the school was set up and that was as far as it ever got. Command decided at this point that Tobyhanna was unsuitable for a training site so the whole plan was dropped. The school was gradually closed out not before our company made use of it by means of refreshing courses.

The purpose that the company was actually used for was that of a replacement pool. Men were sent to us from all over and in turn shipped to various points to fill other vacancies in units ready to ship. This was far from an ideal setup, for many of the men we received were cast-offs that other companies did not desire. Many of the men were strictly undesirable in every sense and a few were even incorrigibles. Just about useless for any purpose and we could not ship them out as replacements. We were simply caught with the,. From the men who moved in and out we were able to select many excellent soldiers for our own use, so by the time that we departed our T/O was pretty well filled. Regretfully, we also saw many good men pass through our fingers. Holding ratings that didn't match our T/O or trained for non-signal work, many men were shipped out that would have been a credit to any organization.

As bad as living conditions were--crowded barracks, furnaces that either were too hot or too cold, wood gathering details, etc. We did manage to spend an enjoyable time while at Tobyhanna. For the first time in its history, our company had its own mess. With Jimmy Allen, the peer of cooks, giving out with his delicacies, the unit lived like kings. Ice cream was plentiful, and it was a strange morning that we didn't have our pork chops or fried eggs for breakfast. And each Sunday we enjoyed a chicken dinner that the Ritz or Astoria couldn't have equaled. However at the end of three months there was a slight discrepancy in the amount of rations we had drawn and what we were allowed. Although it finally cost the organization \$350 out of the company fund, we all agreed that it was the best investment we could have made.

Despite the intense cold that lingered in the Poconos that winter--one morning it was 35 below zero--we managed to keep warm, mainly through the presence of Scranton, which was about eighteen miles distant. The first soldiers to hit the Poconos region, we were received with open arms by the Scrantonians and shown a grand time. None will ever forget the weekends spent there.

The month of February saw a vast shifting of our Commissioned personnel. On Feb 20th Capt Pettit was transferred to the 487th Base Hq and AB

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Squadron and assumed the position of Base Signal Officer. We all hated to see the Captain leave, many of us had been with him since '41 and hated to break company just when it was starting to appear that we might be going places. This placed 2nd Lt Trout in Command, a hard assignment for a newly commissioned Officer but one that was handled capably. On Feb 6th, 2nd Lts Slater and Webster joined the company. They too were from OCS having been commissioned in the late months of '42. This would have been enough change, but on Feb 10th W/O Lushbaugh was transferred to Robbins Field, Georgia. Although he had been with the company but a bit over two months, he had become much liked and respected by the men, and it was with sincere regret that we watched him go.

As winter turned into spring the company made good use of a firing range located just outside of Scranton. Day after day, in rain or shine a group would take off in early morning and return in late afternoon. We had nothing but a lot of old Enfields to fire, but even with these a large proportion of the outfit was able to qualify in record fire. A tommy gun range was improvised, and a portion of the company qualified with this arm as well. If for no other reason, the months at Tobyhanna were well spent, for when we rejoined the group at Ft Dix in May, we were the only outfit who had qualified as a majority of its personnel.

On April 25th, while on leave, Lt Trout was promoted to 1st Lt. This was a well earned promotion for the ever changing condition of the outfit was a hard one to handle. It was almost impossible to keep up with the many sudden changes, let alone catch up. And during all this the future of our organization had to be considered, correct men chosen for the right positions etc.

On May 7th the company was again redesignated this time to be the 1029th Signal Company. This change meant little more than adding two digits to our address, nothing else was different than before.

The month of May also saw us pull up stakes and on the move once again. May 13th the advance cadre joined the Group at Ft Dix and the day following the entire company followed.

The morning of May 14th saw a long line of trucks depart from Tobyhanna. Later that day they filed into the Air Base at Fort Dix and deposited their cargoes of men and equipment 'out in the woods'.

For the next two and a half months preparations were made for the trip overseas. Inspection followed inspection--all kinds of inspections--clothing, armament, boxes and personnel. Physical hardening was stressed and two or three days a week saw us strung out along the roads leading from Ft Dix to New Egypt or Crookstown. We had gas attacks and simulated attacks from the air. Three times we bivouacked for the night nearby and fought off myriads of mosquitos and no place are they as big as at good old Fort Dix, New Jersey.

When the men weren't hiking, exercising, working on details or firing they were building boxes, and high credit was theirs, for they built the best boxes the inspectors had ever seen.

The T/O was finally arranged after long and tedious hours of work on the part of the orderly room staff and Lt Trout. And by the end of July the group was ready to leave for Camp Kilmer and the long awaited boat ride.

After two weeks at Kilmer the group found itself on board a ship called the Athone Castle and headed for the ETO. Arriving in Liverpool late in the afternoon and a nights ride brought the group and its components to Kingsliffe, Northants, England. The after a year in the ETO the C.O. now Captain Trout, finds his men in the jobs as pictured on the

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1029th Signal Company

Although one of the smallest units on the Base, the Signal Company plays a major role in making the entire station a coordinated, working machine. For to it falls the task of establishing and maintaining communication facilities on the station. It is a big job and one that never ceases; a majority of the sections work on a 24 hour schedule as a working unit the company can really be broken down into two parts..the operations section and the supply and repair sections.

The operations section includes headquarters section, telephone and teletype, radio and message center sections. These are the sections that actually operate the many agencies of signal communication. Here are found the radio switchboard and teletype operators, the signal center and cryptographic clerks. The majority of these sections can be found at work any time of the day or night. The task of getting the messages through never really ends.

In the supply and repair sections are found the storage and issue sections, radio repair (fixed) and radio repair (mobile) and the T & T repair section. Actually the storage and issue and T & T repair section. are the only ones of the group that operate as planned. Radio repair work, both fixed and mobile, has not been available to the extent as fixed in the T/O. So this section has worked in conjunction with the T & T repair section, and has also aided other sections, such as the radio section in its technical difficulties.

That roughly is the manner in which the company breaks down, but it is by no means a stable setup. To begin with, the company T/O provided for far more radio repair and radar men than there has been work for on a Fighter Station. At the same time, more operational work appeared than there were men provided for on the T/O. Thus a shifting and reshuffling process took place, which found several technically trained men being placed in operations sections. Much credit belongs to these latter men who have settled into their new assignments without a grumble.

With Captain Gordon F Trout as Commanding Officer and Lt Kenneth R Slater as Adjutant and Supply Officer, the Company has totaled around 50 men since being split in half about a year ago. The Company resides in Area 1 in what is probably the neatest area on the base. The men have put in a lot of work hauling crushed rock and cement blocks to fill in holes and lay sidewalks.

In the VIII Air Force Bond Drive, the Signal Company soared to over 400% in total sales, leading the Command on a percentage basis for a single unit. Also the Company is proud of the fact that it leads the base in insurance allotments per man.

Although hurt by lack of man power the signal company has put out a strong team in all sports played on the base. In baseball, basketball and volley ball they have been among the leaders. Two men, Cpl VanSaun and Pfc Doyle were regulars on the station baseball team and the former was also center on the basketball that reached Command finals in '43.

Two of the Company's personnel, Sgt Vogt and Pfc Armbruster have charge of the station Hobby Shop and Photo Lab. T/Sgt Raymond Lindeke works as station projectionist in the station theatre. Captain Trout is Radio Instructor in the Station's G.I. College.

Taken as a whole, the Signal Company has done a capable job on the base and has never failed to take a leading part in all activities.

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WIRE SECTION--

Without the T & T repair section, better known as the wire crew, all means of electrical communication would be quite helpless. The members of the wire crew are real trouble shooters. They not only maintain existing means of communication, but are ever tackling new ideas and new projects to make communication still more effective.

Throughout the base there is great physical evidence of what this section has accomplished. When arriving a year ago we found existing wire circuits, buried underground. But that was all. From these existing circuits, some of which have been replaced with new wire and cable, other circuits have been run. In all, the section has strung 52 miles of field wire that actually exists at the present time.

Phones have been installed where ever needed and at the present time close to 150 are now in use. Because there is a constant shifting of offices and personnel about the base, the task of moving phones to new locations never ends. Records show an average of one phone being moved every three days. Phones naturally take a beating so there is constant repair work and exchanging of instruments to be accomplished. Damage which entails further maintenance work to keep the phones in working order.

The wire section is, and has just cause, to be proud of the low visibility landing lights system installed last spring. Fifty seven lights were installed under great difficulties. For one thing, 2½ miles of cable had to be buried; of this 2 miles were buried in 2 days. This was fast work when one considers runways had to be buried under. Then the lights presented problems. To be effective they had to be installed on a perfect level. The ground was far from level along the ends of the runways so that many lights had to be placed on the top of poles. So much did the ground fluctuate that the poles were buried to different levels to maintain a uniformity. But the lights were glowing on the specified date, and have been a great help to the flyers.

Cpl Johnson, totally unfamiliar with such work, successfully supervised the work. Of invaluable assistance were Cpls Van Saun and Beck, Pfc's Neff and Sawyer of the Signal Company and Cpl Smith of the Station Complement. Many of the other members of the company assisted during their spare hours.

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COMPANY--

Rear row L-R

T/5th Beck
Pfc Heiferling
T/5th Van Sled
S/Sgt Signorelli
T/5th Rose
Pvt Helms
T/4th Lehrke
Sgt Robertson
T/5th Johnson

center row L-R

T/5th Smoot
T/Sgt Biela
T/5th Freeman
Pfc Foy
Pfc Doyle
T/5th Burke
S/Sgt Benner
T/5th Phillips
Cpl Sawyer

front row L-R

1st Sgt Herkin
T/5th Fishman
T/Sgt Lincke
T/5th Montemeyer
T/4th Shinkus
Pfc Kosmuth
T/5th Mulecso
T/5th Denby
Capt. Trout

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1029th's Area # 2-

an area in which Captain Trout and his men may be justly proud. The men have spent many hours of their own time in denuding the section. Laying concrete blocks for sidewalks, crushed rock for driveways all has helped to make it livable for the men. It ranks among the tops for cleanliness and neatness.

20th Fighter Group story, cont'd.



TELETYPE REPAIR- Sgt Lehrke and Pfc Grace comprise this section in its entirety, but they are perpetually busy running between the weather station, operations room and signal center with their black kit of tools, caring for and pampering the teleprinter machines to be found in those offices. Their's is a very specialized and technical job, requiring months of schooling and training both in the States and overseas.

Teleprinters are super sensitive mechanisms operating on coordinated impulses. They require constant attention to keep them in proper working order. Fluctuation of power, faulty lines, and numerous other unforeseen difficulties make the job doubly hard. But Sgt Lehrke and Pfc Grace with their little black kits of magic keep the machines in good operating condition and the operators always get their messages through.

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It is to be noted, however, that over a 400 outgoing and 1000 incoming calls were placed. July of 1944 was the busiest month to date with outgoing calls totaling to 700, 000 over average.

With Sgt Blatcher, Sgt. Fine and Pvt. Mansborough working their share of the shifts down to the clock around. During spare moments, this section plays well chosen bits of modern day literature, and also the number of times that Lilly Anne Carol sings "I Walk Alone".

Let the drivers who speed the motor cars about the base should not be overlooked. The Platoon, Sgt Brinkus and Pvt Bromberg took four hours of constant hours whittling about the base.

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TELEPHONE-

T/5th Beck, a live wire
wireman installed the main frame of
the station's switchboard hookup.
At present there are 160 cable
terminations and 170 switchboard
terminations. It adds up to more
than that in a good job well done.



T/5th Johnson, lineman and chief
trouble shooter for the company.
He and his men are out daily tracing
faulty connections and repairing
wind raked lines.

80th Fighter Group story, cont'd.



TELEPHONE- The voice that says "Number please?" when one picks up the phone, belongs usually to one of the signal men. This is one of the company's biggest, and also busiest sections. So much so that in this activity the company operators are aided by men from the 44th Station Complement Squadron.

Operating from switchboards (four of them) with 180 drops, the switchboard operators handle approximately 20 local calls per minute and on an average of 180 long distance or trunk calls each day. Putting a call through every 3 seconds is work and work of a very tedious sort. Not all callers use the correct procedure, or at times look up the number of the party they are calling. Others expect miracles in the way of super service. Because of this, the operator must be a man of patience, as well as quick and efficient with his mind, hands and ears.

1st Lt. Joe Fishman is chief operator. Under him are 1st Lt's Phillips, Murphy and Walecka, Pfc Neff, and Pvt Bellus.

20th Fighter Group History, cont'd.



RADIO-Although few of the men are aware of the fact, a Radio Station was in almost constant operation for the first year that the base has been in operation. It is a unique station for it is located underground, occupying the site of Battle Headquarters on the Air Base.

The actual radio set, an SCR 168A is a standard one, but the antenna is an improvised device, made necessary by the underground location of the station. Technically speaking, it is a doublet antenna halfwave transmission line with matching stub. If you don't understand that, it is sufficient to state that it is a unique set up and one that works in a most satisfactory manner.

The station operates in a wing to wing standby net, a net that is set up primarily for emergency operation. If it ever occurred that all wire communication should be disabled in some way, the Radio station would still be able to transmit messages to any corner of the UK. Because of this we would never be completely without some means of communication, no matter how dire the situation.

T/Sgt John Liela is the chief operator, ably assisted by Sgt Shinkus and Cpl Sawyer. T/Sgt Lindene aids in the technical situations.

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FIELD LIGHTS-

This is the control and generating points of the landing light system installed by the Signal Company under the direction of T/5th Johnson. The 32 miles of wiring supplying power to the 500 watt lights all of which is underground is supplied with power from these generators.



Landing Lights-

A close up view of T/5th Johnson inspecting the recently installed system. Maintenance of these lights is kept at a high degree of efficiency by his crew.

20th Fighter Group History, cont'd.



SIGNAL SUPPLY- This is one of the Signal Company's most important functions. Signal supply secures stock and issues all items of Signal equipment that are table of equipment for units of this station. This also includes the issue of items for repair of signal equipment. Repair parts and assemblies for aircraft radios constitute the greater part of the turnover.

Under the guiding eye of It Slater, signal supply officer, S/Sgt Fred C Seaman of Newark, N.J. rules supreme. It is his responsibility to see that the big warehouse runs smoothly, that accurate records are kept of the many items issued to the different organizations, that each organization receives their just amount of equipment. In this work he is ably assisted by Pfc Kosmatka, Sgt Cox and T/S Freeman. Pfc Kosmatka keeps the records straight, and the latter named men can usually be found handling batteries, tubes, radio sets, etc. in their various phases of shipment, unpacking and distribution.

Handling such inanimate objects has not dulled the supply personnel's appreciation for worldly beauty, as one of the choicest collections of pin-up girls on the base can be found in Sgt Seaman's possession.

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AIR FORCE: Eight Air Force
COMMAND : 3d Air Division
WING : Sixth-Fifth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Heavy-Bombardment Group
COMPANY : Det A 103rd Signal Company SC Co
DATE : MAR 2 1945

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**ATTACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
97TH SERVICE GROUP
APO #557, U.S. ARMY**

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7 April 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History for month of March 1945.

TO : Headquarters, AMF Station F-159, APO #557, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5, dated 4 July 1944, the following Unit History Report is submitted.

Installation of CG 345 (10 pair) and CG 344 (5 pair) rubber covered telephone cable is nearing completion. It was originally intended to install five new distribution points connected directly from the main frame, but this plan was dropped and pairs were extended from existing distribution points to more suitably located positions. Five HP'S have been extended using only two (2) miles of cable which leaves two (2) miles of cable to be used for other projects.

Installation was accomplished by stringing W110B wire as messenger wire, using cable hangers procured from GPO, Colchester.

It was found that after erecting the messenger wire first, a man standing on the roof of our small arm repair truck could hook the cable on with little difficulty. In some cases the cable was laid in existing GPO Aerial spans.

It is estimated that then (10) to (15) miles of W110B will be recovered after installation of the four miles of cable, resulting not only in a saving of wire but reducing maintenance work considerably and improving the appearance of the Station.

The Base Radio Station is progressing steadily. To date one hundred and thirty-five (135) speakers have been installed in the Company and Squadron areas with an additional ten (10) on order. Two 70 watt class AB 1 amplifiers are in operation with a third nearing completion. Remote programs from the Aero Club, Officers Club, and Senior NCO Club have been run with good results.

Interference from the Radio Station to telephone circuits is becoming very troublesome on certain telephones, not over eight (8) in number. All Radio lines have been removed as far as practical from telephone lines with no results. Our Radio repairman, Tec 3 Rudolph E. Salomon in charge, and Wire Crew, S/sgt William C. Knull in charge, are working on the problem daily. It is believed now, that as one radio line is laid on the ground for several hundred yards and has only a 25 resistance of only one (1) megohm to ground as compared to thirty (30) megohms in the other two (2) lines. The interference will be reduced by raising the low resistance line on poles

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Both amplifiers under load, have been checked for distortion using an oscillograph. Distortion seems to be very low but an exact percentage cannot be given. Approximately five per cent (5%).

A frequency run was also tried with no success as the output of the oscillator was not standard over its entire range.

The Company Radio Operators, Pfc's Morris Brodsky, Edward Gorski, and George W. Synakiewicz returned from Hqs, 66th Ft WI Radio Sch, with excellent marks, and a measured code speed of twenty-five words per minute (25WPM). As there is no radio net in operation at present, the operators have been assigned to the T & T wire crew. They have however constructed a code practice room in order to maintain their code speed.

A letter received from T/Sgt Charles E. Young, our former First Sergeant and wire chief who is now in Infantry GOC states that training is slightly hard physically but well worth it. T/Sgt Young arrived on this field, AAF Sta F-159, with an advance wire crew to prepare the Station for wire communications. It was through his advance work that installation of ground communications were greatly speeded.

Neil A. Webster
NEIL A. WEBSTER
1st Lt, Sig C
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND : 3D Air Division
WING : Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Ninety-seventh Service Group
COMPANY : Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

DATE : 9 March 1945

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
97TH SERVICE GROUP
APO #557, U.S. ARMY

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8 March 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of February 1945.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, APO #557, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5, dated 4 July 44, the following Unit History Report is submitted.


Plans for the installation of underground cable for additional distribution points have been dropped. This was due to the scarcity of labor available to the GPO and also the length of time required for installation was considered to long.

On authority from Headquarters, four (4) miles of five (5) pr Rubber covered cable CC 345, has been released to us for a substitute for the underground cable. Installation work has not been started to date as tests are being made as to the best practical way of stringing.

A direct music line from American Forces Network was installed 22 Feb 1945 which has resulted in a tremendous improvement in the programs from our own Base Radio Station.

Teletype interference to the AFN line was encountered at first but the addition of filters and changing of pairs in the main cable from Colchester cleared the trouble.

The arrival of the 862nd Bomb Squadron imposed a larger load on the switchboard than was expected but by use of the TC - 4 all telephones required were supplied.


NEIL A. WEBSTER
1st Lt, Sig C
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: VIII AIR FORCE
COMMAND : 2ND AIR DIVISION
WING : 65TH FIGHTER WING
GROUP : 33RD SERVICE GROUP
SQUADRON : DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL CO.
DATE : 1 March, 1945.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

RECORD OF EVENTS FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1945

The month of February found the Det. "A" 1030th Signal Co., located in the European Theater of Operations carrying on as it has been doing for many months in the past. The activities of the Company for the month followed a normal pattern with all personnel working steadily to help keep the Fighter Group Operational. Its various duties are detailed below:

TELETYPE REPAIR SECTION:

Weekly inspection and maintenance was carried out on all machines in operation. Major trouble reports were power failures. The armature of one motor developed trouble and was replaced by a new one. All parts requisitioned were received.

TELETYPE OPERATORS SECTION:

In the month of February the teletype section received 925 messages and sent out 260 messages making a total of 1185 messages for the month. Less messages have been received this month but priority and secret messages have increased. The five operators on four shifts, working a twenty-four hour schedule have done their work well, and the monthly inspection went off satisfactorily.

SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION:

Signal Supply continued to meet requirement in its line whenever possible. The shortage of flashlight batteries was relieved somewhat by a shipment which was rationed amongst the organizations on the field. Our supply of critical tubes was cut as low as possible and the balance returned to the depot at the request of the Signal Supply Officer there.

CIPHER OFFICE SECTION:

The physical and security inspection for the month was found to be perfect. Traffic was handled accurately and speedily. Delivery was made immediately of all traffic to the departments as specified. All documents received were delivered to those designated and proper entry made in our records. All amendments to documents were dispatched to holders and amendments to our own books were entered. An unusual amount of night work was experienced.

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RADIO REPAIR SECTION:

During the month the radio repair section helped install an APN radio transmitter on the station, and at present is taking turns at operating it.

Two of the men attended a seven day maintenance course on a new radio during February.

Besides the usual work, quite a few typewriters were repaired belonging to organizations on this base and at Wing Headquarters.

TELEPHONE & INTERFERENCE SECTION:

For the month of February the Telephone Repair Department continued in maintaining telephones and wire communications on the Station.

There were no changes during the month, the work was servicing telephone instruments and the switchboard. The telephone repair department also provided two radio transmission circuits for the new APN Station.

During the month telephone lineman T/A. Edward P. Farak was on furlough, and Pfc. Edward J. Gorman was confined to the hospital.

RADIO OPERATORS SECTION:

Besides carrying on with the usual work of copying press, and practicing code, the month of February was found to be a little more interesting than the previous ones. The first two weeks of the month was spent practicing code, but by a different method than we have been using. An automatic tape machine was loaned to us by the 65th Fighter Wing Signal Officer. It consisted of three large rolls of tape with mixed code groups. The speed of the machine could be regulated by turning a dial. It went as slow as five words per min, and on up to twenty-five words per min. Some of the operators, ever seeing one like it before, found it very interesting to work with.

In the latter part of the month, a relay transmitter for the American Forces Network was installed in the same building as the radio room. Half of the installation was put in by the HBC maintenance men, which consisted of the main power lines. The other half which consisted of the transmitter, cooling system, rectifier, and the control box, was installed by one of the APN maintenance men and the help of our radio mechanic. At the present time the radio operators and the radio mechanic are working shifts to monitor it, whose job is to turn it on in the morning at 7:35, and close it down at 23:30 in the evening. Also to take the readings of different meters every hour, and to notify HBC if power lines fail, or notify APN if the equipment is faulty. The type transmitter that is being used is a PB 50, the approximate range is about ten to twelve miles. All the above information is entered in a daily log.

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A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

TELEPHONE OPERATORS SECTION:

Although February was a short month, it showed no signs of it at the Station Switchboard. Besides the regular two operators putting out and receiving a little over the three thousand calls per day, two additional operators were working side by side twenty four hours a day with them. The job of the two extra operators was to check and record all calls going out and coming in, both on and off the station, and to what extensions these calls were put. Owing to the shortage of telephones, and the switchboard being overloaded, this was the only way to determine what telephones could be moved and put to better use, or to where they are most needed. As for the rest of the telephone exchange, business in the month of February was carried on in the same efficient manner.

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND : IX Air Division
WING : Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Twenty-seventh Service Group
COMPANY : Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

DATE : 8 January 1945

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DETACHMENT "A"
1049TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AAF STATION F-159
APO 557, U.S. ARMY

16th February 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of February 1945.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, APO #557, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 88-5, dated 4 July 44, the following Unit History Report is submitted.

In preparation for a new and large organization moving onto this station, additional cables and Distribution Points have been requisitioned from the GPO. 3rd Air Division has already approached us asking if we can install a three position switchboard. Wire Chief S/Sgt. Wm. C. Knoll has assured us the board can be installed with little trouble. This Three Position board will increase the number of telephones served by approximately thirty.

The Station Broadcasting System is progressing much more rapidly than last month. On Feb. 10 25 more speakers were obtained and installed making a total of sixty speakers operating. Volume controls are being installed on the majority of speakers.

The three Company Radio operators are training Company teletype personnel in Radio Code. It is hoped they will attain a speed of at least 10 WPM.

All Signal Sections running smoothly.

Wm. C. Knoll
Wm. C. Knoll
1st Lt. Sig C.
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND : 3D Air Division
WING : Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Ninety-seventh Service Group
COMPANY : Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AAF STATION F-159
APO 559, U.S. ARMY

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8 January 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of December 1944.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, APO #559, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5, dated 4 July 44, the following Unit History Report is submitted:

Largest accomplishment of the month was the installation of a TC 4 switchboard to be used in conjunction with GPO boards already installed. Seven lines interconnect each GPO switchboard with the TC 4 having thirty (30) extensions for use on the TC 4. With these additional extensions Ring 2 and Ring 3 numbers will be discontinued as there are enough extensions available on all boards to serve everyone. This additional board brings the total extensions to one hundred and thirty (130).

Electric counters are being installed on the switchboard to provide a check on the number of calls made per day. Last check totaled one thousand five hundred (1,500) calls between 0900 hours and 1700 hours.

The Station broadcasting system continues to progress very slowly due mainly to the difficulty of obtaining radio parts from civilian British stores. It is hoped the installation will be completed by the end of this month.

A training program is being put into effect with all radio operators being taught the operation of the M 209 code machine. Teletype operators are being taught the International Code and all men to be instructed in simple field wire ties, and splices.

Teletype repair section is installing a TC 16 reperforator for their own instruction and operators practice.

Signal supply items of short quantity are 1 amp SR BC 602 control Box and RA 30 batteries. Strength of Org: 1 Officer, 44 Enlisted Men.

W. A. Webster
WILL A. WEBSTER
1st Lt, Sig C
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND : 3rd Bomb Division
WING : Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Fifty-seventh Service Group
COMPANY : Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

DATE : 8 December 1944

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029th SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AAF STATION F-159
APO 559, U.S. ARMY

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8 December 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of November 1944.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5, dated 4 July 1944, the following Unit History Report is submitted:

The Signal Company has undertaken construction of an internal public address broadcasting system. The object of this project is to procure a direct telephone line from the American Forces network over which all their programs will be heard. Three 55 watt speech amplifiers are to be built which will feed loudspeakers located in every Officers' and EN's sleeping quarters. These AFN programs will also be supplemented with original programs from our own studio. Progress to date consists of one 55 watt amplifier completed, two phonograph turntables installed in a specially constructed central desk. Lines have been laid to one third of the areas to be covered. An order has been placed with a radio supply store for the rest of the necessary parts.

The technical end of this project has rest with Tee 3 Rudolph E Salamon who designed the amplifiers and constructed the first. Special Services is responsible for the supply of recordings from AFN, and is also paying full expenses for the equipment needed. Date of completion is scheduled for some time before Christmas.

Wing Radio Net was discontinued on orders of higher authority. Operators are to be given five hours of code practice per week.

All other sections running normally.

Pvt Delbert J Blackett promoted to Private First Class effective Nov 15. Tee 4 Benjamin Silver (951) transferred to 304th Signal Company. Strength of organization: 1 Officer, 44 Enlisted Men.

Neil A. Webster
NEIL A. WEBSTER
1st Lt, Sig Corps
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND : 3rd Bomb Division
WING : Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Ninety-seventh Service Group
COMPANY : Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

DATE : 8 November 1944

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SECOND DETACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO #559, c/o POSTMASTER
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

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8 November 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of October 1944.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, U.S. Army, Attn: Statistical Officer.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5, dated 4 July 1944, the following Unit History Report is submitted:

Signal sections running normally. The wire crew changed all KE-8A telephones on the operations board to GPO type, 156LB's. Receivers were painted red to readily distinguish them from PBX telephones.

S/Sgt William C. Knull wire chief, installed a grouping key on the PBX boards. Calls may be answered from either position with this key, which the operators have found to be of great advantage.

A teletype machine was installed in the Scouting Force Operations Room. Machine is in parallel with one in Group Operations. During the first day of its operation the motor burned out but was replaced in two hours.

Point to point radio net went into operation during the month. On the second day of operation the transmitter failed to tune, which was due to poor antenna lead in system. A leaky transformer was also found which was sealed. Traffic averages three messages per day with signals of fairly good strength. An attempt was made to use the SCR 399 of the Fighter Group, but due to trouble in the plate circuit it was unserviceable.

GPO has collected all our stock stores, and informed us we will not be able to maintain any stock level whatsoever, however a few items were retained without their knowledge to help along in emergencies.

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Oct 1: Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, 41 Enlisted men present.
4 Enlisted Men absent.

Oct 2: Lt. Slater took over the company as acting C.O., in the absence of Lt Webster who was gone on a seven day leave.

Oct 5: Pvt Blackett went to No 8 School of Technical Training, for the purpose of learning how to water proof vehicles.

Oct 9: The following men had their SSN's changed: Tec 5 Dougherty from 238 to 822. Tec 5 Goldblatt from 647 to 805.

Oct 10: Lt Webster returned from leave relieving Lt Slater as acting C.O.

Oct 11: Cpl Millman returned to the company from special duty with the station defense.

Oct 31: Tec 5 Korn SSN was changed from 776 to 835. Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, and 42 Enlisted Men.

Neil A. Webster
NEIL A. WEBSTER
1st Lt. Signal Corps
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND : Eighth Fighter Command
WING : Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Ninety-seventh Service Group
COMPANY : Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

DATE : 6 October 1944

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO #559, c/o POSTMASTER
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

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6 October 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of September 1944.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, U.S. Army, Attn: Statistical Officer.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5, dated 4 July 44, the following Unit History Report is submitted:

Sep 1: Strength Of Organization: 1 Officer, 38 Enlisted Men present, 7 Enlisted Men absent.

Sep 3: Trouble with Dispersal Points 10 and 11 caused by a break in the cable allowing water to seep in. Trouble repaired by GPO.

Sep 4: A line (speech) was installed from Thetford to Ops Switchboard. Also a line from Thetford teletype to Ops was installed.

Sep 6: Removed M 228 table from operations building, T & T room and installed field repeaters.

Sep 10: Mr Lamb GPO Telephone & Cable Co arrived to begin installation of Channel Frame.

Sep 15: Finished initial hookup of Channel Frame. Per Teletype fr VIII FI Command restriction on leaves and furloughs lifted. Thirteen Enlisted Men this Organization have taken advantage of the furlough privilege during the mo of Sep 44.

Sep 18: All Enlisted Men this Organization participated in a Gas Chamber exercise. Tear gas being used to test all masks.

Sep 26: GPO Engineers started completion of UF Channel Frame. Thirty-eight 156 LB telephones complete with batteries and generators procured from GPO stores, Colchester, which are being used to replace EE 8 on Ops & Admin board. Hand sets to be painted red. Lt Slater fr Hq Section of our Company came to coordinate shipping of TE equipment.

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Page...2; Unit History for mo of Sep 44, Det "A" 1029th Signal Company.

Sep 27: Lt Webster attended a meeting of all Unit Voting Officers at Sta Hqs, AAF Sta F-159. Every precaution is being taken to insure all Enlisted Men of this Organization of their voting privileges.

Sep 28: UF channel frame completed by GPO

Sep 30: Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, and 41 Enlisted Men.

Kenneth R. Slater
KENNETH R. SLATER
1st Lt, Sig Corps
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND : Eighth Fighter Command
WING : Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Fifty-seventh Service Group
SQUADRON : Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

DATE : 6 September 1944

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029th SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AAF STATION F-159

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6 September 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of August 1944.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, U.S. Army. Attn: Statistical Officer.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5 dated 25 April 1944, the following Unit History Report is submitted:

August 1944 was a month with very little signal activity other than routine work.

It was found that spare parts for teletype machines TG-7B could be obtained directly from Eighth Fighter Command. One teletype machine which had been used for spare parts was completely repaired.

Signal items for aircraft have become increasingly plentiful. The increase in tubes for SCR 522 has taken us from the critical stage to moderate stocks on hand.

Only major fault with telephone lines was a perimeter cable fault which occurred 25 August, and was found to be caused by water seeping into a break in the lead cable and grounding inside wires.

Eighth Fighter Command communication inspector checked signal activities on 24 August, and pointed out that our PE-75 and PE-77's were not stored in compliance with TO -19-1-49. Signal supply took immediate steps to store engines properly.

August 1: Strength of organization: 1 officer, 45 enlisted men. 1st Lt NEIL A WEBSTER fr DS at No 1 Radio School At Cranwell to dy.

August 2: 1st Lt NEIL A WEBSTER assumes Comd, vice 1st Lt HARRY A MEANS rel'd of duties as Actg CO, Sta Sig O, and Sta Cryptographic O.

August 17: S/Sgt Clarence C. Schade was promoted fr S/Sgt to T/Sgt.

August 24: Tec 3 Ernest D. Holford and Tec 4 Jack D. Johns went on DS at Carranpoint, Northern Ireland.

August 28: Pvt Jacob Scovronek left on a 7 day furlough.

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Unit History for August 1944.

August 29: Tec 4 Benjamin Silver left on a 7 day furlough.

August 31: Strength of organization: 1 Officer, 45 Enlisted Men.

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R. A. WEBSTER
1st Lt. Signal Corps
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND : Eighth Fighter Command
WING : Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP : Twenty-seventh Service Group
SQUADRON : Det "A" 1029th Signal Squadron

DATE : 7 August 1944

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029th SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AAF STATION F-159

NAW/js

7 August 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of July 1944.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, U.S. Army. Attn: Statistical Officer.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5 dated 25 April 1944, the following Unit History Report is submitted:

July 1: Strength of organization: 1 officer, 44 enlisted men. GPO engineers at station to get data on placement of permanent VF channel frame.

July 4: Tec 5 Saul Fast transferred to Hq Det, Signal Section, FTOUSA. Pfc Solomon B. Gelub transferred to Co. "C" 3104 Signal Service Bn. Tec 4 Benjamin Silver from dy to sk in 136 Station Hospital.

July 5: Tec 5 Arthur J. Lasch to SD with Station Defense. Radio silence still in effect; no information obtainable as to when transmissions are to be resumed.

July 10: Starting to call in Signal equipment on M/R preparatory to packing. Details of marking and boxing not available.

July 14: Received small arms repair truck from Headquarters Detachment, 1029th Signal Co. Truck unservicable due to bearings burned in rear left wheel. Truck will be used for telephone repair.

July 16: Cpl Bernard Millman, Pvt Delbert J. Blackett, and Pvt Earl G. Leggett aagd and joined organization.

July 18: Lt. NEIL A. WEBSTER fr dy to No. 1 Radio School at RAF Station Cranwell to study the 522. Lt. HARRY A. MEANS atchd and jd for SD; aptd acting CO, Sta Sig O, and Sta Cryptographic O. Tec 5 Lasch relieved from duty with Station Defense; Cpl Millman and Pvt Leggett fr dy to SD with Sta Defense. Pvt Blackett placed in motor pool for duty.

July 21: Small arms repair truck returned from motor pool. Equipment in truck issued to S/Sgt Knull, Wire Chief. Tec 4 Silver fr Sk in Hosp to dy.

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July 25: Received 90-day maintenance kit, No 22, for EE-8 telephones. Kit is very complete and seems to cover all possible needs for telephone servicing.

July 27: Received 30-day maintenance kit for radios of F-51, consisting of spare SCR 522s, BC 695, P-94, solder, tape, antennae 104, and miscellaneous parts. SSNs of S/Sgt Abalos and Sgt Hansen changed from 252 to 581; of Tec 4 Jansic, Tec 4 Johns, and Tec 5 Russell from 954 to 955, per AAF Manual 35-1 dated 3 Apr 44.

July 30: Through error, monthly telephone accounts were not presented to Officers Mess for collection. Accounts will now have to be sent to squadrons.

July 31: Strength of organization: 1 Officer, 45 Enlisted Men.

Neil A. Webster
NEIL A. WEBSTER
1st Lt, Signal Corps
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eleventh Air Force
COMMAND: Eleventh Fighter Command
WING: Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP: Ninety-seventh Service Group
SQUADRON: Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

DATE: 6 July 1944

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029th SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AAF STATION F-159

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6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of June 1944.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, U.S. Army. Attn: Statistical Officer.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 8C-5 dated 25 April 1944, the following Unit History Report is submitted:

June 1: Strength of organization: 1 Officer, 43 Enlisted Men. Lt. WEBSTER returned from TD at 418th Sig Co to resume command vice Lt SLATER, retd. Pvt Swan T. Johnson trfd from this organization to Det "A" 97th Hq & Hq Sq as Motion Picture Projectionist.

June 3: Telephone restriction placed on all incoming and outgoing calls by order of Col. Crowell. Only persons permitted to make off-station calls are the Commanding Officer, Adjutant, and Operations Officer. Sgt Harold C. Smith from dy to sk in hosp at 65th General Hospital to attend the Orthopedic Clinic to secure proper corrective shoes.

June 6: D-Day. Communications running smoothly with no particular increase in traffic. Telephone restriction still in effect. Radio station closed down indefinitely on orders from 66th Fighter Wing Headquarters.

June 7: All men fired fifty rounds per man with the carbine on the station 1000 inch range. Telephone restriction lifted in part: official calls permitted, but no personal calls.

June 9: Telephone restriction lifted completely. Lt WEBSTER and T/Sgt Young fr dy to DS at AAF Sta F-158 for 24 hours. Telephone receipts for the month of May totaled \$135.58.

June 11: T/Sgt Charles E. Young appointed Acting First Sergeant vice M/Sgt Robert V. Marrell, retd.

June 12: Pay phones in Red Cross Aero Club and Officers Lounge tapped for monitoring. All off-base lines now able to be monitored. Monitoring switchboard interfering with PEX, cutting off supervisory signal. Trouble was found to be a grounded line.

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Unit History for June, 6 July 1944.

June 14: Mr. Copeland of GPO came to investigate power fluctuation. A recording voltmeter is to be placed on the mains for 48 hours. He is also going to look into the matter of procuring a permanent VF Channel Frame. Radio silence still in effect.

June 15: Emergency lights installed over PEX switchboard to operate on a 6-volt storage battery. Report of Survey being made on KRB on M/R to Capt. Akst which was lost in the move to this station. Semi-annual inventory of American Documents made by Lt. Means; all documents accounted for. Incendiary bomb tested for burning effect on stack of newspapers which simulated crypt documents. Bomb was 1 lb British grenade. It did not destroy the papers completely, but burned down thru the center of the stack and then poured out to the side. Can of ~~benzene~~ deemed necessary for complete destruction of documents. Tec 5 Saber Canteen promoted to Sergeant; Tec 5 Donald W Hendricks, to Tec 4. Saul Fast from 4 to SD with Station Defense.

June 18: Drop of 8 volts noted between power mains and plug point for teleprinter van, and drop of 5 volts between power point and teleprinter van partly responsible for erratic operation of teleprinter. GPO has been informed. Tube types VT 207, 202, 203, 118 becoming available; no acute shortage. Overage of 10 SCR 522's returned to depot. Soldering iron shortage now becoming apparent. Total telephones on base is now 13, GPO phones and 48 KRB's.

June 20: Two miles of W110B picked up on DR5.

June 26: Pfc George W. Synakiewicz assigned and jd organization as radio op.

June 27: Field wire becoming worn thru heavy traffic across field removed, to be re-routed thru underground cables already existing. No recording voltmeter to date. W channel frame still giving trouble. Cooperation from GPO not as good as it could be. Teleprinter section checking length of time between calling and answering of Wing teletype switchboard. Daily check of all telephone tie lines and cords and switches.

June 28: Line brought in by GPO from Thetford ASD, but no information as to its use can be obtained. Report of Survey started of four telephones on loan to fighter squadrons. GPO Engineers, Mr Sheering and Mr Creed called on information as to monitoring lines which are to be attached to private telephones on field. Mr. Sheering inspected the VF channel frame and found intermittent trouble in Channel Two, incoming line level too low, cold soldered joints, faulty condenser, and faulty fuse. Transformer taps on equipment have never been properly set so as to supply the proper voltage to the frame equipment.

June 29: Gas test run on Switchboard building, but thru error gas grenade was placed ahead of the filter. Approximately 5 hours were required to clear the building of the tear gas.

June 30: Strength of organization: 1 Officer, 44 Enlisted Men.

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ERIL A. WHESTER
1st Lt, Sig Corps
Commanding

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AIR FORCE: Eighth Air Force
COMMAND: Eighth Fighter Command
WING: Sixty-sixth Fighter Wing
GROUP: Ninety-seventh Service Group
SQUADRON: Det "A" 1029th Signal Company

DATE: 6 June 1944

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029th SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AAF STATION F-159

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6 June 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of May 1944.

TO : Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, U.S. Army. Attn: Statistical Officer.

1. In compliance with Eighth Air Force Memorandum 80-5 dated 25 April 1944, the following report is submitted:

Strength of organization on May 1: 47 Enlisted Men, 1 Officer, leaving one vacancy in the T/O strength. On May 3 Sgts Garland and Johns returned from Radio School at RAF Sta Cranwell where they studied the 522.

Signal supplies such as flashlights, type TL 122's, and radio tubes VT 207 and VT 118 very hard to procure from depot because of low stocks. Other signal supplies arriving with no difficulty.

American teletype machines T67B working normally with the exception of fuse failures believed due to fluctuations in commercial power which varies as much as 25 volts. Additional T67B installed in Operations teletype room and placed in parallel with Operational Intelligence machine so as to print extra copies.

Radio station reports considerable interference from other stations on present medium frequency. Communication is being maintained.

A ten pair rubber jointed cable assembly CD 355 installed on Operations telephone switchboard net and working with excellent results.

Lt WEBSTER to DS at No 5 Radio School at Oxford for two weeks, and then to 410th Signal Co for one week of TD. Lt SLATER from parent organization took command of the Detachment and Signal Office during his absence.

Usual telephone facility repairs made daily; no complaints of service to date. Wire crew has strung 29 miles of W110B field wire up to the present time, and has reclaimed approximately 5 miles which was left behind by the preceding organization.

All personnel tested checked light-weight gas masks by wearing them in chamber full of chlorine gas, and received instructions in chemical warfare. Company participated in several Bugbear alerts, each man going to his assigned station. Gas masks, Carbines, ammunition, and helmets are carried at all times on the station. We are prepared.

Neil A. Webster
NEIL A. WEBSTER

1st Lt, Sig Corps
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DETACHMENT 'A'
1029th SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AAF STATION F-159

7 May 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of April, 1944.

TO : Group Historian, Headquarters, AAF Station F-159, U.S. Army.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 Nov 43, the following is submitted:

HISTORY

1.

Strength of organization: 1 Officer, 46 Enlisted Men. Two vacancies exist in the T/O. Based at AAF Sta F-131.

3.

Snail Fast fr dy to fur 7 days. Cpl Everett R Killian and Lawrence B Johnson and a jd organization, bringing the detachment up to T/O strength.

4.

Tec 5 Morton Goldblatt fr dy to DS at No 5 Radio School at Oxford for study in Crypt. T/Sgt Young and Tec 5 Gebhardt fr dy to DS at AAF Sta F-159 to prepare for telephone and teletype installations at the new base.

6.

Tec 4 Garland and Tec 5 Robinson fr dy to DS at AAF Sta F-159 for two days to set up transmitter and receiver antennae for VHF.

11.

Wire crew consisting of S/Sgt Knall, Cpl Killian, and Tec 5 Kendall moved to F-159 to commence wire-laying and telephone-installing. Approx. 28 miles of wire were strung, 100 GPO and 37 field phones changed and/or installed, and an ops switchboard with 19 field phones set up in the next few weeks.

Tec 5 Hendricks accompanied the crew to install the teletype machines.

Tec 4 Silver helped build a temporary battery-operated control system. It was this emergency control that honored Col. Crowell to this new base when the move was finally made.

16.

Operational crews of switchboard and teletype operators and Signal Center Chief Sgt Bosworth prepared to start communications at F-159.

17.

Remainder of Detachment proceeded by motor convoy to Sta F-159. Tec 4 Garland and Tec 5 Robinson and Fast remained until afternoon, tearing down VHF installations as soon as operations ceased. The temporary homer was used until the permanent equipment was installed at the new base. Pvt Swan T Johnson was left at Sta F-131 on DS to operate the Special Service projector for the outfit moving in.

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Sgt Bosworth promoted to S/Sgt; Tec 5 Kendall, to Tec 4. Tec 4's Johns and Garland fr dy to DS at No. 1 Radio School, RAF Sta Cramwell to study the 522.

23.

Pvt S F Johnson fr DS at Sta F-131 to dy. Tec 4 Kendall fr dy to 136th Station Hospital with splinter in knee acquired LD.

25.

Tec 5 R F Harrison trfd in grade to Hq 3rd Bomb Div, AAF Sta F-341. Lt. WEBSTER aptd Sta Sig O and Sta Cryptographic O (principal duty).

27.

Tec 5 Morton Goldblatt fr DS at No. 5 Radion School Oxford to dy.

30.

Strength of Organization: 1 Officer and 47 Enlisted Men. One vacancy in T/O.

Neil A. Webster

NEIL A. WEBSTER
1st Lt, Signal Corps
Commanding

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
97th Service Group
AAF Station F-131

4 April 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of March, 1944.

TO : Group Historian, Headquarters, AAF Station F-131, U.S. Army.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, Fq VIII FI Comd, dtd 13 Nov 43, the following is submitted:

HISTORY

1.

Tec 5 Oliver V Robinson fr dy to DS at No 1 Radio School, RAF Sta Cranwell.
Tec 5 Tharlo M Collier fr dy to fur 7 days. Strength of organization: one officer, 46 enlisted men.

2 to 7.

No change.

8.

Tec 5 Frederick F Timory fr dy to fur 7 days. Tec 5 Collier fr fur to dy.
9 to 10.

No change.

11.

S/Sgt Clarence C Schade fr dy to sk in qrs, LD.
12 to 13.

No change.

14.

S/Sgt Schade fr sk in qrs to dy. Tec 5 Collier fr dy to sk in qrs, LD.
15.

Tec 5 Timory fr fur to dy.

16.

Tec 5 Robinson fr DS at No 1 Radio School at RAF Sta Cranwell to dy.
17 to 19.

No change.

20.

Tec 5 Collier fr sk in qrs to dy.

21.

No change

22.

Lt NEIL A WEBSTER fr dy to DS one day. Replaced by Lt ALBERT LADENBERG for this period of TD.

24 to 31.

No change. Strength of Org: 1 Officer, 46 E/M. Two vacancies exist in the T/O strength of the organization.

Neil A. Webster
NEIL A. WEBSTER
1st Lt, Sig Corps
Commanding

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DETACHMENT A
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
97TH SERVICE GROUP
STATION F-131

4 March 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of February, 1944.

TO : Group Historian, Headquarters, AAF Station F-131, U.S. Army.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, Hq VIII Fighter Command, dtd 13 November 1943, the following is submitted:

HISTORY

1.
Paul O Seebach, 32690141, Pfc, fr dy to fur 7 days. Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, 46 Enlisted Men.

2.
Tec 5 Tharlo M Collier and Tec 5 Frederick P Tinory fr dy to DS at No 1 Radio School, RAF Sta Cramwell.

3 to 5.
No change.

6.
Kenneth L Russell fr dy to sk in qrs, LD.

7.
No change

8.
Seebach fr fur to dy, abs 7 days.

9 to 10.
No change.

11.
Kenneth L Russell fr sk in qrs to dy.

12 to 14.
No change.

15.
NEIL A WEBSTER, O-1641916, promoted to 1st Lt (temp), effective 1 Feb 1944.

16.
No change.

17.
Collier and Tinory fr DS at No 1 Radio School at RAF Sta Cramwell to dy.

18 to 29.
No change. Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, 46 Enlisted Men. Two vacancies exist in the T/O strength of the Organization.

Neil A Webster
NEIL A WEBSTER
1st Lt, Signal Corps

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
97TH SERVICE GROUP
STATION F-131

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6 February 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of January 1944.

TO: : Group Historian, Headquarters, AAF Station F-131, U.S. Army.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, Hq VIII Fighter Command, dtd 13 November 1943, the following is submitted:

HISTORY

1.
No change. Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, 46 Enlisted Men. Two E/M abs.
2.
No change.
3.
Russell, Kenneth L., 16085740, T/5, fr dy to fur 7 days.
4 & 5.
No change.
6.
Rudolph E Salamon, T/4, promoted to T/3. Benjamin Silver, T/5, promoted to T/4. Promotions effective 1 January 1944.
7.
Claude A Gronke fr DS at AAF Sta F-341 to dy.
8.
Arnold B Bruland fr DS at American School Center, Shrivenham, Berks to dy. August M Doller fr dy to DS at Thornaby on Fees.
9.
Kenneth L Russell fr fur to dy. Abs 7 days.
10.
GERALD, BUSH, CWO, W-2101184, atchd and jd unasgd. Cecil D Hansen from dy to fur 7 days.
11.
No change.
12.
August M Doller fr DS at Thornaby on Fees to dy.
- 13 to 16.
No change

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17.

Cecil D Hansen fr fur to dy, abs 7 days. Edward Gorski fr dy to fur 7 days.

18 to 21.

No change.

22.

George A Strauss, T/5, reduced to gr of Private.

23.

No change.

24.

Morton Goldblatt fr dy to fur 7 days. Edward Gorski fr fur to dy, abs 7 days.

25,26.

No change.

27.

Gerald Bush, CWO, rld fr atchd unsgd this Orgn and asgd to Hq IX ASC, AAF Sta 472. Departed this station 11 Jan 1944.

28.

No change.

29.

Benjamin Silver fr dy to sk in qrs, LD.

30.

No change.

31.

Benjamin Silver fr sk in qrs to dy. Morton Goldblatt fr fur to dy, abs 7 days. Strength of Organization: One Officer, and 46 Enlisted Men. Two vacancies exist in the T/O strength of the Organization.

Neil A. Webster
NEIL A. WEBSTER
2nd Lt, Signal Corps
Commanding

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
97th Service Group
Station F-131

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7 January 1944

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SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of December 1943.

TO : Group Historian, Headquarters, AAF Station F-131, U. S. Army.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, Hq VIII Fighter Command, dtd 13 November 1943, the following is submitted:

HISTORY

1.

Benjamin Silver, 12088482, T/5, and George A. Strauss, 12152568, T/5, fr dy to DS at Hol Radio School, RAF Sta Cranwell per par 2, SO #44, Hqs AAF Sta F-131, dtd 29 Nov 43. Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, and 47 Enlisted Men. Four E/M abs.

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No change.

4.

William C. Knoll, 38141393, S/Sgt, fr dy to fur 7 days.

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No change

8.

Arnold R. Bruland, 18070810, Cpl, fr dy to DS at American School Center, Shrivenham, Berks, per par 5, SO #46, Hqs AAF Sta F-131, dtd 1 Dec 43. Rudolph E. Salamon 36339626, T/4, and Saul Fast, 32527639, T/5, fr dy to DS at No. 1 Radio School, RAF Sta Cranwell, per par 6, SO #48, Hqs AAF Sta F-131, dtd 4 Dec 43.

9 & 10

No change.

11.

William C. Knoll, 38141393, S/Sgt, fr fur to dy. Abs 7 days. Henry L. Frankenger 98014960, T/4, fr dy to fur 7 days.

12.

Solomon B. Golub, 32799188, Pfc, fr dy to DS at 31 Davies Street, London W1, per par 10, SO #50, dtd 7 Dec 43, Hqs AAF Station F-131. One officer, and 38 Enlisted Men present for dy. Nine Enlisted Men abs.

13.

Solomon B. Golub, 32799188, Pfc, fr DS at 31 Davies St. London W1 to dy.

14 & 15

No change.

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16.

Claude A. Gronke, 36244111, T/4, fr DS at No 5 Radio School, Worcester in Worces-
tershire to dy. Benjamin Silver, 12088482, T/4, and George A. Strauss, 12152568,
T/5, fr DS at No 1 Radio School, RAF Sta., Cranwell to dy.

17.

No change.

18.

Henry L. Frankenburg, 38014960, T/4, fr fur to dy. Abs 7 days. George A. Strauss
12152568, T/5, fr dy to sk in qrs. LD.

19.

Orville V. Ayres, 36258202, Pfc, fr dy to sk in Hosp at the 49th Sta Hosp, APO 557,
U. S. Army. LD. One Officer and forty-two E/M pres fr dy. Five E/M abs.

20 & 21

No change.

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George A. Strauss, 12152568, T/5 fr sk in qrs to dy. LD. Rudolph E. Salamon, 36339626
T/4, and Saul Fast, 32527639, T/5, fr DS at No 1 Radio School, RAF Sta, Cranwell, to
dy.

23.

No change.

24.

Orville V. Ayres, 36258202, Pfc, Abs sk in 49th Station Hospital, trfd in gr to Det
of Patients, 49th Sta Hosp, APO 557, U.S. Army, perpar 9, SO #59, Hq AAF Sta F-131,
APO 637, U.S. Army, dtd 23 Dec 43.

25.

No change.

26.

Solomon B. Golub, 32799188, Pfc, fr dy to DS at Hq Eighth Air Force Asst Sta 586,
per par 5, SO #56, Hq AAF Sta F-131, dtd 17 Dec 43. One Officer, and forty-three
E/M pres fr dy. Three E/M abs.

27.

No change.

28.

Solomon G. Golub, 32799188, Pfc, fr DS at Hq Eighth Air Force Asst Sta 586 to dy.
Morton Goldblatt, 32307672, T/5, fr DS at Hq VIII FI Comd to dy.

29.

Claude A. Gronke, 36244111, T/4, fr dy to DS at AAF Sta F-341 per par 3, SO #58,
Hq AAF Sta. F-131, dtd 21 Dec 43.

30 & 31.

No change. Strength Of Organization: One Officer, and Forty-four Enlisted Men pres
fr dy. Two E/M abs. Two vacancies now exist in T/O strength of Organization.

Neil A. Webster
NEIL A. WEBSTER
2nd Lt, Signal Corps
Commanding

DETACHMENT "A"
128TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
97th Service Group
Station F-131

121/edh

7 December 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of November 1943.

TO : Group Historian, AAF Station F-131.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in Fighter Command Memo. No. 125-1, HQ VIII Fighter Command, dtd 13 November/43, the following is submitted:

HISTORY

1.

Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, and 17 Enlisted Men. One (1) Enlisted Man atchd f/temp dy.

2nd to 5th

No change.

6

Arnold S. Abalos, 39668332, Sgt, apt S/Sgt (temp) eff 3 Nov/43 per par 2, SC #30, dtd 3 Nov/43, HQ AAF Sta F-131. Ernest D. Holford, 39352937, E/5, apt Sgt (temp) per par 2, SC #30, dtd 3 Nov/43, HQ AAF Sta F-131. One Officer and 45 E/M present fr dy. Two E/M abs. One E/M atchd.

7

Orville V. Ayres, 36258202, Pfc, fr abs sk in 49th Sta Hosp, APO 357, U.S. Army to dy.

8th to 11th

No change.

12

August M. Deller, 15960453, Cpl, fr abs sk in 49th Sta Hosp APO 357, U.S. Army to dy.

13

No change. One Officer, and 17 E/M present for dy. One E/M atchd f/temp dy.

14th to 16th

No change.

17

Claude A. Gronke, 36241111, E/4, fr dy to DS at No 5 Radio School, Worcester in Worcestershire, per par 3, SC #30, 12 Nov/43, HQ AAF Sta F-131, APO 697, dtd 15 November/43.

18th to 20th

No change.

21

No change. One Officer and 46 E/M present fr dy. One E/M abs. One E/M atchd fr temp dy.

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Rudolph E. Salamon, 36339626, T/4, fr dy to sk in grs. LD. Warren Shaffer, 12162760 Sgt, reld fr atchd f/term dy this Sta per par 6, SO #97, Hq AAF Sta F-365, dtd 11 Nov 1943. Ret to Det A 1101st Sig Co Serv Gp Sta F-365.

23 to 24

No change.

25

Rudolph E. Salamon, 36339626, T/4, fr sk in grs to dy. LD.

26

No change.

27

One Officer, and 46 E/M present fr dy. One E/M abs.

28 to 29

No change.

30

Morton Goldblatt, 32307172, T/5, fr dy to DS at AAF Sta F-369 as of 12 Nov 1943, per par 10, SO #38, Hq AAF Sta F-131 dtd 18 Nov 43, as amended by par 5, SO #44, dtd 29 Nov 43, Hq AAF Sta F-131. Fr DS at AAF Sta F-369 to dy as of 27 Nov 1943. Fr dy to DS at Hq VIII FI Command as of 29 Nov 43, per par 1, SO #44, Hq AAF Sta F-131, dtd 29 Nov 43, as amended by par 5, same orders. Strength of Organization: One (1) Officer, and forty-seven (47) Enlisted Men.

Neil A. Webster

NEIL A. WEBSTER
2nd Lt., Signal Corps
Commanding

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DETACHMENT "A"
1029TH SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
97th Service Group
Station F-131

NAN/edh

14 November 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History for Month of October/43.

TO : Group Historian, AAF Station F-131.

1. In accordance with instructions contained in, Fighter Command Memo. No. 125-1, Hq. VIII Fighter Command, dtd 2 March/43, the following is submitted:

HISTORY

1

Henry L. Frankenburger, 38014960, Pvt, apt Technician Fourth Grade (temp), per par 3, SO 9, Hq Sta F-131. Telephone - Buntingford 144. Commanding Officer, NEIL A. WEBSTER, 2nd Lt., Sig Corps. Strength of Organization: 1 Officer, and 47 Enlisted Men. Two (2) Enlisted Men atchd f/temp dy.

2

No change. One (1) Officer and 46 E/M present fr dy. One (1) E/M present not fr dy. Three E/M abs. Two (2) E/M atchd.

3

No change.

4

No change.

5

Det "A" 1029th Sig Co., 97th Serv Grp reld fr unasgd and asgd to 66th Fi Wing per teletype, CO 66th Fi Wing, CBOE 65 GEORGE, dtd 5 Oct/43.

6

No change.

7

Sgt Samuel E. Melendres, 38071844, and Pfc John D. Chambers, 36542040, fr DS at No. 5 Radio School, Oxford to dy. S/Sgt Clarence C. Schade, 37132098, fr DS at No 5 Radio School, Oxford to DS at AAF Sta F-341 per par 1, SO #3, Hq AAF Sta. F-131. Dtd 20 Sept/43.

8

No change.

9

T/5 Morton Goldblatt, 32307672, fr sk in gns to dy. One (1) Officer and 46 Enlisted Men present fr dy. One (1) E/M abs. Two (2) E/M atchd.

10

No change.

11

T/5 Donald W. Hendricks, 35314641, fr dy to DS at AAF Sta F-341, per par 1, SO #13, Hq., AAF Sta F-131, dtd 9 Oct/43.

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12

No change.

13

Sgt Melendres, 38071844, fr dy to DS at AAF Sta F-341, per par 2, SO #3, Hq AAF Sta F-131, dtd 20 Sept/43.

14

No change.

15

S/Sgt Schade, 37132098, fr DS at AAF Sta F-341 to dy.

16

No change. One (1) Officer, and 45 E/M present fr dy. Two (2) E/M abs. Two (2) E/M atchd.

17

No change.

18

Sgt Arnold F. Bosworth, 31208722, fr dy to DS at 312th Sig Co Wing, per par 5, SO #16, Hq AAF Sta F-131, dtd 15 Oct/43.

19

Pfc John D. Chambers, 36542040 fr dy to DS at AAF Sta F-341 per par 3, SO #3, Hq AAF Sta F-131, dtd 20 Sept/43.

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No change.

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No change.

22

Sgt Bosworth, 31208722, fr DS at 312th Sig Co to dy.

23

Sgt Einar Laine, 30178415, Reld fr atchd.f/temp dy. Ret to 327th Sig Co. Hq Hq 65th Fi Wing, APO 637, AAF Sta F-370. Departed this Sta 1500. One (1) Officer, and 44 E/M present fr dy. Three (3) E/M abs. One (1) E/M atchd.

24

Sgt Melendres, 38071844, fr DS at AAF Sta. F-341 to dy at 2345 hours, 23 Oct/43.

25

T/S Hendricks, 35914641, fr DS at AAF Sta. F-341 to dy.

26

Cpl August M. Doller, 15300653 fr dy to sk in qrs LD.

27

Cpl Doller, (sk in qrs), trfd fr sk in qrs LD to sk in Hosp. at 19th Sta Hosp., APO 557, U. S. Army.

28

Pfc Chambers, (DS), 36542040, fr DS at AAF Sta F-341 to dy. Pfc Orville V. Ayres, 36258202, fr dy to sk in Hosp. at the 19th Sta Hosp., APO 557, U. S. Army. NEIL A. WEBSTER, 2nd Lt., SC, apt Class "A" Agent Finance O fr Capt I. C. RAYBURN, 0347253, Finance O USA, AAF Sta F-350, per par 1, SO #25, Hq AAF Sta F-131.

29

No change.

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No change. One (1) Officer, and 45 Enlisted Men present fr dy. Two (2) E/X abs.
One (1) E/X atchd.

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No change. Strength of Organization: One (1) Officer, and 47 Enlisted Men. One
(1) E/X atchd.

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2nd Lt., Signal Corps
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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

7 Apr 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 558.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with its normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of March. Occurrences and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. On March 6th, this organization received its member from the infantry casualty pool, Tef 5 Shachat. This EM is classified as a radio opr LS, however, due to the inactivity of this particular work at the present, he has been placed in the Central Radio Workshop. T/5 Shachat has adapted himself to the ways and workings of this organization and has found it very much to his liking.
- b. The majority of the members of this organization have taken a particular interest in the orientation lectures as of late, and also the lectures given at the Station Aero Club as well as those given in Colchester. More interest is being shown on conditions in the Far East and the possible outcomes. There is also prominent interest in the prospects of the future for the average G.I. There has been quite a bit of off duty discussions on this subject.
- c. The message center section of this organization takes in eleven members of this organization. Three are assigned to the cryptographic room, which handles all code messages. Two are assigned as courier drivers to Wing Headquarters. Two are assigned as teletype operators and four are assigned as message center clerks. Because of its necessity of operating twenty four hours a day, it has been necessary to draw extra personnel from the Station Complement Squadron. The EM in this section have taken a keen interest in their work and have been commended by various Officials and departments for their splendid work.

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Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
Commanding

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30TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

March 7, 1943.

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Eighth Fighter
Command, APO 637, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated March 2, 1943, the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. This company activated as the 30th Signal Platoon (AB) at Mitchel Field, New York on January 1941. A cadre of 1 Officer (Lt. Chas. F. Hobson) and 13 EM from the 316th Signal Company Avn., Mitchel Field, were the nucleus for this organization.
- b. The organization then moved on May 26, 1941 from Mitchel Field, New York to the Manchester Air Base, Manchester, New Hampshire (Since then being redesignated Grenier Field), for a permanent change of station.
- c. A few days after its arrival at the new station, new men arrived to bring the organization up to its T/O strength.
- d. The organization there, began its principal function, setting up the Base Signal Message Center.
- e. On August 14, 1941, the organization departed via truck for Louisiana to participate in maneuvers. After a ten day trip we reached our destination, Natchitoches, Louisiana, and immediately set up communications for Headquarters 2nd Air Task Force Service Command.
- f. Maneuvers lasted for two months in Louisiana after which we departed on October 7 for a five day trip which would bring us to Spartanburg, South Carolina for the Carolina Maneuvers.

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- g. Upon arriving at Spartanburg, South Carolina we immediately set up communications for Headquarters Third Air Support Command.
- h. At the termination of these maneuvers, we departed for our home base on December 1, 1941.
- i. We arrived at our home base, (now Grenier Field) at 1700, December 5, 1941. Two days later Pearl Harbor was bombed and we immediately went into intensified training.
- j. On March 1, 1942, command of the Company changed hands, Lt. Sam L. Huey replacing Lt. Chas. F. Hobson, Jr.
- k. During the months of May and June, 1942, our organization was call upon to establish communications between the control tower and various out-look posts at the Bombing Range located at New Boston, New Hampshire, about 20 miles distance, from the base.
- l. On July 1, 1943 our organization was redesignated 30th Signal Company Service Group, from 30th Signal Platoon (AB) and a new T/O was issued for our organization consisting of 2 Officers, 1 Warrant Officer, and 70 EM.
- m. On October 3, 1942, 2nd Lt. Martin H. Johnson arrived assuming command of this company, relieving Lt. Huey.
- n. On October 5, W.O. (jg) John M. Kane was assigned and joined this organization.
- o. On October 12, 2nd Lt. Cosmo D. Neo joined this company as Communications Officer.
- p. On December 10, 1942, the 33rd Service Group, to which this organization was assigned, went on a practice march, covering about 8 miles, weather was warm and morale good.
- q. On December 17, we again went on a practice march covering about 18 miles. The weather was cold but morale was good.
- r. On December 26, 1942, this organization as part of the 33rd Service Group departed for Camp Kilmer, New Jersey.

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- s. After remaining at Camp Kilmer, N.J. for ten days, we departed on January 5, 1943 for the NYFE where we boarded the H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth for an unknown destination.
- t. After a calm voyage of seven days, we landed at Gourock, Scotland on January 12, 1943 and immediately boarded a train.
- u. At about 0800 the following morning, January 13, 1943, the company arrived at Kingscliffe where we boarded trucks for transportation to our new base, which was to be our permanent station.
- v. After becoming acquainted with the situation on hand and with surrounding and existing conditions, men were immediately put into training on learning English procedure. Men were placed on DS to Wittering to learn Message Center procedure. Others were placed on the switchboard and after approximately one week, these same men actually took over the operation of the switchboard here at Kingscliffe. Other men were placed on DS to Oxford to learn English Cryptographic Procedure and Security while others were placed on DS to Bushy Herts for learning Teletype and Radio Repair.
- w. On February 13, 1943 2nd Lt. Rio with a detachment of 30 EM were sent to Debden on DS to operate communications for the American Forces there.
- x. About February 16, 1943 an extract of WD SO #15 dated January 15, 1943 was received by Lt Keo appointing his 1st Lt from 2nd Lt.
- y. During the week of February 21, 1943, our maintenance men put up lines between Wittering and Kingscliffe and also installed one teletype machine at Wittering and two machines here at Kingscliffe.
- z. Our organization now operates the Message Center, The switchboard room, radio and teletype repair, signal supply, and telephone installation and repair.
- aa. The morale and cooperation as individuals and as a unit has been excellent.

Martin E. Johnson
MARTIN E. JOHNSON
2nd Lt., Sig C
Commanding

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30TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

9 April 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters, VIII Fighter
Command, A.P.O. 637, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 2 March 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. As of March 1, 1943 the status of this organization was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 38 EM present.
1 Officer and 30 EM on DS.
2 EM were sick absent.
- b. On March 5, 1943 two EM were placed on DS at Wittering for the purpose of operating a teletype machine.
- c. On March 7, 1943 one EM was sent to Ajax for purpose of pursuing a course in teletype maintenance.
- d. As of March 7, 1943 the status was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 35 EM present.
1 Officer and 33 EM were on DS.
2 EM were sick Absent.
- e. On March 9, 1943 WO Kane went to Hq's Eighth Air Force for two days to attend a supply officers meeting.
- f. On March 12, 1943, one EM was sent to Wittering on DS for the purpose of working in the cipher office.
- g. On March 13, 1943, T/3 Wisnewski returned to duty from Oxford Hospital after an illness of six weeks.
- h. On March 14, 1943 T/5 Mahen and Mohr were placed on DS to South Kensington to pursue a course in radar installation and repair.

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- i. Status as of March 14, 1943:
1 Officer, 1 WO and 33 EM present.
1 Officer and 36 EM on DS.
1 EM was sick absent.
- j. On March 16, 1943 T/5 Howell was released from
Huntington Hospital and returned to duty after
an illness of two months.
- k. On March 17, 1943 two EM returned to duty from
DS (1 from Ajax and 1 from Wittering).
Three other EM were sent to Wittering on DS.
- l. One EM sent to Oxford on March 13, 1943 for
instructions on typex operating.
- m. On March 21, 1943 one EM was sent to Ajax
on DS for a course in typex maintenance.
- n. Status as of March 21, 1943:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 32 EM present.
1 Officer and 38 EM on DS.
- o. On March 23, 1943, one EM returned to duty
from DS at Wittering.
- p. On March 28, 1943, two EM returned to duty
from DS at South Kensington.
- q. On March 29, 1943, one EM returned to duty
from DS at Ajax.
- r. Status as of March 31, 1943:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 36 EM present.
1 Officer, and 34 EM on DS.
- s. During the month of March, this organization
operated the switchboard and the message center
at station headquarters. In addition we operated
an extra TXX machine at Wittering.
- t. The telephone section was busy installing,
changing and repairing telephones and lines
located on the base.
- u. The morale and cooperation of the men was
still high and excellent during this time.

Martin E. Johnson
MARTIN E. JOHNSON
2nd Lt., Sig C
Commanding

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30TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

4 May 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters, VIII Fighter
Command, A.P.O. 637, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 2 March 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. As of 1 April 1943, the status of this organization was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 36 EM present for duty.
1 Officer and 34 EM on DS.
- b. On 3 April 1943 one EM was placed on DS to Ajax for line work. Three EM returned to duty from DS at Wittering. This concluded our signal operations at that station.
- c. On 6 April 1943 at 1300 hours, 1 Officer (Lt. Johnson, Commanding), 1 WO and 36 EM departed for AAF Sta F-367 for AAF Sta F-123 for a permanent change of stations. Two EM were left behind as part of a station compliment. The trip was made via our own vehicles. The trip was approximately 110 miles and was covered in about six hours time. The weather was fair and cold, the morale good.
- d. On 7 April 1943, company headquarters was established and signal supply set up.
- e. The as of April 7th was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 36 EM present for duty.
1 Officer and 34 EM on DS.
- f. Between 8-10 April 1943, the station switchboard and the station message center was replaced with personnel from this organization.
- g. On 14 April 1943 one EM was placed on Ab Sk to Det of Pat, 2nd Gen Hosp.
- h. The status as of 14 April 1943 was as follows:

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1 Officer, 1 WO, and 35 EM present for duty.
1 Officer and 34 EM on Ds.
1 EM Ab Lk at 2nd Gen Hosp.

- i. On 21 April 1943, the two EM left as part of the compliment at AAF Sta F-367 rejoined this organization.
- j. The status as of 21 April 1943 was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 37 EM present for duty.
1 Officer and 32 EM on Ds.
1 EM Ab Lk at 2nd Gen Hosp.
- k. On 22 April 1943, one EM returned to duty fr Ds at Oxford after completing a course of instruction in codes and cyphers.
- l. On 28 April 1943, the EM placed on Ab Lk on 14 April 1943 to 2nd Gen Hosp was trfd to Det of Patients, 2nd Gen Hosp.
- m. Status as of 30 April 1943:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 38 EM were present for duty.
1 Officer and 31 EM were on Ds.
- n. Since our arrival at our new station, all sections have been kept continuously busy. The telephone men have been installing, repairing, and changing telephones and lines for the personnel stationed here. The message center has been operating steady for twenty-four hours a day.
- p. The men have shown extra enthusiasm and cooperation since arriving here.
- q. For physical exercise, all personnel participate in either soft-ball, volley-ball or some other sport.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
2nd Lt., Sig C
Commanding

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

7 May 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters, AAF Station
F-150, APO 637, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization.
 - a. The status of this company as of 1 April 44 was as follows:
2 Officers, 48 EM present for duty.
1 EM on fur
 - b. 2 April 1944
Sgt Taylor fur to duty
T/4 Doyle fur to duty
T/5 Vohs duty to fur
T/5 Leadbeater duty to fur
T/5 Romansik duty to fur
 - c. 1/Sgt Pesquera dy to sk qtrs eff 3 Apr 44
 - d. Pfc Brady dy to DS (Cranwell) eff 4 Apr 44
 - e. The status on the 7th was as follows:
2 Officers, 44 EM present for dy
1 EM sk qtrs
1 EM DS (Cranwell)
3 EM on fur
 - f. 1/Sgt Pesquera sk qtrs to dy eff 8 Apr 44
 - g. 10 April 44, 3 EM fur to dy
T/5 Leadbeater
T/5 Vohs
T/5 Romansik
 - h. Pvt Reed, dy to sk abs eff 11 April 44
 - i. 12 April 44, 5 EM dy to TD (AAF Sta F-150)
T/4 Doyle
T/5 Anderson
T/5 Higgins
T/5 Johnson
Pfc Easterly

- j. 14 April 44, 3 EM dy to TD (AAF Sta F-150)
The status as of the 14 April 44 was as follows:
2 Officers, 39 EM present for dy
8 EM TD at AAF Sta F-150
1 EM sk abs (65th Gen Hosp)
1 EM DS (Cramwell)
- k. 15 April 44, 2 EM dy to TD (AAF Sta F-150)
- l. 17 April 44, Pvt Reed sk ab 65th Gen Hosp trfd
in gr to 65th Gen Hosp
- m. 18 April 44, 10 EM TD to dy
- n. 18 April 44, Orgn dptd fr AAF Sta F-365 by
truck convoy, arr AAF Sta F-150, perm change of
station, PAC in ltr Hq ETOUSA, 3 Nov 43
- o. 20 April 44, Pfc Brady DS (Cramwell) to dy
- p. The status as of the 21st was as follows:
2 Officers, 48 EM present for dy
- q. 24 April 44, Sgt Pesquera dy to sk abs (136th Sta Hosp)
- r. The status as of the 28th was as follows:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for dy
1 EM sk ab (136th Sta Hosp)
- s. Farry, dy to sk qtrs eff 26 April 44
- t. Farry, sk qtrs to dy eff 27 April 44
- u. The company's status as of the 30th April 44
was as follows:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for dy
1 EM sk ab (136th Sta Hosp)
- v. With the exception of a few men going on DS and on
TD, this organization performed its usual duties.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON,
1/Lt., Sig C.,
Commanding.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U.S. ARMY

7 October 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

**TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Station F-150,
A.P.O. 558, U. S. Army.**

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of ~~August~~ September. Occurances and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. During the first week of September, a mobile intelligence unit was present at this base, and all members of this organization received a refresher course in enemy recognition of guns, uniforms, etc.
- b. All personnel have been explained and given every opportunity to take part in the forthcoming elections.
- c. One EM of this organization was chosen to be sent back to the ZOI.
- d. The telephone & telegraph section, radio repair section, message center section, and Crypt section performed their routine duties.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
Commanding

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**1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 578 U.S. ARMY**

7 October 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

**TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Station F-150,
A.P.O. 578, U. S. Army.**

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 124-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with its usual function of signal communication on the station for the month of September. Occurrences and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. During the first week of September, a mobile intelligence unit was present at this base, and all members of this organization received a refresher course in enemy recognition of guns, uniforms, etc.
- b. All personnel have been explained and given every opportunity to take part in the forthcoming elections.
- c. One MM of this organization was chosen to be sent back to the MMK.
- d. The telephone & telegraph section, radio repair section, message center section, and Crypt section performed their routine duties.

Martin H. Johnson
**MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
Commanding**

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**1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY**

7 November 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

**TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Station F-150,
A.P.O. 558, U. S. Army.**

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with its normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of October. Occurrences and events believed worth of record for this period are listed below:

- a. During the month of October, this orgn received notice of a contemplated reorganization of the Service Group. About 70% of the present personnel will be used if same is approved.
- b. The radio section has been given the task of retraining or bringing up to the highest mark possible, the ability of the radio operators on this station. A station net has been set up and sending and receiving training may be received through actual exercise of same.
- c. The other departments performed their routine duties and maintenance operations.

Martin H. Johnson
**MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
Commanding**

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**1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY**

7 December 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 558, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with its normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of November. Occurrences and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. T/Sgt Barclay received the award of the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding services from 20 June 1944 to 15 October 1944.
- b. Because many telephone lines are on the ground, and due to the heavy rains, the lineman's section is kept busy repairing defective lines and short circuits.
- c. The radio section is still conducting radio classes in code and operating the station net.
- d. Message Center and telephone sections are operating beyond reproach. A commendation has been recommended for the teletype section.
- e. This organization has entered a team in the post basketball league which has just gotten underway.

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**1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 598 U. S. ARMY**

7 January 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 598.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.
2. This organization carried on with its normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of December. Occurrences and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:
 - a. The radio repair section, working in conjunction with the Central Radio Workshop, has been kept busy modifying radio sets of new aircraft arriving on this station.
 - b. A Unit Safety Officer and a Unit Safety N.C.O. have been appointed for this organization.
 - c. During the year of 1944, no personnel of this organization were hospitalized due to MLD.
 - d. Every Friday, an orientation lecture is given the personnel of this organization.

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**1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY**

7 February 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 558.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with its normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of January. Occurrences and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. On January 18th, Detachment "A" from AAF Sta F-356 came down to Sta F-150 at which time a dance was held for Det "A" and Hq's Co. of this organization. This was the first get-together for the organization since it split up in January 1943.
- b. In a survey for physically qualified men of non-essential MOS's for infantry training, of fourteen men sent for a physical examination, twelve were found to be physically qualified.
- c. S/Lgt Mahon and Mohr, Radar Mechanics, have pursued courses of instruction in AN/APB-13.
- d. The strength of this organization is as follows:
2 Officers and 46 EM present for duty.
1 EM ab sk (136th Sta Hosp).

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**1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 598
U. S. ARMY**

7 March 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 598.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of February. Occurrences and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. On Feb 13th, Sgt Taylor was Srfd to the 136th Sta Hosp for return to the ZOI.
- b. Tsc 5 Helmer C. Lee (955) was asgd and jd this organization on the 15th. He was immediately assigned to duty in the Central Radio Workshop.
- c. 2d Lt. Ride was promoted to 1st Lt on Feb 16th. 1st Lt Ride is Sta Sig Supply Officer.
- d. On Feb 22nd, the organization held another Company Runge. One EM was accidentally injured while returning to the base when he slipped and fell from the truck in which he was riding. He returned to duty after five days in the hosp.
- e. As of the 28th, there were 2 Officers, 46 EM present for duty, and 1 EM on furlough.

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1030th Signal Company, Service Group
(56th Fighter Group, History Report)

SIG-1030-HI(30)

May 1943

12 Apr 1945

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Director
Signal Studies Institute
Air Force Research
Hensley Airfield, Arizona

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

16 APRIL 1945

SUBJECT: UNIT HISTORY REPORT.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, HQ AAF STATION F-150,
A.P.O. 558, U. S. ARMY.
ATT: [REDACTED] PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

1. IN COMPLIANCE WITH FIGHTER COMMAND MEMORANDUM
NO. 125-1, DATED 13 NOVEMBER 1943, HQ EIGHTH FIGHTER COM-
MAND, APO 637, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

A. THE 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, 33RD SERVICE
GROUP DISBANDED PER SEC 1, GO #52, HQ
EIGHTH AIR FORCE, DTD 12 APRIL 1945.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON,
CAPT., SIG C,
UNIT HISTORIAN.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

7 January 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 558.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of December. Occurances and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. The radio repair section, working in conjunction with the Central Radio Workshop, has been kept busy modifying radio sets of new aircraft arriving on this station.
- b. A Unit Safety Officer and a Unit Safety N.C.O. have been appointed for this organization.
- c. During the year of 1944, no personnel of this organization were hospitalized due to NLD.
- d. Every Friday, an orientation lecture is given the personnel of this organization.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

7 December 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 558, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of November. Occurances and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. T/Sgt Barclay received the award of the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding services from 20 June 1944 to 15 October 1944.
- b. Because many telephone lines are on the ground, and due to the heavy rains, the lineman's section is kept busy repairing defective lines and short circuits.
- c. The radio section is still conducting radio classes in code and operating the station net.
- d. Message Center and telephone sections are operating beyond reproach. A commendation has been recommended for the teletype section.
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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

7 November 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Station F-150,
A.P.O. 558, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of October. Occurances and events believed worth of record for this period are listed below:

- a. During the month of October, this orgn received notice of a contemplated reorganization of the Service Group. About 70% of the present personnel will be used if same is approved.
- b. The radio section has been given the task of retraining or bringing up to the highest mark possible, the ability of the radio operators on this station. A station net has been set up and sending and receiving training may be received through actual exercise of same.
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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

6 September 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Station F-150,
A.P.O. 637, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of August. Occurances and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. Because of the trouble experienced from time to time during the receipt and transmission of messages due to the mechanical failure of the TWX machine, the teletype repairman has set up another machine next to the permanent Adm teletype machine so that this extra machine may be plugged in immediately and will not cause loss of time while the other machine is repaired.
- b. Because the two teletype repairman formally assigned to this organization will trfd back to the states, Wing Hqs asgd an EM to this orgn on TD for a period of two weeks, but at the duration of that period he was permantly asgd this orgn for duty as teletype repairman.
- c. The telephone and telegraph section, radio repair section, message center section and the cryptographic section performed their routine duties.
- d. During the month of August, this organization passed the 200% mark in its War Bond Drive.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

7 August 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Station F-150,
A.P.O. 637, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of July. Occurances and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

a. The radio repair section of the company working in the Central Signal Workshop, has completed the construction of a portable communications control unit. This unit was devised from both telephone and radio apparatus concentrated in sturdy cabinets built by the company carpenter. This unit can be assembled and placed in operation immediately upon arrival at a new station.

b. The telephone and telegraph section still operates and maintains both a three position GPO administrative switchboard and a one position GPO operations board. It is their duty to sound the siren upon receipt of a "Red Alert" and to notify all interested personnel and locations where a siren control has been established. A dummy telephone pole line was erected at the request of the station commander for practice in the destruction of enemy controlled power and communications lines. This section also eliminated the necessity of the Duty Flying Officer moving into a separate room equipped with a telephone during his tour. This was accomplished by use of a terminal strip from which separate leads to each Flight Officers room were run. This only necessitated the movement of a field phone from one location to another.

c. With the cessation of the Wing Radio Net, the radio operators have not been permitted to transmit. This has been overcome by the installation of a practice code-table wherein the operators may retain

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Their fist by sending to each other and training other personnel. They also receive weather information at certain intervals. This information is passed on to the weather station for practice in decoding weather code

d. The messeage center section and cryptographic personnel handled the normal traffic for the month of July and furnished the courier for the daily run to Wing Headquarters.

3. Every Friday at 1300 hours the personnel of the company engage in an army talk and discussion.

4. On July 29th, the company was notified of the present Eighth Air Force War Bond Drive. On July 31st this organization had surpassed its quota by more than fifty percent and expects to pass the 200% mark shortly.

Martin H. Johnson
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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters AAF Station
F-150, A.P.O. 637, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum no. 125-1, dated 13 November 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. The status as of June 1st was:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty.
1 EM Sk Ab (136th Sta Hosp)
- b. On June 1st, 1st Lt. M.H. Johnson was aptd Capt.
- c. 3 June 44, T/5 Barr was placed on Sk Ab to the 136th Sta Hosp.
2nd Lt. J.R. Eide went on DS to AAF Sta 158.
- d. On June 5th, Lt. Eide return to duty from DS at Sta 158.
- e. The status of the company on 7 June 44 was:
2 Officers, 46 EM present for duty.
2 EM Sk Ab at 136th Sta Hosp.
- f. On June 8th, Pvt Walter W. Bies, 37284780, (766) was asgd and jd this organization from the 327th Sig Co.
- g. T/5 Johnson went into Sk Qrs from duty on 12 June.
- h. The status as of 14 June was as follows:
2 Officers, 46 EM present for duty.
2 EM Sk Ab at 136th Sta Hosp.
1 EM in Sk Qrs.
- i. On June 16, T/5 Johnson went to the 136th Sta Hosp from Sk Qrs.
- j. T/5 Barr returned to duty from Sk Ab at the 136th Sta Hosp on 17 June 44.
- k. The status as of 21 June 44 was:
2 Officer, 47 EM present for duty.
2 EM Sk Ab at 136th Sta Hosp

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- l. On June 22nd, Tec 4 Doyle went from duty to Sk Ab to the 136th Sta Hosp.
- m. On June 28th, T/5 Johnson was sent from the 136th Sta Hosp to the 65th Genl Hosp.
The status as of the 28th was:
2 Officers, 46 EM present for duty.
3 EM Sk Ab.
- n. On the 29th, T/5 Johnson was trfd to the Det of Patients, 65th Genl Hosp. (Non-battle causew, seriously sick.)
- o. The status as of 30 June 44 was:
2 Officers, 46 EM present for duty.
2 EM Sk Ab (136th Sta Hosp)

Martin H Johnson

MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS 65TH FIGHTER WING
APO 637 AAF STATION F-370
7 June 1944

1. Follow EM orgn indicated, MEMT o/a 8 June 44 fr this sta to London f/temp dy not to exceed (1) day. QMT. TDN. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/40425. PAC Ltr Hq ETOUSA, 24 May 44.

Hq & Hq Sq, 65TH FTR WG

52ND FTR CON SQ

Cpl Francis E LaRosa

31059327

Pfc Joseph (NM) Stecak

12173887

2. Follow O & EM Hq & Hq Sq 65th Ftr Wg, MEMT, o/a 8 June 44 fr this sta to AAF Station F-341 and such other sta nec to carry out inst of CG. CTRS.

F.O. (ig) RAYMOND R. KAERCHER 72112323 Pfc Charles E. Lucas 32617420

O auth reimbursement for actual cost of qrs, not to exceed (\$4.00) per day and/or (\$1.25) per day for subs if govt messing facilities are not available, f/not to exceed (2) days. EM w/be reimbursed for actual cost of qrs and/or subs for periods when govt facilities are not available, not to exceed (\$2.00) per day for qrs and (\$2.00) per day for subs, or rates auth in AR 35-4520 f/not to exceed (2) days. QMT. TDN. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/40425. PAC Ltr Hq ETOUSA, 24 May 44.

3. Pvt Walter E Bies 37284780, hereby trfd in gr fr 327th Sig Co Wg AAF Sta F-370 to 1030th Sig Co, 33rd Serv Gp, AAF Sta F-150. QMT. TDN. 60-136 P 431-02 A 212/40425. PAC Ltr Hq ETOUSA, 24 May 44.

4. Pfc Walter R Thippie, 52nd Ftr Con Sq, 12173537, MEMT o/a 8 June 44 fr this sta to Heathfield and such other sta nec to carry out inst of CG. CTRS. EM w/be reimbursed for actual cost of subs and qrs for periods when govt facilities are not available, f/not to exceed (\$2.00) per day for subs and (\$2.00) per day for qrs, or rates auth in AR 35-4520, f/not to exceed (7) days. QMT. TDN. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/40425. PAC Ltr Hq ETOUSA, 24 May 44.

5. Par 5 SO#132, this hq, dated 24 May 44, which directs return to the Continental US and termination of appointment of F/O CARL E. HAYES T-122270, 5th Serv Sq, 1st Serv Gp, is hereby rescinded.

6. Follow C in dy & asgmt hereby directed: QMT. TDN^N 60-136 P 431-02 A 212/40425. PAC Ltr Hq ETOUSA, 24 May 44.

| N/HE | FIELD FR | ASGD TO |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| 1ST LT SIDNEY (NMI) IVINS 0563385 | 24th Sta Comp Sq | 335th Ftr Sq |

7. Cpl Joseph R Isaro 12136407, Hq & Hq Sq 65th Ftr Wg, MEMT o/a 7 June 44 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-122 and such other sta nec to carry out inst of CG. CTRS. EM w/be reimbursed for actual cost of subs and/or qrs for periods when govt facilities are not available, not to exceed (\$2.00) per day for subs and (\$2.00) per day for qrs, or rates auth in AR 35-4520, f/not to exceed (7) days. QMT. TDN. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/40425. PAC Ltr Hq ETOUSA, 24 May 44.

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SO#146, 65FW, 7 June 44.
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By command of Brigadier General AUTON:

GUY D BARRETT,
Capt., A.G.D.
Adjutant.

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GUY D BARRETT,
Capt., A.G.D.
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
65TH GENERAL HOSPITAL
APO 587, U S ARMY

SPECIAL ORDERS)

27 June 1944.

NUMBER 166)

1. PAC Sec II, Cir 69, Hq ETOUSA, dated 13 June 1944, the following patients, this hosp, are reld fr present asgmt to their respective organizations and trf in gr, effective this date, to the Detachment of Patients, 4209 U S Army Hosp Plant, APO 587:

| | | | |
|---------------------|-------|----------|--|
| Adkins, James K. | S/Sgt | 19158155 | 368 Bn Sq, 306 Bn Gp, Sta 145, APO 558 |
| Johanson, Burnie W. | Tec 5 | 37287432 | 1030 Sig Co., Sta 150, APO 637 |
| Chapman, Wilbur K. | S/Sgt | 18232174 | 834 Bn Sq, 486 Bn Gp, Sta 174, APO 559 |

Service Records and allied papers (WD AGO Form 66-1 in the case of officers) and clothing and equipment (in accordance with Sec II, Cir 52, ETOUSA, 15 May 1944) will be forwarded to Detachment of Patients, 4209 U S Army Hosp Plant, APO 587, U. S. Army. In transferring officers, Sec II, Cir 69, par 7 a, ETOUSA, 13 June 1944, will be complied with.

2. PAC par 13 e(2), AR 615-5, 30 June 1943, the following reduction is hereby announced effective this date:

TO BE REDUCED TO THE GRADE OF PRIVATE

Cpl Hollis Richards 32226564

3. The following named patients, Det of Patients 4209, U S Army Hosp Plant, are reld fr present asgmt and further obsn and treatment in this hosp and asgd in gr to 12th Repl Control Depot, APO 635, U S Army. WP o/a 28 June 1944, rptg upon arrival thereat to the CO for dy. Mess O, 65th Gen Hosp, will furn necessary rations. TCNT. TDN. 1-5600 P 431-02 A 0425-24.

1ST LT HENRY W. KINGSBERRY, 0751351 (in charge)
S/Sgt Trevis E. McLaughlin, 38406530

4. Cpl Robert W. Johnston, 35019280, Det of Patients, 4209 U S Army Hosp Plant and Pfc Carl L. Erickson, 39182637, Det of Patients 4209, U S Army Hosp Plant, APO 587, are reld fr present asgmt and further obsn and treatment in this hosp and asgd in gr to Det of Patients 4174, U S Army Hosp Plant, APO 121, U S Army.

Pvt Meyer Siegel, 12127654, is reld fr atchd to Det of Patients, 4209, U S Army Hosp Plant, APO 587, and atchd in gr to Det of Patients 4174, U S Army Hosp Plant, APO 121, U S Army.

Patients named above WP o/a 28 June 1944 via organic T, accompanied by 2D LT LELAND D. LEWIS, 01578767 as attendant and Pfc William A. Naedler, 32245861 and Pfc Arthur E. Renner, 32225977, as drivers. Upon completion of this dy attendant and drivers will return to proper sta and orgo, 65th Gen Hosp, APO 587, for dy. Attendant is atsd reimbursement not to exceed \$4.00 per day if govt qrs or billets are

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Par 4, SO 166, Hq 65th GH, 27 Jun 44

not available and an alws of \$1.25 per day if govt messing facilities are not available. Reimbursement not to exceed \$2.00 per day for subsistence and \$2.00 per day for qrs is atsd driver if govt messing facilities and qrs are not available. TDN. 60-136 P 431-02 A 212/40425 for patients; 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/40425 for attendant and drivers.

5. Published in extract form; not published in consolidated form.

By order of Colonel CLAPP:

WILLIAM L. STEPHENSON,
2d Lt, MAC,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

William L. Stephenson
WILLIAM L. STEPHENSON,
2d Lt, MAC,
Adjutant.

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6. Announcement is made of the temp promotion of the following
O, Eighth AF to the gr indicated in AUS w/rank fr dte of this order.

1st Lt to Capt

MARTIN H. JOHNSON, 01636098, sig C

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R.B. LORD,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Deputy Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

(Seal)

R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA, Adjutant General.

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

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2nd Lt, Sig C.

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AIR FORCE: EIGHTH AIR FORCE
COMMAND : VIII FIGHTER COMMAND
WING : 65TH FIGHTER WING
GROUP : 33RD SERVICE GROUP
SQUADRON : DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY
DATE : 31 August, 1944.

H.Q. 65th F.W.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

ROSTER OF OFFICER

1ST LT., COSMO D. REO, O-1636531

DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

On February 13, 1943 the 30th Signal Company, as it was then called, was divided into two separate units. The Det. "A" consisting of 1 Officer and 30 Enlisted Men was sent out on detached service to this station. Our arrival here found the morale of all the personnel excellent and the excitement of being assigned to a field like this proved itself worth while in many ways. After being stationed here for about two weeks, Special Orders came out appointing our Commanding Officer (Lt. Reo) as Station Signal Officer. At that time many of the men were just beginning to be assigned different types of work such as, Switchboard Operators, Teletype Operators, Radio Operators and etc., which at that time was being handled by the R.A.P. at MOR (Main Operations Room).

Learning the procedure was very interesting mainly because the men were given all the detailed instruction as to how the British way differs from the American course of instruction. All men were quick to adapt themselves and gradually as time went on the men proved to be capable enough in being assigned to different jobs. Sometime in May our C.O. was instructed that he was to be Station Cryptographic Officer in addition to his other duties, and that meant some of the Enlisted personnel would have to be sent to school to learn the British and American systems of Cipher. About the same time our organization was re-named the Det. "A" 1030th Signal Company.

In July when the 65th Fighter Wing was formed their headquarters were to be at MOR. During this time all Signal Installations were being transferred to this station. At this point we fully took over all the Signal duties of the Station. When this was accomplished all the men knew their responsibilities and up to the present time have been doing very satisfactory work. This organization has received commendations from two Station Commanders regarding their efficiency.

DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

RECORD OF EVENTS FOR MONTH OF AUGUST 1944

The month of August found the Det. "A" 1030th Signal Company located in the European Theater of Operations carrying on as it has been doing for many months in the past. The activities of the Company for the month followed a normal pattern with all personnel working steadily to help keep the Fighter Group Operational. Its various duties are detailed below:

TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH SECTION:

Repairmen have been maintaining the Station Administrative Switchboard, Group Operations Switchboard and the Station Defense Board. All telephones and telephone lines are checked regularly to make sure they are all in working order, and necessary changes are made when required. Most of the equipment belongs to the GPO and they have entrusted our personnel with the operation and maintenance of it. Up to the present date we have laid thirty-six miles of our own field wire.

RADIO SECTION:

Radio Operators until recently have been working a daily point to point net with various other stations in the Wing. Our Radio station has on many occasions acted as net control. On July 25th the section was sent out on detached service for a period of three days to operate SCR-299 Radio Truck. The Officer in charge highly commended the boys for their good work.

MESSAGE CENTER SECTION:

All Teletype Operators on the Administrative Teleprinter work on a 24 hour schedule. They have sent out 530 messages and have receipted for 1,025 for the month of August. Their ability in handling and knowing the disposition of all classified messages has been a main stay in keeping the Fighter Group Operational. The principle messages going out are Flying messages, Air Corps Supply Requisitions, Operational and Base Reports.

SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION:

Our organization supplies the Station with Signal Supplies. Many of our supplies are used in the P51B aircraft such as: Radio Set, SCR-522-A, Dynamotor, PE-94-A&B, Control Box, BC-602-A, Head-Set, HS-33 and Antenna, AN-104-A. All squadrons submit their requisitions direct to us and in turn we check and forward them to our Depot. There are occasions when necessary that we personally go after our equipment, but usually it is sent down to our Station by truck. On our recent Tech. Inspection our Signal Supply was graded as being excellent.

DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
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CIPHER SECTION:

The Cipher room for the month of August has been performing duties the same as it has always done in the past. Many Secret and Confidential publications, both British and American are handled by them and passed on to who may warrant their necessary use. Their schedule, like most of the other sections in the outfit, is based on a 24 hour day. Their highly secret work is very important in helping keep the Fighter Group up to date on many essential changes in operation.

TELEPHONE OPERATORS:

Both the Station Administrative Board and Defense Board are operated by our personnel, and have been so for many months in the past. Theirs is a job that has been going on 24 hours a day every day since we have been here. The boys deserve a lot of credit for their patience and efficiency in carrying out a nerve racking job. At first they found British phrases and terminology quite different than our own, but as time passed they caught on very well and in some cases out-do the British in that line.

RADIO REPAIR SECTION:

The Radio Repair section has had a busy month during August. In July two of the members went to R.A.F. specialist school to take up a course of instruction in V.H.F. radio, which consisted of operation and maintenance of the SCR-522 and Power Unit, PE-94. This section handles all third and fourth echelon repair work on all Signal equipment. What cannot be repaired here because of a shortage of parts, is returned to a Signal Depot. Our repair shop maintains civilian radio's for station personnel, Red Cross Club, Officers Mess and the Beer Parlor on the field. In the meantime our section was issued an Ordnance, small arms repair truck which had to be converted to a Radio Repair truck.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. Army

7 June 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters, AAF Sta F-150,
A.P.O. 637, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. The status as of 1 May, 44 was:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty.
1 EM sk ab (136th Sta Hosp)
- b. On 6 May 1944, Sgt Pesquera returned to duty from Sk Ab at the 136th Sta Hosp.
- c. The status as of 7 May 44 was as follows:
2 Officers, 48 EM present for duty.
- d. On 10 May 1944, Sgt Farnsworth was placed on Sk Ab status to the 136th Sta Hosp.
- e. As of 14 May 44, the company status was:
2 Officer, 47 EM present for duty.
1 EM Sk Ab at 136th Sta Hosp.
- f. Between the 14th and 21st of May, the organization performed its usual field duties with no changes in the status.
- g. On the 24th of May, Sgt Zuh was sent to the 136th Sta Hosp.
- h. On May 30th, Sgt Farnsworth returned to duty from the 136th Sta Hosp.
- i. The status as of 31 May 44 was as follows:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty.
1 EM Sk Ab (136th Sta Hosp).
- j. During the month of May, this organization participated in soft-ball games as a member of one of the leagues on this base.
- k. The organization also has its own volley-ball court where the other members of the organization

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may receive ~~their~~ physical exercise.

- l. The members of the organization have been given some close order drill and field tactics.
- m. The morale and cooperation of this organization is excellent.

Martin H. Johnson

MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
Commanding

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**1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY
SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637
U.S. ARMY**

7 May 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

**TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters, AAF Station
F-150, APO 637, U.S. Army.**

- 1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memo-
randum No. 125-1, dated 13 November 1943,
subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the
following report is submitted for this org-
anization.**
 - a. The status of this company as of 1 April,
1944 was as follows:
2 Officer, 48 EM present for duty.
1 EM on fur**
 - b. 2 April 1944
Sgt Taylor fur to dy
Tec 4 Doyle fur to dy
Tec 5 Vels dy to fur
Tec 5 Leadbeater dy to fur
Tec 5 Romansik dy to fur**
 - c. 1st Sgt Pasquera dy to sk qtrs off 3 Apr 44**
 - d. Pfc Brady dy to DS (Cranwell) off 4 Apr 44**
 - e. The status on the 7th was as follows:
2 Officers, 44 EM present for duty
1 EM sk qtrs
1 EM DS (Cranwell)
3 EM on fur**
 - f. 1st Sgt Pasquera sk qtrs to dy off 8 Apr 44**
 - g. 10 Apr 44, 3 EM fur to dy
Tec 5 Leadbeater
Tec 5 Vels
Tec 5 Romansik**
 - h. Pvt Reed, dy to sk abs off 11 Apr 44**
 - i. 12 Apr 44, 5 EM dy to TD (AAF Sta F-150)
Tec 4 Doyle
Tec 5 Anderson
Tec 5 Higgins
Tec 5 Johnson
Pfc Easterly**

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- j. 14 Apr 44, 3 EM dy to TD (AAF Sta F-150)
The status as of 14 Apr 44 was as follows:
2 Officers, 39 EM present for duty
8 EM TD at AAF Sta F-150
1 EM sk abs (65th Gen Hosp)
1 EM DS (Cranwell)
- k. 15 Apr 44, 2 EM dy to TD (AAF Sta F-150)
- l. 17 Apr 44, Pvt Reed sk ab 65th Gen Hosp trfd
in gr to 65th Gen Hosp
- m. 18 Apr 44, 10 EM TD to dy
- n. 18 Apr 44, Orgn dptd fr AAF Sta F-365 by
truck convoy, arr AAF Sta F-150, perm change
of sta, PAC in ltr Hq KTOUSA, 3 Nov 43
- o. 20 Apr 44, Pfc Brady DS (Cranwell) to dy
- p. The status as of the 21st was as follows:
2 Officers, 48 EM present for dy
- q. 24 Apr 44, Sgt Besquera dy to sk ab
(136th Sta Hosp)
- r. The status as of the 28th was as follows:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for dy
1 EM sk ab (136th Sta Hosp)
- s. Farry, dy to sk qtrs off 26 Apr 44
- t. Farry, sk qtrs to dy off 27 Apr 44
- u. The company's status as of the 30th Apr 44
was as follows:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty
1 EM sk ab (136th Sta Hosp)
- v. With the exception of a few men going on DS
and on TD, this organization performed its
usual duties.

Martin H. Johnson

MARTIN H. JOHNSON,
1st Lt. Sig C
Commanding.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
APO 637 U. S. ARMY

7 April 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters AAF Sta F-365, APO 637,
U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization.

- a. The status as of 1 March 44 was as follows:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty.
2 EM on furlough
1 EM on DS at RAF C^hanwell
- b. 3 Mar 44
Sgt Mahan aptd S/Sgt off 1 Mar 44
Tec 4 Mohr aptd Tec 3 off 1 Mar 44
- c. 6 Mar 44
Tec 5 Andersen fur to dy
Pfc Shetler fur to dy
Tec 5 Higgins dy to fur
Tec Johnston dy to fur
S/Sgt Walukiewicz placed on DS at AAF Sta F-113
- d. The status as of the 7th of Mar was as follows:
2 Officers, 45 EM present for duty.
Tec 5 Donnelly placed on DS at RAF C^hanwell
3 EM on DS
2 EM on furlough
- e. 8 Mar 44
Tec 5 Koors dy to sk ab, 65th Gen Hos
- f. S/Sgt Kochmar dy to TD at Sta F-341, 9 Mar 44
- g. S/Sgt Kochmar TD (F-341) to dy, 11 Mar 44
- h. 12 Mar 44
S/Sgt Walukiewicz, DS (AAF Sta F113) to dy
- i. 13 Mar 44
Tec 5 Higgins fur to dy
Tec 5 Johnston fur to dy
- j. The status as of the 14 Mar 44 was:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty.
1 EM sk ab (65th Gen Hosp)
2 EM on DS

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- k. 15 Mar 44
Cpl Wooster DS (RAF Cranwell) to dy
- l. 17 Mar 44
Tec 5 Koors sk ab (65th Gen Hosp) trfd in gr
to Det of Pat, 65th Gen Hosp, APO 551 off
15 Mar 44
- m. S/Sgt Walukiewicz dy to fur, 19 Mar 44
Tec 3 Vecsei dy to fur
- n. The status as of the 21 Mar 44 was:
2 Officers, 46 EM present for duty.
2 EM on fur
1 EM on DS
- o. 23 Mar 44
Tec 5 Donnelly DS (RAF Cranwell) to dy
- p. 25 Mar 44
S/Sgt Kochmar dy to TD (Bury St Edmunds)
- q. 26 Mar 44
S/Sgt Kochmar TD to dy
- r. 27 Mar 44
S/Sgt Walukiewicz fur to dy
Tec 3 Vecsei fur to dy
Tec 4 Doyle dy to fur
- s. 28 Mar 44
Tec 5 Tremblay dy to sk qtrs
The status as of the 28 Mar 44 was:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty.
1 EM on furlough
1 EM sk qtrs
- t. 31 Mar 44
Tec 5 Tremblay sk qtrs to dy
- u. The company's status as of March 31st was:
2 Officers, 48 EM present for duty.
1 EM on fur
- v. With the exception of few men going on DS, this
organization performed its usual field duties
for the month of March.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON,
1st Lt., Sig C
Commanding.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

7 March 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters AAF Sta F-365,
A.P.O. 637, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. The status as of Feb 1st was as follows:
2 Officers, 45 EM present for duty.
1 WO, 2 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- b. Pfc Shetler placed on DS to RAF Cranwell on Feb 1st for a course of instruction in radio.
- c. On the 2nd, Pfc Riggio was asgd this orgn from the 10th Repl Depot.
- d. The status on the 7th was as follows:
2 Officers, 46 EM present for duty.
1 WO, 2 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- e. On Feb 9th, Sgt Taylor returned to duty from DS at RAF Cranwell for radio instruction.
- f. The status as of the 14th was as follows:
2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty.
1 WO, 1 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- g. On Feb 18th, PFC Shetler, returned to duty from DS at RAF Cranwell.
- h. The status as of the 21st was as follows:
2 Officers, 48 EM present for duty.
1 WO on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- i. On Feb 28, WO Kane, who was on TD at AAF Sta F-356 with Det A, 1030th Sig Co was rel'd from asgmt with this orgn and asgd to Det A, of this orgn.

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- j. On Feb 29th, Cpl Wooster was placed on DS to RAF Cranwell to pursue a course of instruction in VHF Radio.
- k. The company status as of the 29th was:
 - 2 Officers, 47 EM present for duty.
 - 1 EM on DS.
 - 2 EM on furlough.
- l. With the exception of a few EM going on DS to RAF Cranwell for radio instruction, this orgn performed its usual field duties for the month of February.



MARTIN H. JOHNSON
1st Lt., Sig C
Commanding

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

7 February 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, AAF Station F-365,
A.P.O. 637, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. The status as of Jan 1st was as follows:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 47 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Ab.
1 EM ar in qrs.
2 Officers attached.
- b. On Jan 3rd, Pvt Reed was arranged before a Summary Court Martial and was given two (2) weeks in confinement and a ten dollar fine.
Pfc Riggio, sk ab, was trfd to the 108th Gen Hosp.
- c. The status as of the 7th was:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 45 EM present for dy.
1 EM on DS.
1 EM in conf.
2 EM on fur.
2 Officers atchd.
(1 Officer & 31 EM comprise our Detachment whom submit their own report, therefore they will be dropped from this report.
- d. Between Jan 7th and the 14th, the company performed its usual field functions without any changes taking place.
- e. The status on the 14th was as follows:
1 WO, 2 Officers, 45 EM present for dy.
1 EM on DS.
1 EM in conf.
2 EM on fur.
2 Officers atchd.
- f. On the 17th of Jan, Pvt Reed was released from confinement.

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- g. On Jan 20th, Tec 5 Johnston returned to dy from Td at F-370.
- h. The status on the 21st was as follows:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 47 EM present for dy.
2 EM on fur.
2 Officers atchd.
- i. On Jan 28th, Sgt Taylor was placed on DS to RAF Cranwell to pursue a course on radio maintenance.
- j. On the 26th, W.O. Kane went on TD to AAF Sta F-356, to assume command of our detachment while the detachment commander went on DS.
- k. Pfc Daniels was placed in Sk Qrs fr dy on the 27th due to an infection.
- l. The status on the 28th was:
2 Officers, 45 EM present for dy.
1 WO, 1 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Qrs.
2 EM on fur.
2 Officers atchd.
- m. Lts Black and Spongberg, both atched for rat, qrs and dy, were reld from atched on Jan 29th. Pfc Daniels returned to dy from Sk Qrs.
- n. The Status on the 31st was as follows:
2 Officers, 46 EM present for dy.
1 WO, 1 EM on DS.
2 EM on fur.
- o. The radio personnel of this organization now operate and maintain the radio room for this station.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
1st Lt., Sig C
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS 1st STATION F-365
APO 637
1 January 1943

1. Upon the recommendation of his Commanding Officer, Pfc John P. Hendrick, 39100141, Hq 56th Fgtr Gp, is promoted to grade of Corporal (Temporary). Auth: AR 615-5.
2. Upon the recommendation of his Squadron Commander, Sgt Edward A. Gathorn, 32254568, 15th Str Compl Sq, is promoted to grade of Staff Sergeant (Temporary). Auth: 615-5.
3. Under the provisions of Par 13, AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his Platoon Commander, S/Sgt James A. Smith, 35538961, 2010th Engr Avn F/F Platoon, is reduced to grade of Private.
4. Upon the recommendation of their Platoon Commander the following BN, 2010th Engr Avn F/F Platoon, are promoted to grades indicated: Auth: 615-5.

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| TO BE STAFF SERGEANT | (Temporary) |
| Sgt <u>Edolph J. Keller</u> | 32921118 |

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| TO BE SERGEANT | (Temporary) |
| Pvt <u>James A. Smith</u> | 35538961 |

5. Under the provisions of Par 13, AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his Squadron Commander, Pfc Ray L. Speed, 14070266, 41st Serv Sq is reduced to grade of Private.

6. Upon the recommendation of their Squadron Commander the following BN, 41st Serv Sq, are promoted to grades indicated: Auth: 615-5.

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| TO BE STAFF SERGEANT | (Temporary) |
| Sgt <u>Roland O. Carty</u> | 12010721 |
| Sgt <u>Carl A. Reiffin</u> | 12010752 |

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| TO BE SERGEANT | (Temporary) |
| Cpl <u>Raymond E. Corbett</u> | 19005568 |
| Cpl <u>William S. Warren Jr.</u> | 12016921 |

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| TO BE CORPORAL | (Temporary) |
| Pfc <u>George I. Williams Jr.</u> | 17034769 |

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| TO BE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS | (Temporary) |
| Pvt <u>James Barone</u> | 13047591 |

7. Under auth ltr Hq ETUSA, dtd 3 Nov 43 & TUX Hq 108th Gen Hosp APO 513-A & P.O. Adm Cir #37 Hq SOS ETUSA dtd 22 June 1943 Pfc Jack L. Riggins, 32180558, 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp Avn is transferred in pr to Det of Patients 108th Gen Hosp, APO 513-A, U.S. Army.

8. Par 6, SO #139, this hq, 1943 series, is amended by adding: "BN will be reimbursed for actual cost of subs &/or grs for period that Govt Sec are not available not to exceed two dollars per day for grs (not to exceed three (3) days) and two dollars per day for subs (not to exceed four (4) days)

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Par 3, SO #1, Hq AAF Sta F-365 (Cont'd)

or notes with by AF 35-4520. TDN. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

9. The former Special Courts-Martial Board as appointed by Par 6, SO #70, this hq, 1943 series, as amended by Par 3, SO #71, this hq, 1943 series, is dissolved herewith. A new Special Courts-Martial Board is appointed to meet at AAF Sta F-365 for the trial of such persons as may be properly brought before it.

DETAIL FOR THE BOARD

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| MAJOR JAMES D. OSGOOD | 0259179 | AC | President |
| CAPTAIN VIRGIL H. DURRANCE | 0328174 | AO | |
| CAPTAIN THEODORE EPSTEIN | 01035248 | CMS | |
| CAPTAIN EDGAR E. LEVY | 0383835 | AC | |
| CAPTAIN FRANCIS M. BAKER | 0458565 | AC | |
| 1ST LT JOHN A. BOYER | 01548359 | ORD | |
| 1ST LT JOSEPH P. GELSINGER | 01550382 | ORD | |
| 1ST LT LAWRENCE VAN B. NICHOLS | 01578914 | QTC | |
| 1ST LT RUSSELL J. COFFIN | 0917643 | AC | Trial Judge Advocate |
| 1ST LT GEORGE P. THOMAS JR. | 0914493 | AC | Ass't Trial Judge Adv |
| CAPTAIN RAYMOND S. DOHERTY | 0903012 | AC | Defense Counsel |
| 2ND LT DAVID B. KELEHER | 0862944 | AC | Ass't Defense Counsel |

10. Under the provisions of Par 2, AR 60-63, etc 4 May 1943 the Good Conduct Medal is hereby awarded the foll EM, 1126th QM Co Serv Gp Avn, for fidelity, faithful performance of duty, and having completed the required periods of military services:

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| Cpl Carl E. Byrnes | 36440739 | Pfc Glen A. Howey | 39549991 |
| T/5 Paul Cruys | 32536291 | Pfc Wayne L. Rhinchert | 36416503 |
| T/5 Francis H. Miller | 32586372 | Pvt Thomas J. Walsh | 35630860 |
| Pfc Frank T. Ackermann | 37406816 | Pvt William G. Winn | 33393221 |

By order of Colonel LINDRY:

E. G. ANDALIN,
Major, Air Corps
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

[Signature]
J. P. STIRLING,
Capt. Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant.

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SPECIAL ORDERS

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HEADQUARTERS 15th STATION F-365

21 January 1944

1. The foll EM 15th Sta Compl Sq are hereby transferred in grade to the 61st Fgtr Sq: No change of sta involved.

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| S/Sgt <u>Irving Schredder</u> | 3924685 | Cpl <u>Michael Johnowicz</u> | 12198771 |
| S/Sgt <u>Frederic E. Gumbtree</u> | 20452123 | Cpl <u>Kenneth E. Jarlson</u> | 37512218 |
| S/Sgt <u>Francis E. Scrivener</u> | 35381381 | Cpl <u>John P. Curry</u> | 34527445 |
| S/Sgt <u>Paul A. Wilfers</u> | 38179999 | Cpl <u>John C. Hamersley Jr.</u> | 35681732 |
| Sgt <u>William S. Darter</u> | 13022973 | Cpl <u>Charles C. Hinton Jr.</u> | 14176612 |
| Sgt <u>John E. Motrich</u> | 37158645 | Cpl <u>James E. Horrian</u> | 36539353 |
| Sgt <u>Donald H. Rider</u> | 32440575 | Cpl <u>George Hrdyca</u> | 12045046 |
| Sgt <u>Vincent O. Van Slyke</u> | 16037456 | Cpl <u>David Jacoby</u> | 12192057 |
| Sgt <u>Harold E. Vernon</u> | 35493287 | Cpl <u>Delbert M. Knudson</u> | 17154761 |
| Cpl <u>Edward Ryslowski</u> | 32281255 | Cpl <u>Dominic A. LeDud</u> | 37292019 |
| Cpl <u>Jesse W. Archer</u> | 18182556 | Cpl <u>Robert D. Lindall</u> | 17110540 |
| Cpl <u>John J. Bailey</u> | 16088011 | Cpl <u>Russell A. May</u> | 17153739 |
| Cpl <u>Allen M. Mercer</u> | | 34314718 | |

2. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TTX SFWJ241C Pfc Herbert Simon, 32790289, 15th Sta Compl Sq, WP MEMT o/a 22 Jan 44 fr this sta to No 21 School of Tech Training, Burtonwood Repair Depot, Warrington, Lancashire, to pursue a course of inst (American Electrics--2 weeks) reporting not later than 1600 hrs to Sgt E. C. STEVENS, 23 Jan 44, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

3. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TTX SFW J241C Cpl Rudolph Drop, 33307202, 41st Serv Sq, WP MEMT o/a 22 Jan 44 fr this sta to No 21 School of Tech Training, Burtonwood Repair Depot, Warrington, Lancashire, to pursue a course of inst (F & W Wasp R-2800--2 weeks) reporting not later than 1600 hrs to Sgt E. C. STEVENS, 23 Jan 44, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

4. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TTX SFWJ2416 the foll EM, 62nd Fgtr Sq WP MEMT o/a 22 Jan 44 fr this sta to No 10 School of Tech Training, RAF Sta Kirkham, Nr Preston, Lancashire, to pursue a course of inst (Dr Mech Gun--1 week) reporting not later than 1600 hrs to Lt Col J. W. OAKES, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

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| Pfc <u>Richard E. Beehler</u> | 12167526 |
| Pvt <u>Robert D. Cook</u> | 19013929 |
| Pvt <u>James E. Jensen</u> | 39901337 |

5. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TTX SFWJ241C Sgt Theodore E. Tomkins, 32343292, 41st Serv Sq, WP MEMT o/a 22 Jan 44 fr this sta to British Oxygen Co Ltd, North Circular Road, Cricklewood London, NW 2, to pursue a course of inst (Welding--3 weeks) reporting not later than 1700 hrs 23 Jan 44 to Tech Trg Gp Det, 39 Oxgate Gardens, Cricklewood, London, NW 2, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425

6. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov Cpl Roy L. Johnston, 3447738, 62nd Fgtr Sq, WP MEMT o/a 23 Jan 44 fr this sta to No 21 School of Tech Training, Burtonwood Repair Depot, Great Sankey, Warrington Lancashire, to pursue a course of inst (P-47 Electrics--1 week) commencing 24 Jan 44, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

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7. Upon the recommendation of their Squadron Commander, the foll EM, 63rd Fgtr Sq, are promoted to the grades indicated: Auth: 615-5.

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| <u>TO BE STAFF SERGEANT</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Sgt <u>Thomas L. Knowles</u> | 39170101 |
| Sgt <u>Ross G. Birch</u> | 19077775 |
| Sgt <u>Roy H. Reinhardt</u> | 34160994 |
| Sgt <u>William S. Trusko</u> | 33071102 |

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| <u>TO BE SERGEANT</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Cpl <u>Arthur P. Ransley</u> | 33114803 |
| Cpl <u>Edward J. Rozabek</u> | 36395043 |

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| <u>TO BE CORPORAL</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Pfc <u>John A. Chen</u> | 12013302 |
| Pfc <u>Aime C. Daignault</u> | 31008259 |
| Pfc <u>Walter V. Owsen</u> | 37130460 |

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| <u>TO BE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Pvt <u>Alfred L. Morton</u> | 11033515 |
| Pvt <u>Gordon A. Anderson</u> | 36379209 |

8. The foll EM, Hq SOS, having been placed on TL, this sta per competent auth are attached to Hq 56th Fgtr Gp for qrs & rats for two (2) days:

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| T/4 <u>Thaddeus M. Zator</u> | 36512975 |
| T/5 <u>Robert A. Jackson</u> | 39326241, |

9. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TMX SPWJ381C T/4 Salvatore L. Fortino, 33074218, 41st Serv Sq, WP MEMT o/a 23 Jan 44 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-341 reporting at 1000 hrs 24 Jan 44 to meet Direct Commission Board, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

10. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & PAC ltr Hq Det 231st Sta Hosp APO #551, dtd 17 Jan 44 Subject: "Request for Transfer" & PAC Adm Cir #37, Hq SOS ETOUSA dtd 22 June 43, Cpl Dave W. Christopher, 18070093, 62nd Fgtr Sq, is transferred in gr to Det of Patients, 231st Sta Hosp, APO #551.

11. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 1st Lt JOHN H. TRULUCK, 0382650, AC, 63rd Fgtr Sq, WP MEMT o/a 22 Jan 44 fr this sta to Coombe House Hotel, Benley, on TD for seven (7) days commencing 23 Jan 44, CTRS. O will be reimbursed for actual cost of qrs not to exceed \$4.00 per day if Govt qrs are not available and \$1.25 per day for subs when adequate messing fac are not available. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425 & 91-5 P 410-01 A 212/40200.

12. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TMX SPWJ290G Capt JOE P. STIRLING, 0902650, AC, Hq 56th Fgtr Gp, WP MEMT o/a 23 Jan 44 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-370 to attend meeting of adjutants at 1000 hrs 24 Jan 44, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

13. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TMX SPWJ280C & TMX SPWJ257C the foll EM WP MEMT o/a 25 Jan 44 fr this sta to 7 Grosvenor Sq London, W1, to appear before the Avn Cadet Board at 1000 hrs 26 Jan 44, CTRS. EM will report to Casual Center, CBS, 44 Cadogan Place, for billets & messing facilities. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

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Par 13, SO #21, Hq AAF Station F-365 (Cont'd)

S/Sgt William L. Sutton 16051831 41st Serv Sq
Pfc John E. DeBarr 17032387 61st Fgtr Sq

14. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TWX SPWJ2602 2nd Lt DAVID B. KEISER, OG62944, AC, 61st Fgtr Sq, WP MEMT o/a 25 Jan 44 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-341 to attend conference beginning at 0930 hrs 26 Jan 44, CTRS. O will be reimbursed for actual cost of subs not to exceed \$1.25 per day for subs when adequate messing fac are not available. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425 & 91-5 P 410-01 A 212/40200.

15. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TWX SPWJ293C the foll EM WP MEMT o/a 25 Jan 44 fr this sta to No 1 Radio School, Cranwell for the purpose of pursuing a course of instr (VHF Maint--2 weeks) reporting to the school not later than 1700 hrs 26 Jan 44, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425

Sgt James DiPierro 11021067 Hq 56th Fgtr Gp
Sgt Erby M. Taylor 36047565 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp

16. Par 1, SO #16, this hq, cs, is amended by adding: "EM will be reimbursed for actual cost of subs &/or qrs for period when Govt fac are not available not to exceed two dollars per day for qrs (not to exceed two (2) days) and two dollars per day for subs (not to exceed three and one-third (3-1/3) days) or rates auth by AR 35-4520. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

By order of Colonel ZENKE:

E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

J. P. Stirling
J. P. STIRLING,
Capt. Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant.

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APO 637
29 January 1944

1. Par 6, SO #28, this hq, cs, is amended by adding: "NO (jg) WILLIAM C. JAEKEL, W2116830, USA, 62nd Fgtr Sq".
2. So much of Par 4, SO #28, this hq, cs, referring to 1st Lt J. E. SILVERMAN, 01552173, Ord, Atchd to 1631st Ord Supp & Main Co is deleted.
3. The foll O are relvd fr attachment to the 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp for rats, ops, & adm:

1st Lt WILLIAM BLACK 01637028 SC
2nd Lt JAY A. SPONBERG 01646600 SC

4. The 56th Fighter Group Flying Evaluation Board appointed by Par 7, SO #121, this hq, 1943 series, is hereby dissolved. PAC Ltr Hq 3th AF, File 210.9 x 373, Subject: "Disposition of Individuals Unsuitable for Operational Flying for Reasons other than Physical Disabilities" dtd 29 Oct 42, a new Board of O to be known as the "56th Fighter Group Flying Evaluation Board" is hereby appointed:

| | | |
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| Col HUBERT ZEMKE | 022353 | AC Hq 56th Fgtr Gp(President) |
| Maj JAMES C. STEWART | 0397528 | AC 61st Fgtr Sq |
| Maj HORACE C. CRAIG | 0432183 | AC 62nd Fgtr Sq |
| Maj SYLVESTER V. BURKE | 0432179 | AC 63rd Fgtr Sq |
| Maj EDWARD R. SCHUMACHER | 0411654 | MC Hq 56th Fgtr Gp |

Said Board will be convened at the call of the President thereof.

5. VOCO 8 July 1943 continuing the Exchange Council appointed by Par 8, SO #21, Hq AAF Sta F-123 dtd 4 May 43 are hereby confirmed and made of record.
6. VOCO 28 Jan 44 designating Capt PHILIP D. ENGLE, 0377733, AC, as member of the Exchange Council vice 1st Lt KENNETH W. NELSON, 0916893, AC, relvd, are hereby confirmed and made of record.
7. Having been asgd to the 56th Fgtr Gp per Par 7, SO #23, Hq, VIII Fgtr Cnd, dtd 27 Jan 44, the foll O are further asgd to the orgns indicated:

62ND FIGHTER SQUADRON

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|----|
| 2nd Lt HAROLD E. GALLAGHER | 02044974 | AC |
| 2nd Lt JOE W. ICARD | 02044977 | AC |
| 2nd Lt IRVIN E. VALENTA | 02044980 | AC |

63RD FIGHTER SQUADRON

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| 2nd Lt ISADORE T. POROUSKI | 02044978 | AC |
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By order of Colonel ZEMKE:

OFFICIAL:

[Signature]
J. P. STIRLING,
Capt. Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant.

E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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APO 637

24 January 1944

1. The foll EM 15th Sta Compl Sq are transferred in grade to the 62nd Fgtr Sq. No change of sta involved.

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| N/Sgt <u>William O. Race</u> | 6262288 | Cpl <u>Sidney Green</u> | 12023454 |
| S/Sgt <u>Dean H. Doyle</u> | 17033020 | Cpl <u>Glenden Hardig</u> | 35113388 |
| S/Sgt <u>Harlan R. Jones</u> | 15041250 | Cpl <u>Raymond P. Hoefer</u> | 12159202 |
| Sgt <u>Francis L. Dick</u> | 33067869 | Cpl <u>John P. Howard</u> | 37134301 |
| Sgt <u>Harold F. Ehlert</u> | 37278861 | Cpl <u>Urbain G. Hymel</u> | 33199561 |
| Sgt <u>James W. Kelly</u> | 20309926 | Cpl <u>Roy L. Johnston</u> | 34477382 |
| Sgt <u>Clifford L. Phillips</u> | 15114666 | Cpl <u>Charles G. Kornbauer</u> | 35124033 |
| Cpl <u>John S. Backman</u> | 39188868 | Cpl <u>Fred H. Latham</u> | 34189922 |
| Cpl <u>Julian P. Bethay</u> | 14160816 | Cpl <u>Charles T. Logue</u> | 33405015 |
| Cpl <u>Elmer E. Burke</u> | 17070489 | Pfc <u>Anders Anderson</u> | 16023995 |
| Cpl <u>John Chavez</u> | 18035116 | Pfc <u>Richard F. Beehler</u> | 12167526 |
| Cpl <u>John F. Geaghan</u> | 37128299 | Pfc <u>Albert G. DiVirgilio</u> | 32829775 |
| Sgt <u>Walter G. Verner Jr</u> | 6294119 | Cpl <u>Adrian D. Walker</u> | 32280734 |
| Pfc <u>Raymond F. Kiser</u> | 35611092 | Pfc <u>Peter F. Sullivan</u> | 32590166 |
| Pfc <u>Henry J. Waligora</u> | | 32322832 | |

2. In compliance with Par 2, AAF Regulation 50-3 dtd 15 Oct 43 a Pilot Instrument Board is established consisting of the foll members:

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| Lt Col DAVID C. SCHILLING | 0393204 | AC |
| Major FRANCIS S. GAPRESKI | 0406131 | AC |
| Major JAMES C. STEWART | 0397528 | AC |

3. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 & TTX SPWJ326C WO(jg) JOHN M. KANE, W216520, USA, 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp, WP MENT o/a 27 Jan 44 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-356 on TD for approx thirty (30) days & will report to the Sta Signal Officer, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

4. 2nd Lt ROBERT S. CARNACHAN, 0657127, AC, 63rd Fgtr Sq is granted lv of absence for period of five (5) days effective 27 January 1944.

5. Under auth ltr Hq ETOUSA dtd 3 Nov 43 1st Lt KENNETH W. MASON, 0916893, AC, Hq 56th Fgtr Gp, WP MENT o/a 28 Jan 44 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-122 reporting to the 355th Fgtr Gp for TD approx thirty (30) days, CTRS. TDN. QMT. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

6. CONFIDENTIAL

By order of Colonel ZENKE:

E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

J. P. STIRLING,
Capt. Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

6 January 1944

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, AAF Station F-365,
A.P.O. 637, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. On Dec 1, T/5 Anderson returned to dy fr sk in qrs. T/Sgt Barclay was placed on DS (Cranwell) fr dy.
- b. The status on Dec 1 was as follows:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 44 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 33 EM on DS.
2 EM on fur.
1 EM Sk Ab.
1 EM Sk Qrs.
2 Officers atchd.
- c. On the 3rd of Dec, Sgt Farnsworth returned to dy from Sk Qrs (HLD) #35-1440.
- d. On Dec 4th, T/5 Johnston was placed on TD to AAF Sta F-370 for approximately 30 Days.
- e. Pvt. Reed was placed Sk in Qrs on the 6th.
- f. The status of the orgn on the 7th was:
1 Officer, 34 EM on DS.
2 Officers, 1 WO, 43 EM present for dy.
2 EM on fur.
1 EM Sk Ab.
1 EM Sk Qrs.
2 Officers atchd.
- g. Between the 7th and the 12th, usual routine duties were carried out. On the 12th Pvt Reed returned to dy fr Sk Qrs.
- h. On the 14th of Dec., S/Sgt Walukiewicz was asgd and jd from Det "A", 1030th Sig Co.
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(Prim Dy) and station Signal Supply O
(Add Dy) vice WO Kane reld.
WO Kane was designated Asst Station Sig
Supply O.

- i. The company status on the 14th was:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 47 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 33 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Ab
2 Officers atchd.
- j. On Dec 16th, T/Sgt Barclay returned to
dy from DS at Cranwell.
- k. Up to the 21st, usual field duties were
carried on, and the status as of that
date were as follows:
2 Officer, 1 WO, 48 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Ab.
2 Officers atchd.
- l. There no changes between the 21st and the
27th.
- m. On the 28th, Pvt Reed was placed on AWOL
from dy.
The Status was:
2 Officers, 1 WO, ~~47~~ 47 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
1 EM AWOL.
1 EM Sk Ab.
2 Officers atchd.
- n. At 1100hours on the 29th, Pvt Reed was
apprehended and placed under arrest in
quarters pending charges.
- o. The status as of the 31st was as follows:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 47 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Ab.
1 EM ar in qrs.
2 Officers atchd.
- p. The enlisted men of this organization
participate in all sport functions con-
ducted by the base.
- q. During the Christmas Holidays, different
members were extended invitations for
Dinners at various homes in the vicinity,
which were accepted.

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Martin H. Johnson

**MARTIN H. JOHNSON
1st Lt., Sig C
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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

7 December 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, AAF Station F-365, APO 637,
U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. As of Nov 1st, the status was as follows:
1 Officer, 30 EM on DS.
2 Officers, 1 WO, 44 EM present for duty.
2 EM on fur.
3 Officers atchd.
- b. Up to the 5th, there was no change in the status of the organization. On Nov. 5th T/Sgt Barclay was placed in the station hosp (Sk Qrs). T/S's Higgins and Johnston were asgd and jd from AF Filler Sq No 67.
- c. The following day, the 6th, Cpl Wooster was asgd and jd from Sq B 3009th RCD.
- d. The company status on the 7th was:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 46 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 30 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Qrs.
2 EM on fur.
- e. On Nov. 8th, T/5 Donnelly and Pfc Brady were asgd and jd from Sq "A" 3009th RCD. T/Sgt Barclay was sent to the 12th Sta Hosp from Sk Qrs.
- f. WO Kane went from dy to 7 days leave on Nov 10th.
- g. Cpl Bayer was placed on DS to Cranwell for purpose of taking a radio course.
- h. From the 10th thru the 14th, usual field duties were being performed by the company.
- i. The status of the organization on the 14th was as follows:

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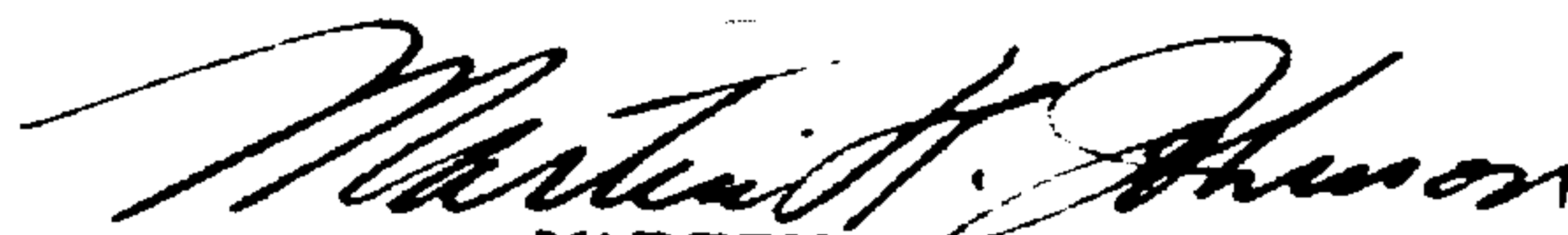
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- 2 Officers, 48 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 31 EM on DS.
1 Officer on Lv.
1 EM Sk Ab.
1 EM on fur.
3 Officers atchd.
- j. On Nov 15th, S/Sgt Walukiewicz and Sgt Aven were Trfd in gr to Det "A", 1030th Sig Co. Lt. Ruslander, (atchd) was placed in Sk Qrs.
- k. On Nov 17th, WO Kane returned to dy from 7 days lv.
- l. Lt. Ruslander, (atchd) returned to dy from Sk Qrs on the 19th.
- m. On the 20th, T/5 Mahen was aptd Sgt and T/5 Mohr was aptd T/4.
- n. The company status on the 21st was:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 47 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 33 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Ab.
3 Officers Atchd.
- o. As of the 23rd of Nov., Pfc Riggio was placed Sk Ab from dy.
- p. On the 24th, Sgt Farnsworth was sent to Sk Qrs from dy (NLD)(AR 35-1440).
The status on this day was:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 43 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 33 EM on DS.
2 EM Sk Ab.
1 EM Sk Qrs.
2 EM on fur.
- q. On Nov. 25th, T/5 Bayer returned to duty fr DS At Cranwell.
- r. The following day on the 26th, Lt. Ruslander, (atchd) was trfd to the 9th Bomb Comd. T/Sgt Barclay returned to dy from Sk Ab.
- s. On the 28th, Sgt Mahen went into Sk Qrs fr dy.
- t. On the 30th, Sgt Mahen returned to dy and T/5 Anderson went into Sk Qrs fr dy.
- u. The status as of the 30th of Nov was:
2 Officers, 1 WO, 44 EM present for dy.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
2 EM on fur.
1 EM Sk Ab.
2 EM Sk Qrs.
2 Officers Atchd.
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- v. Due to weather conditions, a few of the men have been taken down with slight colds, however, it is made sure that these men are immediately looked after and hospitalized if such is necessary.
- w. The morale and cooperation of the men is excellent.



MARTIN H. JOHNSON
1st Lt., Sig C
Commanding

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APO 637
18 November 1943

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6. Upon the recommendation of their Company Commander, the foll EM, 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp, are promoted to the grades indicated: Auth: AR 615-5.

TO BE SERGEANT (Temporary)
T/5 George A. Mahen 33159012

TO BE TECHNICIAN FOURTH GRADE (Temporary)
T/5 Richard W. Mohr 35259965

By order of Col. LANDRY:

E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

/s/John Calinski
JOHN CALINSKI,
CWO, USA,
Asst. Adjutant.

A certified true extract copy:

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
1st Lt., Sig C
Signal Officer

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No. 272)

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Hq VIII Bomber Command,
APO 634,
2 November 1943.

1. LT COL FREDERICK S. LEE, 0174973, FA, this hq, WP fr AAF Sta 101 o/a 3 November 1943 to AAF Stations 113, 103, and 123, for a period of not to exceed two (2) days, for the purpose of carrying out the instructions of the CG.

A flat per diem of six (6) dollars is authorized while travelling and while at TD stations where quarters are not available and are not furnished.
TCNT TDN. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425. Rail or GMV. CTRS.

2. For and during the trials of T/Sgt George W. Dungan, and Pvt Donald P. Sheridan only, LT COL GOODMAN G. GRIFFIN, JR, 0357352, AC, is appointed Law Member of the general court-martial appointed by par 1, SO 248, this hq, 9 Oct 1943, vice CAPT GEORGE T. SCRIBA, 0902466, AC, rel'd fr said court for the trial of said cases only.

3. M/Sgt Sherman H. Bishop, R-1574098, 357th Serv Sq, 317th Serv Gp, is trfd in gr to Hq 2nd BAD, AAF Sta 532, APO 635.
Travel rations will be furnished this EM by orgn fr which he departs.
TCNT TDN. 91-5 P 431-02 A 212/40425. Rail or GMV.
(Auth: 15th Ind, 201 - Bishop, Sherman H. (Enl), Hq Eighth AF, 1 Nov 1943, to ltr, 357th Serv Sq, 28 Sept 1943, Sub "Request for Transfer".)

4. A lv of absence for a period of eight (8) days is granted CAPT LEO W. MILLER, 01635118, SC, this hq, eff o/a 8 Nov 1943. (AR 605-115)

5. The following-named EM are trfd in gr as indicated:

| NAME | TRFD FR -- | TRFD TO -- |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Sgt Fred A. Becher, 39542222 | 388th Bomb Gp | Hq & Hq Sq, 2d Bomb Div |
| Pfc Albert L. Dedenback, 35555947 | " " " | " " " " |
| Cpl Charles R. Gloeckler, 13151972 | 96th Bomb Gp | " " " " |
| Pfc Mancel E. Page, 37498120 | 390th Bomb Gp | " " " " |
| Pvt Harry D. Crouse, 33239912 | " " " | " " " " |
| Pvt Bernard (NMI) Samray, 12155919 | 95th Bomb Gp | " " " " |
| Pfc Norman C. Fagan, 35691659 | 94th Bomb Gp | " " " " |
| Cpl Sidney (NMI) Itzkowitz, 13127481 | 100th Bomb Gp | " " " " |
| Pfc Edward S. Parker, 37230033 | " " " | " " " " |

Travel rations will be furnished each EM by orgn fr which he departs.
TCNT TDN. 91-5 P 431-02 A 212/40425. Rail or GMV.

6. Pfc Ronald J. Kennedy, 17026291, is trfd in gr fr 393rd Bomb Gp to 2900th CGRC Gp (Bomb) (Prov).

Travel rations will be furnished this EM by orgn fr which he departs.
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7. The following-named EM are trfd in gr fr AF Filler Sq No. 67, AAF Sta 101 to 95th Sta Complement Sq (Sp), AAF Sta 101:

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| 1st/Sgt Alvin R. Hodge | , 6356346 | Pfc Robert J. Mansfield | , 32855137 |
| T/Sgt Russell M. Weiss | , 13006314 | Pfc Francis R. McDonald | , 36588085 |
| S/Sgt Robert E. Zahn | , 38458508 | Pfc Robert K. Merritt | , 36586875 |
| S/Sgt Louis N. Smith | , 32556317 | Pfc John P. Minahan | , 32771384 |
| Sgt Waldo F. Wilson | , 38176300 | Pfc Ray W. Painter, Jr | , 36582616 |
| Sgt Barnard Jablin | , 12152112 | Pfc Albert Radazi | , 33505509 |
| Sgt Basil H. Woodall | , 35267927 | Pfc Walter R. Reed | , 33534789 |
| Sgt Alfonso P. Chandler | , 58427564 | Pfc Irving V. Walch | , 36578564 |
| Sgt Roy L. Bittle, Jr | , 12207465 | Pfc Sheldon W. Gurian | , 32799704 |
| Sgt Quinton L. Marsh | , 34265217 | Pfc Paul F. Regan | , 33603053 |
| Sgt Julius E. Dubiel | , 32237326 | Pfc Joseph A. Holt | , 34501591 |
| Sgt Willie C. Huggins, Jr | , 38283696 | Pfc Hans Knutson | , 37286733 |
| Sgt James E. Wofford | , 34386540 | Pfc Jacob L. Oliver | , 39854143 |
| T/4 Howard H. Hammer | , 39339186 | Pfc John F. Faulkner | , 12166862 |
| Cpl Glenn H. Wynn | , 34506058 | Pfc Robert P. Kraft | , 36566500 |
| Cpl Henry W. Kempf | , 36289568 | Pfc Floyd E. Stone | , 32047192 |
| Cpl Winifred Mann | , 34612175 | Pfc Flavien J. Cloutier | , 31321471 |
| T/5 Walter Kennedy | , 32601107 | Pfc Edwin J. Kaleta | , 36642567 |
| T/5 Charles E. Byrd | , 14062212 | Pfc Frank E. Hood | , 54269997 |
| T/5 Thomas Kalkines | , 12181809 | Pfc Wayne H. Woodhead | , 32672452 |
| T/5 Frank E. Kenny | , 32385130 | Pfc Eugene M. Jones | , 33455185 |
| T/5 Douglas A. Wilson | , 19164450 | Pfc Lester E. Bassett | , 39273322 |
| T/5 Thomas L. Sullivan | , 12192576 | Pfc Frank E. Reilly | , 32812807 |
| T/5 Judson H. Wingard | , 34649603 | Pvt Paul K. Frazier | , 13170459 |
| T/5 Frank J. Roberts | , 36605537 | Pvt Anthony J. Martin | , 36631999 |
| T/5 Earl J. Thomas | , 33131920 | Pvt Walter C. Kuminsarek | , 35275473 |
| T/5 Leroy L. Groover, Jr | , 34546970 | Pvt Sylvan Goldman | , 16154936 |
| Pfc Robert E. Lee | , R3071173 | Pvt Gordon F. Armitage | , 39245922 |
| Pfc Richard Sims | , 34135788 | Pvt George L. Morando | , 11020453 |
| Pfc Robert W. Jahr | , 36584038 | Pvt Melvin J. Dollar | , 39128552 |
| Pfc Thomas E. Kizer | , 35550099 | Pvt Thomas J. LaTour | , 31342002 |
| Pfc James H. Lewis | , 36588381 | Pvt Oscar J. Mayfield | , 34684013 |
| Pfc George F. Lockett | , 36588069 | Pvt Lazarus Zucker | , 32711762 |
| Pfc Adilbert F. Lundschen | , 38457400 | Pvt John H. Meadors | , 38420875 |

No travel involved. (Auth: TT msg 526, Hq Eighth AF, 29 Oct 1943)

8. The following-named EM, all of AF Filler Sq No. 67, AAF Sta 101, are trfd in gr to orgns indicated:

| NAME | TRFD TO -- |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| T/4 Hans S. Hagen, Jr , 31355706 | 399th Sig Co Depot (Avn), AAF Sta 595 |
| T/5 Millard I. Grant , 6374865 | " " " " " " " " |
| T/5 Melvin R. Gunnarson, 37653705 | " " " " " " " " |
| Pfc Walter Callaway , 38408507 | " " " " " " " " |
| T/4 Eugene O. Goorman , 37341136 | 904th Sig Co Depot (Avn), AAF Sta 127 |
| T/5 Joseph A. Fuina , 32650955 | " " " " " " " " |
| Pfc Raymond H. Bush , 38463970 | " " " " " " " " |
| T/Sgt John H. Brydon , 32915802 | 909th Sig Co Depot (Avn), AAF Sta 169 |

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| NAME | TRFD TO -- |
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| T/5 Bernard H. Higgins , 39197421 | 1030th Sig Co Ser Gp (Avn), AAF Sta 365 |
| T/5 Bernie F. Johnston , 39406367 | " " " " " " " " |
| Sgt Thaddeus Oleksak , 12003620 | 1055th Sig Co Ser Gp (Avn), AAF Sta 470 |
| Cpl Lea E. Arnold, Jr , 33483442 | " " " " " " " " |
| T/5 Walter S. Ryals , 34782367 | " " " " " " " " |
| Pfc Ray Barden, Jr , 35579554 | " " " " " " " " |
| S/Sgt Harmon H. Gutman , 35502976 | 1061st Sig Co Ser Gp (Avn), AAF Sta 552 |
| Cpl Kenneth C. Allnutt , 33549492 | " " " " " " " " |
| Pfc George W. Arp , 34687031 | " " " " " " " " |
| T/Sgt Carl C. Lammers , 32928536 | 1070th Sig Co Ser Gp (Avn), AAF Sta 160 |
| T/5 William N. Lank , 33390120 | 1080th Sig Co Ser Gp (Avn), AAF Sta 123 |
| T/5 Frank M. Lopez , 39550005 | " " " " " " " " |
| Pfc Robert E. Crowder , 32847159 | " " " " " " " " |
| Pfc Joseph H. Dean , 15172490 | " " " " " " " " |
| T/Sgt Joseph A. McTague, 33602952 | 1087th Sig Co Ser Gp (Avn), AAF Sta 358 |

Travel rations will be furnished each EM by orgn fr which he departs.

TCNT TDM. 91-5 P 431-02 A 212/40425. Rail or GMV.

(Auth: Ltr, 210.31 x 220.31, Hq Eighth AF, 31 Oct 1943, Sub "Assignment of Personnel".)

By command of Brigadier General F. L. ANDERSON:

JOHN A. SAMFORD,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

Edward E. Toro
EDWARD E. TORO,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
3036TH REPLACEMENT DEPOT (PROV)
APO 635

AAF STA 594.
31 Oct 1943.

SPECIAL ORDER 3)

NO. 7)

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SECTION I

12. Following 11, Casual Pool, 3036th Repl Depot (Prov) AAF Sta 594, are held for catch at this sta, and trfd in gr to brns and stas indicated. MFR o/a 1 Nov 1943 reporting upon arrival to CO therent. Cooked rats in kind will be provided while traveling. A perm c of sta. AT. TEL. FR. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40423.

NOTE: Tel res 550, Hq Eighth AF.

SIG PAINT SEC AAF STA 532

RELD FR ACCT Sq "A", 3039th RCD (Prov) AAF Sta 533

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|---|--|
| S/Sgt Robert F. Vaughn 33912337 (174) | T/5 Michael E. Gavin 31133099 (174) |
| T/4 William J. Nicholson 35538418 (174) | T/5 Morton E. Goldman 12124453 (174) |
| T/4 Carl O. Smith 35446565 (174) | T/5 Charles R. Harris 14129057 (174) |
| T/4 Robert A. Uttinger 34207361 (174) | T/5 Vladimir J. Hadas 35513212 (174) |
| Cpl Gerald E. Doyle 35663506 (174) | T/5 Vernis L. Howard 15372013 (174) |
| Cpl Jesse C. Gilbert 37593949 (174) | T/5 John (nm) Rudine 15132661 (174) |
| Cpl Donald H. Giles 38803640 (174) | T/5 Anthony (nm) Janoch 160457 (174) |
| Cpl Donald G. Bartell 38486420 (174) | T/5 J. T. (i.e.) Jones 14143995 (174) |
| Cpl Charles E. Gorn 39557436 (174) | T/5 William L. King 16093002 (174) |
| Cpl John H. Richardson 34506735 (174) | T/5 Harold P. Liles 34173562 (174) |
| Cpl John A. Shelley 39282344 (174) | T/5 Ivan G. Petersen 16095405 (174) |
| Cpl James G. Travis 36420066 (174) | T/5 Leon J. Watson 15353855 (174) |
| Cpl James E. Poppe 35619854 (174) | T/5 Harold P. Weeks 37663530 (174) |
| Cpl Arthur J. Wenzling 39549350 (174) | Cpl Arline H. Winters 34596670 (174) |
| Cpl Donald G. Hiles 37857199 (174) | Pvt Arnold (nm) Friedland 32700323 (174) |
| Cpl Donald J. King 36612361 (174) | Pvt Barney B. Wines 15371953 (174) |
| Cpl Gilbert H. Johnson 35001060 (174) | Pvt Robert F. Inman 37542853 (174) |
| Cpl John (nm) Wpacker 32704214 (174) | Pvt Truman A. Kennedy 33451213 (174) |
| T/5 Edgar E. Bremer 14091696 (174) | Pvt Robert E. Loughridge 14006733 (174) |
| T/5 Edward L. Cline 32735967 (174) | Pvt Rudolph C. Laffey 12192325 (174) |
| T/5 James J. Garrett 14105704 (174) | Pvt Earl G. Peaff 37497700 (174) |
| T/5 Walter R. Gilliam 37304351 (174) | Pvt George E. Rose 37545201 (174) |
| T/5 Orris G. Smith 17109759 (174) | Pvt Erwin A. H. Sorenkamp 35611009 (174) |
| Pvt George E. Watson 37497277 (174) | |

951ST SIG INTELLIGENCE CO APO 633

NAME
Sgt Ernest J. Smith 32573072 (321)

Cpl Walter (nm) Polson 35444073 (405)

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Sq A, 3039th RCD (Prov)
AAF Sta 533
Sq D, 3039th RCD (Prov)
AAF Sta 536

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Ext. Par 12, SO 7, 3000th Repl Dep (Prov), Sec I, 31-10-43, Cont'd

Pvt Paul J. Merriam 31251313 (060)
Pvt Jules A. Moyn 32442592 (501)
Pvt James A. Williams 13202137 (160)

Sq A, 3009th RCD (Prov)
AF Sta 533

McC James J. Brady Jr 3245643, (647)

34 A, 300th MOB (Prov)
Apt Sta 533

Cpl Samuel (n i) Koretsky 417TH SIG CO AVN, 1AF SZA 101
51241520 (174) Sq A,

Sq A, 3009th RD (Prov)
AF Sta 533

T/5 John F. Seagrist 3663613 (174)

T/5 David (nee) Schwartz 12036320 (174)

ROBERT W. MOORE,
Capt AG,
Acting Adjutant General.

ROBERT W. FOWLE,
Capt AC,
Acting Adjutant General.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
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HEADQUARTERS LAF STATION F-365
APO 637
7 November 1943

1. PAC FAX SPEN150 the foll named EN MP UNIT o/a 9 Nov 43 fr this sta to No. 1 Radio School Cranwell for the purpose of pursuing a course of instruction (Radio-2 weeks) commencing 10 Nov 43, CTRS. TDH. Q.T. 91-5 P 432-02
A 212/10/25

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|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| S/Sgt <u>Walter S. Swingle</u> | 13026258 | 51st Fgtr Sq |
| Sgt <u>Robert L. Albin</u> | 19064134 | 63rd Fgtr Sq |
| Sgt <u>Ernest J. Snell</u> | 34209071 | 15th Sta Compl Sq |
| T/5 <u>Fred W. Bayer</u> | 35434351 | 1030th Sig Co Serv Cp |
| Cpl <u>Arthur L. Bertrand</u> | 33315235 | 62nd Fgtr Sq |

2. Upon the recommendation of his Company Commander, Technician Third Grade Peter Ferrara, 32170516, 1631st Ord Sup & Maint Co (Avn) is promoted to grade of Technical Sergeant (Temporary). Auth: AR 615-5.

3. Par 1, SO #83, this hq, cs, is amended by adding: "In accordance with Table II, Par 2a, AR 35-4520, the PD will reimburse the above the prescribed non trav cls in lieu of rats for five and two-thirds (5-2/3) days and qrs for five(5) days.

By order of Colonel **LAHRY:**

E. G. REDDICK,
Major, Air Corps
Adjutant

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W. J. Calinski
W. J. CALINSKI,
SJO, US.,
Asst. Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS 65TH FIGHTER WING
APO 637 AAF STATION F-370
10 November, 1943

1. Tell O WP MEET o/a 11 Nov 43 fr this sta to RAF Sta Beachy Head and such other sta nec to carry out inst of CO. CTRS.
I LT LUCIUS F FOSTER 0885245 AC
In lieu of subs a flat per diem of (\$1.25) auth O while trav and temp dy f/not to exceed (30) days. In lieu of billets a maximum per diem of (\$4.00) auth O while trav and temp dy f/not to exceed (30) days. QMT. TDM. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

2. Tell O WP MEET o/a 11 Nov 43 fr this sta to Sawston Hall and such other sta nec to carry out inst of CO. CTRS.
CAPTAIN ALBERT E ECHENSTEDT 0917638 AC
In lieu of subs a flat per diem of (\$1.25) auth O while trav and temp dy f/not to exceed (10) days. In lieu of billets a maximum per diem of (\$2.00) auth O while trav and temp dy f/not to exceed (10) days. QMT. TDM. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

3. Par 3 S O #100, dtd 9 Nov 43, this Hq co. which pertains to O and EM going to Palling f/not to exceed (5) days, hereby REVOKED.

4. Tell O and EM, WP MEET o/a 11 Nov 43 fr this sta to Palling and such other sta nec to carry out inst of CO. CTRS.
CAPT EDWARD S GAULE 0402057 Ch. C. CAPT CLAUDE E BALLARD 0464421 MC
Sgt Ernest R Anderson 34176148 52 F Con Sq
Pvt Albert J Casto 15083696 Hq & Hq Sq 65th Ftr Wg
In lieu of subs a flat per diem of (\$1.25) auth O while trav and temp dy f/not to exceed (7) days. In lieu of billets a maximum per diem of (\$4.00) auth O while trav and temp dy f/not to exceed (7) days. Mon alws in lieu of rat & qrs auth EM as pres AR 35-4520 f/not to exceed (7) days. QMT. TDM. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

5. Tell EM trfd/^{in grade} as indicated, WP MEET. QMT. TDM. 91-5 P 431-02 A 212/40425.

| NAME | SER. NO. | ASSIGNED TO |
|--------------------------------|----------|------------------------|
| S Sgt Joseph (NEI) Walukiewicz | 6144362 | Det "A" 1030th Sig Co. |
| Sgt Harold B Aven | 31051110 | Det "A" 1030th Sig Co. |

6. Sgt Mario F Visintin 32205249 and Pfc Charles F Gausoy 15082559 Hq & Hq Sq, 65th Ftr Wg, WP MEET o/a 11 Nov 43 fr this sta to Liverpool and such other sta nec to carry out inst of CO. CTRS. Mon alws in lieu of rat & qrs auth EM as pres AR 35-4520 f/no t to exceed (4) days. QMT. TDM. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

By order of Colonel AUTON:

GUY D BARRETT,
Capt., A.G.D.
Adjutant.

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SO 101, 65PW, 10 Nov 43.
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OFFICIAL:

Ralph E Fain
RALPH E FAIR,
2nd Lt., Air Corps,
Asst., Adjutant.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

7 November 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, AAF Station F-365, APO 637,
U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 2 March 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. As of Oct 1st the status was as follows:
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2 Officers, 31 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Ab.
1 EM on fur.
- b. On the 1st of Oct, S/Sgt Walukiewicz and Cpl Hermann returned to dy fr G-25.
- c. On Oct 3rd, T/4 Koors returned to dy from Sk Ab at the 12th Evac Hosp.
- d. As of the 7th, the status was as follows:
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- e. On Oct. 13th, Lt. Johnson returned to dy from DS at Oxford. Lt. Johnson assumed command, WO Kane being reld.
- f. As of the 14th, the status was:
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- g. Pfc Williams, on DS with Det "A" was trfd to Det of Pat, 121st Station Hosp.
- h. On the 18th of Oct, Lt. Johnson was aptd Sta Cryptographic Officer and Sta Sig Sec Officer, (Add Dys).
- i. On the 19th, T/5 Vohs was placed on a Sk Ab status to the 12th Evac Hosp.
- j. The status as of the 21st was as follows:
1 Officer, 43 EM present for duty, also 1 WO.
1 Officer, 30 EM on DS.
1 EM Sk Ab.
2 EM on Fur.

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Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
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 - 1 Officer, 30 EM on D6.
 - 1 EM Sk Ab.
 - 2 EM on Fur.
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10301H SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

7 November 1943

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U. S. Army.

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12TH REPLACEMENT CONTROL DEPOT
APO 635

AAF STA 594
22 Oct 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NO. 248)

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SECTION I

23. Following SC Officers, Casual Pool, 12th RCD, AAF Sta 594, are held fr asgmt this Headquarters and atchmt Sq "A" 16th RCD, this sta, and asgd orgns and stas indicated. WPK a/o GWT o/a 23 Oct 43 reporting upon arrival to CG thereat. A perm c of sta. A flat per diem of \$6.00 per day is auth while traveling. GWT.TDE. FSA 91-5 P 431-02 A 212/40425.
AUTH: VCCG, Right AF.

1030th Sig.Co.Serv.Gp. AAF Sta 365

2nd Lt. JOHN R. BIDE, 01645546

By order of Col. RADER:

ROBERT W. MOORE,
Captain, AC,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

ROBERT W. MOORE,
Captain, AC,
Adjutant.

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A TRUE CERTIFIED EXTRACT COPY:

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON,
1st Lt. Sig.C., Cmdg.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

6 October 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, AAF Station F-365, APO 637,
U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 2 March 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. As of Sept 1st the status was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 42 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM were on DS.
2 EM were on furlough.
- b. On Sept 2, Sgt Vecsei was aptd T/3 and T/5 Donnelly was aptd T/4.
- c. On Sept 7th, S/Sgt Kochmar was placed on DS to London for purpose of participating in the soft-ball league.
The status as of that date was:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 43 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 33 EM on DS.
- d. On the 11th, S/Sgt Kochmar returned from the tournaments in London.
- e. The status as of the 14th was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, and 44 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
- f. On September 19th, Pts 1 cl Daniels and Shetler were asgd and jd from Hq's VIII Ftr Cmd.
- g. As of the 21st the status was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 46 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
- h. On the 22nd of Sept., Lt. Johnson was placed On DS to Oxford. WO Kane assumed Temporary Command.
- i. S/Sgt Barclay was aptd T/Sgt on the 23rd of Sept.

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- j. On Sept 25th, S/Sgt Zeh returned to duty from DS at RAF Sta Cramwell.
- k. On the 26th, Pvt Sikoff trfd to 2nd Bomb Div.
- l. The status as of the 27th was as follows:
 - 1 WO, 45 EM present for duty.
 - 2 Officers, 31 EM on DS.
 - 1 EM on fur.
- m. On the 28 of Sept., S/Sgt Walukiewicz and Cpl Hermann were placed on DS to G-25. T/4 Koors was placed on Sk Ab to the 12th Evac Hosp.
- n. The status as of the 30th was:
 - 1 WO, 42 EM present for duty.
 - 2 Officers, 33 EM on DS.
 - 1 EM Sk Ab
 - 1 EM on furlough.
- o. Besides its' activities here on the base, the Message Center now operates the courier run between this base and Hq's 65th Fighter Wing.

John M Kane
JOHN M. KANE
WO (jg) Sig C
Act'g Cmdg

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

5 September 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, AAF Station F-365,
U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 2 March 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. As of Aug 1st the status was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 41 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 29 EM on DS.
8 EM atchd.
- b. On Aug 4th, T/5 Howard was aptd Cpl and trfd to Hq Hq Sqdn 33rd Serv Gp. Pvt 1 cl Riggio, and Pvts Sikoff and Sorge asgd and joined from 12th Replacement Control Depot.
- c. 8 EM reld from atchd eff Aug 6th.
- d. The status on the 7th was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 41 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 29 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- e. On the 10th of Aug. the 1030th Sig Sup & Maint Co Avn was redesignated the 1030th Signal Co., Serv Gp. Pvts Meagher and Rapp were asgd and jd Det "A" at AAF Sta F-365.
- f. On Aug 13, S/Sgt Zeh was placed on DS to RAF Sta Cranwell.
- g. The status as of the 14th was:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 40 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- h. On the 21 st of Aug., Cpl Kain and T/5 Anderson were asgd and jd fr 322 Sig Co Wg. The status on this date was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 42 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.

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- i. On the 24th of Aug Cpl Fiorente and T/5 Donnelly were placed on Ab Sk at the 12th Evacuation Hosp.
- j. The status as of the 27th was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 42 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
2 EM sk Ab.
- k. on the 31st, Cpl Fiorente and T/5 Donnelly returned to duty from sk ab at the 12th Evac Hosp.
The status as of the 31st was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 44 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.

MARTIN H. JOHNSON
1st Lt., Sig C
Commanding.

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1030TH SIGNAL SUPPLY & MAINTENENCE COMPANY, AVIATION
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

5 August 1943.

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, AAF Station #F-365,
U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 2 March 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. As of Aug 1st the status was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 36 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 30 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- b. On July 6, one EM was placed on DS to London.
- c. On July 7, one (1) officer and 9 EM were sent to AAF Sta F-365 as an advanced cadre for a permanent change of station.
Status for July 7th:
1 Officer 28 EM present for duty.
2 Officers 40 EM on DS.
- d. On 8 July one EM returned to duty from DS.
- e. On 11 July 1943, 1 Officer and 29 EM trfd to AAF Sta F-365 for a permanent change of station.
- f. On 12 July 1943 this organization was asgd to the 4th Air Defense Wing.
- g. On 13 July 1943, one EM returned to duty from DS at AAF Sta F-586.
- h. The status on July 14th was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 39 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 29 EM on DS.
- i. On 19 July 1943, one EM asgd and jd from Hq Sqdn 33rd Serv Gp eff 10 July. Cpl Scrace, T/5 Koors aptd T/4, Pfc Leadbeater and Vohs aptd T/5, Pvts Howard and Rio aptd T/5, and Pvt McMorroff aptd Pfc eff 10 July.

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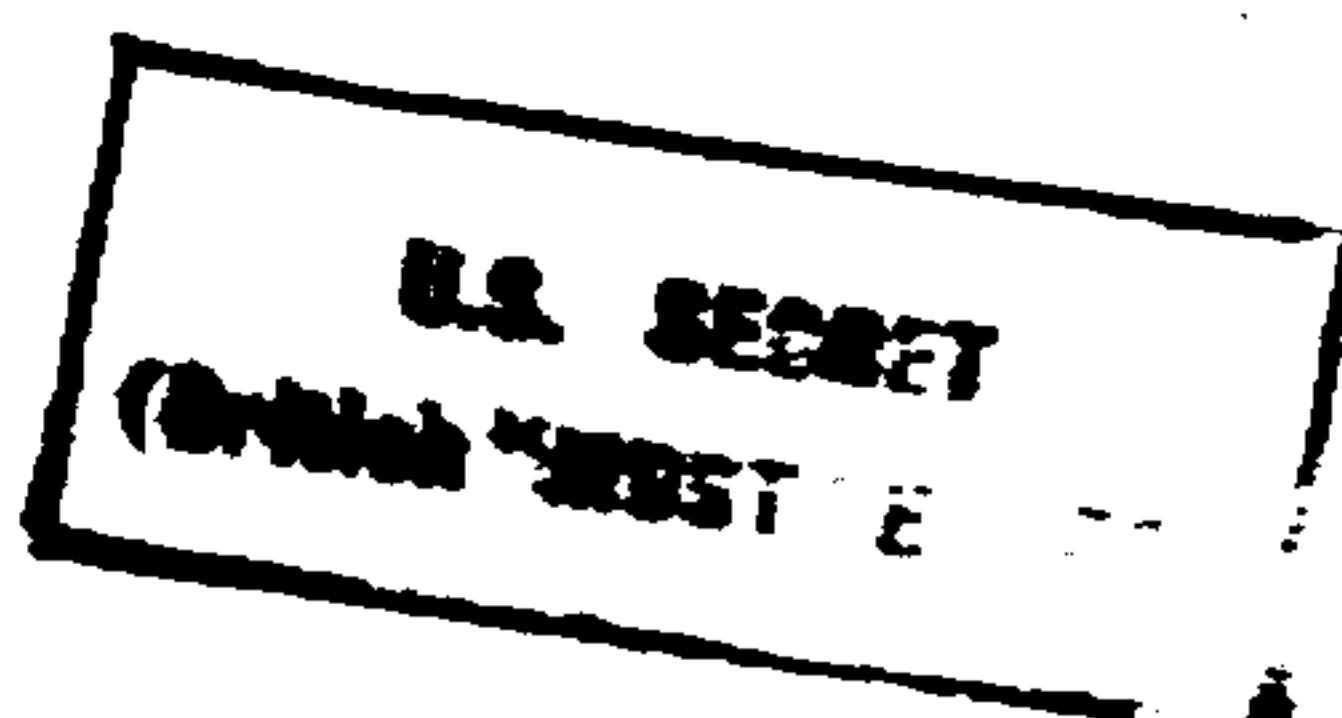
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- h. The status as of July 21st was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 39 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 29 EM on DS.
1 EM on furlough.
- i. On July 24th Sgt Taylow was asgd and jd
fr 12th Replacement Control Depot eff 19th.
- j. On July 25th 8 EM from Ajax were atchd for
rations only.
- k. On July 27th the status was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 41 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 29 EM on DS.
8 EM atchd.
- l. As July 31st the status was as in par. k.
- m. Upon arrival at this base, the personnel
immediately took over the Message Center
and the switchboard room.
- n. The linemen are installing and repairing
phones on the base.
- o. Morale and cooperation still excellent.

Martin H. Johnson

MARTIN H. JOHNSON
1st Lt., Sig C
Commanding.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
NO 37

HEADQUARTERS 33RD SERVICE GROUP
APO 637
10 July, 1943

1. Pvt Charles E. Howard, 33199348, Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron, is trfd to 1030th Signal Supply and Maintenance Co. (Avn), and will report to the Commanding Officer thereof for duty.

2. Upon the recommendation of their Squadron Commander, the foll named EM, 41st Serv Sq, are promoted to the grades indicated. Auth: AR 615-5.

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| <u>TO BE TECHNICAL SERGEANT</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| S/Sgt <u>Edward J. Novak</u> | 6898101 |
| <u>TO BE STAFF SERGEANT</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Sgt <u>Allison W. Fickling</u> | 6852429 |
| Sgt <u>William L. Sutton</u> | 15051831 |
| <u>TO BE SERGEANT</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Cpl <u>John L. Sipek</u> | 16036848 |
| <u>TO BE CORPORAL</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Pfc <u>Sidney Bergman</u> | 32177247 (Med Sect) |

3. Upon the recommendation of his Squadron Commander, S/Sgt Ralph Pesetzky, 32357857, Chemical Sect, Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp, is promoted to the grade of Technical Sergeant (Temporary). Auth: AR 615-5.

4. Upon the recommendation of his Squadron Commander, S/Sgt Harold H. Kollmannsperger, 31037392, QM Sect, Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp, is promoted to the grade of Technical Sergeant (Temporary). Auth: AR 615-5.

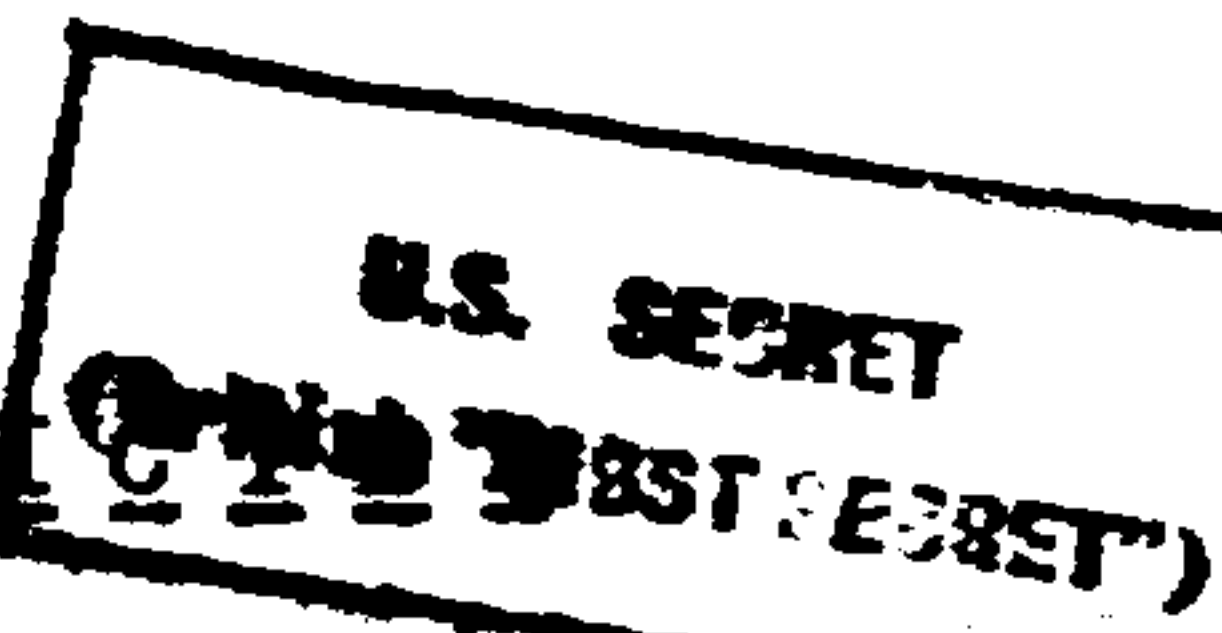
5. Upon the recommendation of their Squadron Commander, the foll named EM, Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp, are promoted to the grades indicated. Auth: AR 615-5.

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| <u>TO BE STAFF SERGEANT</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Sgt <u>Leo G. Russell</u> | 17005709 |
| Sgt <u>Ben H. Skrehot</u> | 18101658 |
| <u>TO BE SERGEANT</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Cpl <u>Harold A. Atkins</u> | 32349494 |
| Cpl <u>Joseph Tremblay</u> | 11016827 |

6. Upon the recommendation of their Company Commander, the foll named EM, 1030th Signal Supply and Maintenance Co. (Avn), are promoted to the grades indicated. Auth: AR 615-5.

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| <u>TO BE TECHNICIAN FOURTH GRADE</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Cpl <u>Albert E. Scrace</u> | 32280831 |
| T/5 <u>Stanley D. Koors</u> | 17091526 |
| <u>TO BE TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE</u> | <u>(Temporary)</u> |
| Pfc <u>Jack Loadbeater</u> | 31041808 |
| Pfc <u>Charles H. Vohs</u> | 36173143 |
| Pvt <u>Erwin A. Rio</u> | 32384526 |
| Pvt <u>Charles E. Howard</u> | 33199348 |

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SO #37, Hq 33rd Serv Gp.

7. Upon the recommendation of his Squadron Commander, Pfc Louis Feingold, 31072042, Medical Sect, Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp, is promoted to the grade of Corporal (Temporary). Auth: AR 615-5.

By order of Lieut. Colonel BROWER:

E. G. ABDALAH
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

E. G. Abdalah

E. G. ABDALAH
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS 3RD SERVICE GROUP
APO 637
19 July, 1943

1. The foll named EM having reported, this date, in compliance with par. 3, S.O. #148, Hq 12th Replacement Control Depot, cs, are hereby asgd to units indicated, this Group, and will report to respective Commanding Officer thereof for duty:

TO 1030TH SIGNAL SUPPLY & MAINTENANCE CO. (AVN)
Sgt Erby H. Taylor 38047565

TO 41ST SERVICE SQUADRON
Pvt Dan H. Langford 18191764

By order of Lieut. Colonel BROER:

E. G. ABDALAH
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

E. G. Abdalah
E. G. ABDALAH
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
NUMBER 199

HEADQUARTERS VIII FIGHTER COMMAND
APO 637 AAF STATION F-341
25 July, 1943.

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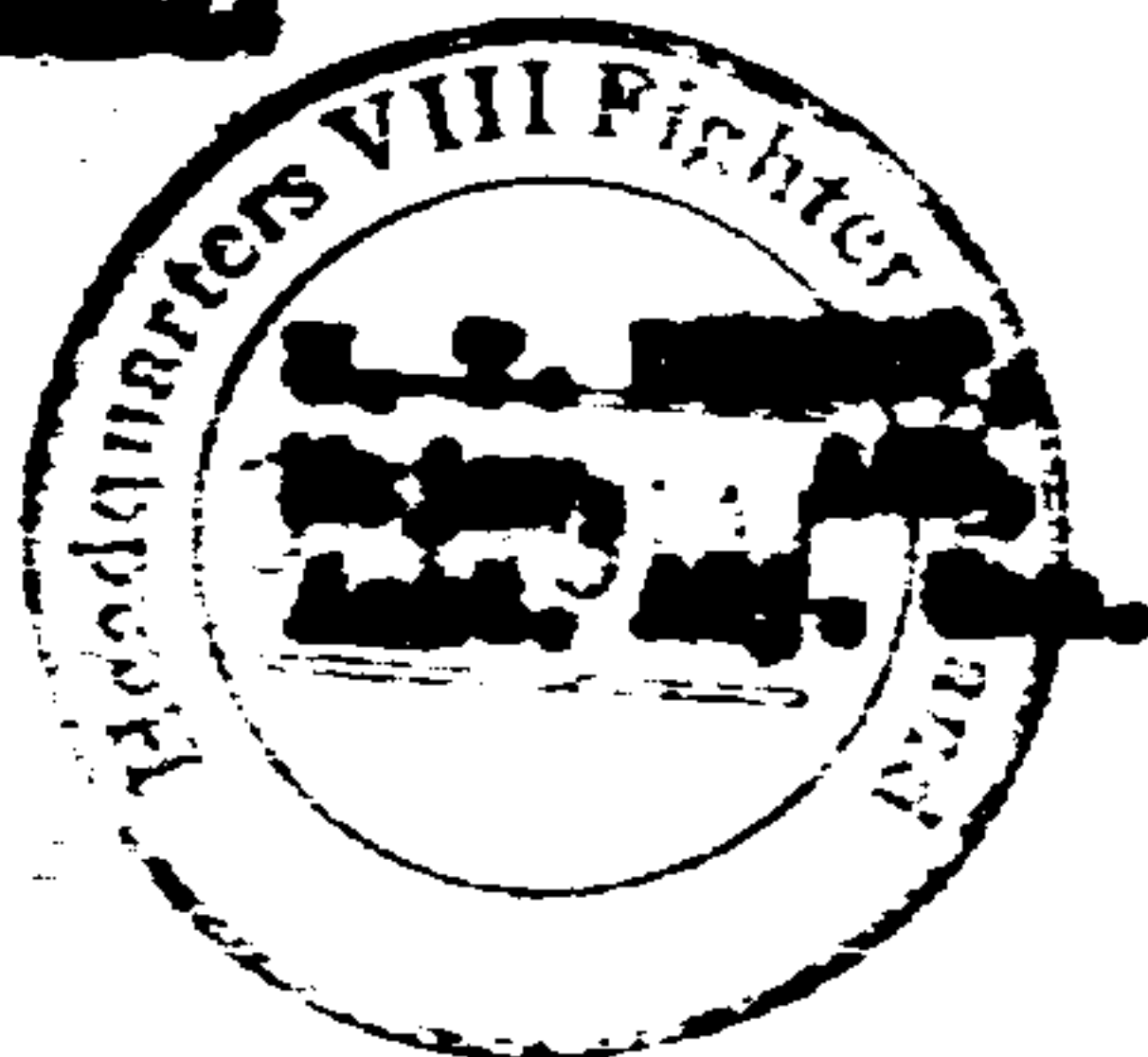
1. The foll IM cogs indicated WP HUNT o/a this date for this sta to AAF Sta F-341 to carry out the inst of the CG, COMB, and are attached to 1030th Sig Sup & Main CG (Avn) for ref and ops. THE. QTR. FAS 1-6400 F 432-02 A 0425-04.

1/Ltj Robert L. Worcester, 35309009, 418th Sig Co, Avn.
1/Ltj Albert J. Ellarson, 14097004, 418th Sig Co, Avn.
1/Ltj Edmund V. Sanders, 18006072, 418th Sig Co, Avn.
1/Ltj Joseph A. Mathews, 34092139, 418th Sig Co, Avn.
1/Ltj George H. Harding, 12007012, 418th Sig Co, Avn.
1/Ltj John C. Sahn, 14097032, 418th Sig Co, Avn.
1/Ltj Louis Gammale, 30077007, 418th Sig Co, Avn.
1/Ltj Lawrence E. Mathews, 60006073, Hq & Hq Sq VIII Ftr Comd.

By command of Brigadier General HUNT:

STEWART W. TULL, Jr.,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:



1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.G. 637 U. S. ARMY

22 September 1943

COMPANY ORDER)
NUMBER 9)

1. During the temporary absence of
Lt. Johnson, the undersigned hereby assumes com-
mand of the 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp effective this
date.

John M. Kane
JOHN M. KANE,
WO (jg) Sig C,
Commanding.

R E S T R I C T E D
 12th REPLACEMENT CONTROL DEPOT
 A.P.O. 635

SPECIAL ORDERS)

3 August 1943.

RUELER 177)

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1. PIC teletype 122 (confidential) Hq Eighth Air Force, dated 2 August 1943, 1ST LT. RICHARD L. LYONS, 0560061, AC, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Cont Depot, AAF 591, AAF and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to 42nd Serv Gp VIII Air Support Comd. This is a perm c of station. A per dia. of \$6.00 is auth while on travel status. TGMT. IDN. FSA 1-5600 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

2. PIC teletype (restricted 54), Hqs. 8th Air Force, dated 29 July 1943, 2ND LT. ROLLIE L. CLAGUE, 016019, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591 AAF and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to Hqs VIII Fighter Command. This is a perm c of station. A per dia. of \$6.00 is auth while on a travel status. TGMT. IDN. FSA 1-5600 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

3. PIC teletype 122 (confidential) Hq Eighth Air Force, dated 2 August 1943, the following named officers, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF 591, AAF and/or GAT from AAF-591 to organizations as indicated below for perm c of station. A per dia. of \$6.00 is auth while on travel status. TGMT. IDN. FSA 1-5600, P 432-02 A 212/40425.

| NAME | ASST TO |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Capt. LARRY L. ANDERSON 0334073 | 153rd Obsn Sq VIII Air Support Comd |
| 1ST LT. JAMES H. WILKINSON, 0815574 | Hq VIII Fighter Comd. |
| 2ND LT. GLENN L. WHITEFIELD, 0605202 | 91st Bomb Gp |

4. PAC Ltr Hqs, Eighth Air Force, subject: "Transfer of 12" the following named 12, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591 are transferred in grade to units as designated below. AAF and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to units as designated below. This is a perm c of station. Cooked rations in kind will be furnished while travelling. TGMT. IDN. FSA 1-5600 P 431-02 A 212/4025.

| NAME | ASST | ASST TO | AAF Dia |
|-----------------------------------|------|----------------------|---------|
| Sgt. John L. McPhail, 19003295 | | 36th Bomb Sq. | 105 |
| Sgt. Henry F. Roth, 32324054 | 911 | 324th Bomb Sq. | 121 |
| Pfc Albert M. Story, 32371613 | | 44th Serv Sq | 305 |
| Cpl Leon L. Tucker, 37423572 | 620 | 334th Bomb Sq. | 119 |
| Sgt. Carl L. Deichman, 11017223 | 502 | 35th Depot Supply Sq | 127 |
| Sgt. Harry M. Smith, 11057679 | 612 | 153rd Obsn Sq. | 471 |
| Howard M. Grunty, Cpl, 16035493 | 640 | 7th Fighter Gp | 357 |
| Sgt. Robert L. McIntosh, 34241014 | | 329th Bomb Sq | 104 |

5. PIC teletype 71 (restricted), Hq. VIII Air Force, dtd 28 July 1943, S/Sgt John C. Prestel, 10035055, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591, is transferred in grade to 11th C.G.R.C. and AAF and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to 11th C.G.R.C. This is a perm c of station. Cooked rations in kind will be furnished while travelling. TGMT. IDN. FSA 1-5600 P 431-02 A 212/4025.

6. PIC teletype 75 (confidential), Hqs Eighth Air Force, dtd 31 July 1943, Pvt. Alexander Schostain, 324079, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591 AAF and/or GAT Hq VIII Air Force on temp duty for four (4) days, Cooked rations in kind will be furnished while travelling. Said En will be attd to Hqs. VIII Air Force for rations and qrs while on this TD. TGMT. IDN. FSA 1-5600 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

7. PIC teletype 122 (confidential) Hq VIII Air Force, dtd 2 August 1943, 2ND LT. CLAUDE L. DALL, 0725411, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot AAF-591 AAF and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to 11th C.G.R.C. VIII Bomber Comd. This is a perm change of station. A per dia. of \$6.00 is auth while on travel status. TGMT. IDN. FSA 1-5600 P 431-02 A 212/4025.

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8. PIC teletype 935 (confidential) lq VIII Air Force, dtd 2 Aug 1943, the following named lq, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591 are transferred in grade to units as designated below, and MFR and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to units indicated below. Cooked rations in kind will be furnished while travelling. TCM. TDM Fls 1-5600 P 431-02 A 212/4025. This is a perm c of station.

| NAME | GRADE | ASSIGNED TO | AAF STA. |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------|
| Pfc Cecil R. Jordan, | 34136144 (776) | 41st Signal Co. | 341 |
| Pvt. Gerhard A. Layback, | 36119164 (776) | " | " |
| Pvt. John V. Meagher, | 31033260 (776) | Det "A" 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp | 356 |
| Pvt. William H. Kapp, | 33235623 (776) | " | " |
| Pfc Jack L. Riggio, | 32180558 (776) | 1030th Sig Co. Serv Gp | 365 |
| Pvt. Harold (MIA) Sikoff, | 32171400 (776) | " | " |
| Pvt. Delmar E. Sorge, | 37428491 (776) | " | " |
| Pvt. Stanley (MIA) Standifer, | 0984230 (776) | 91st Lant Gp | 121 |
| Pvt. Gerald L. Stratton, | 37127158 (776) | " | " |
| Pvt. Jean L. Williamson, | 36066119 (776) | 401st Sig Co. Avn | 236 |

9. PIC teletype 139 (restricted) lq VIII Air Force, dtd 2 August 1943, the following named officers, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591 are assigned to units as indicated below, and MFR and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to units indicated below. This is a perm c of station. A per dien of \$6.00 is auth while on travel status. TCM. TDM Fls 1-5600 P 431-02 A 212/4025.

| NAME | GRADE | ASSIGNED TO | AAF STA. |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Capt. LAMAR LOMAH, | P-37626 | 4th Lant Wing, VIII Bomber Command. | 116 |
| P/O SIDNEY R. DOLICK, | T-190523 | 44th Lant Gp VIII Bomber Command. | 115 |

10. PIC teletype 141 (restricted) lq VIII Air Force, dtd 2 August 1943 Capt. KENNETH L. LOMAH, O-43585, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591 is assigned to 3rd Bomb Wing, VIII Air Support Command, and MFR and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to 3rd Bomb Wing, VIII Air Support Command, reporting to lq 3rd Bomb Wing immediately. This is a permanent c of station. A per dien of \$6.00 is auth while on a travel status. TCM. TDM Fls 1-5600 P 431-02 A 212/4025.

11. PIC teletype 83 (confidential) lq VIII Air Force, dtd 31 July 1943, the following named O and EM, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591, MFR and/or GAT fr AAF-591 to 3rd Bomb Wing, VIII Air Support Command. A per dien of \$6.00 is auth each O while on a travel status. Cooked rations in kind will be furnished each EM while travelling. This is a perm c of station. TCM. TDM Fls 1-5600 P 431-02 A 212/4025.

Capt. LAMAR L. LOMAH, O-404123
 P/O CLAUDE L. JONES, T-120003
 2nd Lt. RICHARD G. LAYNE, O-732439
 S/Sgt. George A. Fint, 16044897
 S/Sgt. George H. Fanning, 39607332
 Sgt. Jack L. Tolbert, 14131302

2nd Lt. DAVID L. MILLER, O-6706
 2nd Lt. DAVID C. MILLER, O-672539
 2nd Lt. LEO J. PHILL, O-673670
 Sgt. James E. Wilson, 38106799
 S/Sgt Leon A. Miller, 13102598
 S/Sgt Carlos L. Peques, 38203318

1st Lt. WENDELL A. MILLER, O-670679
 2nd Lt. LEROY L. MILLER, O-670685
 2nd Lt. LEO A. SMITH, O-730751
 S/Sgt William C. Hall, 33323447
 S/Sgt John D. Hoffner, 18071504
 S/Sgt Forest E. Estel, 33105396

2nd Lt. EVAN R. MILLER, O-737593
 2nd Lt. DOUGLAS A. PARRISH, O-7324
 2nd Lt. ROBERT P. GILLORE, O-7324
 S/Sgt Walter L. Evans, 18136330
 S/Sgt Bernard O. Benoit, 31155407
 S/Sgt Elmer L. Gibson, 3133955

2nd Lt. DAVID L. WELLS, O-525063
 2nd Lt. WALTER L. GUNNELL, O-737566
 2nd Lt. KENNETH R. THOMPSON, O-725510
 S/Sgt Donald L. Conlin, 32139342
 S/Sgt Glenn Loone, 33201529
 S/Sgt Joseph R. Ashburne, 39252676

2nd Lt. JOHN T. MILLER, O-671020
 2nd Lt. ROBERT MILLER, O-671058
 2nd Lt. WILLIAM J. MILLER, O-796
 S/Sgt Bill R. Fortune, 14062006
 S/Sgt Glen J. Frazier, 39179552
 S/Sgt David G. Davis, 15322218

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SP #177, this lq, dtd 3 Aug 1943 (Cont'd)

12. VOCO, this date, directing the following named LM, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Cont Depot,AAF-591, to proceed by rail and/o Gt fr AAF-591 to R.A.F. Stations as indicated below for the purpose of clearing their respective stations is hereby confirmed and made of record. Monetary alms in lieu of rations and qrs in accordance with AR 35-4520 is auth ea Ea. for the number of days as shown below to be paid in advance. TGT. TDM FSA 1-5000 P 432-02 A 212/40425.

| NAME | R.A.F. station | No. of days |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Sgt. Joseph Flory, 10601250 | Fighting French Hq. London | 4 |
| Pfc George F. Tunjkrist, 10601249 | " " " " | 4 |
| Sgt. John C. Sweeney, 10601055 | Longkesh, NI | 8 |
| Cpl. Jefferson J. Leaver, 10601060 | Irvingstown, N.I. | 8 |
| S/Sgt. Harold J. Smith, 10601030 | RCAF. Hq, London | 4 |
| Pvt. Royce F. McGillyary, 10601061 | " " " " | 4 |
| Cpl. Donald Loves, 10601057 | " " " & Dinsdale | 6 |
| Cpl. Frank P. Davis, 10601062 | " " " " | 6 |
| Sgt. Walter S. Webster, 10601054, | " " " " | 4 |
| Pvt. William F. Cadge, 10601059 | Aberdeen, Scotland, | 5 |
| Sgt. Charles V. Elliott, 10601053 | R.A.F. Coningsby | 5 |
| Cpl. Leonard L. Locker, 10601063 | Topcliffe via Leeds | 5 |
| Cpl. Ross D. Lriscoe, 10601050 | Skipton-on-Swale | 4 |
| Sgt. Leo A. Itle, 10601042 | R.C.A.F. London-Brisby | 6 |

13. Under the provisions of Sec 1, Cir 77, Hq ETOEA, 1942, 2ND LT. CHARLES (Mn) KETCHER, O-726036, AC, Casual Pool, 12th Repl. Control Depot, AAF-591 is transferred to the Detachment of Patients, 30th General Hospital, APO 514. No travel involved.

14. So much as pertains to par 3, SO 153, this lq, dtd 7 July 1943, as reads: "FD 31 P 431-02 A 0425-23" is amended to read: "FSA 1-5000 P 431-02 A 0425-24."

15. so much as pertain to par 1, SO 150, this lq dtd 13 July 1943, as reads: "FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23" is amended to read: "FSA 1-5000 P 432-02 A 212/40425"

16. Par 11, SO 176, this lq dtd 2 August 1943 is amended to read in addition: "TGT TDM FSA 1-5000 P 432-02 A 0425-24."

17. So much as pertains to par 21, SO 174, this lq dtd 31 July 1943 as reads: "F/O ROBERT A. DOLBY, T-190612 is amended to read: "F/O ROBERT A. GILLER, T-190557"

18. So much as pertains to par 7, SO 175, this lq, dtd 1 Aug 1943, as reads: "T-3612161" is amended to read: "T-190557"

19. PIC teletype 6555, Hq VIII AFSC (Ordnance) dtd 28 July 1943, Capt. ROSE E. WILKINS, O-1573475, 104th Ord Co, AAF Sta 591, AFPA and/or Gt fr AAF-591 to Hq, VIII A.F.S.C. (Ordnance) to attend course for approx 3 days, reporting not later 29 July 1943. 10F subsistence or billets, a per diem of \$6.00 per day is auth while travelling and while on this TD. TGT. TDM FSA 1-5000 P 431-02 A 212/40425.

20. PAC 10 209, Hq ETOEA, dtd 27 July, 1943, par 2, 1ST LT LOUIS H. DUELLING, O-990026, AC, Casual Pool, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF-591, AFPA and/or Gt to European Ag, ATC, for perm c of station. A per diem of \$6.00 is auth while on travel status. TGT. TDM FSA 1-5000 P 431-02 A 212/40425.

21. Under the provisions of par 3a, AR 35-320, 1ST LT ELLSWORTH J. ALLEN, O-1100631 and 1ST LT. WALTER C. LEECH, O-726000, 12th Repl Control Depot, AAF 591 are apptd Class "A" Agent Finance Officer for J. MILLON Capt. , F.D. For the purpose of paying all payrolls for AAF-591 for the month of August 1943.

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SO 177, this hq, dtd 3 August 1943 (Cont'd)

22. Under the provisions of AR 605-115 and Cir No. 69, hq, LTOLa, dtd 30 October 1942, the following named O are granted leave of absence for number of days as set forth opposite their names below.

| NAME | NO. DAYS | EFFECTIVE DATE |
|---|----------|----------------|
| Capt. ALVIN L. COOLIDGE, O-30691 | 5 | 3 Aug 1943 |
| 1ST LT. KENNETH S. GILSON, Jr, O-202046 | 5 | 3 Aug 1943 |
| 1ST LT. JAMES WILKINSON, O-885574 | 5 | 31 Jul 1943 |

U.S. SECRET

(When "MOST SECRET")

By order of Lt. Col. G. J. B.

L. J. GLASCOCK
Capt. A.C.
adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

L. J. Glascock
L. J. GLASCOCK
Capt. A.C.
adjutant.

DETACHMENT "G"

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HEADQUARTERS, AAF STATION F-356
APO 637 U.S. ARMY

1 August, 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 113)

1. WOOG Eighth Air Force, Pvt. Gabriel (MHI) Gynrathy, 32418253, 334th Ftr. Sq. TP by rail o/a 1 August, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to Teddington by order of the CG. CMT TDN 1-5600 P 431-02 A 0425-24.
2. MAJOR ROBERT S. FELLOWS, 0370717, AC is authorized seven (7) days leave effective o/a 16 August, 1943.
3. 1ST LT. CHARLES (MHI) ROSEN, 01795820, CIP is authorized seven (7) days leave effective o/a 11 August, 1943.
4. PAC Ltr. Hq., VIII FC dtd 11 June, 1943, Subject: "Training of Medical Department Personnel in Gas Defense", CAPT FRANK D. ELKAVICH, 0473666, NC TP by rail o/a 1 August, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to AAF Sta F-345 to carry out inst of CG, CTRS: A per diem of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth 0 while trav & TD not to exceed five (5) days. CMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 A 0425-24.
5. PAC TX 8FCY545C 1ST LT. FRANK H. KISTER, 01552101, ORD TP by rail o/a 11 August, 1943, fr AAF Sta F-356 to Bomb Disposal Wing, RAF Station Eastchurch Isle of Sheppey, to pursue a course of inst, CTRS: CMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 A 0425-24.
6. 2ND LT. ALVIN (MHI) HARRIS, 0561209, AC is relieved as Asst. S-4 (PD) and is hereby designated Sta Mess Officer (PD) vice 2ND LT. ADDISON C. DAVIS, 0374063, AC relieved.
7. 2ND LT. ADDISON C. DAVIS, 0374063, AC is relieved as Sta Asst. Adj. (AD) and hereby designated as Sta Asst. Adj. (PD)
8. Upon the recommendation of their Detachment Commander, the following: 1st Lt. Dot. "A", 1030th Signal Supply & Maintenance Co. (AVN) are promoted to the grade indicated. Auth. AR 615-5:

TO BE STAFF SERGEANT (Temporary)

Sgt. Leo A. Ricilly, 12009249
Sgt. James H. Thirtle, 32138915

TO BE SERGEANT (Temporary)

Cpl. Earl A. Forrest, Jr., 38072550

TO BE TECHNICIAN FOURTH GRADE (Temporary)

T/5 Glenford E. Lyons, 12058363

TO BE TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE (Temporary)

Pfc. Victor J. Skok, 32208333
Pfc. Frank E. Seeger, 32211733
Pfc. Raymond V. Bogenschultz, 32280639

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9. PAC FAX 8FCY502C the foll named EM 45th Service Sq. WP by rail o/a 3 August, 1943 fr MAF Sta F-356 to Taddington for the purpose of appearing before Aviation Cadet Exam Board, CTRS: QLT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 & 0425-24.

S/Sgt. Walter F. Socha, 32132029
Pvt. Nathals S. Brown, 11039246

10. PAC FAX SPY170C the foll named O WP by rail o/a 2 August, 1943 f MAF Sta F-356 to MAF Sta F-341 to carry out inst of CG: CTRS:

MAJOR ROBERT O. ANDREWS, 0321142, LC
1ST LT. JULIUS E. TOY, 0835693, LC
2ND LT. WARREN J. BAUER, 0564763, LC
2ND LT. ROBERT F. SHERIDAN, 02040839, LC

If nec sub & billets are not furn by govt a per diem of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth O while trav & TD not to exceed three (3) days. QLT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 & 0425-24.

11. VOCO the foll EM now on duty at Wicks are continued on duty at that station:

S/Sgt. Joseph C. Shancey, 13040272, 336th Ftr. Sq.
S/Sgt. Cleo E. Phillips, 37142300, 334th Ftr. Sq.
Sgt. Max G. Schurrcher, 39090188, 334th Ftr. Sq.
Cpl. James D. Allen, 34283728, 335th Ftr. Sq.
Cpl. Richard J. Wehrlein, 17046469, 336th Ftr. Sq.
Cpl. Louis A. Sweeney, 35502790, 336th Ftr. Sq.
Cpl. Arthur B. Decker, 10600416, 335th Ftr. Sq.

Mon alws in lieu of rat & qrs in accord with AR 35-4520 is auth EM in advance for an additional thirty (30) days. QLT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 & 0425-24.

12. UP of per 3b AR 35-320 1ST LT. RICHARD D. CONRAD, 0855486, Hq., 4th Ftr. Gp. is detailed as class "A" agent Finance Officer at Sta F-356, to CAPT. I. Q. RAYBURN, FD, Disbursing Officer at Debden, for the purpose of making payment of commutation of Rations and Quarters for month of August to EM DS from this station. UP AR 35-6300 the maximum amount of money with which O is to be entrusted is \$ 400.

13. The foll O and EM WP by govt veh o/a 2 August, 1943 fr MAF Sta F-356 to Wicks to carry out inst of CO, CTRS:

1ST LT. RICHARD D. CONRAD, 0855486, LC
Cpl. LeRoy V. Bowman, 36117200, Hq., 4th Ftr. Gp.

If nec sub & billets are not furn a per diem of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth O while trav & TD not to exceed two (2) days. Mon alws in lieu of rat & qrs in accordance with AR 35-4520 will be paid EM not to exceed two (2) days. QLT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 & 0425-24.

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14. The foll EM MP via govt veh c/a 2 August, 1943 fr LAF Sta F-356 to Disciplinary Training Center #1 for the purpose of guarding prisoner, CTRS:

Sgt. Thomas A. Bell, 32456676, 1063rd MP Co. (LVN)
Pfc. James D. Phillips, 11010927, 45th Serv. Sq.

It being impractical for the govt to furn rat & qrs in kind, men alws in lieu of rat & qrs in accord with AR 35-4520 will be paid EM for trav & TD not to exceed two (2) days. CMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 A 0425-24.

By Order of Colonel ANDERSON:

OFFICIAL: *Robert O. Andrews*
ROBERT O. ANDREWS
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS, AAF STATION F-356
APO 637 U.S. ARMY

27 July, 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 110)

1. PAC TIX SEF0106G 1ST LT. CHARLES P. MEAD, 0284047, AC WP by rail o/a 2 August, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to Teddington to attend a course in Air Ships Recognition, CTRS: If nec sub & billets are not furn by govt a per dien of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth 0 not to exceed four (4) days. QMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 A 0425-24.

2. PAC TIX 8FC1129C the foll named EM WP by rail o/a 29 July, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to 41 Kingsway, London for the purpose of taking exam for Aviation Cadet, CTRS: QMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 A 0425-24.

S/Sgt. Joseph E. Tabb, 7001212, 334th Ftr. Sq.
Cpl. Albert J. Belade, 31125480, 335th Ftr. Sq.

3. 2ND LT. ADDISON C. DAVIS, 0374063, AC is authorized seven (7) days leave effective o/a 8 August, 1943.

4. 1ST LT. JAMES C. PEARSON, 01548122, ORD, is authorized seven (7) days leave effective o/a 8 August, 1943.

5. 1ST LT. ERNEST D. BEATTIE, 0885177, AC, WP by rail o/a 27 July, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to AAF Sta F-341 to carry out inst of the CO, CTRS: If nec sub & billets are not furn by govt a per dien of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth 0 not to exceed three (3) days. QMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 A 0425-24.

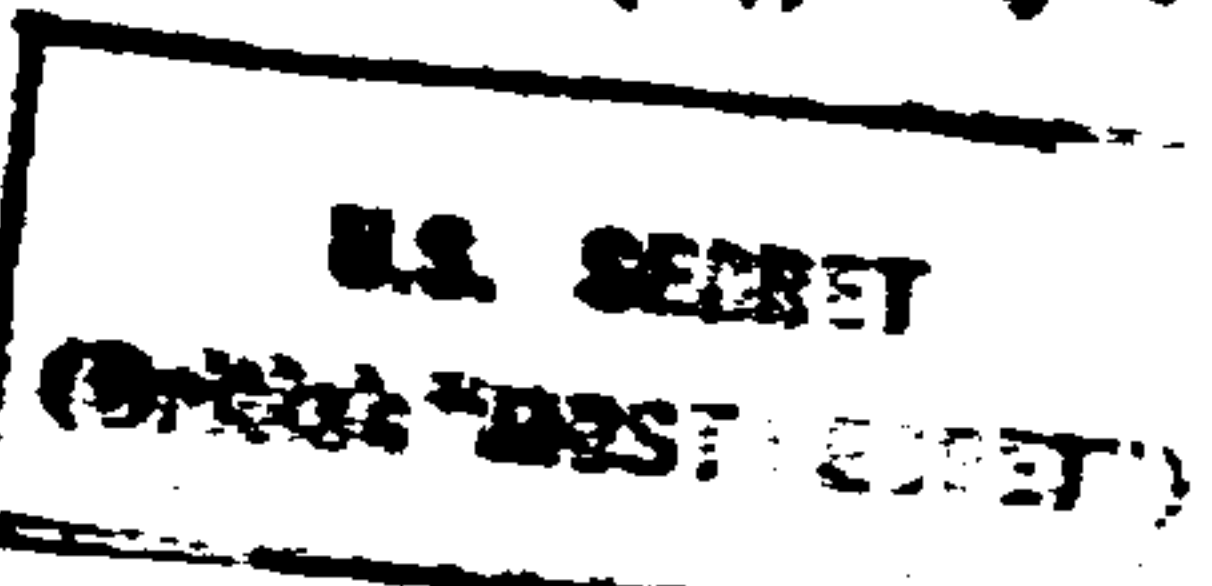
6. Upon the recommendation of their Detachment Commander the foll named EM Det "1", 1030th Signal Supply and Maintenance Co. are promoted to Private First Class: Auth AR 615-5:

Pvt. David (NHI) Becker, 13053036
Pvt. Edward H. Gilman, 11052316

7. VOGG VIII FC the foll named EM 336th Ftr. Sq. WP by rail o/a 1 August, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to No. 21 School of Technical Training, Burtonwood Repair Depot, Warrington, Lancashire, to pursue a course of inst in P-47 Crew Chief 6 weeks, CTRS: QMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 A 0425-24.

S/Sgt. Oscar C. Garrison, 14063757
S/Sgt. Donald L. Grooner, 35364337

8. VOGG VIII FC S/Sgt. Francis J. Street, Jr., 16063094, 334th Ftr. Sq. WP by rail o/a 1 August, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to Rotal Airscrews Limited, Old Technical College, Brunswick Road, Gloucester, to pursue a course of inst in Curtis Electric Propellers--2 weeks, CTRS: Mon alms in lieu of rat & qrs will be paid EM in advance in accord with AR 35-4520 not to exceed fourteen (14) days. QMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 A 0425-24.



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SO #110, Hq., AAF Station F-356, dtd 27 July, 1943 CONT'D.

9. VCCG VIII FC S/Sgt. David (NEI) Kaplan, 11037653, 336th Ftr. Sq. WP by rail o/a 1 August, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to Dowty Equipment Co. Ltd. Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, to pursue a course of inst in General Hydraulics -- 1 week, CTRS: Mon alms in lieu of rat & qrs will be paid EM in advance in accord with AR 35-4520 not to exceed seven (7) days. QMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 & 0425-24.

10. VCCG VIII FC T/5th Willard G. Behm, 36522568, 1770th Ord. Supply & Maintenance Co. (LVN) WP by rail o/a 4 August, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to No. 10 School of Technical Training, R.A.F. Station Kirkham, near Preston, Lancashire, to pursue a course of inst in Browning and Vickers Machine Gun--1 week, CTRS: QMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 & 0425-24.

11. VCCG VIII FC Pfc. Henry (NEI) Bonastak, 36373963, 1770th Ord Supply & Maintenance Co. (LVN) WP by rail o/a 4 August, 1943 fr AAF Sta F-356 to No. 10 School of Technical Training, R.A.F. Station Kirkham, near Preston, Lancashire, to pursue a course of inst in 20 M.M. Cannon--2 weeks, CTRS: QMT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 & 0425-24.

12. CAPTAIN WILLIAM S. SANDLER, 01821264, MC is authorized seven (7) days leave effective o/a 5 August, 1943.

By Order of Colonel ANDERSON:

OFFICIAL: *Robert O. Andrews*
ROBERT O. ANDREWS
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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1030TH SIGNAL SUPPLY & MAINTENANCE COMPANY, AVIATION
A.F.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

3 July 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq's, AAF Station #F-123,
U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memo-
randum No. 125-1, dated 2 March 1943, subject, "Prepa-
ration of Unit histories", the following report is sub-
mitted for this organization:

- a. As of 1 June 1943, the status of this organ-
ization was as follows:
1 Officer, 36 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 30 EM on DS.
1 WO Ab Sk.
2 EM on furlough.
- b. On 2 June 1943, WO Kane returned to duty from
Ab Sk at 12th Evac Hosp.
The 1030th Sig Co, Serv Gp was redesignated the
1030th Signal Supply & Maintenance Company,
Aviation. The organization was given a new T/O
to function by, T/O 11-237 dated 1 Nov 1942.
- c. As of 7 June 1943, the status of this organ-
ization was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 36 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 30 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- d. On 13 June 1943, one EM returned to duty from
DS at Ajax where he had been on the line con-
struction crew. Lt Johnson left on DS to Ajax.
- e. On 14 June 1943, Lt Johnson returned to duty
from DS at Ajax.
The company status on this date was:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 39 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 29 EM on DS.
- f. On 16 June 1943, 2nd Lt Johnson was appointed
1st Lt.
- g. On 21 June 1943, the company status was:
1 officer, 1 WO, 37 EM present for duty.

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1 Officer, 29 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.

- h. On 22 June 1943, WO Kane went on lv for a period of five days.
- i. On 27 June 1943, WO Kane returned to duty from lv. One EM was placed on DS to AAF Sta F-586 to pursue a course in teletype maint.
- j. The status of this company on 30 June 1943 was as follows:
1 officer, 1 WO, 38 EM present for duty.
1 officer, 30 EM on DS.
- k. The personnel of this organization are required to attend aircraft recognition and chemical warfare instruction classes each week.
- l. The morale and cooperation and all is still high.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON,
1st Lt., Sig C.,
Commanding.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
NO 49

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION F-123
APO 637
10 June, 1943

1. CAPT HAROLD W. DEMYER, 0900994, AC, Hq 56th Fgtr Gp WP MEMT o/a 14 June, 1943 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-341 for purpose of attending conference. If nec subsistence and billets are not fur by the Govt, per diem of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth 0 while trav and on TD not to exceed two (2) days. TDN. QMT. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

2. 1ST LT HENRY C. MARTIN, Jr, 0904491, AC, Hq 56th Fgtr Gp and 2ND LT MARTIN H. JOHNSON, 01636098, SC, 1030th Sig Co, WP MEMT o/a 11 June, 1943 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-341 for purpose of attending lecture. If nec subsistence and billets are not fur by the Govt, per diem of six (\$6.00) per day is auth 0 while trav and on TD not to exceed two (2) days. TDN. QMT. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

3. The foll named EM, 41st Serv Sq, WP MEMT o/a 13 June, 1943 fr this sta to Birmingham to carry out the inst of the CG VIII Fgtr Cmd. CTRS. TDN. QMT. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

Sgt. James E. Cambre
Pfc. Pete Rampone

14058397
18047235

4. Par 3, SO #46, this hq, cs, is amended by adding: "It having been impracticable for the Govt to furn the nec cooking fac for rats and qrs in kind, the FD will reimburse the above named EM the mon trav alws as prescribed in Table II, Par 2a, AR 35-4520, as amended, for two and two thirds days for rats and two (2) days for qrs".

5. WOCO directing the foll named EM to proceed GMT o/a 9 June, 1943, to Leicester to carry out the inst of the CO CTRS are confirmed. It having been impracticable for the Govt to furn the nec cooking fac for rats and qrs in kind, the FD will reimburse the foll EM the mon alws as prescribed in Table II, Par 2a, AR 35-4520, as amended, for one and one third days for rations and one (1) day for qrs.

Cpl. George D. Bailey 15088872
Cpl. John Sambo 16023423
Pfc. Gilbert M. Keefe 35322346

61st. Fgtr Sq.
41st. Serv Sq.
151st. Q.H. Co. Serv Gp.

By order of Colonel ZEMKE:

E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

E. G. Abdalah
E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
NO 57

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION F-123
APO 637
22 June, 1943

1. Under the provisions of Cir #77, Sect I, par 2b, ETOUSA, dtd 25 Nov., 1942 Pvt. Gerhardt R. Winter, 31190970, 1631st Ord Supp & Maint Co (Avn), is transferred to the Det of Patients, 2nd Evacuation Hospital, APO 875. No change of sta involved.

2. The foll named EM WP MENT o/a 22 June, 1943 fr this sta to Birmingham to carry out the inst of the CG VIII Fgtr Cnd, CTRS. TDN. QMT. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23

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| Pfc. <u>R.L. Renegar</u> | 18084786 | Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp |
| Pvt. <u>George I. Williams, Jr.</u> | 17034769 | 41st Serv Sq |

3. Par 9, SO #50, this hq, cs, pertaining to 1ST LT ALFRED L. HELLOR, 0360450, AC, is amended by adding: "If nec subsistence and billets were not furn by the Govt, per diem of six (\$6.00) per day is auth 0 while trav and on TD not to exceed two (2) days".

4. Par 3, SO #52, this hq, cs, is amended by delating: "CAPT JOHN P. DERBY, 0649035, AC, Hq 56th Fgtr Gp".

5. 1ST LT JOSEPH O CALLOUETTE, 0432487, AC, Hq 56th Fgtr Gp, is designated Station Damage Officer (Add Duty).

6. CAPT NATHAN L. LIPPMAN, 0378359, MC, Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp, is designated Station Surgeon (Add Duty).

7. PACI telegraphic inst 8FCU42C the foll named EM WP MENT o/a 24 June, 1943 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-341. EM will rpt to Headquarters that sta at 1200 hrs, 25 June, 1943. CTRS. TDN. QMT. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

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| S/Sgt. <u>Norman E. Schroeder</u> | 16008580 | Det 18th Weather Sq |
| Pfc. <u>Raymond S. Doherty</u> | 3785343 | Hq 56th Fgtr Sq |

8. Under the provisions of par 3, Art 31-239, dtd June 19, 1941 the foll named 0 are designated as Mess Agent Finance Officers to E. TOWNSEND ERIE, CAPT, 10, for the purpose of payment of the 2nd and 0 of their respective organizations of this sta not in excess of the amount opposite their names for an indefinite period:

| RANK | NAME | SERIAL
NUMBER | BRANCH
SERVICE | ORGANIZATIONS | AMOUNT |
|--------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| CAPT | PHILIP D. ENGIE | 0377733 | AC | Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp | \$6,000 |
| MAJOR | JAMES D. OSGOOD | 0259179 | AC | 41st Serv Sq | \$15,000 |
| 1ST LT | WELVIN A. COLE | 01548697 | Ord | 1085th Ord Co Avn (AB) | \$2,500 |
| 1ST LT | IRVING J. GLATER | 01573231 | Ord | 1631st Ord Co HM Avn (Q) | \$2,500 |
| 1ST LT | MARTIN H. JOHNSON | 01636098 | SC | 1020th Sig Co Serv Gp | \$3,500 |
| CAPT | JOHN P. DERBY | 0649035 | AC | Hq, 56th Fgtr Gp | \$4,000 |
| CAPT | RALPH W. EASTWOOD | 0908286 | AC | 61st Fgtr Sq | \$15,000 |
| CAPT | VIRGIL H. DURFANCE | 0328174 | AC | 62nd Fgtr Sq | \$15,000 |
| CAPT | RAYMOND S. DOHERTY | 0903012 | AC | 63rd Fgtr Sq | \$15,000 |

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SO #57, Hq AAF Sta F-123

9. PACI telegraphic inst 8FCU429C the foll named EM WP MENT fr this sta to AAF Sta F-586 reporting upon arrival thereat to the CO, 988th HF Co (Avn) for TD not to exceed three (3) weeks. CTRS. TDN. QMT. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

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| S/Sgt. <u>Kermit D. Hall</u> | 15066843 | 61st Fgtr Sq |
| Sgt. <u>John E. Morgan</u> | 15066876 | 62nd Fgtr Sq |
| T/5. <u>Burnis W. Johnson</u> | 37287432 | 1030th Signal Co Serv Gp |

10. So much of par 5, SO #54, this hq, cs, as reads: "TD not to exceed two (2) days" is amended to read: "TD not to exceed five (5) days".

By order of Colonel ZEMKE:

E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

E. G. Abdalah
E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

2 June 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters, AAF Sta #F-123,
U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 2 March 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted for this organization:

- a. As of 1 May 1943, the status of this organization was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 38 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 31 EM were on DS.
- b. As of 7 May 1943, the status was as follows:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 36 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 31 EM were on DS.
2 EM were on furlough.
- c. On 11 May 1943 T/4 Barclay was aptd S/Sgt, Cpl Grell was aptd Sgt, and Pfc Hermann was aptd Cpl.
Also on this date the 30th Sig Co Serv Gp was redesignated the 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp.
- d. On 13 May 1943, T/5 Soderstrom (DS-Debden) was trfd to the CID Det, Hq's ETOUSA.
- e. On 14 May 1943, Pvt Considine and Pvt Schaetz (DS-Debden) were aptd Pvt 1 cl. Two EM were also placed on DS to Ajax as of this date For further study in cryptography.
Status as of 14 May 1943:
1 Officer, 1 WO, 34 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
2 EM on furlough.
- f. On the 21st, 2 EM on DS (Ajax-14th) to duty. Two additional EM from duty to DS (Ajax) for advanced study in cryptography. WO Kane is placed on Ab Sk (12th Evac Hosp) from duty.
Status as of this date:
1 Officer, 35 EM present for duty.
1 Officer, 32 EM on DS.
1 WO Ab Sk.
1 EM on furlough.

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- g. On 28 May 1943, the two EM placed on DS to Ajax were returned to duty.
- h. As of 31 May 1943, the status was as follows:
 - 1 Officer, 38 EM present for duty.
 - 1 Officer, 30 EM on DS.
 - 1 WO Ab Sk.
- i. The month of May marked the beginning of furloughs for the enlisted men.
- j. On the 31st of May, the 1st and 2nd of June, the organization went out on the rifle range for a refresher course.
- k. The morale and cooperation of the organization is still excellent.

Martin H. Johnson

MARTIN H. JOHNSON,
2nd Lt., Sig. C.,
Commanding.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
NO 29

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION F-123
APO 637
15 May, 1943

1. The foll named EH, Det 1973th QM Trk Co are relieved from attached to the 1085th Ord Co Avn (AB) and will proceed MEHT without delay fr this sta to Little Staughton, Bedford, reporting upon arrival thereat to the CO of their parent organization for duty. QMT. TDN. FD 33 P 433-99 A 0425-23. Auth: Par 1, SO #90. Hq AAF Sta F-345, cs.

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| Sgt <u>Jim F. Atkinson</u> | 37084974 |
| Cpl <u>Armand J. Tetrault</u> | 17017530 |
| Pfc <u>Ralph V. Moore</u> | 16051930 |
| Pfc <u>George W. Short</u> | 35270850 |
| Pfc <u>Harold F. Stelpflug</u> | 16047323 |
| Pfc <u>John Strong</u> | 37096862 |
| Pfc <u>Ted J. Meyers</u> | 36165769 |
| Pfc <u>James W. Michael</u> | 16052432 |
| Pvt <u>Johnnie Lee</u> | 14068125 |
| Pvt <u>John C. Moschella</u> | 31059365 |
| Pvt <u>William A. Phillips</u> | 14070057 |
| Pvt <u>Glidden L. Williams</u> | 17035979 |

2. PACI telegraphic inst 8FCHE170C S/Sgt William S. Trusko, 33071102, 63rd Fgtr Sq, WP MEHT o/a 22 May, 1943 fr this sta to Shrivenham, Berks to pursue a course of inst commencing 24 May, 1943, CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

3. VCG VIII Fgtr Cmd directing the foll named EH to proceed MEHT o/a 13 May, 1943 fr this sta to Digby, nr. Lincoln to carry out the inst of the CG VIII. Fgtr Cmd, CTRS, are confirmed. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

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| Pfc <u>Myer J. Lomazzo</u> | 11041013 | Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp |
| Pfc <u>Samuel A. Hornig</u> | 19070523 | 62nd Fgtr Sq |
| Pfc <u>William J. Billings</u> | 12063664 | 62nd Fgtr Sq |

It having been impracticable for the Govt to furn the nec cooking fac for rats and qrs in kind, the FD will reimburse the above named EH the mon trav alws as prescribed in Table II, par 2a, AR 35-4520, as amended, for one (1) day for rations and one (1) day for quarters.

4. PACI telegraphic inst 8FCHE44JO the foll named EH WP MEHT o/a 21 May, 1943 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-341 to pursue a course of inst, CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

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| T/Sgt <u>John W. Brady, Jr.</u> | 7000411 | Hq 56th Fgtr Gp |
| Sgt <u>George Vecsei</u> | 36172620 | 30th Sig Co |
| T/4 <u>Daniel J. Doyle</u> | 11036925 | 30th Sig Co |

By order of Colonel ZE/KE:

OFFICIAL:

E. G. Abdalah
E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 637 U. S. ARMY

14 May 1943

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1. The following appointments are announced
in this organization to be effective this date:

TO BE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

PVT. JAMES A CONSIDINE, JR, 32138830
PVT. DONALD J. SCHAEZT, 36235487

MARTIN H. JOHNSON,
2nd Lt., Sig. C.,
Commanding.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
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HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION F-123
APO 637
10 May, 1943

1. Cpl Harry J. Chancey, 36169770, AC, 61st Fgtr Sq, WP HENT o/a 19 May, 1943 fr this sta to Widewing to appear before Aviation Cadet Examining Board, CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

2. PACI telegraphic inst 8FCM106K CAPT HESTON BATES, 0362523, CTR, Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp, WP HENT o/a 12 May, 1943 fr this sta to Widewing to attend conference at 1000 hrs 13 May, 1943, CTRS. If nec subsistence and billets are not furn by the Govt, per diem of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth 0 while trav and on TD not to exceed seven (7) days. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23

3. PACI telegraphic inst 8FCM134JU the foll named EM WP HENT o/a 14 May, 1943 fr this sta to AAF Sta F-341 to pursue a course of inst, CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

HQ 56TH FGTR GP

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| Cpl <u>William C. Jones</u> | 15067030 |
| Pfc <u>Henry E. Salzman</u> | 12059050 |

30TH SIG CO SERV GP

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| T/Sgt <u>Harbert H. Coan</u> | 34081041 |
| Cpl <u>Henry Blask</u> | 33136257 |

4. PACI telegraphic inst 8FCM56C S/Sgt William J. Sparks, 34148261, 61st Fgtr Sq, WP HENT o/a 18 May, 1943 fr this sta to Widewing to appear before Aviation Cadet Examining Board at 0930 hrs, 19 May, 1943, CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

5. Sgt Charles H. Dehner, 35400336, Cml Sect, Hq & Hq Sq, 33rd Serv Gp, WP HENT o/a 19 May, 1943 fr this sta to Rolleston Camp, Salisbury, Wilts to pursue a course of inst, CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

By order of Lieut. Colonel ZEMKE:

E. G. ABDALAH,
Major, Air Corps
Adjutant.

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SPECIAL ORDERS

HEADQUARTERS VIII FIGHTER CORP.
APO 637 AAF STATION F-345
9th May 1943.

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1. The foll OWP HFT c/a this date fr this sta to AAF Sta F-345, to carry out the inst of the CG. TDN. QMT. FD 31 P 431-02 A 0425-23. Per Diem of \$6.00 per day is auth 0 while in travel status.

LT COL DOUGLAS G. POLLARD, 0174397 AC MAJ SAMUEL H. GUILD, 0127123, AC
CAPT HARRY A. WALKER, 0440593, AC.

2. The foll Changes in duties and asgmt are directed. FD 31 P 431-02 A 0425-23. TP. TDN. QMT. Per Diem of \$6.00 is auth 0 while in travel status.

| NAME | REMOVED FROM | ASSIGNED TO |
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| CAPT RUDOLPH RHODES, 0250160, AC | Hq VIII Ftr Comd | 333rd Serv Gp |
| CAPT PAUL E. ANDERSON, 0242672, AC | Hq VIII Ftr Comd | 333rd Serv Gp |

3. P4C 5th Ind, Hq ETOUSA, dtd 3 May 1943 and 6th Ind Hq Eighth AF, dtd 6 May 1943, to ltr 30th Sig Co, Subject: "Transfer", dtd 12 Feb 43, file ref 201-Soderstrom, Lawrence F. (3rd), 15th Gr Lawrence F. Soderstrom, 19100172, 30th Sig Co, is trfd in gr to 1st Ind Station Div, PEG Det, (Prov) Hq ETOUSA. TP. QMT. TDN. FD 31 P 431-02 A 0425-23.

4. The foll named EM, 78th Ftr Gp, having been placed on TD at Kenley and such other sta as deemed nec to pursue a course of inst, are auth an additional thirty (30) days delay, effective 0001hrs, 14 May 1943. Monetary alws in lieu of rat & qtrs in accord with AR 35-4520, as amend, will be pd in advance for thirty (30) days. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

T/Sgt Joel B. Sistruncz, 6551940
S/Sgt Marshall W. Gove, 6937659
S/Sgt Howard F. Bunker, 6919904
Cpl Lewis E. Greene, 35377269
Cpl Frank G. Johnson, 19065134

S/Sgt Eldon G. Flovin, 18036626
S/Sgt James A. Bowers, 18036734
Sgt Norman J. Davis, 18046018
Cpl Lawrence H. Bernardy, 37268606
Cpl Audrey F. Hopkins, 14078924

5. Par 3, SO #123, this Hq, cs, is amended to include the name of "Pvt Ronald E. Scharett, 32138540, Hq & Hq Sq VIII Ftr Comd."

6. So much of Par 2, SO #123, this Hq, cs, as reads: "2ND LT JUDSON P. DEUEL, 01633804, Hq & Hq Sq VIII Ftr Comd" and "1/Sgt George W. Crouch, 32025924, Hq & Hq Sq 6th Ftr Wing", is amended to read: "2ND LT JUDSON P. DEUEL, 01633804, Hq & Hq Sq 6th Ftr Wing" and "1/Sgt George W. Crouch, 32025924, Hq & Hq Sq 6th Ftr Wing."

7. Par 5, SO #121, this Hq, cs, is hereby revoked.

By Command of Brigadier General HUNTER:

STEWART W. TOLLE, JR,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

John J. Sailors
JOHN J. SAILORS,
Lt Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
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HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION F-123
APO 637
7 May, 1943

1. Under the provisions of Par 3, AR 35-320, dated December 19, 1941, CAPT RALPH W. EASTWOOD, 0908286, AC, is detailed as Class "A" Agent Finance Officer to H. TOWNSEND HARLE, CAPT, FD for the purpose of payment of EM on the supplemental payroll of the 61st Bgtr Sq for the month of April, 1943, not in excess of \$700.00.

2. WOCO directing the foll named O and EM, 30th Sig Co, to proceed o/a 7 May, 1943 fr this sta to Sudbury to carry out the inst of the CO, CTRS, are confirmed. If nec subsistence and billets were not furn by the Govt, per diem of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth O while trav and on TD not to exceed seven (7) days. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

TO (jg) JOHN M. KANE

W-2116520 AUS

Pfc Jack Leadbeater

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3. The foll named O and EM WP NENT o/a 10 May, 1943 fr this sta to Widesing to carry out the inst of the CG VIII Fgtr Cnd, CTRS. If nec subsistence and billets are not furn by the Govt, per diem of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth O while trav and on TD not to exceed two (2) days. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

2ND LT THOMAS BOWIE

0562588 AC Hq 56th Fgtr Gp

2ND LT DONALD A. TENDAHLE

0570505 AC 41st Serv Sq

Sgt Walter J. Fox

18069336 41st Serv Sq

Cpl Raymond E. Hill

11023561 41st Serv Sq

Pfc Mark E. Collins

17034857 41st Serv Sq

It being impracticable for the Govt to furn cooking fac for rats and qrs in kind, the FD will pay in advance to the above EM the mon trav alus as prescribed in Table II, par 2a, AR 35-4520, as amended, for two (2) days for rats and two (2) days for qrs.

4. PACI telegraphic inst 87CM77C 2ND LT MAYO E. ROE, 0486044, AC, 62nd Fgtr Sq, WP NENT o/a 10 May, 1943 fr this sta to Ripton, Yorkshire to pursue a course of inst commencing 0850 hrs, 11 May, 1943, CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

5. PACI telegraphic inst 87CM81C MAJOR HAROLD CAHLE, 0224136, AC, WP NENT o/a 10 May, 1943 fr this sta to Southend on Sea, Essex to pursue a course of inst commencing 10 May, 1943, CTRS. If nec subsistence and billets are not furn by the Govt, per diem of six (\$6.00) dollars per day is auth O while trav and on TD not to exceed four (4) days. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

6. Under the provisions of Par 3, AR 35-320, dated December 19, 1941 MAJOR JAMES D. OSGOOD, 0259179, AC, is detailed as Class "A" Agent Finance Officer to H. TOWNSEND HARLE, CAPT, FD for the purpose of payment of EM on the supplemental payroll of the 41st Serv Sq for the month of April, 1943, not in excess of \$2,000.00.

7. The foll named EM, 41st Serv Sq, WP NENT o/a 9 May, 1943 fr this

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sta to Bilston to carry out the inst of the CG VIII Fgtr Cmd, CTRS. QMT. TDN.
FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.

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| Sgt <u>Carl W. Reiman</u> | 12010752 |
| Pfc <u>Leon H. Torry</u> | 14064659 |

8. The foll named EM WP MEHT o/a 11 May, 1943 fr this sta to RAF Sta
Cottishal to pursue a course of inst (10 days), CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02
A 0425-23.

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| Cpl <u>Alfred J. Haldenbeck</u> | 34162595 | 61st Fgtr Sq |
| Cpl <u>Quentin Ferrell</u> | 15066953 | 62nd Fgtr Sq |
| Cpl <u>George Sarakeeny</u> | 31071934 | 63rd Fgtr Sq |

9. The foll named EM WP MEHT o/a 11 May, 1943 fr this sta to Camp
Ponhale, Cubert, Cornwall to pursue a course of inst (2 weeks) commencing 13 May,
1943, CTRS. QMT. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23.


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| Pfc <u>Andrew J. Reby</u> | 13046847 | Hq 56th Fgtr Gp |
| Pvt <u>Joseph M. Lencos</u> | 32555084 | 63rd Fgtr Sq |

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for rats and qrs in kind, the FD will pay in advance to the above EM the mon trav
alws as proscribed in Table II, par 2a, AR 35-4520, as amended, for two (2) days
for rations and two (2) days for quarters.

By order of Lieut. Colonel ZELKE:

E. G. ABDALAH,
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AIR FORCE: VIII AIR FORCE
COMMAND : 2ND BOMBARDMENT DIVISION
WING : 65TH FIGHTER WING
GROUP : 33RD SERVICE GROUP
SQUADRON : DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY
DATE : 2 January, 1945

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1ST LT., COSMO D. HEO, O-1636531

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
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RECORD OF EVENTS FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER 1944

The month of December found the Det. "A" 1030th Signal Co., located in the European Theater of Operations carrying on as it has been doing for many months in the past. The activities of the Company for the month followed a normal pattern with all personnel working steadily to help keep the Fighter Group Operational. Its various duties are detailed below:

RADIO SECTION

During the month of December the radio section has been carrying on as it has been in the previous months. The training schedule consisted of practising sending and receiving on the practice net we have installed in our radio room. While two men are busy on the net, the other two are usually kept busy copying press which is transmitted over various frequencies daily. Semaphore and blinker lights are also on the schedule throughout the month.

Once a week our equipment is thoroughly checked for any defects that may have occurred while not being in operation. Our Auxillary Power Unit is also checked thoroughly, making sure that it is always filled with gas. It is run at least twice a week for twenty minutes or more to make sure that it is in perfect running condition for any emergency that may arise.

TELEPHONE MAINTENANCE SECTION

Due to unique weather conditions, this section had a very busy month. Almost every breakdown in the book was experienced. The majority of the trouble was caused by ice on the wires which caused them to sag and the poles to move. Through it all communications were fully maintained.

Besides this the section was kept unusually busy moving and relocating phones of the various departments throughout the station. An inter-office communication system was installed for one of the squadrons.

SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION

The Signal supply section operated smoothly during the past month with the exception of supplying flashlight batteries. This item was almost impossible to obtain, so it was necessary to adopt a drastic rationing system to conserve our meager supply. This shortage is not expected to last long.

On the whole we had a very quiet month and requisitions were below normal.

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CIPHER OFFICE SECTION

The operation of the Cipher Office has been functioning in the usual manner with the exception that there has been an increase on incoming high priority messages on both the American and British systems.

The usual steady routine affairs consisting mainly of issuing American and British documents to proper holders. Distribution of amendments and checking of documents on loan has been on par with those of previous months.

This is the month for making up the American quarterly report and the British quarterly muster forms. This in addition to the regular weekly, monthly and quarterly reports, has kept the office personnel quite busy.

RADIO REPAIR SECTION

The fellows in the radio repair section made their debut as typewriter repairers during the month, repairing three models since starting. The first repair job was the most difficult, and as is the case usually, it was a rush job, however the difficulty was remedied after dismantling the typewriter and it was back on the job in two days. At times no one thought it would even be the same but the final try out was successful and no parts left over. At present we are still sweating out tools and tech orders covering manufacturers instructions on maintenance and adjustment.

TELETYPE MAINTENANCE SECTION

Maintenance and inspections were carried out at weekly intervals on all machines. Maintenance was also carried out on the weather machine at Stansted, in the absence of maintenance personnel there. Trouble was caused to our own weather and one Ops machine by some animal gnawing a hole in the cable. The usual difficulty was experienced in obtaining spare parts.

TELEPHONE OPERATORS SECTION

Work was carried on as usual during the month of December at the station FBI. The number of calls doesn't vary too much from one month to the next. Our busiest period comes when the weather permits operations. The operators always do their utmost to keep things running smoothly regardless of how busy they are. We've had one operator on furlough during the month and the rest managed to get their passes in.

An unusual number of personal calls was put through this past month. This was probably due to the holiday season.

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TELETYPE OPERATORS SECTION

During the first twenty seven days of December, the Message Center handled 1053 TWX messages. Of this total 203 were outgoing and 850 were incoming messages. These were handled efficiently according to their precedence by the five operators that work in this section on a twenty four hour schedule. Incoming messages were distributed to various departments such as Cipher Office, Flying Control, and Base Headquarters. Outgoing messages were sent out as soon as the lines were open. Usually this was instantaneous. Personal telegrams were also taken care of and the proper persons were notified. The cooperation between the TWX operators and distribution personnel is excellent.

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AIR FORCE: VIII AIR FORCE

COMMAND : 2ND BOMBARDMENT DIVISION

WING : 65TH FIGHTER WING

GROUP : 33RD SERVICE GROUP

SQUADRON : DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY

DATE : 1 December, 1944.

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1ST LT., COSMO D. REO, O-1636531

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RECORD OF EVENTS FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1944

The month of November found the Det. "A" 1030th Signal Co., located in the European Theater of Operations carrying on as it has been doing for many months in the past. The activities of the Company for the month followed a normal pattern with all personnel working steadily to help keep the Fighter Group Operational. Its various duties are detailed below:

CIPHER OFFICE

The functions of the Cipher Office this month were carried out with speed and accuracy; all distributions were made only a few minutes subsequent to their receipt. Reports of traffic were made properly and on the date specified. Documents were daily checked by personnel and all amendments to said documents promptly inserted. Documents on loan were provided amendments and receipts obtained from the holders.

An inspection of this Office by the Station Air Inspector was held and we were given a rating of excellent.

SIGNAL SUPPLY

The Signal Supply Section has for the past month been functioning the same with the usual number of trips to the 4th S.A.D. We have experienced a little trouble in obtaining replacements on flashlights and microphones T-44; however, this will be remedied shortly. No other shortages were apparent.

Due to the wet weather we have had recently, an unusual breakdown has occurred on aircraft radios. Water, leaking through the canopies on the cockpits, has caused the plug, PL-Q-169, to short out and fuse as soon as the transmitter was turned on. A supply of new plugs was quickly obtained, thereby keeping the aircraft operational.

TELETYPE MAINTENANCE SECTION

Regular weekly maintenance and inspection was carried out on all machines in operation. The usual power troubles and inability to obtain parts were experienced. All Company typewriters were given there monthly cleaning by this section.

TELEPHONE SECTION

This section, which operates the Administrative Switchboard on this Station, carried out their duties in the usual efficient manner. The operators received several commendations on their efficiency and courtesy as well as being rated as excellent in this

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monthly Administrative inspection.

An increase in the number of personal calls was also noted this past month.

The usual number of wornout plugs and cords was replaced.

RADIO REPAIR SECTION

In between the routine servicing of radios, the radio section attempted the rebuilding of the speech amplifier belonging to the Flying Eagles dance band. This worn out set was rebuilt using the old parts and some new parts from London, and the dance band used it for two weeks until the breakdown of one of the old parts put it on the inactive list again. However, we expect to have it working again after the usual difficulty of getting parts in London.

RADIO SECTION

The radio section has been operating on the same schedule since D-Day. Code classes have continued throughout the month of November, also the copying of weather messages and lessons on procedure. New amendments to our present procedure books have been entered in all copies, and we are up to date in that respect. All operators have been taught how to set up our emergency equipment in case of an immediate use for it. A special class is held daily for operators desiring to overcome certain faults in sending and receiving. This class has proved worthy of the time spent in conducting it for there has been a noted improvement of our work to date. New operators have recently been instructed in the use of the authentication system used by this station during actual operation.

TELETYPE SECTION

Our teletype section is still maintaining its high degree of efficiency. This section being entrusted with the responsibility of handling all incoming and outgoing administrative traffic. Under the capable leadership of Sgt. Forrest, the chief operator, this department handled a total of 1,165 messages during the last month. Although the job lacks the color and activity of other departments, the members of this section carry out their work efficiently and diligently in the true tradition of the Signal Corps; "A job to be done, a job well done."

TELEPHONE MAINTENANCE SECTION

For the month of November the Telephone Maintenance Department continued its service of maintaining and installing wire communications on the station. The usual troubles were repaired or replacements made with new parts as soon as they occurred. In Station Headquarters, two

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offices were rewired and some buzzer systems were installed. Five wire circuits and six telephones were moved from Officers Mess to C.O.'s No. 1 House.

Two Fighter Squadron dispersals were rewired, all weather proof field wire being removed and replaced with four pair lead covered cable. Two D.P. boxes were installed to improve speech communication and simplify methods of shooting trouble.

The underground cable to the Debden Manor was replaced with field wire, as the cable was grounded out underground. One item of equipment this section could use is an extension ladder for working on buildings. This equipment is not authorized by our T/E and we have to borrow one from the Clerk of Works.

Our record of 22 months without an accident is still unbroken.

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AIR FORCE: VIII AIR FORCE

COMMAND : 2ND BOMBARDMENT DIVISION

NAME : JOHN FREDERICK KING

GROUP : 1ST SERVICE GROUP

SQUADRON : DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY

DATE: 1 November, 1944.

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A.P.O. 958 U. S. ARMY

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1ST LT., CORPS D. HQ, O-463831

REG. "A" 105TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 958 U. S. ARMY

REPORT OF SERVICE FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER 1944

The month of October found the REG. "A" 105TH Signal Co., located in the European Theater of Operations carrying on as it has been doing for many months in the past. The activities of the Company for the month followed a normal pattern with all personnel working steadily to help keep the Fighter Group Operational. Its various duties are detailed below:

SIGNAL OFFICE

The Cipher Office has been functioning in the usual manner. The amount of traffic in this past month has increased by comparison to previous months, however the distribution of messages to the holders of secret and confidential publications and documents made by Cipher personnel together with routine checking of documents has been about the same as in the past. This Office received an excellent on its monthly administrative inspection.

SIGNAL SUPPLY

The Signal Supply section carried out its business as usual during the past month. The delivery of new supplies, and replacements for worn out items has been very good. Several L.O.R. requisitions were submitted during the month. The usual trips were made to the depot.

RADIO REPAIR

During the month of October, the Radio Repair section has carried on with their work in a very efficient manner. In conjunction with their regular work, they have repaired a public address system, and checked other radios for efficiency and repaired personnel on the station. With the additional test equipment that arrived during this period, they have more accurately tested the various sets that are turned in to them.

RADIO OPERATIONS

For the Month of October the Radio Section has continued as an interrupter station of messages transmitted from and to Wing Headquarters station. Our section chief has been on detached service with the Wing operations since the middle of the month. Two replacements have, one a low speed operator and the other a beginner, attend our daily code classes. Weather reports are also copied for speed practice and also as a check on teleprinter reports sent to Weather Office. Our afternoons are usually taken up with review of the morning's code lessons and short lessons on procedure. Our equipment at present is an emergency means of communication in the event of a break-down of the regular teleprinter network.

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TELEPHONE OPERATION

Very little change from last month at the administrative switchboard with the exception of one operator being transferred into the wire section. During the past month, there was a slight increase of personal telephone calls. Everything else running about the same as in the preceding months. This section was given an excellent rating on the monthly administrative inspection. All telephone Operators have taken their furloughs by now.

TELEPHONE REPAIR

Weekly routine inspections and maintenance was carried out. One R.M. was trained for maintenance. New receiver 1-61111 was installed at AAF Bldg. 912. Difficulty was found in attempting to obtain parts for replacement in the 70-71 Teletype printer.

TELETYPE OPERATION

A total of 934 messages have been received during the month of October, making an average of 31 incoming messages a day. A total of 117 messages have been sent out during the month of October, making an average of 11 outgoing messages a day. Combining both incoming and outgoing messages, the teletype operators have handled a total of 1,051 for this period. A routing directory is kept up to date daily as amendments are made to this directory every day. This directory enables an operator to find the switchboard or switchboard to go through to get to the station the operator desires. This section is officially run and controlled the best in the King. We received a grade of excellent on our monthly administrative inspection.

TELETYPE & TELEGRAPH REPAIR

During the month of October the teletype maintenance section continued its service of maintaining teletype communication at the station. The rainy weather caused most of the major problems. The R.M. Room on the Flare Path was started out due to dampness. Temporary installations were used until the fixtures were repaired and back in service. One of the problems with the Teletype Maintenance Section is to get parts and supply's for the Signal Corps 70-71 or 2 telephones. This section has not had an accident in 24 months service.

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AIR FORCE: VIII AIR FORCE

COMMAND : 2ND BOMBARDMENT DIVISION

WING : 6TH FIGHTER WING

GROUP : 3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP

SQUADRON : 1ST "A" TROOP SIGNAL COMPANY

DATE: 2 October, 1944.

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A.P.O. 938 U. S. ARMY

LETTER OF CREDIT

DET. LT., COMPANY D. REG, 0-463834

**INT. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.F.C. 958 U. S. ARMY**

1944 MONTH OF SEPTEMBER FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1944

The month of September found the Det. "A" 1030th Signal Co., located in the European Theater of Operations carrying on as it has been doing for many months in the past. The activities of the Company for the month followed a normal pattern with all personnel working steadily to help keep the Fighter Group operational. The various duties are detailed below:

TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH SERVICE:

During the month the Telephone maintenance section continued its service of keeping Telephone Communication on the station at its peak of efficiency. Lines in need of repair were serviced or replaced by new wire, and the usual telephone trouble was taken care of as they occurred.

Four (4) miles of E-100 wire was recovered for use again and four (4) miles of Field wire was recovered and salvaged. All the Field Wire recovered from the R.R.I. and Engineers to disposal areas was allowed to underground cables. The Telephone maintenance section also re-wired the Watch Office and Flying Control Office. All the communications circuits were altered to land cables between operations.

SIGNAL SUPPLY SERVICE:

Signal Supply had a busy month with the usual trips to the depot to replace vital material and the resulting paper work. They finished the month by making up the E.R. shortage of flashlights on the base, and this can be considered a successful piece of work in view of the long shortage of this item.

TELEPHONE OPERATIONS SERVICE:

During the month of September the R.R.I. personnel continued doing an excellent job as in the previous months. The only notable change is the permitting of Officers to make or receive personal calls through the R.R.I. during the day, which up to this month had not been allowed. This roughly speaking increased the number of outgoing calls from twenty-five a week to seventy-five a week. Nothing else is new for the month except for the breaking in of two new operators.

RADIO REPAIR SERVICE:

The Radio section continued their usual work throughout the month doctoring the ills of some of the Radio radio structures on

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the Station. Also helped the anniversary celebration by installing and operating the public address system at the formation in which medals were given to flyers and enlisted men of the station.

TELETYPE MAINTENANCE SECTION:

This section carried on usual weekly maintenance work on machines. This includes oiling and greasing the machines, checking the line currents, motor speed and the range. Several minor mechanical troubles occurred such as: disconnected lines, loose current, unserviceable contacts, slow motor speed and range. Reporter R5438 installed in place of table 134-A in briefing room. Another man put on the Teletype maintenance staff.

CIPHER SECTION:

The cipher office is functioning as usual on a 24 hour basis, handling both American and British traffic essential to the up-keep of secret and confidential publications for Group operations. This office handles the distribution of all Secret and Confidential documents to the various department heads who need said documents to maintain the perfection this group has established. It is through the speed and accuracy of the personnel of the Cipher Office in deciphering and decoding messages, that Headquarters, Intelligence and Group Operations permits them to function with their high degree of efficiency.

TELETYPE OPERATIONS SECTION:

The Administrative Teletype Operators have as usual continued to work on a 24 hour basis. During the past month they have added two new operators, due to the fact that many changes have occurred. Type of reports sent out from here have been the same as they have been for many months in the past.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

7 February 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 558.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of January. Occurances and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. On January 18th, Detachment "A" from AAF Sta F-356 came down to Sta F-150 at which time a dance was held for Det "A" and Hq's Co. of this organization. This was the first get-together for the organization since it split up in January 1943.
- b. In a survey for physically qualified men of non-essential MOS's for infantry training, of fourteen men sent for a physical examination, twelve were found to be physically qualified.
- c. S/Sgt Mahen and Mohr, Radar Mechanics, have pursued courses of instruction in AN/APS-13.
- d. The strength of this organization is as follows:
2 Officers and 46 EM present for duty.
1 EM ab sk (136th Sta Hosp).

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
Commanding

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SPECIAL ORDERS
NO 17

HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION F-150
APO 558
20 January 1945

1. Under auth Hq European T. of Ops Cir #113, dtd 22 Nov 44 the foll O MP IEHT o/a 22 Jan 45 fr this sta to AAF Sta 495 on TD for appr x seven (7) days to carry out the inst of the CG, 2nd Air Div, CHAS. Reimbursement not to exceed \$4.00 per day is auth 0 if govt qrs and billets are not available while on a travel status and an allowance of \$1.25 per day is auth for subsistence. TDN. QIT. 60-136 P 432-02 & 212/50425.

2ND LT HERBERT J. EDWARDS 02005734 AC 61st Ftr Sq
1ST LT WILLIAM C. DALEY 0430790 AC 62nd Ftr Sq
1ST LT DAVID F. DUCEY JR. 0306637 AC 62nd Ftr Sq
2ND LT WILLIAM R. HOFFMAN 0715544 AC 63rd Ftr Sq

2. Under auth Hq European T. of Ops Cir #113, dtd 22 Nov 44 the foll O MP IEHT o/a 22 Jan 45 fr this sta to London to carry out the inst of the CG, CHAS 0 may obtain billets by reporting to billeting officer, 5 North Audley St, London. TDN. QIT. 60-136 P 432-02 & 212/50425.

CAPT THEODORE EPSTEIN 01035248 CHS Hq & Hq Sq 33rd Sv
CAPT WALTER T. MOORE 0232164 AC Hq 56th Ftr Gp

3. Under auth Hq European T. of Ops Cir #113, dtd 22 Nov 44, Tec 3 Richard J. Mohr, 35259965, 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp MP IEHT o/a 21 Jan 45 fr this sta to AAF Sta 102 on TD for seven (7) days to pursue a course of inst in AN/LPS-13 reporting to Sta Adj prior to 1600 hrs 21 Jan 45, CHAS. TDN. QIT. 60-136 P 432-02 & 212/50425.

4. Under auth Hq European T. of Ops Cir #113, dtd 22 Nov 44 the foll EM, 1631st Ord S & H Co (Avn) MP IEHT o/a 23 Jan 45 fr this sta to AAF Sta 520 reporting by 1600 hrs 24 Jan 45 to pursue a course of inst in rocket and grenade launching, CHAS. TDN. QIT. 60-136 P 432-02 & 212/50425.

Tec 4 Donald J. Flatt 32371056 Cpl Walter G. Smith 31130434

By order of Colonel SCHILLING:

VIRGIL H. DURLANCE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

Philip D. Engle
PHILIP D. ENGLE,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant.

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SPECIAL ORDERS
NO 19

HEADQUARTERS AAF SECTION F-150
APO 553
24 January 1945

1. Under auth Hq European T. of Ops Cir #113, dtd 22 Nov 44 WO (jg) WILLIAM C. JAEKEL, W2116330, USA, 62nd Ftr Sq, WP BENT o/a 24 Jan 45 fr this sta to London on TD for approx three (3) days to carry out the inst of the CG, CTRS. O may obtain billets by reporting to billeting officer, 5 North Aukley St, London. TDM. Q.T. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

2. Under auth Hq European T. of Ops Cir #113, dtd 22 Nov 44 & TMA SPJ/J4100 S/Sgt Kenneth M. Durney, 37134253, 62nd Ftr Sq, WP BENT o/a 29 Jan 45 fr this sta to AAF Sta 102 reporting prior to 1600 hrs 30 Jan 45 to pursue a seven (7) day course of inst in AN/ATS-13, CTRS. TDM. Q.T. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

3. 1ST LT RICHARD B. ANDERSON, 0767065, AC, 63rd Ftr Sq, is relv'd fr all flying duties under the provisions of Par 2, AR 35-1489.

4. 1ST LT WALTER R. GROCE, 0760499, AC, 63rd Ftr Sq, is granted leave of absence for a period of five (5) days effective o/a 29 January 1945.

5. A Board of Officers is appointed consisting of the foll named O, to review all reports for the purpose of recommending flying personnel of this station fr awards and decorations for the approval by the Commanding Officer:

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| MAJOR LESLIE C. SMITH | 0661245 | AC | President |
| MAJOR JAMES R. GAMER | 0661183 | AC | |
| CAPT FELIX D. WILLIAMSON | 0667894 | AC | |
| MAJOR PAUL A. CONGER | 0661193 | AC | |
| CAPT SYDNEY S. KAPLAN | 0650423 | AC | Recorder |

6. The foll named O are detailed to investigate and determine under AF 105 the responsibility for the damage to a plate glass window at the premises of the Fifty Shilling Tailors. Incident occurred on 25 November 1944.

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| CAPT THEODORE EPSTEIN | 01035243 | CMS |
| CAPT WILLIAM S. KLETZ | 0559203 | AC |
| 2ND LT JOHN R. EIDE | 01645546 | SC |

7. Under auth message AAF03703 Hq, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 1ST LT JAMES H. RICE, 0560268, AC, is relv'd as Sta Soldier Voting Officer (Add Duty).

8. Under auth message AAF03785 Hq, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, CAPT SYDNEY S. KAPLAN, 0650423, AC, is relv'd as Hq 56th Ftr Gp Soldier Voting O (Add Duty).

9. Under auth Hq European T. of Ops Cir #113, dtd 22 Nov 44 the foll O & BN WP BENT o/a 25 Jan 45 fr this sta to AAF Sta 477 on TD for seven (7) days to carry out the inst of the CG, 65th Ftr Gp, reporting to Mr. Wilkins Smith, EBRL representative, CTRS. TDM. Q.T. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

1ST LT DAVID M. BURNILL 0466139 SC Hq 56th Ftr Gp

S/Sgt James K. McCauley 12042041 63rd Ftr Sq
S/Sgt George A. Jahan 33159012 1030th Sig Co Serv Gp

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SO #19, Hq AAF Station F-150 (Cont'd)

10. 1ST LT ALFRED R. RICHARDSON, 01012341, INF, Hq 56th Ftr Gp, is placed on SD with the 62nd Ftr Sq.

11. T/Sgt James J. Spears, 6390066, 62nd Ftr Sq, is placed on SD with Sta Air Inspector.

By order of Colonel SCHILLING:

VIRGIL H. DURLANCE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

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VIRGIL H. DURLANCE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS 2d AIR DIVISION
APO 558

G-68

21 January 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS)

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1. CAPT JOHN R EKBERG (N) 0810528 AC having been rel'd fr further combat dy is rel'd fr asgmt to 458th Bomb Gp and is asgd to Hq 96th Combat Bomb Wing (H) eff this date. PCS. No travel involved.
2. CAPT GEORGE E TOMMOEN (P) 0743218 AC having been rel'd fr further combat dy is rel'd fr asgmt to 467th Bomb Gp and is asgd to Hq 96th Combat Bomb Wing (H) eff this date. PCS. WP. LEET. TONT. TDN. 60-136 P 431-02 A 212/50425.
3. 1ST LT EUGENE (NMI) PORTER 0476725 AC is rel'd fr asgmt to Hq 2d Combat Bomb Wing (H) and is asgd to 453rd Bomb Gp eff this date. PCS. WP. LEET. TONT. TDN. 60-136 P 431-02 A 212/50425.
4. So much of Par 2 SO No 20 cs as pertains to transfer of S/Sgt(748)Frank K Brink 17122137 fr 458th Bomb Gp to Casual Pool 70th Repl Depot (AAF) AAF Sta 591 is hereby revoked.
5. S/Sgt(748)Frank K Brink 17122137 is trfd in gr fr 458th Bomb Gp to Hq & Hq Sq 496th Ftr Tng Gp AAF Sta 365 eff this date. EM rel'd fr further combat dy. PCS. WP. LEET. TONT. TDN. 60-136 P 431-02 A 212/50425.
6. The fol named EM are trfd in gr fr orgn indicated to Hq & Hq Sq Ninth AF APO 696 and will rpt to CO thereof:

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| <u>555th Ftr Tng Sq 496th</u>
<u>Ftr Tng Gp AAF Sta 365</u> | <u>389th Bomb Gp</u> |
| Sgt(951)Carl L Andrews | 12017073 |
| | Cpl(647)Ralph W Beige |
| | 39400299 |
| <u>1097th Sig Co Serv Gp AAF F-165</u> | <u>1030th Sig Co Serv Gp AAF F-150</u> |
| T/5(951)Arthur J Jackson | 16096557 |
| | Pfc(951)George T Shetler |
| | 16075822 |
| <u>463rd Sub Depot (Cl 1) AAF 114</u> | |
| Pfc(647)William E Cast | |
| 18231733 | |
- EM will rpt to 20 North Audley St London to await air transp. PCS. WP. LEET. TONT. TDN. 60-136 P 431-02 A 212/50425. (PAC TTX Eighth AF D65515 dtd 18 Jan 1945)
7. Cpl(650)Philip A Withum 33675686 is trfd in gr fr 60th Sta Con Sq AAF Sta 123 to Hq 96th Combat Bomb Wing (H) eff this date. PCS. No travel involved.
8. Pvt(070)John T Rehak 32805644 is trfd in gr fr 336th Ftr Sq 4th Ftr Gp AAF Sta F-356 to 445th Bomb Gp eff this date. PCS. WP. LEET. TONT. TDN. 60-136 P 431-02 A 212/50425.
9. So much of Par 6 SO No 363 Hq 2d Bomb Div dtd 30 Dec 1944 as pertains to transfer of 1ST LT RAYMOND A KLEBER 02045234 AC fr Hq 14th Combat Bomb Wing (H) to Casual Pool 70th Repl Depot (AAF) AAF Sta 594 is hereby revoked.

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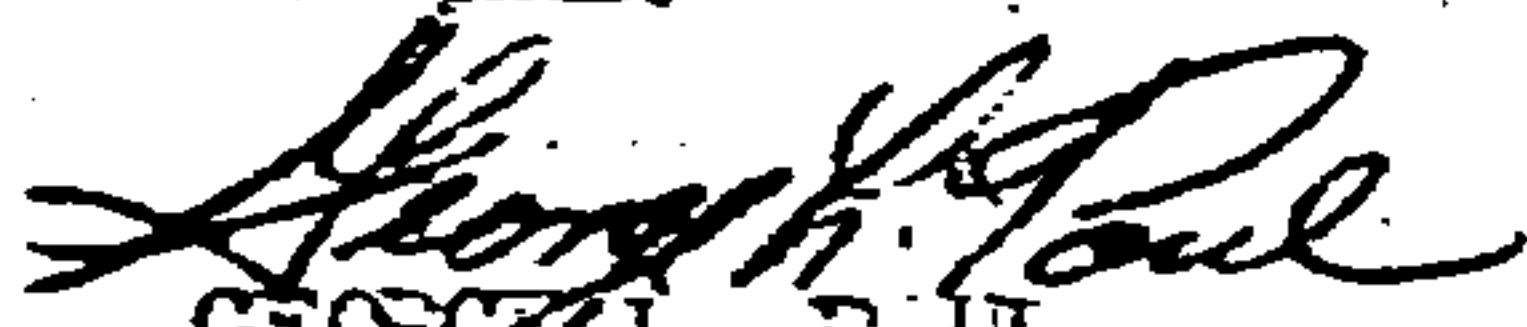
10. So much of Par 2 SO No 18 as reads "1ST LT CLYDE J DILLON (B)0682693 AC 448th Bomb Gp" is amended to read "CAPT CLYDE J DILLON (B)0682693 AC 459th Sub Depot Cl 1 AAF Sta 146"

11. So much of Par 2 SO No 20 as reads "S/Sgt(612)Nelson I Putnam 6903732" 392nd Bomb Gp is amended to read "S/Sgt(612)Nelson I Putnam 6903732".

By command of Major General KEEFER:

FRANCIS H. GRISWOLD
Brigadier General U.S.A.
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:


GEORGE L. PAUL
Lt Col AGD
Adjutant General

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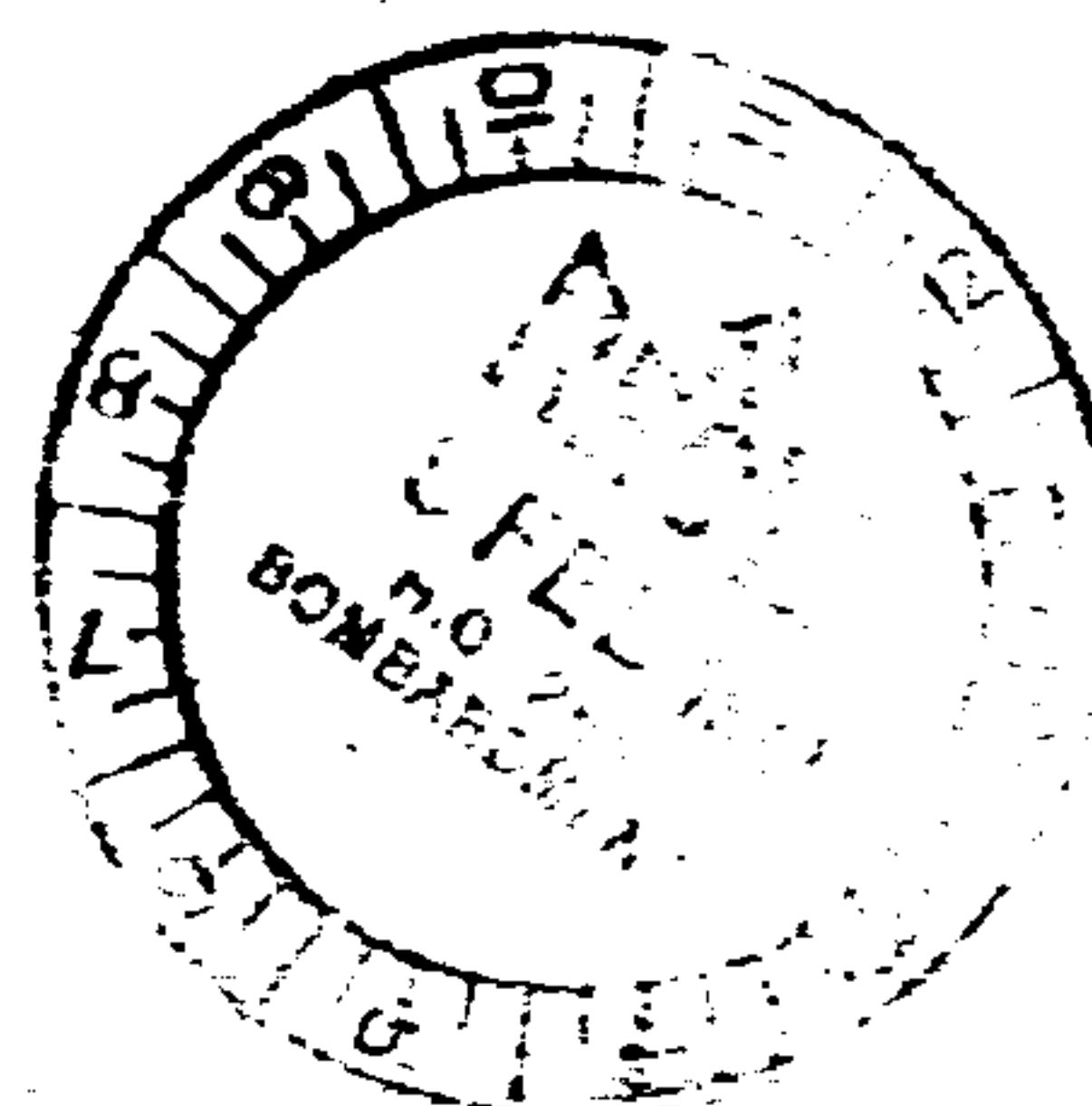
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AIR FORCE: VIII AIR FORCE
COMMAND : 2ND AIR DIVISION
WING : 65TH FIGHTER WING.
GROUP : 33RD SERVICE GROUP
SQUADRON : DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY
DATE : 1 February, 1945



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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

RECORD OF EVENTS FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1945

The month of January found the Det. "A" 1030th Signal Co., located in the European Theater of Operations carrying on as it has been doing for many months in the past. The activities of the Company for the month followed a normal pattern with all personnel working steadily to help keep the Fighter Group Operational. Its various duties are detailed below:

TELETYPE OPERATORS SECTION

During the first 28 days of January the Message Center handled 1,084 teletype messages. Of this total 212 were outgoing and 372 were incoming. No trouble whatsoever was had with either teletype machines or lines and as a result all messages were dispatched immediately. Incoming messages were distributed to the adjutant's office, the cipher office, and the flying control office. This unit observed its second anniversary overseas and has operated a message center efficiently for that time.

RADIO OPERATORS SECTION

The Radio Section has added the copying of daily news reports to its other duties. News from Allied stations are intercepted at regular intervals throughout the day (Reuter, Associated Press, SHAEF, and Tass).

One new man has been transferred into the section, an experienced operator, who has been away from radio for sometime, and is now taking a refresher course. He is expected to attain a reasonable speed within two weeks.

On January 18th, a reunion was held near the base of our main company celebrating two years overseas service. For most of us, it was our first meeting in twenty-three months. In the course of the evening, we discussed our work with that of the other radio operators since the break-up of the original company, the only great difference being our working with the R.A.F. during our first five and a half months here.

We still maintain an emergency station set-up and all our equipment is in good operating condition. Procedure books and amendments to them are kept up-to-date.

CIPHER OFFICE SECTION

As in the past the Cipher Office is operating in the same manner. On a 24 hour basis this office incodes and decodes messages in both American and British systems. The distribution and up-keep of secret and confidential documents was maintained by this office as in the past.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

TELETYPE MAINTENANCE SECTION

Weekly inspection and maintenance was carried out on all machines. Reports of trouble was slightly less than average, a slight difficulty was experienced in obtaining spare parts. During the month we were called on several times to repair teleprinter machines at Stanstead as they are still without maintenance men.

SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION

This section for the past month was up with all supplies except flashlight batteries. As in the past month they are almost unobtainable and are still on a ration basis. Only one trip was made to our depot at Hitcham.

RADIO MAINTENANCE SECTION

Last month this section was issued a typewriter repair kit and we started repairing typewriters. During January almost the entire time has been spent repairing typewriters, from this station and Wing Headquarters. We have found that new replacement parts are non-existent and the only source is from salvaged machines at our depot, so we are doing the best we can to put them back in shape with what we have and can make.

TELEPHONE OPERATORS SECTION

We started the New Year off with little change as far as business is concerned. Having made a check twice during the month we find that about three thousand calls daily are connected through the board. The larger part of these are official business, but there are also lots of personal calls. The bills turned in to the Officer's mess each month usually run from 250 to 300 dollars.

The operators, some of them starting their third year as operators in the U.K. are just about tops in efficiency and have kept their patience very well after being at this tiresome job so long.

TELEPHONE MAINTENANCE SECTION

During the month of January the telephone repair crew continued to keep telephone communication at its peak of efficiency. The first job for the New Year was moving most of the phones from the No. 1 house back to the Officers Mess. We also installed a phone in the N.C.O. club and one for Lt. Traver out on the west-end of the field. We also rewired the 336th Ptn. Sqdn. Dispersal using lead cable and salvaging all the field wire which was in a pretty bad condition. All this was in addition to the regular maintenance work and kept the crew pretty active.

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1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

7 March 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq AAF Sta F-150, APO 558.

1. In compliance with VIII Fighter Command Memorandum No. 125-1, dated 13 November, 1943, subject, "Preparation of Unit Histories", the following report is submitted.

2. This organization carried on with it's normal function of signal communication on the station for the month of February. Occurances and events believed worthy of record for this period are listed below:

- a. On Feb 13th, Sgt Taylor was frfd to the 136th Sta Hosp for return to the 201.
- b. Tec 5 Helmer C. Lee (955) was asgd and jd this organization on the 15th. He was immediately assigned to duty in the Central Radio Workshop.
- c. 2d Lt. Eide was promoted to 1st Lt on Feb 16th. Lt Eide is Sta Sig Supply Officer.
- d. On Feb 22nd, the organization held another Company Dance. One EM was accidentally injured while returning to the base when he slipped and fell from the truck in which he was riding. He returned to duty after five days in the hosp.
- e. As of the 28th, there were 2 Officer, 46 EM present for duty, and 1 EM on furlough.

Martin H. Johnson
MARTIN H. JOHNSON
Capt., Sig C
Commanding

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7. The following O, are DP, temp promoted to the gr indicated in AUS w/rank
fr date of this order. (Auth Cir 90, Hq European T of Opns, USA, 17 August 1944):

2D AIR DIVISION
Maj to Lt Col

LESLIE C. SMITH, 0661245 AC

Capt to Maj

JOSEPH H. FERRY, 0743079 AC

2d Lt to 1st Lt

JOHN R. EIDE, 01645546 SC

LOUIS D. RAFFER, 0566482 AC

JOSEPH L. SHOETAKER, 0866375 AC

By command of Lieutenant General DOOLITTLE:

OFFICIAL: /s/ Lindsey L. Braxton
/t/ LINDSEY L. BRAXTON,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

JOHN S. ALLARD,
Brigadier General, USA,
Chief of Staff.

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Sydney S. Kaplan
SYDNEY S. KAPLAN,
Captain, Air Corps.

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AIR FORCE: VIII AIR FORCE

COMMAND : 2ND AIR DIVISION

WING : 65TH FIGHTER WING

GROUP : 33RD SERVICE GROUP

SQUADRON : DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL CO.

DATE : 1 May, 1945.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1ST LT., COSMO D. RBO, O-1636531

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558, U. S. ARMY

RECORD OF EVENTS FOR MONTH OF APRIL, 1945

On April 15, 1945, Det. "A" 1030th Signal Company, and the rest of the 33rd Service Group, was disbanded and incorporated into the new 438th Air Service Group. Along with this new change, all personnel were transferred from the Signal Corps into the Air Force and became full-fledged Air Corps troops. No change of station or duties were involved. In the split-up the greater part of the old outfit became the communications section of Headquarters Squadron of the new group. Under the new set up, one Officer and twenty-two enlisted men went to the 438th Headquarters & Base Service Squadron; nineteen went to the 864th Air Engineering Squadron; and the remaining four went to the 688th Air Materiel Squadron. Although these men have been scattered, they are all on Special Duty with the Headquarters Squadron Communication Section.

The change was not a surprise and preparations for it had been started quite awhile back, so the job of transferring personnel and equipment from a disbanded organization to a new one, was accomplished with a minimum of difficulty. The greater part of the transfer was a paper one and not a physical change, as most of the signal equipment was in use and had to remain wherever it was.

Although the former signal men are not too happy about the change, they will in some cases, be able to get promotions in their new organizations.

Under the new T/O the Communications Section of the 438th Headquarters & Base Service Squadron, 438th Air Service Group, has only thirty-four Enlisted Men; a shortage of eleven men from what it was originally, and an increase of three Officers, making a total of four altogether. There is no change of assignments at present and we are still charged with the maintenance and operation of the following: Telephone, Teletype, Radio, Message Center, and Crypt.

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AIR FORCE: VIII AIR FORCE

COMMAND : 2ND AIR DIVISION

WING : 65TH FIGHTER WING

GROUP : 33rd SERVICE GROUP

SQUADRON : DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY

DATE : 2 April, 1945.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1ST LT., COSMO D. HEO, O-1636531

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

RECORD OF EVENTS FOR MONTH OF MARCH 1945

For the past month, everything in general proved to be of great interest to everyone concerned. The main reason for this belief is that most of the fellows were playing practical jokes on one of the Enlisted Men, namely S/Sgt. John (NMI) Zito. To describe this man would take many words, but to give a slight idea of his character and personality, he has often been referred to as "The Actor".

This individual normally has the morale of all enlisted men better than average. It would be wrong to say that competition is not keen, because it is; due mainly for the purpose that those who work with him are his greatest admirers. Fellows like Sgt. Alvin J. Wilhelm, Sgt. William F. Lewis and Cpl. John B. Neenan, are equally talented.

Each time these men go on pass, the activities that take place are talked about for days following. The spirit in which these fellows go about their duties has the respect of all personnel.

In the future, there is some talk of the old men playing the young men a game of softball. This time last year we did this, which proved that you are never too old to do anything. They won, and the young fellows took an awful riding. We hope to turn the tables this year, but you can never tell about these things.

We have two men undertaking the step of Holy Matrimony this month. As like always in the past, the Enlisted Men and the Officer of this organization took up a collection as a wedding gift for them.

TELEPHONE OPERATORS SECTION:

On the first of the month we completed a check on the number of calls to and from each extension, and have moved a few of the phones to offices where they could be put to better use.

It has been a busy month due to increased operations. The number of personal calls remains about the same each month. On the monthly administrative inspection we received an excellent rating again this month.

CIPHER OFFICE SECTION:

As in the past the Station Cryptographic Office is operating twenty-four hours daily. General duties of this office are encoding and decoding both outgoing and incoming messages respectively, of American and British codes. This office issues and is responsible for the amending of both American and British secret and confidential documents. A quarterly report of British documents is due this month.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
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TELETYPE MAINTENANCE SECTION:

Weekly inspections were made on all teletype machines on the station and the usual preventative maintenance was carried out. Breakdowns and failures were less than normal. We received very good service in obtaining replacement parts.

TELETYPE OPERATORS SECTION:

During the first twenty-eight days of March a total of 1507 teletype messages were handled. Of this total 319 messages were outgoing and 1188 were incoming. This office also handled all incoming telegrams besides their regular distribution. As a reward for the efficient manner that this office was operated, a new coat of paint was applied. The cooperation between the teletype and distribution sections is excellent.

TELEPHONE MAINTENANCE SECTION:

For the month of March the telephone linemen of the Signal Company had a reasonably busy month. Most work comprised moving and installing phones in different offices and pilot quarters. Additional phones were installed in parallel on a few of the extensions. In addition to this the usual troublesome little jobs occurred and kept the crew active. The crew has continued to keep the telephone communication at its usual height of efficiency at all times.

SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION:

Signal Supply continued working on the flashlight problem and have finally got caught up on all back requisitions from organizations on the field. Microphones T-44-(A), and Cord CD-495, are no longer obtainable at the depot, so the station is having to change from T-44-(A) assembly to Microphone ANB-M-C1. The above mentioned microphones are the type that fit into an oxygen mask.

RADIO REPAIR SECTION:

Early in the month this section was called upon to set up and operate a public address system for presentation of medals by General Anton. Both systems on the base being U.S. a quick makeshift for the ceremony was provided by a combination of the two and a lot of Signal Corps ingenuity. Outside of this everything went on as usual. We continue to help operate the AFN station on the base. Typewriters are still breaking down and we have maintained a perfect record so far putting every one back in working order. In the near future we hope to inaugurate a preventive maintenance program for all typewriters on the Station and consequently do away with many of the breakdowns.

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DET. "A" 10³0TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
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RADIO OPERATORS SECTION:

Our work for the month of March has mainly been the operation of the A.F.N. radio station, although additional work has been done in code classes which were primarily begun for a new man in the section who has not worked in radio for sometime. The new man was sent here from the Infantry after his discharge from hospitals here and in France. He was formerly a squad leader with the 94th Division and was classified as a radio and telephone lineman while there. Two of our men went on a two weeks radio maintenance course at an R.A.F. station. Since the installation of the AFN booster station we have received many reports stating the great improvement in the reception of the programs. During the period of Air Raid Alerts the station is closed.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. 558 U. S. ARMY

RECORD OF EVENTS FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1945

The month of February found the Det. "A" 1030th Signal Co., located in the European Theater of Operations carrying on as it has been doing for many months in the past. The activities of the Company for the month followed a normal pattern with all personnel working steadily to help keep the Fighter Group Operational. Its various duties are detailed below:

TELETYPE REPAIR SECTION:

Weekly inspection and maintenance was carried out on all machines in operation. Major trouble reports were power failures. The armature of one motor developed trouble and was replaced by a new one. All parts requisitioned were received.

TELETYPE OPERATORS SECTION:

In the month of February the teletype section received 925 messages and sent out 260 messages making a total of 1185 messages for the month. Less messages have been received this month but priority and secret messages have increased. The five operators on four shifts, working a twenty-four hour schedule have done their work well, and the monthly inspection went off satisfactorily.

SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION:

Signal Supply continued to meet requirement in its line whenever possible. The shortage of flashlight batteries was relieved somewhat by a shipment which was rationed amongst the organizations on the field. Our Supply of critical tubes was cut as low as possible and the balance returned to the depot at the request of the Signal Supply Officer there.

CIPHER OFFICE SECTION:

The physical and security inspection for the month was found to be perfect. Traffic was handled accurately and speedily. Delivery was made immediately of all traffic to the departments as specified. All documents received were delivered to those designated and proper entry made in our records. All amendments to documents were dispatched to holders and amendments to our own books were entered. An unusual amount of night work was experienced.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
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RADIO REPAIR SECTION:

During the month the radio repair section helped install an AFN radio transmitter on the station, and at present is taking turns at operating it.

Two of the men attended a seven day maintenance course on a new radio during February.

Besides the usual work, quite a few typewriters were repaired belonging to organizations on this base and at Wing Headquarters.

TELEPHONE MAINTENANCE SECTION:

For the month of February the Telephone Repair Department continued in maintaining telephone and wire communications on the Station.

There were no changes during the month, the work was servicing telephone instruments and the switchboard. The telephone repair department also provided two radio transmission circuits for the new AFN Station.

During the month telephone linemen T/4. Edward P. Turek was on furlough, and Pfc. Edward J. Gorman was confined to the hospital.

RADIO OPERATORS SECTION:

Besides carrying on with the usual work of copying press, and practicing code, the month of February was found to be a little more interesting than the previous ones. The first two weeks of the month was spent practicing code, but by a different method than we have been using. An automatic tape machine was loaned to us by the 65th Fighter Wing Signal Officer. It consisted of three large rolls of tape with mixed code groups. The speed of the machine could be regulated by turning a dial. It went as slow as five words per min, and on up to twenty-five words per min. None of the operators, ever seeing one like it before, found it very interesting to work with.

In the latter part of the month, a relay transmitter for the American Forces Network was installed in the same building as the radio room. Half of the installation was put in by the HBC maintenance men, which consisted of the main power lines. The other half which consisted of the transmitter, cooling system, rectifier, and the control box, was installed by one of the AFN maintenance men and the help of our radio mechanics. At the present time the radio operators and the radio mechanics are working shifts to monitor it, whose job is to turn it on in the morning at 7:55, and close it down at 23:30 in the evening. Also to take the readings of different meters every hour, and to notify HBC if power lines fail, or notify AFN if the equipment is faulty. The type transmitter that is being used is a PB 50, the approximate range is about ten to twelve miles. All the above information is entered in a daily log.

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DET. "A" 1030TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP
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TELEPHONE OPERATORS SECTION:

Although February was a short month, it showed no signs of it at the Station Switchboard. Besides the regular two operators putting out and receiving a little over the three thousand calls per day, two additional operators were working side by side twenty four hours a day with them. The job of the two extra operators was to check and record all calls going out and coming in, both on and off the station, and to what extensions these calls were put. Owing to the shortage of telephone^s, and the switchboard being overloaded, this was the only way to determine what telephone^s could be moved and put to better use, or to where they are most needed. As for the rest of the telephone exchange, business in the month of February was carried on in the same efficient manner.

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To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C. (Thru: CG, ETOUSA).

Herewith 1943 History, 1031st Signal Company Service Group, forwarded in compliance with paragraph 11, AR 345-105 as amended. Request that the original be forwarded to the Historical Section, Army War College.

For the Commanding General:

Drury M. Nixon

DRURY M. NIXON,
Major., A.G.D.,
Ass't. Adj. Gen.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. No. 610, 4 Postmaster,
New York, N. Y.

1 February 1944.

SUBJECT: History of Organization.

TO : Commanding General, Headquarters, Iceland Base Command,
APO 860, 4 Postmaster, New York, N. Y.
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Meeks Service Center)

1. In compliance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated 18 November 1929, the following History of this Organization is submitted:

a. Original Unit.

- (1) 31st Signal Platoon AB, per G.O. number 3, Headquarters G.H.Q. Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- (2) Activated 15 February 1941, per (same G.O.)
- (3) Place of activation was Mitchell Field, N.Y. per G.O. number 3, Headquarters G.H.Q. Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- (4) Authority for organization was above General Order and T/O 11-237 Signal Platoon Air Base.
- (5) Original cadre consisting of one commissioned officer (1st Lt. EDGAR R. OLSEN) and eleven Enlisted Men was furnished by the 316th Signal Company, Air Wing. Authority unavailable. Enlisted Strength increased to thirty-two (32) by transfer from other units. Units and authority unavailable.

b. Changes in organization.

- (1) The 31st Signal Platoon (AB) was redesignated the 31st Signal Company Service Group, under T/O 11-237 dated 1 July 1942 as announced in General Order number 28, Headquarters, U. S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942. Strength remained the same.
- (2) The 31st Signal Company Service Group was redesignated the 1031st Signal Company Service Group under T/O 11-237, 26 March, 1943 as announced in General Order number 20, Headquarters, U. S. Army Forces dated 24 May 1943.

c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted.

- (1) From 1 January 1943 to 30 June 1943, the organizations strength was one (1) Commissioned Officer and thirty-two enlisted men.
- (2) 31 July 1943; Net increase of one (1) Officer, one (1) Warrant Officer, and thirty-two (32) Enlisted Men.
- (3) 31 August 1943; Net increase of five (5) Enlisted Men.

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History of Organization, 1031st Sig Co Serv Gp, 1 Feb 1944 (contd)

- (4) 30 September 1943; Net increase of two (2) officers and twenty-one (21) Enlisted Men.
- (5) 31 October 1943; Net increase of one (1) Officer and a net decrease of eleven (11) Enlisted Men.
- (6) 30 November 1943; Net increase of twelve (12) Enlisted Men.
- (7) 31 December 1943; Net increase of three (3) Enlisted Men. Total strength as of 31 December 1943 was five (5) Officers, one (1) Warrant Officer and ninety-four (94) Enlisted Men.
- d. Stations of unit.
 - (1) The 31st Signal Platoon arrived at Camp Wright (Air Base) Iceland from Mitchell Field, New York in August 1941. More accurate information unavailable.
 - (2) The 31st Signal Platoon arrived at Camp Tripoli from Camp Wright on 20 December 1941.
 - (3) The 1031st Signal Company Service Group arrived at Camp Meeks from Camp Tripoli on 25 June 1943.
- e. Marches.
 - (1) None.
- f. Campaigns.
 - (1) None.
- g. Battles.
 - (1) None.
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements.
 - (1) No engagements encountered.
- i. Losses in action.
 - (1) No action encountered.
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action.
 - (1) No action encountered.
- k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or events.
 - (1) None available.

Everett L. Butz
JUL. EVERETT L. BUTZ
Captain, Sig C
Commanding.

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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. No 610, c/o Postmaster,
New York, N. Y.

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24 February 1944.

SUBJECT: History of Organization.

TO : Commanding General, Headquarters, Iceland Base Command.
APO No 860, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Meeks Service Center)

1. In compliance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated 18 November 1929, the following history of this organization for the month of January 1944 is hereby submitted:

- a. Original unit.
 - (1) No change.
 - (2) No change.
 - (3) No change.
 - (4) No change.
 - (5) No change.
- b. Changes in organization.
 - (1) No change.
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted.
 - (1) Strength at beginning of this period was five (5) officers, one (1) Warrant Officer and ninety-four (94) Enlisted Men.
 - (2) Net increase of three (3) Enlisted Men.
 - (3) Net decrease of one (1) Warrant Officer.
 - (4) Strength at end of period was five (5) Officers and ninety-seven (97) Enlisted Men.
- d. Stations of unit.
 - (1) No change.
- e. Marches.
 - (1) No change.
- f. Campaigns.
 - (1) No change.
- g. Battles.
 - (1) No change.
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements.
 - (1) No change.
- i. Losses in action.
 - (1) No change.
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action.
 - (1) No change.
- k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or events.
 - (1) No change.

Everett L. Butz
EVERETT L. BUTZ
Captain, Sig C
Commanding

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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
A.P.O. No 610 c/o Postmaster
New York, N.Y.

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8 March 1944.

SUBJECT: History of Organization.

TO : Commanding General, Headquarters, Iceland Base Command.
APO No 860, c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Meeks Service Center)

1. In compliance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated 18 November 1929, the following history of this organization for the month of February 1944 is hereby submitted:

- a. Original unit.
 - (1) No change.
 - (2) No change.
 - (3) No change.
 - (4) No change.
 - (5) No change.
- b. Changes in organization.
 - (1) No change.
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted.
 - (1) Strength at beginning of this period was five (5) officers, and ninety-seven (97) enlisted men.
 - (2) No net increase.
 - (3) No net decrease.
 - (4) Strength at end of period was five (5) Officers and ninety-seven (97) Enlisted Men.
- d. Stations of unit.
 - (1) No change.
- e. Marches.
 - (1) No change.
- f. Campaigns.
 - (1) No change.
- g. Battles.
 - (1) No change.
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements.
 - (1) No change.
- i. Losses in action.
 - (1) No change.
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action.
 - (1) No change.
- k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or events.
 - (1) No change.

Everett L. Butz
EVERETT L. BUTZ
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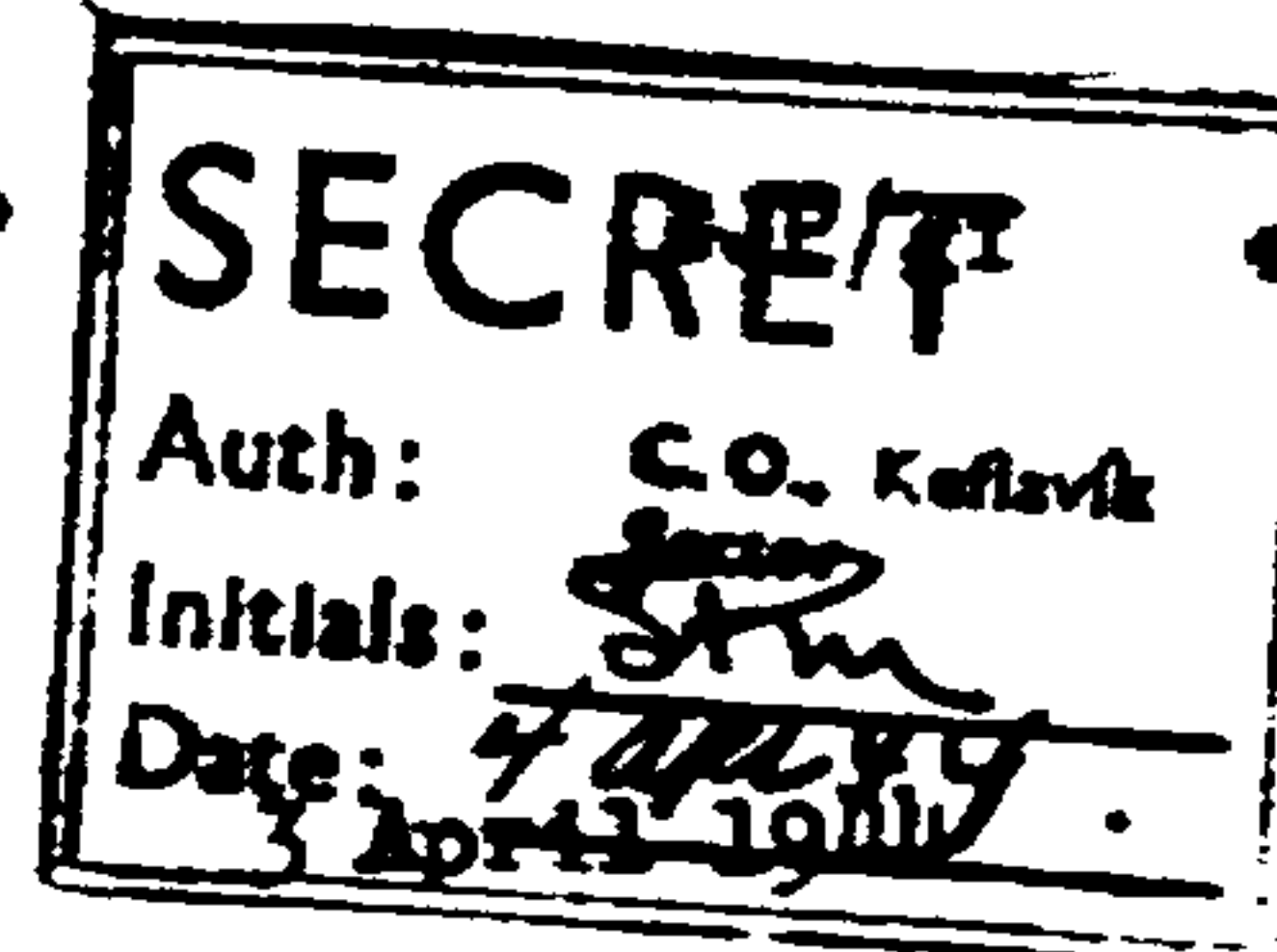
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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO No. 610 c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.



SUBJECT: History of Organization.

TO : Commanding General, Headquarters, Iceland Base Command.
APO No 860, c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Weeks Service Center)

1. In compliance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated 18 November 1929, the following history of this organization for the month of March 1944 is hereby submitted:

- a. Original unit.
 - (1) No change.
 - (2) No change.
 - (3) No change.
 - (4) No change.
 - (5) No change.
- b. Changes in organization.
 - (1) No change
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted.
 - (1) Strength at beginning of this period was five (5) officers, and ninety-seven (97) enlisted men.
 - (2) Net increase of four(4) enlisted men.
 - (3) No net decrease.
 - (4) Strength at end of period was five (5) officers and one-hundred and one (101) enlisted men.
- d. Stations of unit.
 - (1) No change.
- e. Marches.
 - (1) No change.
- f. Campaigns.
 - (1) No change.
- g. Battles.
 - (1) No change.
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements.
 - (1) No change.
- i. Losses in action.
 - (1) No change.
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action.
 - (1) No change.
- k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or events.
 - (1) No change.

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AARON GOLDMAN
1st Lt. Sig C
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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO No. 610, c/o Postmaster,
New York, N. Y.

7 May 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Att: Historical Section, AAF)
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Weeks Service Center)

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical Data for the month of April 1944.

2. Narrative History.

a. Original Unit.

- (1) Designation: 1031st Signal Company, Service Group redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order Number 20, Headquarters U. S. Army Forces dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order Number 23 Headquarters, U. S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942.
- (2) Date of activation: 15 February 1941.
- (3) Authority for activation: General Order Number 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- (4) Place of activation: Mitchel Field, New York.

b. Key Personnel.

- (1) Former Key Personnel: Captain ELMAR R. OLSEN, Commanding Officer, relieved. Captain EVERETT L. BUTZ, Commanding Officer relieved.
- (2) Present Key Personnel: 1st Lt. AARON GOLDMAN, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt. MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1st Lt. EDWARD W. BADGLEY, Radar Officer; 2nd Lt. DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; 2nd Lt. HERBERT G. MARKLEY, Communications Officer; 2nd Lt. GORDON J. PETERSON, Radar Officer; Acting 1st Sergeant Jerry E. Merritt, Jr.

c. Unit Major Movements.

- (1) No change during April 1944.

d. Changes in organization.

- (1) New strength: Six (6) officers and one hundred twelve (112) enlisted men. Authority: Letter, Subject: Augmentation of 1031st Signal Company, Service Group, File: AG 322 (28 March 1944) OB-1-AF-AFPG-M, dated 6 April 1944.
- (2) Augmentation represents addition of three (3) Radio Reporting Maintenance Teams (Column 13, T/O 11-237, dated 26 March 1943).

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- (3) Actual Strength, Commissioned and Enlisted Personnel.
 - (a) Strength, at the beginning of this period, was five (5) officers and one hundred one (101) enlisted men.
 - (b) Net increase of one (1) officer.
 - (c) Net decrease of four (4) enlisted men.
 - (d) Strength at the end of this period was six (6) officers and ninety seven (97) enlisted men.
- e. Missions and assignments.
 - (1) Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD, NO. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943.
- f. Living conditions, recreation, morale: Excellent. Outstanding individual or group achievements or citations: None.

For the Commanding Officer:

Edmund W. Badgley
EDMUND W. BADGLEY
1st Lt, Sig Corps
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3 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Att: Historical Section AAF)
(Thru: Commanding Officer.

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical Data for the month of May 1944.

2. Narrative History.

a. Original Unit.

- (1) Designation: 1031st Signal Company, Service Group. Redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group, per General Order Number 20, Headquarters U. S. Army Forces dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order Number 28 Headquarters, U. S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942.
- (2) Date of activation: 15 February 1941.
- (3) Authority for activation: General Order Number 3, Headquarters, GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- (4) Place of activation: Mitchell Field, New York.

b. Key Personnel.

- (1) Former Key Personnel: Captain EINAR R. OLSEN, Commanding Officer, relieved. Captain EVERETT L. BUTZ, Commanding Officer, relieved.
- (2) Present Key Personnel: 1st Lt. AARON GOLDMAN, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt. MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1st Lt. EDWARD W. BADGLEY, Radar Officer; 2nd Lt. DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; 2nd Lt. HERBERT G. MARKLEY, Communications Officer; 2nd Lt. GORDON J. PETERSON, Radar Officer, and 1st Sergeant Jerry E. Merritt Jr.

c. Unit Major Movements.

- (1) No change during May 1944.

d. Changes in organization.

- (1) Actual Strength, Commissioned and Enlisted Personnel.
 - (a) Strength at the beginning of this period was six (6) officers and ninety seven (97) enlisted men.
 - (b) Strength at the end of this period was six (6) officers and ninety four (94) enlisted men.
 - (c) 30 May 1944, two (2) enlisted men, Technical Sergeant

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Robert J. Brown and Sergeant Robert O. Rautenberg were transferred in grade from this organization to Casual Shipment No. 90007N - Det., per Paragraph 12, Special Order Number 130, Headquarters Iceland Base Command, dated 25 May 1944.

- e. Missions and assignments.
 - (1) Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943.
- f. Living conditions, recreation, morale: Excellant. Outstanding individual or group achievements or citations: None.

for Edmund W. Sadegy
AARON GOLDMAN
1st Lt, Sig C
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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO No. 610, c/o Postmaster
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SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Att: Historical Section AAF)
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters 2nd Service Group.

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical Data for the month of June 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order Number 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order Number 28 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942; was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order Number 3, Headquarters, GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were Captain EINAR R. OLSEN, relieved and Captain EVERETT L. BUTZ relieved. Present key personnel are 1st Lt. AARON GOLDMAN, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt. MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1st Lt. EDWARD W. BADGLEY, Radar Officer; 1st Lt. DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; 1st Lt. GORDON J. PETERSON, Radar Officer; 2nd Lt. HERBERT G. MARKLEY, Communications Officer, and 1st Sergeant Jerry E. Merritt Jr.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during June, 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of June was six (6) Officers and ninety four (94) Enlisted Men. At the end of June actual strength was six (6) Officers and ninety eight (98) Enlisted Men, representing an increase of four (4) Enlisted Men.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions, recreation and morale were excellent. There were no outstanding individual or group achievements or citations.

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for Edward W. Badgley 1st Lt. Sig C
AARON GOLDMAN
1st Lt, Sig C
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HEADQUARTERS ICELAND BASE COMMAND, APO 860 c/o Postmaster, N.Y.N.Y.
18 July, 1944.

To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C. (Attn: Historical
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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO No. 610, c/o Postmaster
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1 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Att: Historical Section AAF)
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters 2nd Service Group.

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical Data for the month of July 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order Number 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Number 25 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order Number 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were Captain HENRY R. OLSEN, relieved and Captain EVERETT L. BUTZ relieved. Present key personnel are Captain AARON GOLDMAN, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt. MORRIS ERNSTSTEIN Supply Officer; 1st Lt. ERNUND W. RADGLY, Radar Officer; 1st Lt. DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; 1st Lt. GORDON J. PETERSON, Radar Officer; 2nd Lt. HERBERT G. MAHLEY, Communications Officer, and 1st Sergeant Jerry E. Merritt Jr.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during July, 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of July 1944, was six (6) Officers and ninety eight (98) Enlisted Men. At the end of July 1944, actual strength was six (6) Officers and one hundred twelve (112) Enlisted men; representing an increase of fourteen (14) Enlisted Men. This increase was due to assignment of fifteen (15) Enlisted Men from Headquarters Iceland Base Command; and a loss of one (1) Enlisted Man due to transfer.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions, recreation and morale were excellent. There were no outstanding individual or group achievements or citations.

AARON GOLDMAN
Capt, Sig O
Commanding

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101ST SIG AL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO No. 610, c/o Postmaster
New York, N.Y.

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1 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Attn: Historical Section AAF)
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters 2nd Service Group.

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 28th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with Paragraph 13, AR 305-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical Data for the month of July 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 101st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 1st Signal Company Service Group per General Order Number 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 1st Signal Platoon per General Number 28 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1944 at Mitchell Field, New York per General Order Number 3, Headquarters SAC, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1944.
- b. Former key personnel were Captain MINOR E. OLSEN, relieved and Captain EVERETT L. BUTZ relieved. Present key personnel are Captain AARON GOLDMAN, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt. MORRIS BENNETT, Supply Officer; 1st Lt. EDWARD W. RADOLBY, Radar Officer; 1st Lt. DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; 1st Lt. ROBERT J. FETTER, Radar Officer; 2nd Lt. ROBERT G. HANLEY, Communications Officer, and 1st Sergeant Jerry E. Norvitt Jr.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during July, 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of July 1944, was six (6) Officers and ninety eight (98) Enlisted Men. At the end of July 1944, actual strength was six (6) Officers and one hundred twelve (112) Enlisted men; representing an increase of fourteen (14) Enlisted Men. This increase was due to assignment of fifteen (15) Enlisted Men from Headquarters Island Base Command; and a loss of one (1) Enlisted Man due to transfer.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions, recreation and morale were excellent. There were no outstanding individual or group achievements or citations.

AARON GOLDMAN
Capt, Sig C
Commanding

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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO No. 610, c/o Postmaster
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1 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Attn: Historical Section AAF)
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters 2nd Service Group.

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical Data for the month of July 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order Number 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Battalion per General Number 25 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1942 at Mitchell Field, New York per General Order Number 3, Headquarters SHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1942.
- b. Former key personnel were Captain HENRY E. OLSEN, relieved and Captain EVERETT L. HUTZ relieved. Present key personnel are Captain AARON GOLDMAN, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt. MORRIS HENKSTON, Supply Officer; 1st Lt. BRUNO W. RADLEY, Radar Officer; 1st Lt. DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; 1st Lt. GEORGE J. PETERSON, Radar Officer; 2nd Lt. HERBERT S. HANLEY, Communications Officer, and 1st Sergeant Jerry E. Harvitt Jr.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during July 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of July 1944, was six (6) Officers and ninety eight (98) Enlisted Men. At the end of July 1944, actual strength was six (6) Officers and one hundred twelve (112) Enlisted men; representing an increase of fourteen (14) Enlisted Men. This increase was due to assignment of fifteen (15) Enlisted Men from Headquarters Iceland Base Command; and a loss of one (1) Enlisted Man due to transfer.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 70-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions, recreation and morale were excellent. There were no outstanding individual or group achievements or citations.

AARON GOLDMAN
Capt, Sig C
Commanding

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SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Att: Historical Section AAF)
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Second Service Group).

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with Paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical Data for the month of August 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order Number 20, Headquarters U. S. Army Forces dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order Number 28 Headquarters, U. S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order Number 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were Captain EINAR R. OLSEN, relieved and Captain EVERETT L. BUTZ relieved. Present Key personnel are Captain AARCE GOLDMAN, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt EDMUND W. BADGLEY, Radar Officer; 1st Lt MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1st Lt GORDON J. PETERSON, Radar Officer; 1st Lt DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; 2d Lt HERBERT G. MARKLEY, Administrative Officer.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during August 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of August 1944, was six (6) officers and one hundred twelve (112) enlisted men. At the end of August 1944, actual strength was six (6) officers and one hundred twelve (112) enlisted men. Two (2) enlisted men were appointed Warrant Officers, and assigned to 556th Signal AW Battalion, and two (2) enlisted men were transferred from the 556th Signal AW Battalion to this organization.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions, recreation and morale were excellent. Two (2) Technical Sergeants, Artis R. Davis and Albert L. Steinberg, were discharged to accept temporary appointments as Warrant Officers, Junior Grade, AUS, per letters, Davis and Steinberg, Headquarters, Iceland Base Command, dated 10 August 1944.

For the Company Commander:

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SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Attn: Historical Section AAF).
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Second Service Group).

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical data for the month of September 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order No. 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces, dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order No. 28 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order No. 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were Captain EINAR E. OLSEN, relieved; Captain EVERETT L. BUTZ, relieved; and Captain AARON GOLDMAN, relieved. Present key personnel are 1st Lt EDMUND W. BADGLEY, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1st Lt GORDON J. PETERSON, Radar Officer; 1st Lt DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; and 2d Lt HERBERT G. MARKLEY, Radio Officer.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during September 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of September 1944, was six (6) officers and one hundred twelve (112) enlisted men. At the end of September 1944, actual strength was five (5) officers and one hundred three (103) enlisted men. One (1) officer and eight (8) enlisted men were rotated 14 September 1944 and one (1) enlisted man was transferred in grade to United States Military Preparatory Unit, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions and morale were excellent. Outstanding individual achievement: Tec 5 Barney M. Tennyson was transferred in grade to United States Military Preparatory Unit, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. There were no group achievements or citations.

Edmund W. Badgley
EDMUND W. BADGLEY
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SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Attn: Historical Section AAF).
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Second Service Group).

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical data for the month of September 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order No. 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces, dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order No. 28 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order No. 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were Captain KIMAR R. OLSEN, relieved; Captain EVERETT L. BUTZ, relieved; and Captain AARON GOLDMAN, relieved. Present key personnel are 1st Lt EDMUND W. BADGLEY, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1st Lt GORDON J. PETERSON, Radar Officer; 1st Lt DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; and 2d Lt HERBERT G. MARLEY, Radio Officer.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during September 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of September 1944, was six (6) officers and one hundred twelve (112) enlisted men. At the end of September 1944, actual strength was five (5) officers and one hundred three (103) enlisted men. One (1) officer and eight (8) enlisted men were rotated 14 September 1944 and one (1) enlisted man was transferred in grade to United States Military Preparatory Unit, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions and morale were excellent. Outstanding individual achievement: 1st Lt Barney M. Tompkins was transferred in grade to United States Military Preparatory Unit, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. There were no group achievements or citations.

EDMUND W. BADGLEY
1st Lt, Sig C
Commanding

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SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Attn: Historical Section AAF).
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Second Service Group).

1. In compliance with, Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical data for the month of September 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order No. 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces, dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order No. 28 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order No. 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were Captain EINAR E. OLSEN, relieved; Captain EVERETT L. HUTZ, relieved; and Captain AARON GOLMAN, relieved. Present key personnel are 1st Lt EDMUND W. RADLEY, Commanding Officer; 1st Lt MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1st Lt GORDON J. PETERSON, Radar Officer; 1st Lt DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; and 2d Lt HERBERT G. MANKLEY, Radio Officer.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during September 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of September 1944, was six (6) officers and one hundred twelve (112) enlisted men. At the end of September 1944, actual strength was five (5) officers and one hundred three (103) enlisted men. One (1) officer and eight (8) enlisted men were rotated 14 September 1944 and one (1) enlisted man was transferred in grade to United States Military Preparatory Unit, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions and morale were excellent. Outstanding individual achievement: 1st Lt Barney W. Tennyson was transferred in grade to United States Military Preparatory Unit, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. There were no group achievements or citations.

EDMUND W. RADLEY
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1 November 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Attn: Historical Section AAF).
(THRU: Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Second Service Group).

1. In compliance with Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical data for the month of October 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 71st Signal Company Service Group per General Order No. 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces, dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 71st Signal Platoon per General Order No. 28 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order No. 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were CAPTAIN KIMAR R. OLSEN, relieved; CAPTAIN EVERETT L. BUTZ, relieved; and CAPTAIN AARON GOLDMAN, relieved. Present key personnel are 1ST LT EDMUND W. BADGLEY, Commanding Officer; 1ST LT MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1ST LT DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; and 2d LT HERBERT G. MARKLEY, Radio Officer.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during October 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of October 1944, was five (5) officers and one hundred three (103) enlisted men. At the end of October 1944, actual strength was four (4) officers and one hundred two (102) enlisted men. One (1) officer, 1ST LT GORDON J. PETERSON was transferred to IEP Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia and one (1) enlisted man was transferred to MAC OCS, Camp Barkley, Texas.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions and morale were excellent. Outstanding individual achievement: Staff Sergeant Harry E. Missildine was transferred to the Medical Administrative Corps, Officer Candidate School, Camp Barkley, Texas. There were no group achievements or citations.

Edmund W. Badgley
EDMUND W. BADGLEY
1st Lt, Sig C
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1 November 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Attn: Historical Section AAF).
(THRU: Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Second Service Group).

1. In compliance with Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1, Headquarters 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with paragraph 13, AR 945-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following Historical data for the month of October 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order No. 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces, dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order No. 28 Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order No. 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were CAPTAIN ELMAR E. OLSEN, relieved; CAPTAIN EVERETT L. BUTZ, relieved; and CAPTAIN ABRAHAM GOLDMAN, relieved. Present key personnel are 1ST LT EDMUND W. RADLEY, Commanding Officer; 1ST LT MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1ST LT DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer; and 2d LT HERBERT G. MARLEY, Radio Officer.
- c. There were no Unit Major movements during October 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of October 1944, was five (5) officers and one hundred three (103) enlisted men. At the end of October 1944, actual strength was four (4) officers and one hundred two (102) enlisted men. One (1) officer, 1ST LT GORDON J. PETERSON was transferred to INF Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia and one (1) enlisted man was transferred to SAC OCS, Camp Barkley, Texas.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions and morale were excellent. Outstanding individual achievement: Staff Sergeant Harry E. Missildine was transferred to the Medical Administrative Corps, Officer Candidate School, Camp Barkley, Texas. There were no group achievements or citations.

EDMUND W. RADLEY
1st Lt, Sig C
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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO No. 610, c/o Postmaster,
New York, N. Y.

3 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces. (Attn: Historical Section AAF)
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Second Service Group).

1. In compliance with Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1 Headquarters 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with paragraph 13, AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following data for the month of November 1944.

2. Narrative History.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 31st Signal Company Service Group per General Order No. 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces, dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 31st Signal Platoon per General Order No. 28 Headquarters US Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order No. 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were CAPTAIN EINAR R. OLSEN, relieved; CAPTAIN EVERETT L. BUTZ, relieved; and CAPTAIN AARON GOLDMAN, relieved. Present key personnel are 1ST LT EDMUND W. RADGLEY, Commanding Officer; 1ST LT MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1ST LT DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer, and 2D LT HERBERT G. MARKLEY, Radio Officer.
- c. There were no Unit Major Movements during November 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of November 1944, was four (4) officers and one hundred (100) enlisted men. At the end of November 1944, actual strength was four (4) officers and ninety (90) enlisted men. Two (2) enlisted men were transferred to Headquarters, Iceland Base Command; three (3) enlisted men were transferred to 307th Signal Company Wing; seventeen (17) enlisted men were transferred to 826th Signal Service Company and seven (7) enlisted men transferred to 237th Signal Service Company. Nine (9) enlisted men were transferred to this organization from 826th Signal Service Company; three (3) enlisted men were transferred to this organization from 307th Signal Company Wing, and seven (7) enlisted men were transferred to this organization from 237th Signal Service Company.
- e. Routine missions per A.A.F. TRAINING STANDARD No. 50-2-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.
- f. Living conditions and morale were excellent. There were no out-

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standing individual achievements. There were no group achievements or citations.

Edmund W. Badgley
EDMUND W. BADGLEY
1st Lt, Sig C,
Commanding.

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1031ST SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
APO No. 610, c/o Postmaster,
New York, N. Y.

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

1. In compliance with Wing Historical Officers Circular No. 1 Headquarters 24th Composite Wing, dated 17 April 1944, and in accordance with paragraph 13. AR 345-105, dated November 1929, the above organization submits the following data for the month of November 1944.

- a. The 1031st Signal Company Service Group, redesignated from 11st Signal Company Service Group per General Order No. 20, Headquarters U.S. Army Forces, dated 24 May 1943, redesignated from 11st Signal Platoon per General Order No. 28 Headquarters US Army Forces, dated 5 September 1942, was activated on 15 February 1941 at Mitchel Field, New York per General Order No. 3, Headquarters GHQ, Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia, dated 8 February 1941.
- b. Former key personnel were CAPTAIN RIGAR H. OLSEN, relieved; CAPTAIN EVERETT L. BUTZ, relieved; and CAPTAIN AARON GOLDMAN, relieved. Present key personnel are 1ST LT EDMUND W. BADGLEY, Commanding Officer; 1ST LT MORRIS BREITSTEIN, Supply Officer; 1ST LT DOUGLAS L. STONE, Radar Officer, and 2D LT HERBERT G. MANKLEY, Radio Officer.
- c. There were no Unit Major Movements during November 1944.
- d. Actual strength at the beginning of November 1944, was four (4) officers and one hundred (100) enlisted men. At the end of November 1944, actual strength was four (4) officers and ninety (90) enlisted men. Two (2) enlisted men were transferred to Headquarters, Iceland Base Command; three (3) enlisted men were transferred to 307th Signal Company Wing; seventeen (17) enlisted men were transferred to 826th Signal Service Company and seven (7) enlisted men transferred to 237th Signal Service Company. Nine (9) enlisted men were transferred to this organization from 826th Signal Service Company; three (3) enlisted men were transferred to this organization from 307th Signal Company Wing, and seven (7) enlisted men were transferred to this organization from 237th Signal Service Company.
- e. Personnel orders per APTL-AMSWING, ORGANIZATION NO. 5002-1, War Department Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 7 June 1943 were carried out.

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SPECIAL REPORT OF UNIT OPERATIONAL HISTORY.

a. From activation until receipt of overseas movement orders.

Activated on 15 February 1941, the 32nd Signal Platoon, Air Base, was assigned eleven enlisted men who were transferred from the 309th Signal Company, Air Wing, at Barksdale Field, Louisiana. One enlisted man was sick in hospital, not in line of duty, and another in confinement when transferred.

Actually only a change of personnel on paper, the transfer resulted in these eleven enlisted men being attached to the 309th Signal Company, Air Wing, and performing the same duties, mainly class-room instructions which was constantly interrupted with base "clean-up" and similar details at Barksdale Field.

On about 15 April 1941, the platoon moved to New Orleans Army Air Base, New Orleans, Louisiana, with the 309th Signal Company, Air Wing, continuing its training. The Two officers assigned to the 309th Signal Company were, Captain Louis B. Eidson, Sig-Res and Lt. Emmett A. Parrish, Sig-Res.

On 5 May 1941, Lt. William H. Dean, Sig-Res, was transferred from the Signal Office at Barksdale Field and was assigned to the platoon at New Orleans, immediately being attached to the 309th Signal Company. He proceeded to assist in the Signal Office, establishing records and routine for Signal Property which had apparently been neglected for some time.

Exact dates are not available for various incidents, but in about June 1941, personnel were transferred into the platoon to bring it to full strength of 32 enlisted men authorized at the time. Basic and advanced training schedules were prepared and followed.

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In July 1941 both officers assigned to the 309th Signal Company were placed on detached service and left the unit, not to join again. This left Lt. Dean as the only officer for both the platoon and 309th Signal Company. Personnel were being transferred in at the rate of from 5 to 10 enlisted men per week, making training a difficult problem since all were newly inducted, lacking preliminary recruit training, having poorly fitted clothing and equipment shortages, and some wholly unadapted for Signal Corps Duties.

Finally on 1 November 1941, the platoon was relieved from attached to the Company and the two units operated separately for administration, with Lt. Dean assigned to the platoon and attached to the Company as only officer. Training was both theoretical and practical with numerous weekly field problems. Separate training schedules for the platoon and company had to be submitted to 3rd Air Force Headquarters for approval, but both were identical, since one officer could not readily handle two separate training schedules.

Finally, on 26 December 1941, the 309th Signal Company, Air Wing, was transferred to Drew Field, Tampa, Florida, and considerable confusion took place in base headquarters relative to the position of Lt. Dean, then assigned to the platoon and attached to the company. Finally, it was decided to have Lt. Dean take the company to Drew Field, and the company departed New Orleans Army Air Base by truck convoy. on 26 December 1941, arriving at Drew Field on 29 December 1941. Lt. Dean returned to New Orleans by rail, arriving on 30 December 1941.

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Sometime about March 1942, the platoon was assigned to the 5th Air Support Command and 9th Air Force, and attached to the 38th Air Base Group, at New Orleans Army Air Base. A sudden flow of orders, directives, and inspections started, orders and directives being sent to the platoon three or four times, since they were sent direct by 5th ASC, 38th Air Base Group, 9th AFSC, and New Orleans Army Air Base Headquarters. Finally 5th ASC was disbanded and the platoon was again assigned to 3rd Air Force. During the period approximately 75% of authorized equipment was on hand and strength reached 96 enlisted men, with one officer. Considerable difficulty and confusion resulted when numerous orders and directives were issued, some requiring detailed reports, then revised or rescinded. With new recruits arriving almost daily, training was difficult to plan. The type personnel being assigned clearly indicated careless classification, since study of Form 20's in many cases clearly indicated qualifications suitable for another arm or service. For example, a commercial photographer, two experienced butchers, an engineering draftsman, and attorney were among those assigned. Efforts to reclassify and properly place these men were made, but disapproved by higher authority.

The early part of May, orders alerting the platoon for overseas movement were received, together with a list of T/BA equipment authorized for the move. This list covered only 60% of T/BA items, but the unit was informed that all other items would be shipped from the port. Several changes in marking instructions was issued, necessitating scraping and restenciling of all boxes twice. Finally all packing was completed at 0400 on 9 May 1942, and equipment loaded on freight cars at 0700 same date.

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On 11 May 1942, 65 enlisted men were transferred, leaving 1 officer and 32 enlisted men assigned to the platoon, as authorized by movement instructions.

b. From receipt of overseas movement orders until arrival in this theater.

On 19 May 1943, the platoon departed New Orleans, Louisiana by rail, arriving at Fort Dix, New Jersey on 21 May 1943. At Fort Dix, New Jersey, requisitions were again submitted for T/Ba shortages. Meeting for COs, S-1's, S-2's, and S-4's, were held daily, each one requiring attendance by the lone platoon officer, most meetings not applying to the unit.

At 2030 on 4 June 1942, the platoon entrained at Fort Dix, New Jersey, arriving at NYPE at 0130, 5 June 1942. After a three mile walk with full field equipment and barracks bags, and a ferry ride, the unit boarded HMS Queen Elizabeth at 0400, 5 June 1942.

From 5 June to 10 June, 1942, inclusive, the unit was aboard HMS Queen Elizabeth. The most luxurious meals possible were served in the officers' dining room, but the filthiest, non-appetizing food yet seen by this unit was served in the enlisted men's mess. The British authorities in charge aboard ship refused to allow any inspection of the kitchen by any members of the U.S. Army aboard. Garbage cans overflowing with slipp were placed next to the two containers of luke warm water for the mess kits. Finally the ship docked at Gourock, Scotland on 11 June 1943, and the platoon was taken to Atcham (near Shrewsbury) Shropshire, England, by rail.

The platoon proceeded to assist the RAF in operating communications by replacing the RAF telephone operators and working alongside the RAF teleprinter and radio operators and VHF radio mechanics. The platoon commander was told he would have to take over all signal

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activities, but with 32 enlisted men, it was impossible to replace 150 RAF personnel operating the Sector Control Operations Station. For the most part, the platoon was in training, supplementing RAF communications personnel, from 5 June 1942 to 1 August 1942.

During the latter part of July, equipment shipped by the unit from the U. S. began arriving. None of the equipment supposedly shipped from the port of embarkation arrived, and one 1½-ton truck loaded with unit T/BA items failed to arrive.

On 1 August 1942, the platoon moved to Westhampnett Air Base, near Chichester, Sussex, England, with the 31st Fighter Group. This base was being run by the RAF who moved out after 10 days. The platoon took over the RAF telephone switchboard, replacing WAAF operators, and installed telephone communications for the base headquarters operated by the 31st Fighter Group headquarters. Arrangements were made with the RAF Sector Signals Officer in Chichester to have the radio and teletype operators and radio mechanics supplement and replace his RAF personnel. The supply section was making futile attempts to secure unit equipment shortages.

On about 15 August 1942, the 38th Service Group, formerly the 38th Air Base Group, arrived at Westhampnett and set up their own base headquarters with the Fighter Group CO as base commander.

On 9 September 1942, three members of the message center section were sent on d/s to 8th Air Force Headquarters to pursue a course of instruction in codes and ciphers, returning on 19 September 1942.

On 16 September 1942, the platoon received orders and a new Table of Organization redesignating it as the 32nd Signal Company,

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Service Group. Personnel starved for ratings were promoted on 17 September 1942. Four enlisted men from the 418th Signal Company, Avn, (two radio operators, one teletypewriter operator, and one message center clerk) were transferred to the company, bringing it to full platoon strength of 1 officer and 36 enlisted men.

The first part of September 1942, instructions for packing and crating for overseas movement were received. As was the case in the move from the U. S., these orders were changed, necessitating two more changes in box markings. All signal equipment turned in by units on the base was shipped to the Company, but it had only about 40% of T/BA when it left the U. K. All vehicles authorized were taken to the docks for shipment on 10 October 1942.

On 25 September 1942, the complete Message Center Section of 5 enlisted men were placed on d/s with 12th Fighter Command to receive message center and code training. These men did not rejoin the company until 15 November 1942, although the Message Center section was badly needed much before that date.

Five enlisted men from the Chemical Warfare Section of the 38th Service Group were attached to the Company for the boat ride and the organization left Westhampnett on 22 October 1942 with the following strength:

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| Present Assigned: | 1 Officer, 31 enlisted men. |
| Present attached: | 5 enlisted men (CMS) |
| Absent Assigned : | 5 enlisted men (d/s 12th Ftr Com.) |

At Avonmouth Docks, England, the company, embarked on HMT Kooltan, another crowded English Vessel, serving enlisted men meals even inferior to those aboard the S.S. Queen Elizabeth. Sanitation in the kitchen was unknown, no hot water available for washing mess

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kits until five days at sea. Finally, the large convoy arrived in North Africa and the company disembarked at Arzew Docks, Algeria at 0700, on 9 November 1942.

c. From date of arrival in this theater until sixty days thereafter.

At Arzew Docks, a search was made for the beach party which supposedly was waiting for the units, but none was found. Following a rumor, the unit moved six miles to St Lew, Algeria, where it reported to XII AFSC and was told to wait in an open field.

Camping in the field with one blanked and one shelter half per man became miserable when rain poured down the nights of 9th and 10th November 1942. No one appeared to know anything concerning movements or disposition of various units. Finally, on 11 November 1942, XII AFSC headquarters ordered the unit to Tafaraoui Air Base where it arrived at 1730. Again, no one knew what it was to do, and the Signal Officer, XII AF, sent it on to La Senia Airdrome on 12th November 1942. One 3/4 ton and one 2 1/2 ton truck originally shipped by the company from England were obtained from units who stole them at the docks.

At La Senia Air Base, much wreckage was found. Telephone lines and switchboards were destroyed beyond repair, so the unit proceeded to establish field lines and set up telephones and teletypewriter communications.

Daily truck runs were made to the docks in an effort to locate equipment. Small amounts were found scattered many miles along the docks and eventually most was recovered and brought back. One unit of a field range was set up to feed the men of the company, radio

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operators acting as cooks. The five CES enlisted men were relieved from attached.

At La Senia, headquarters of XII AFSC, XII Fighter Command, 3 Fighter Groups, and the base were established, all issuing verbal instructions to the company. XII AFSC proceeded to redistribute the company's equipment and practically all major items were taken. Extreme difficulty was encountered by the one officer assigned in performing his many functions. Upon the departure of the Signal Officer, XII AFSC, the lone company officer was attached as Assistant Signal Officer of XII AFSC, acting in place of the departed Signal Officer. The five Message Center men returned from D/S late in November and immediately were put back to work.

At Lasenia, full Colonels were attempting to "pull rank" by issuing orders to the company and individual enlisted men without proper authority. The company officer, just a Captain, was continually endeavoring to have instructions coordinated and made through proper channels of command, in order to efficiently perform communications functions. Nine enlisted men were sent on d/s to Youks les Bains, the company told to follow in about a week.

Finally, at 0600 on 12 December 1942, the company left La Senia and rode by truck convoy to Oujda, French Morocco. Strength remained at one officer and 36 enlisted men assigned, nine enlisted men on D/S. At Oujda Airdrome, the company was bivouaced in pup tents and spent a cold and rainy winter there. Radio, telephone and teletype communications, and Signal Property and Message Center functions were established.

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On 26 December, 11 Air Corps enlisted men were transferred from the Hq and Hq Sq, 38th Service Group, to the company. None had communication training and several were found totally inapt for duty with the company.

On 9 January, the company was still at Oujda, French Morocco, at the following strength:

Assigned Present: 1 Officer, 37 enlisted men.

Assigned Absent: 10 enlisted men (9 on d/s, 1 sk hosp.)

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11 August - 2nd Lt Eller was transferred to Hq RASAF per Par 6, SO 152, Hq RASAF dated 24 July 1943, and departed from the detachment at 1400 hours. His transfer necessitated the sending of WO3 Kechert on D/S with the Company's detachment, which had partially moved to Service Center No. 37, at Dj Oust, Tunisia. 2nd Lt Eller was appointed Pvt 1st per CG 7.

12 August - I/Lt Kroll was released from sick quarters and returned to duty. On the 14th of August, the company, less detachment, were preparing to leave Massicault the following day, for Kateur, Tunisia, to rejoin the 30th Service Group. The telephone lines were strung and installed "ONIX" switchboard, a BD-72 being used.

Massicault Air Field is about twenty miles from Carthage, which is located on the Mediterranean Sea. Since there is a beach there, one of the trucks was sent in each evening after supper for the men who cared to go swimming.

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MASF dated 24 July 1943, and departed from the detachment at 1400 hours.

His transfer necessitated the sending of MSG Kachert on D/S with the Company's detachment, which had partially moved to Service Center No. 37,

1 August. Six enlisted men from Co A, 437th Signal Bn., were relieved

from attached for rations only.

12 August - Pvt Rutledge was appointed Pvt 1st per GO 7.

2 August - At 0600, the company, less detachment of 1 Officer and 31

enlisted men at Service Center No. 6, embarked and departed Ain M'Elila,

Algeria. After traveling 200 miles, the unit arrived at Massicault Air

Field, ten miles west of Tunis, Tunisia, at 2000. The telephone linesmen

strung lines and installed "OMIX" switchboard, a MD-72 being used.

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UNIT HISTORY

1. Name of Unit: **DETACHMENT, 1032ND. SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP.**
2. Where Activated **BARKSDALE FIELD, LA., U. S. A.** Date: **25 MARCH 1941.**
3. Locations Trained: **NEW ORLEANS ARMY AIR BASE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.** from **27 APRIL 1941**, to **19 MAY 1942**

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4. Joined Service Group No. **38** at **NEW ORLEANS ARMY AIR BASE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.** Date: **20 MAY 1941.**
5. (At U.S.)
(Staging Area) **FORT DIX, NEW JERSEY** from **21 MAY 1942**, to **3 JUNE 1942**
6. Departed U.S. From **NEW YORK PORT OF EMBARKATION** Date **4 JUNE 1942.**
7. Arrived overseas at **GUROC, SCOTLAND** Date **9 JUNE 1942.**
ARZEN, ALGERIA Date **8 NOVEMBER 1942.**
Date
8. What combat units were served? (Give places and dates in Chronological Sequence)
31ST. FIGHTER GROUP, ATCHAU AIR BASE, ENGLAND - 13 JUNE - 31 JULY 1942.
31ST. FIGHTER GROUP, WESTHAMPNETT AIR BASE, ENGLAND - 31 JULY - 15 AUG 1942
31ST. FIGHTER GROUP, LABENIA AIR BASE, ALGERIA - 10 NOVEMBER 1942 - 10 DECEMBER 1942.
9TH. BOMB GROUP, CHATEAUDUN, ALGERIA - 3 JUNE 1943 - 12 AUGUST 1943
16TH. FIGHTER GROUP, MARIE ST DE ZIT, TUNISIA - 14 AUGUST 1943 -
27TH. BOMB GROUP, DIEPPE, TUNISIA - 14 AUGUST 1943 --
9. Give resume of type of training received from time unit was activated until it began servicing combat units:
UNIT TRAINED IN THE FOLLOWING LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS:
(A) RADIO CODE AND REPAIR WORK.
(B) SWITCHBOARD OPERATIONS, TELEPHONE LINE AND FIELD INSTALLATIONS.
(C) MESSAGE CENTER OPERATIONS.
(D) SIGNAL CORPS SUPPLY FUNCTIONS.
(E) TELETYPE OPERATIONS AND INSTRUMENTATION.

REMARKS:

THE ABOVE DATES AND PLACES AREN'T ACCURATE. THE HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT WILL SUBMIT A MORE COMPLETE AND ACCURATE REPORT SINCE IT HAS ALL OF THE COMPANY RECORDS IN ITS POSSESSION.

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Service Center #1

HISTORY AT OUJDA SERVICE CENTER, MOROCCO - 15 January to 15 February 1943.

Since 15 January additional personnel has been transferred into organization, bringing the organization to following strength:

OFFICERS


ENLISTED MEN

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1st Sgt Hamric was returned to duty from hospital. Pvt Brennan, who went AWOL 17 January 1943, is in confinement this station awaiting trial by Special Court-Martial.

The Company is performing routine base duties, furnishing telephone and teletype communication, as well as Base Signal Supply.


WILLIAM H. DEAN,
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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HISTORY AT OUJDA SERVICE CENTER, MOROCCO - 15 FEBRUARY TO 15 MARCH 1943

The middle of February found the 32nd Signal Company, Service Group still performing routine signal duties for Service Center No. 1, furnishing telephone and teletypewriter service, and handling base message center and signal property functions.

On 27 February 1943, the nine men who were on detached service at Youks-les-Bains, near the front lines in eastern Algeria, returned to duty with the organization.

During the first few days of March the organization moved to the area previously occupied by the 1668th Ordnance Company (MM) and erected improved living quarters. T/5th Gr. James R. Suggs and Private Ray C. Newsome were given the task of digging a latrine trench for the new area as extra duty for misconduct.

An SCR-188-A Radio Set, received by the company on 4 March, was placed in operation at 0900 on 5 March as station 15N in an emergency stand-by point-to-point net, supplementing wire communications at the Service Center.

Private Ignatius J. Mallia went AWOL on 6 March 1943, was tried by summary courts martial on 8 March, and sentenced to thirty days confinement and a forfeiture of twenty-five dollars.

At present, private Everett H. Nyberg is also in confinement awaiting trial for violations of the 61st and 85th Articles of War on 6 March 1943.

The entire company, enlisted men and officer, was restricted for the period from 7 March 1943 to 20 March 1943, inclusive. This punishment was inflicted upon the company because of privates Julius D. Parr and Ignatius J. Mallia having been taken into custody by the Military Police of Oujda, French Morocco, for misconduct.

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Personnel transferred from the 431st Signal Battalion, Construction Aviation, brought the company to the following strength for duty:

OFFICERS

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ENLISTED MEN

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Private William A. Harrison, transferred from 1st Service Squadron, 3rd Service Group per Special Orders No. 15, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command, dated 26 January 1943, has not yet joined this unit.

WILLIAM H. DEAN
Captain, Signal Corps,
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HISTORY OF THE 32ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM 15 APRIL TO 15 MAY 1943.

The 15 of April 1943 found the 32nd Signal Company continuing in their operation maintenance of the Telephone, Teletypewriter, Radio, Message Center, and Signal Supply, at Service Center No. 1, Oujda, French Morocco.

On 18 April, Pvt Newsome was placed in confinement for violation of the 96th Article of War.

On 20 April Pvt Jacobelli was released from confinement and returned to duty with the Message Center section, and Corp Hunter was appointed Sgt., per Company Order # 9, dated 21 April 1943. Pvt Newsome was released from confinement 22 April 1943.

On 27 April 1943 T/Sgt Kochert received orders appointing him Warrant Officer Junior Grade (temporary) per paragraph 6, Special Order No. 59, Hq NMAAF, dated 21 April 1943, effective 25 April 1943, and was assigned to the Company as Supply Officer.

1st Lt. David W. Thomas, A.C., transferred from 71st Fighter Group per paragraph 3, Special Order # 56 Hq NMAAF, joined organization 29 April 1943, and was assigned as Operations Platoon Officer.

Pvt Parr was released from confinement 7 May 1943.

On the night of Friday, 7 May, 1943, the company held a dinner party. The festivities started shortly after 2000 and lasted until about 2200, the prospect of arising at 0400 the next morning inducing most of the men to a good night's sleep. The company's cook, S/Sgt Sam W. Tanner, with S/Sgt Anthony A. Lemoine acting as interpreter, made several trips into town to purchase the food, and then prepared a delicious repast consisting of: fried chicken, French fried potatoes, spring onions, bread and butter, coffee, ice cream and doughnuts. There was no planned entertainment, but impromptu speeches, jokes and impersonations by S/Sgt Stockstill, Lt. Thomas, T/4Gr Smith, and others enlivened the affair considerably.

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At 0515 on 8 May 1943, this organization departed from Service Center No. 1 by motor convoy for La Senia Air Base, Algeria, arriving at La Senia Air Base at 1330 on 8 May 1943.

Corp Daly who had been on detached service at Algiers for Pasteur treatment against rabies, returned to the organization on 9 May 1943.

The company pitched pyramidal tents, and the operating sections were assigned to assist the 33rd and 65th Signal Companies, Service Group, in operating and maintaining base communications at Air Force General Depot No. 1, La Senia Airdrome, La Senia, Algeria.

The strength of the company on 15 May 1943; Officers: Present for duty...2
Warrant Officers: Present for duty...1
Enlisted Men: Present for duty.....59
In hospital..... 2
D.S., Oujda Air Base.. 4

William F. Dean
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Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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HISTORY OF THE 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

15 MAY, 1943 TO 15 JUNE, 1943

On the 15th of May the 32nd Signal Company was still assisting the 33rd and 65th Signal Companies in operating and maintaining base communications at Air Force General Depot No. 1, La Senia Airdrom, La Senia, Algeria. The radio maintenance section, under the direction of Lt. Thomas, was working on the line checking and installing VHF aircraft radio equipment.

Also on 15 May T/3Gr Shively and T/4Gr McLeese returned to duty from D. S. at Service Center No. 1 and Pvt lcl Bittner returned to duty from the hospital.

Pvt Newsome was placed in confinement on 17 May for violation of the 96th article of war. Sgt Hunter went to the hospital with a high fever on the same day.

On 18 May WOJG Kochert was sent on detached service to Constantine and S/Sgt Lemoine, T/4Gr Beres and Linakis and T/5Gr Blalock, Chapman and Dodson were sent on D.S. to Algiers for instruction on aircraft radio installations. The company was redesignated 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group, per letter North African Theater of Operations, dated 13 May, 1943, with no change in authorized strength or station.

On 20 May Pvt Menichelli was sent to the hospital, returning to duty 23 May.

WOJG Kochert returned from D.S. to duty 24 May. Pvt lcl Bittner and Pvt Rutledge went to the hospital.

The following promotions were made; Sgt Elam to S/Sgt; T/5Gr Kwasniewski to Sgt; Pvt lcl Black to T/5Gr; and Privs Galloway, Menichelli and Modgling to Privs lcl, per C.O.#12, dated 25 May 1943. Pvt lcl DeSalvo and Pvt Brennan returned to duty from detached service at Service Center No. 1. T/5Gr Wirt went to hospital. On the following day 26 May, Pvt Rutledge returned to duty from the hospital.

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On 27 May Sgt Hunter returned to duty from the hospital. The Company, less motor convoy detachment, entrucked and departed La Senia Airdrome at 1530 on 27 May arriving at La Senia Rail Station 1600 where it entrained for Constantine at 1725. Pvt Jacobelli was confined at La Senia for the night of 27-28 May and he and Pvt Newsome were transferred from confinement at La Senia to confinement at Constantine as of 29 May.

On 27 May, 1st Lt. Thomas, T/Sgt Hawk, S/Sgt Kassel, Sgts Davis, Grant and Mcateer, T/4Gr Jacobs, Smith, Hedgecock, T/5Gr Krauss, Kroll, Reynolds, and Pvt lcl Shaul and Pulley were left at La Senia on detached service and departed the following day, 28 May, by truck convoy.

T/5Gr Wirt returned to duty from the hospital on 31 May.

The organization arrived at Constantine, Algeria, on 31 May, 1943.

On 2 June 1st Lt David W. Thomas, T/Sgt Hawk, Brumfield and Schmiling; S/Sgt Hicks and Kassel; T/3Gr Shively; Sgts Hunter and Kwasniewski; T/4Gr McLeese, Regan, Miller and Smith; T/5Gr Wascher and Wirt; Pvt lcl Daughtry, Menichelli and Pulley and Pvt Dahl, Guy, Kallia, Rutledge, Scheviak, Sheldon and Sutler were sent on D.S. to Air Base at Chateaudun where they took over Signal communications (including radio, teletype, message center, telephone operation, and supply) from the 1016th Signal Company, Service Group.

T/5Gr Krauss and Reynolds, Pvt lcl Modgling and Pvt Patterson and Suggs, and Pvt lcl Browning were sent on D.S. to Air Force General Depot No 4 Telergma. The same day T/4Gr Hedgecock, T/5Gr Paddycoart, and Pvt Stanford were sent on D.S. to Chateaudun and Pvt Sheldon returned to duty from detached service.

On 5 June T/4Gr Hinton returned to duty from the hospital and was sent to detached service to Chateaudun. The following day, 6 May, Sgt Mcateer and Corp Daly went to Chateaudun on D.S. T/Sgt Johnson, T/4Gr Hedgecock and Jacoby, T/5Gr Patterson and Suggs, and Pvt lcl Browning returned to duty from D.S. at Telergma. On 9 May, T/Sgt Schmiling returned from detached service to duty.

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On 11 June, S/Sgt Horn went to the hospital. The next day T/Sgts Johnson and Schmiling and T/5Gr Beres and Linakis and T/5Gr Blalock, Chapman and Dodson returned from detached service in Algiers.

On 14 June S/Sgt Horn returned from the hospital.

On 15 June T/Sgts Johnson and Schmiling, S/Sgt Hicks and T/5Gr Krauss and Patterson returned to duty at Constantine from D.S. S/Sgt Elam, T/4Gr Beres, Linakis, T/5Gr Blalock and Chapman, Pvt 1cl Shaul, and Pmts Ryberg, Owens, Parr, Rosenauer, and Sheldon were left on detached service at Constantine while the rest of the company entrucked and departed for Ain M'lila, Algeria, arriving at 1230, distance traveled 30 miles. At the new base, T/5Gr Massi and Pvt Croushore from the 1002nd Signal Company, Service Group, and T/4Gr Shultis, T/5Gr Eldridge and Corp Hart from the 1072nd Signal Company, Service Group, were attached to this organization for duty.

The organization has set up a message center, telephone communication, and teletype service at Ain M'lila, and is assisting the maintenance of telephone trunk lines. On 15 June, the unit's strength was as follows:

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| Present for Duty, Ain M'lila, Algeria: | 1 Officer, 1 WOJG, 21 EM assigned |
| Detached Service, Chateaudun, Algeria: | 1 Officer, 30 Enlisted Men. |
| Detached Service, Constantine, Algeria: | 11 Enlisted Men. |
| In confinement: | 2 Enlisted Men. |
| Sick in Hospital: | 1 Enlisted Man. |

Total assigned: 2 Off, 1 WOJG, 65 Enlisted Men.

Total attached: 5 Enlisted Men.

WILLIAM H. DEAN
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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HISTORY OF THE 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP, AT SERVICE CENTER NO. 5. 15 JUNE 1943 TO 15 JULY 1943.

On 15 June the company, with men on detached service at Chateaudun handling the base signal duties there, and an advance group at Ain M'lila, entrucked and departed Constantine at 1000 hours arriving at Service Center No. 5, Ain M'lila at 1230 hours, a distance of thirty miles. On the same day T/Sgts Johnson and Schmiling, S/Sgt Hicks and T/5Gr Krauss and Patterson returned to duty status from detached service. T/5Gr Passi and Eldridge, Corp Hart, T/4Gr Shultis, and Pvt Croushore, from 1002nd and 1072nd Signal Companies, Service Group were attached for duty. S/Sgt Elam, Pvt Nyberg, and Pvt Sheldon remained with the company supplies in Constantine, Pvs Parr and Rosenauer continued as couriers for the Message Center at 2nd Air Service Area Command, in Constantine, while T/4Gr Beres and Linakis, T/5Gr Blalock and T/5Gr Chapman remained in Constantine to assist in radio operations at Headquarters Northwest African Strategical Air Force. All of these men were attached to the 416th Signal Company, Aviation for administration and rations. The company set up signal supply, and telephone and teletype service at Service Center No. 5, and continued operations.

On 25 June Pvt 1cl Galloway was sent to the hospital and Pvt Owen returned to duty from detached service. Pvt 1cl Noe of the 1072nd Signal Company Service Group was attached to the organization for duty.

On 26 June Pvt Brennan was placed in confinement at EBS Slockade, Ouled Rhamoun, charges being preferred by 1st Lt. Thomas for a violation of the 96th Article of War - drunk and disorderly in a public place so as to bring discredit upon the military service.

On 2 July, Pvt 1cl Shaul returned from detached service to duty.

On 6 July, T/5Gr Suggs went to the hospital for treatment of an injury to his eye.

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On 9 July, Pvt 1cl Bittner was transferred to detachment of patients, 2nd Convalescent Hospital, per paragraph 2, S.O. #11, Headquarters, Service Center No. 5.

T/5Gr Suggs returned to duty from the hospital on 10 July.

On 11 July, T/5Gr Massi and Pvt Croushore (1002nd Signal Company Service Group) were released from attached. S/Sgt Sinnott (1072nd Signal Company Service Group) was released from the hospital and returned to his own unit for duty, being relieved from attached to this unit.

On 13 July, T/4Gr Jacobs went on detached service with the Headquarters Squadron of the 12th Air Force Service Command, as truck driver.

As of 15 July 1943, this organization was continuing operations of telephone and teletype, and signal supply for Service Center No. 5, with its own kitchen set up for feeding the company. Members of the organization were handling telephone, teletype, supply and radio service at Chateaudun as well as assisting with radio communication at Headquarters, Northwest African Strategical Air Force, and message center work at Headquarters, 2nd Air Service Area Command (Sp).

At the end of this period, the strength of this unit was as follows:

Company Headquarters at Service Center No. 5 (Ain M'lila) Algeria:
1 - Officer, 1 - WOJG, 21 - EM. (5 - EM attached).

Detachment at Service Center No. 6. (Chateaudun du Rhumal, Algeria):
1 - Officer, 40 - EM.

Confined at EBS Stockade (Ouled Rhamoun, Algeria):
3 - EM.

Total Strength:

Assigned: 2 - Officer.

1 - WOJG

64 - EM.

Attached: 5 - EM.

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HISTORY OF THE 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP FROM 15 JULY TO 15 AUGUST 1943.

On 15 July the 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group, was at Ain El'lila, Algeria, carrying on Teletype, Telephone, Message Center and Signal Supply duties for Service Center No. 5, servicing the 2nd Bomb Group.

16 July - T/4Gr Shultis, T/5Gr Eldridge, Cpl Hart and Pvt lcl Noe of the 1072nd Signal Company, Service Group (employed as telephone switchboard operators) were relieved from attached and returned to their organization which was alerted for movement. T/5Grds Malone, Sarakon, Irvin and Peek, (1051st Signal Company, Service Group) were attached and employed as telephone operators. T/5Gr Kaplan (1051st Signal Company, Service Group) was attached and employed as teletypewriter operator. S/Sgt Lemoine, T/4Gr Beres and Linakis, and T/5Grds Blalock and Chapman returned to duty with the company after being on D/S at Constantine operating in the radio section of II ASAD (Sp). WOJG Kochert was sent to Service Center No. 6 to take command of the detachment of this unit which was operating at Service Center No. 6, near Chateaudun du Rhonel, Algeria. WOJG Kochert replaced Lt. Thomas who was transferred to Hq. MATC per paragraph 1, SO # 118 Hq. MATC, dated 7 July 1943, and departed on 18 July 1943.

18 July - T/3Gr Shively was appointed S/Sgt., Sgts Grant and Hunter and T/4Gr Beres and McLeese, were appointed T/3Gr; T/4Gr Miller and T/5Gr. Mascher were appointed Sgt; T/5Grds Blalock, Chapman, Krauss, Kroll and Wirt were appointed T/4Grds; Pvts lcl Galloway and Menichelli, and Pvts Boyle and Sutler were appointed T/5Grds; and Pvts Dahl, Guy, Mallia, Nyberg, Scheviak and Sheldon were appointed Pvts lcl, Per CO # 3.

20 July - S/Sgt Elam, Pvts lcl Nyberg and Sheldon, and Pvts Parr and Rosenauer were relieved from attached to the 416th Signal Company, Avn,

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and were attached to the 1051st Signal Company, Service Group, per par 1, SO 118, Hq II ASAC (Sp) dated 19 July 1943. 2nd Lt. Eller was assigned to the organization for duty per Par 1, SO 184, Hq III AFSC, dated 18 July 1943, and joined detachment at Service Center No. 6 at 0900.

22 July - WOJG Kochert returned to duty with the organization.

24 July - Pvt 1cl Mallia returned to duty from Chateaudun, and Pvt 1cl Sheldon, who at the time was on D/S in Constantine, was sent to Chateaudun to replace Pvt 1cl Mallia. Both, Mallia and Sheldon are assigned to the Supply Section.

25 July - S/Sgt Hicks was placed in sick quarters with a foot infection. T/5Grds Malone and Sarakon went on pass to Constantine but failed to return at the proper time, consequently they were AWOL as of 2030, this date.

26 July - Pvt 1cl Mallia remained with the organization in Ain K'Lila only 2 days as he was again sent on D/S with the 1051st Signal Company Service Group in Constantine. The 1051st Signal Company, Service Group was replacing the 1072nd Signal Company, Service Group. T/5Gr Suggs also was sent to Constantine to report to the Signal Section at II ASAC. T/5Gr Malone who was reported as AWOL the day before, returned to duty.

27 July - T/5Gr Sarakon returned from AWOL. T/5Gr Dodson and Reynolds and Pvt 1cl Hodgling returned from Chateaudun, Reynolds and Hodgling reporting for duty as switchboard operators, and Dodson to the Message Center. T/5Grds Irvin, Kaplan, Malone, Peek and Sarakon, 1051st Signal Company, Service Group, were relieved from attached and departed about 1000. T/5Gr Suggs returned from D/S at Constantine. Pvt 1cl Mallia and Privs Parr and Rosenauer were transferred to the 1051st Signal Company, Service Group, per par 5, SO 125, Hq II ASAC (Sp), dated 26 July 1943.

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28 July - S/Sgt Elam and Pvt lcl Nyberg returned to duty with the organization. S/Sgt Hicks was released from sick quarters and returned to the organization to resume his duty as Chief Teletype Operator.

1 August - Six enlisted men from Co A, 437th Signal Bn., were relieved from attached for rations only.

2 August - At 0500, the company, less detachment of 1 Officer and 31 Enlisted Men at Service Center No. 6, entrucked and departed Ain Elila, Algeria. After traveling 280 miles, the unit arrived at Massicault Air Field, ten miles west of Tunis, Tunisia, at 2000. The telephone linemen strung lines and installed "ONYX" switchboard, a BD-72 being used.

Massicault Air Field is about twenty miles from Carthage, which is located on the Mediterranean Sea. Since there is a beach there, one of the trucks was sent in each evening after supper for the men who cared to go swimming.

5 August - T/4Gr Jacobs who had been on D/S rejoined the organization.

10 August - T/4Gr Kroll had a slight temperature and was placed in sick quarters.

11 August - 2nd Lt Eller was transferred to Hq NASAF per Par 6, SO 152, Hq, NAAF dated 24 July 1943, and departed from the detachment at 1400 hours. His transfer necessitated the sending of WOJG Kochert on D/S with the Company's detachment, which had partially moved to Service Center No. 37, at Dj Oust, Tunisia.

12 August - Pvt Rutledge was appointed Pvt lcl per CO 7.

13 August - T/4Gr Kroll was released from sick quarters and returned to duty. On the 14th of August, the company, less detachment, were preparing to leave Massicault the following day, for Kateur, Tunisia, to rejoin the 38th Service Group.

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HISTORY OF THE 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP FROM 15
AUGUST TO 15 SEPTEMBER 1943.

15 August - The company, less detachment at Service Center # 37 of 1 WOJG and 30 EM, departed Massicault Air Base, Tunisia, via Truck Convoy at 0745, arriving at Service Center # 38, Mateur, Tunisia at 0945, after traveling a distance of 35 miles. Pyramidal tents were pitched for housing of personnel, and arrangements made to provide communications for the Service Center.

16 August - After an absence of almost 3 months, this unit was once again servicing the 38th Service Group. A switchboard, TC-4 was installed and operation began this date. The Teletypewriter and radio were set up and Message Center established. S/Sgt Stockstill acted as Message Center Chief. S/Sgt Hicks remained as Chief Teletype Operator, and S/Sgt Lemoine and T/4Gr Krauss acted as Chief Radio and Switchboard operators in the absence of T/Sgt Brumfield and T/3Gr Hunter, who were still on D/S. The telephone lineman, T/Sgts Johnson and Schmiling and T/5Gr Patterson, were kept busy with the installation of the switchboard and the maintenance of its lines. The Supply section handled Signal Requisitions and 3 EM, attached from the 1057th Signal Company Service Group handled the repair of radio equipment.

T/5Gr Peddycoart (D/S) and T/5Gr Suggs were transferred to the 1051st Signal Company, Service Group, per paragraph 6, SO # 140, Hq., II ASAC (Sp), dated 12 August 1943, and departed at 1000.

24 August - Sgt Miller was appointed T/3Gr per paragraph 1, CO # 8. - Sgt Miller remained on D/S with detachment at Service Center # 37.

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26 August - Pmts Brennan, Jacobelli and Newsome who are in confinement and haven't been with the company since the latter part of May, were transferred to EBS Stockade.

31 August - T/4Gr Krauss was sent to the 114th Station Hospital in the morning and was operated on in the afternoon for appendicitis. T/5Gr Reynolds, in Krauss's absence, acted as Chief Switchboard Operator.

2 September - T/4Gr Hinton (D/S Service Center # 37) was transferred to 1051st Signal Company Service Group per paragraph 9, SC # 158, Hq., II ASAC (Sp), dated 30 August 1943, and departed the organization at 0900.

Transportation has been provided twice daily for the men to go to the Hospital to visit Krauss. For the first few days he was quite ill but soon began improving. Transportation has also been provided for any of the men desiring to go swimming at Bizerte and on a number of occasions have gone only as far as Ferryville, some 10 or 15 miles distant.

4 September - Pmts 1cl Daughtry and Pulley and Pvt Stanford who are with the detachment at Service Center # 37, and Pvt Owens were sent to Tunis, reporting to the II ASAC, for guard duty. Pvt Owens departed the organization at about 0930.

T/5Gr Patterson was appointed T/4Gr per CC # 9.

5 September - T/4Gr Patterson was sent to the 114th Station Hospital at 1300.

6 September - T/4Gr Jacobs was sent to the 114th Station Hospital at 0800. After arriving there it was reported that he had Malaria Fever.

10 September - T/5Gr Reynolds went to the 114th Station Hospital with a stomach ailment.

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WOJG Kochert, T/Sgts Brumfield and Hawk, S/Sgts Kassel and Shively, T/3Grds Hunter, McLeese and Miller, Sgts Kwasniewski, McAteer and Mascher, T/4Grds Chapman, Megan Smith and Wirt, Corp Daly, T/5Grds Menichelli and Sutler, and Pvts 1cl Dahl, Guy, Rutledge, Scheviak and Sheldon, all of whom, with the exception of WOJG Kochert, had been on D/S ever since the first part of June, returned from Service Center # 37 to duty with the company at Service Center # 38, Mateur, Tunisia, arriving 1050. Sgt Davis, transportation NCO, set up a tent for the truck dispatch office, and T/4Gr Wirt, and Pvts 1cl Scheviak and Shaul were appointed drivers for the motor vehicles. T/Sgt Brumfield resumed his responsibility as Chief Radio Operator and T/3Gr Hunter as Chief Switchboard Operator. However, due to the fact that one of the switchboard operator's (T/5Gr Reynolds) was in the hospital, T/3Gr Hunter found it necessary to place himself on the operators' schedule as relief operator. T/Sgt Hawk, S/Sgt Shively, and T/3Gr McLeese, and T/5Gr Sutler, Radio Mechanics, are converting a trailer, which the detachment had been using as a Signal Office and Orderly Room, into a Radio Repair Shop. Other members of the detachment went to work with the same sections they had been assigned prior to their departure in June.

11 September - T/4Gr Patterson after having spent 6 days in the hospital returned to full duty status at 1530. T/5Gr Reynolds was moved to the 3rd General Hospital at 1130, for observation for nervous stomach disorder. T/4Gr Krauss moved to the 3rd General Hospital to recuperate from his appendectomy.

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14 September - Company continuing normal operations at Service Center

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Strength: Present Assigned: 1 Officer
1 WOJG
49 Enlisted Men.

Present Attached: 3 Enlisted Men.

Absent Assigned: 6 Enlisted Men
(3 sk hosp; 4 d/s, at IIASAC)

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Chronological list of Major Occurrences HISTORY OF 1220 SIGNAL COMPANY, SERVICE GROUP

32 Sig. Pl. (6-11)

This organization was originally activated as the 122nd Signal Platoon, A.B., less personnel at Barksdale Field, La., 15 February 1941, per General Order No 3, Hq. GHQ Air Force, Langley Field Va., dated 8 February 1941, under authority contained in letter AG 320.2 (12-21-40) H (Ret) H-C, W.D., 31 January 1941, subject, "Constitution and Activation of Signal Corps Units", to S.A. GHQ Air Force.

4 March 1941 - Lt. Parrish attached and assumed command as of this date. Pvt. 1st Sp 4th Cl Clark (DS Ft. Monmouth), Pvt. 1st Sp 4th Cl Johnson, Pvt. Sp 4th Cl Cox, Pvt. Bennett (Conf), Pvt. 1st Sp 4th Cl Galata, Pvt. Sp 6th Cl Hinton, Pvt. 1st Sp 3rd Cl Hunt, Pvt. 1st Sp 4th Cl Wilson (Sk Hosp), Pvt. Sp Sp 9th Cl Brunfield, Pvt. Sp 6th Cl Davis, Pvt. Jacobelli were assigned as a cadre to the Platoon from the 309th Signal Aviation Company, transferred per paragraph 1, S.O. # 50, Hq. A.C. Advanced Flying School, Barksdale Field, Louisiana.

The records of this organization covering the period, between 4 March 1941 and 1 May 1942, were left in a sealed box with the Commanding Officer of the New Orleans Army Air Base, New Orleans, Louisiana. During this period, however, the organization moved from Barksdale Field to the New Orleans Army Air Base and additional listed men were assigned. Lt. William E. Dean was given command of the Platoon. With members of the 309th Signal Company, Air Wing, this organization assisted in operating base communications. In April, 1941, these duties were taken over by civilian personnel, the Platoon men assisting in their training.

1942, 1 May - Pvt. Minshie, Figarra and Yantis transferred into the organization from Fort McClellan, Alabama, per S.O. # 93.

2 May - Pvt. Barnes, Blalock and Hinton were sent on Detached Service to Athens, Georgia, to attend Radio School there at the University of Georgia.

10 May - Pvt. Barnes, Blalock, and Hinton from Detached Service at Athens, Georgia.

11 May - Pvt. Anderson, Avila, Abbe, Doving, Bagley, Barnes, Minshie, Grams, Henry, Harrell, Jocke, Jensen, Kaldheim, Kelly, Kimes, Lane, Larabe, McCarty, McIntire, Quinn, Stockton, Sheppard, Snider, Scully, Thompson, Vertusa, Wright, Yantis, Kirby, Adams, Albert, Armstrong, Baker, Balisiger, Barker, Graddock, Devilla, Henry, Gilmore, Gross, Haimenrich, Henson, Joyce, Brown, McKeithen, Fykes, Robinson, Sutton, Seeger, Schuck, Thacker, Uphams, Vaughn, Williams, Young, Lawrence, (Attached A.C. Hangar), Bennett (In Confinement, Camp Wallace, Texas) and Dunlap (In Guard Hospital) released from assigned per S.O. # 112. Pvt. 1st Sp 4th Cl Hodgecock, Horn and Russell directed to Privates and rated Sp 4th Cl. Pvt. Blalock directed Sp 5th Cl and rated Sp 4th Cl. Pvt. Sp 5th Cl Hunter appointed Pvt. 1st. Pvt. Sp 1st Cl Stockstill appointed Pvt. 1 Cl. Pvt. Sp 4th Cl Lawrence appointed Pvt. 1 Cl. Pvt. Klam, Jacobelli and Miller appointed Pvt 1 Cl. Pvt. 1 Cl Reynolds rated Sp 5th Cl. Pvt. Brown and Mallia rated Sp 5th Cl per Platoon Order # 8, 1 May.

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12 May - Pvt. 1 Cl Linakis, Pvt. Sp 3rd Cl Malone, Ptes. Sanford, Smith and Johnson, V.J. transferred to organization from Harding Field, Ia. per extract S.O. # 120 Hq Harding Field.

15 May - Ptes. Johnson, V.J. Sanford, Johnson, W.C., and Culbreath transferred to 309th Signal Company per paragraph 20, S.O. # 117.

19 May - On this day the 12nd Signal Platoon was attached to the 720th Ordnance Company (Avn) for rations only and was transferred to Fort Dix, N.J., for a permanent change of station by S.O. No. 121 of 17 May 1942. The organization was composed of 32 enlisted men and one officer named below 1st Lt. William H. Dunn, 2/Sgt Byrd Harris, Sgt. Clifton R. Brownfield, Sgt. Alton G. Johnson, Sgt. Carl E. Koshart, Corp. Forrest E. Davis, Corp. Robert W. Hank, Corp. Alexander L. Nichols Jr., Corp. John W. Rasmussen Jr., PFC Sp 1 Cl Ernest R. Stockstill, PFC. Sp 3rd Cl Clair L. Shively, PFC. Sp 4th Cl Anthony A. Lemaine, PFC. Sp 9th Cl William A. Hunter Jr., PFC. Sp 5th Cl Andrew A. Reynolds, PFC. James H. Jacobelli, PFC. Erick Klam, PFC. John S. Linakis, PFC. Willard G. Miller, Pvt. Sp 3rd Cl Harvey D. Grant, Pvt. Sp 3rd Cl Stephen A. Barnes, Pvt. Sp 3rd Cl Lawrence Hinton Jr., Pvt. Sp 3rd Cl Earl P. Mattoon, Pvt. Sp 3rd Cl William V. Malone, Pvt. Sp 4th Cl Julius D. Parr, Pvt. Sp 4th Cl Marvin L. Blalock, Pvt. Sp 4th Cl Charles P. Hodgecock, Pvt. Sp 4th Cl Isadore Barn, Pvt. Sp 4th Cl Clarence L. Kessel, Pvt. Sp 5th Cl Benjamin Krauss, Pvt. Sp 5th Cl Ignatius J. Mallia, Pvt. Hymen Chapman, Pvt. Barnes H. Smith, Pvt. Nathan P. Kuecher. The Platoon entrained and left New Orleans at 1700 enroute to Fort Dix, N. J.

20 May - On train enroute to Fort Dix, N. J.

21 - Arrived Fort Dix, 1400 after a trip of 1600 miles. Took station there and began preparing for overseas service. Relieved from attached to 720th Ordnance Company (Avn) and attached to 626th Quartermaster Platoon (LM) for rations only. Strength, one officer and 32 enlisted men at end of May. No changes.

1 June - Completing preparations for departure overseas.

3 June - Relieved from attached to 626th QM Platoon (LM) for rations only.

4 June - Entrained at Fort Dix, N. J., 2030, detrained at New York Port of Embarkation after traveling a distance of 75 miles. The Platoon, along with other organizations, crossed the Hudson River VIA Ferry and embarked from the New York Port of Embarkation at 0400 on the British Transport, H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth. From the 9th to the 10th of June the 12nd Signal Platoon was aboard the Transport Queen Elizabeth at Sea, performing usual Transport duties such as Boat Drill, Kitchen Police, and work for the Ship's Gunboat. The vessel was escorted out of New York Harbor by a U.S. Navy Fleet and into the mouth of the River Clyde by British Warships and Royal Air Force Aircraft, but the major portion of the voyage was undertaken unescorted, due to its speed and zig-zag course.

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11 June - The ship came into the harbor at Garmouth, Scotland, on 9 June but it was not until 1115 on 11 June that this organization disembarked and boarded a London, Midland, and Scotland train bound for Shrewsbury, Shropshire, England. Stops were at Carlyle and Crewe for meals. De-trained at Shrewsbury at 2200. Distance traveled: 400 miles. Re-trucked at Shrewsbury and traveled 7 miles to the Royal Air Force Station at Aachen, England, where the Platoon detrucked and was assigned to barracks originally built for the W.A.A.F. Attached to Hq. and Hq. Squadron, 19th Air Base Group, for rations only. Strength of Platoon: 12 enlisted men, 1 officer.

1 July - Aachen Air Base, Aachen, Shropshire, England, carrying on usual Post and Garrison Duties. The radio operators, radio maintenance and teletypewriter sections were working in conjunction with members of the RAF and WAAF while the telephone operators had taken over the post switchboard.

11 July - Pvt 1st Sp 1st Stickstill promoted and appointed tech 4th Gr., Pvt 1st Sp 3rd Shively promoted and appointed T/4th Gr., Pvt 1st Sp 4th Lonsdale promoted and appointed T/5th Gr., Ptes Sp 3rd Grant, Burns, Hinton, Hutton, and Wilson promoted and appointed T/5th Gr., Pvt Sp 4th Parr, Blacklock, Hodgecock, Horn and Kessel promoted and appointed T/5th Gr., Ptes 1st Sp 3rd Hunter and Reynolds promoted Sp 3rd. Ptes. Sp 5th CI Krause and Hallin promoted Sp 5th CI by Platoon Order No. 9 dated 13 July 1942, effective 1 June 1942, per cablegram, ACO, Washington, D.C., quoted in unnumbered Memo, Hq. 8th AF, KTOUSA, dated 3 July 1942.

21 July - Pvt. 1st Jacobelli from duty to hospital. Strength during July: 11 enlisted men available for duty, one in hospital and one officer.

1 August - One officer and 11 enlisted men of this organization entrucked and departed Aachen Air Base at 0700, arriving at Burrington, England, a distance of some five miles, at 0800. Entrained and departed Burrington at 0830, arriving at Chichester, Sussex, England about 0400, after a journey of 150 miles. Entrucked at Chichester at 0430, arriving at Northampton Air Base, 2 miles distant, at 0700.

10 August - Pvt. Mascher from duty to hospital.

11 August - Pvt. Mascher from hospital to duty. Strength of Platoon during August: One officer, 11 enlisted men. One man still being in hospital.

1 September - The Platoon was again working with the R.A.F. and W.A.A.F. in radio operation, radio maintenance, and teletypewriter operation, at Sector Operations, while the Telephone Operators were operating the Base Switchboard. Northampton was known as England's No. 1 fighter station and squadrons from this base formed a large part of the umbrella for the Biggame raid. Thus, in a small way through its work at Sector Operations Communications, the 12th Signal Platoon took part in this operation.

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2 September - PFC Jacobelli from absent sick to duty (Detached Service Station on 21 August 1942). To duty 2200.

7 September - T/5th Gr. Hinton and T/5th Gr. Parr reduced to Privates per Platoon Order # 10, effective 3 September 1942.

9 September - Corp. Rosenauer, Pvt. 1st Jacobelli and Pvt. Mallia from duty to detached service at 8th Air Force Hq, Widening, Busby Park, England, (APO 887) for the purpose of studying British and American ciphers and Codes.

11 September - On this day the 32nd Signal Platoon was redesignated the 32nd Signal Company, Service Group, with an authorized strength of two officers, one Warrant Officer and 70 enlisted men.

17 September - S/Sgt Morris appointed 1st Sgt. (Temporary); Sgts. Brunfield, Johnson and Kochert appointed Tech Sgt; Corp. Hank appointed Tech Sgt.; T/4th Gr. Stockstill appointed S/Sgt.; Corp. Nicks appointed S/Sgt.; Technicians 9th Gr. Horn, Louisa and Kessel appointed S/Sgt.; T/4th Gr. Shively appointed T/3rd Gr.; Corp. Davis appointed Sgt.; T/5th Gr. Grant and Mattoer appointed Sgt.; Corp. Rosenauer appointed Sgt.; Pvt. 1st Kiam appointed Sgt.; T/5th Gr. Burns and Malone appointed T/4th Gr.; Pvt 1st Miller appointed T/4th Gr.; Privts. Hinton and Smith appointed T/4th Gr.; Privts. 1st Hunter and Jacobelli appointed Corp.; Pvt. Parr appointed Corp.; Privts. 1st Reynolds and Linakis appointed T/5th Gr.; Privts. Mallia and Muecher appointed T/5th Gr.; Privts. Chapman and Krauss appointed Pvt. 1st per Company Order # 1, dated 17 September 1942, all above grades temporary.

19 September - Sgt. Rosenauer, Corp. Jacobelli and T/5th Gr. Mallia from detached service to duty; T/4th Gr. Rutledge, Corp. Daly, T/5th Gr. Hunsiewicz and Pvt. 1st Dedson were transferred into the organization from the 418th Signal Company per S.O. # 50, Hq. 8th Fighter Command.

21 September - Sgt. Rosenauer, T/4th Gr. Smith, T/4th Gr. Rutledge, Corp. Jacobelli, Corp. Parr and T/5th Gr. Mallia were relieved from duty and sent on detached Service to 8th Fighter Command, Ajax, Busby Hall, Watford, England, for specialized Hag Con training.

21 September - 1st Lt. Dean left on detached service at 1500 to RAF Codes and Ciphers school at Waddington, Ipswich, England. 1st Lt. Page was attached to the organization for administration per S.O. # 27 paragraph 13, Hq. AMF station FY52. Strength of company: one officer and 36 enlisted men.

1 October - At the beginning of October the 32nd Signal Company, Service Group continued assisting the R.A.F. in operating Sector Communications at Northampton Air Base in Sussex, England.

18 October - Tech Sgt. Hank, Sgts. Davis and Mattoer, and T/5th Gr. Nialack were relieved from duty and sent on detached service as drivers in a convey to a secret destination per paragraph 12, S.O. # 37, Hq. AMF station FY52.

11 October - 1st Lt. Dean returned from detached service at 2030 on 10 October and took command of the company at 2000. 1st Lt. Page was

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relieved from attached to the organization. 1st Lt. Bean received his orders appointing him Captain, Signal Corps, AEG.

13 October - T/4th Gr. Smith returned to duty from detached service where he had been taking a driver's course.

14 October - Tech Sgt. Hunt, Sgts. Davis and Matheer, and T/5th Gr. Elalock returned to duty from detached service, but were not at liberty to discuss where they had been.

20 October - Pvts. 1st Burhett, Greenberg, and Vigilante and Pvts. Spinelli and Weir were attached to this organization for rations, quarters and administration only per paragraph 7, S.O. # 45, Station F352, KTOUSA. The above mentioned men were Chemical Warfare men attached to the company for the forthcoming trip. It was on the evening of the 20th, after supper, that Capt. Bean called a formation and advised the company that we were to leave in two days on an ocean voyage. Destination was unknown even to himself, it being known only that the destination had a "Tropical Climate". Speculation ran high among the men with South America, India and Africa as the three leading possibilities for the destination.

21 October - All organization equipment was loaded at Southern Railroad Station, Chickster. The loaded freight cars were to accompany troops the next day.

22 October - Arising at 2:00 A.M. on this date, the organization had an early breakfast, extruded, and departed Westhampton, Sussex, England at 0400, arriving at Chickster at 0430. At the Southern Railway station in Chickster the company boarded a train and departed Chickster at 0530, arriving at Avonmouth Docks at 1140, a distance of about 200 miles. At 1230 the organization embarked on H.M.T. Mooltan, and, after a short journey up along the west coast of England, the Mooltan docked at Gourock, where it was to join a convoy for the ocean voyage.

24 October - Early in the morning of the 24th a large convoy of Allied ships sailed out of the mouth of the River Clyde. Among them was H.M.T. Mooltan, these aboard including the 12th Signal Company. All unit equipment, except vehicles, was aboard. Strength of company during October: One officer, 11 enlisted men. Five men still on detached service, five CWS men attached.

1 November - Still at sea aboard the H.M.T. Mooltan. There were only a few duties to perform, such as table orderly and hatch guard, with lifeboat drill and calisthenics a daily routine. Two members of the unit became sea sick, one, Tech Sgt. Brunfield, had to be hospitalized, but returned to duty a few days later. The majority of the men found their sealege within a day or so. Somewhere in the mid-atlantic the group of ships from Gourock joined another large group of Allied Vessels, forming the largest convoy the world has ever seen. It was while this organization was aboard ship that it heard the news of General Montgomery's victory over Rommel at El Alamein. Inasmuch as our destination was now known to be French North Africa, this news was greeted with loud cheers.

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8 November - Early in the morning, H.M.T. Houston dropped anchor at Arzew, off the North African Coast. All this day, Sunday, troops were taken to the beach in landing boats, while the sound of Artillery fire could be heard in the distance. Drivers Sgts. Davis and Mattoer and T/5th Gr. Blalock disembarked at about 1400 with detail to unload L-1 ship and drive the three priority vehicles of the company, one $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton, 6 x 6, cargo; one $3/4$ ton, 4 x 4, weapons carrier; and one $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, 4 x 4, Recon Car. This company stayed on deck part of the night in readiness for disembarkation, eating corned beef sandwiches for supper. When it became apparent that they would not disembark that night, the men were ordered below decks to rest, the company commander maintaining contact with the commander of troops.

9 November - At 0700, the company stepped from landing boats to the docks of Arzew, Algeria. There were still a few native snipers in the hills, but most of the resistance in this area had been overcome. Sgt. Mattoer joined the unit with the $3/4$ ton, 4 x 4, weapons carrier. By marching part of the way and riding in trucks part of the way, the company reached St. Lou, Algeria, about six miles from Arzew, at 0930. There were several false air alerts during that day and at night the organization bivouacked on the ground, using the one blanket, shelter halves, and raincoat, with which each man disembarked, for shelter. Part of the telephone section, consisting of operators Corp. Hunter, T/5th Gr. Reynolds, PFC Chapman and PFC Brown and wire chief Tech Sgt. Johnson, were sent to Tafaroud Air Base to assist with telephone communications there.

11 November - S/Sgt. Lenoire was placed on detached service with rear echelon, 12th A.F., to act as French interpreter. T/5th Gr. Blalock was still on detached service with one of the Company's Jeeps as driver for the Communications Officer, 12th Fighter Command, not having rejoined the company since debarking on 8 November. Word reached the company that the French had signed an Armistice with the Allies. At 1400, after hearing this good news, the company extruded at St. Lou, Algeria, and traveled a distance of about 30 miles to Tafaroud Air Base, Algeria, arriving at 1730 and spending the night on piles of hay stacked in a hangar riddled with machine gun bullets and cannon fire. Sgt. Davis rejoined the company with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton, 6 x 6, cargo truck.

12 November - Left Tafaroud Air Base at 1200, arrived at La Senia Air Base, Algeria, at 1400, a distance of 10 miles.

14 November - Sgt. Rosenauer, Corp. Jacobelli, Corp. Parr, T/5th Gr. Blalock and T/5th Gr. Hallia rejoined the company, having returned from detached service. Rosenauer, Jacobelli, Parr and Hallia set up a Message Center, the telephone operators of the company took over the French Switchboard and later operated a larger British board. Three teletypewriter machines were installed and put into operation in conjunction with personnel of the 72nd Signal Company, Service Group.

15 November - S/Sgt. Lenoire returned to duty from detached service and Pvt. Reynolds was attached for administration and rations only when he became separated from his company.

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20 November - Pvt. McQuinn relieved from attached, after his organization was located for him.

21 November - Ptes. 1st Vigilante, Burkhardt and Greenberg, and Ptes. Spinali and Weir, were relieved from attached per paragraph 1, S.O. # 3 Hq AAF, La Senia, Algeria, and joined their unit, Hq & Hq Sq, 38th Serv Gp.

26 November - T/4th Gr. Rutledge relieved from detached service with the 418th Signal Company (Avn), 5th Fighter Command, and placed on detached service with Hq. and Hq. Squadron, 12th Fighter Command November 3, 1942 per paragraph 3 S.O. # 96 Hq. 5th Fighter Command. Strength of company at end of November: One officer and 35 men present, one on detached service. (T/4th Gr. Blalock.)

1 December - The company continued operating the telephone switchboard, message center and teletypewriter service, installing and maintaining wire circuits, and running the Base Signal Office and Supply Dump at La Senia Air Base. The unit operated its own mess in the rear of a Bullet-Ridden French Messager, in which it was bivouaced. Company Commander, Captain Dean, was appointed assistant Signal Officer, the 12th A.F.S.C., to supervise all signal activities during the absence of the Signal Officer, Col. E. I. Allen. At 1700, T/9th Gr. Hallia left duty and went ANGL.

1 December - T/5th Gr. Hallia returned to duty from ANGL as of 1230. Corp. Jacobelli and T/9th Gr. Hallia were both reduced to the grade of private per Company Order # 2. Tech Sgt. Johnson and T/4th Gr. Burns left VIA truck at 0600 for detached service at Yank les Bains, Algeria, per paragraph 3, S.O. # 12 Hq AAF.

4 December - T/3rd Gr. Shively, T/4th Gr. Smith, T/4th Gr. McLane, T/4th Gr. Hinton, Corp Parr, T/9th Gr. Hodgcock and Pvt 1st Krause boarded a plane at 1730 to join the other members of this organization on detached service at Yank les Bains.

4 December - 1st Lts. Froure and Taylor; Tech Sgts. Cole, Stinson, Jamin; T/4th Gr. Barker, Burk, Honeycutt, and Heflinick; T/9th Gr. Bailey, Chambers, Laine and Grulke; Ptes. 1st King, Jones, Mutter, and Wood; Ptes. Houshead, Gibson, Matthews, Bradley, Kinson, Burger, Pace and Pyle on detached service from 439th Signal Battalion (Const) Avn, were attached to the 12th Signal Company

6 December - Ptes. Pace and Pyle were relieved from attached and returned to their organization.

9 December - It was necessary for 1st Sgt. Morris to be hospitalized at the station hospital, La Senia Airdrome, Algeria, due to a foot injury sustained while playing basketball. 1st Lt. Knapp; Ptes. Pace and Pyle attached to company for duties only.

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10 December - T/5th Gr. Linkis, who was acting company cook, was appointed T/4th Gr. per company order # 3.

11 December - 1st Lt. Taylor; Pvt. Pace and Pyle were relieved from attached and returned to their unit. T/4th Gr. Rutledge was relieved from detached service with the 12th Fighter Command. Since the company was preparing to move, 1st Lts. Freeman and Knapp; T/2d Gr. Cole, Stinson, and Joplin; T/4th Gr. Barker, Dark, Honeycutt, and McKissick; T/5th Gr. Balyon, Chambers, Laine, and Grulke; Pvt. 1st King, Jones, Katter and Wood; Pvt. Moorehead, Gilman, Mathews, Bradley, Kinson and Burger were relieved from attached.

12 December - At about 0700, after having been up since 0400, this organization departed La Senia Airdrome VIA motor convey on route to Gajda, French Morocco, 147 miles away. With one stop for the noon meal, the convey reached Gajda at 1530, the men disembarked, and pitched pup tents. As a result of the move, 1st Sgt. Morris was reported from sick station hospital to absent sick La Senia Airdrome, Algeria. T/2d Gr. Kochert, S/Sgt. Horn, Sgt. Kiam, Corp. Daly, Pvt. 1st Dodson and Pvt. Mallia remained behind at La Senia to handle the transporting of the company's equipment to the new station.

13 December - T/4th Gr. Rutledge was sent to the station hospital of the Gajda Airbase (MLB-AR 35-1440) and as a result was reduced to private per company order # 4 dated 13 December 1942.

14 December - Sgt. Davis in the company's 2½ ton truck and T/2d Gr. Hank in the weapons carrier returned to La Senia on duty, to assist in transporting unit equipment to Gajda.

15 December - Sgt. Davis returned from La Senia with some of the company's equipment.

16 December - The men who were left behind, T/2d Gr. Kochert, S/Sgt. Horn, Sgt. Kiam, Corp. Daly, Pvt. 1st Dodson and Pvt. Mallia, returned to duty with the company from detached service at La Senia, VIA freight car. T/2d Gr. Hank returned with the weapons carrier and several bags of mail later in the day.

24 December - All units were alerted at about 2000 and equipped to move on 10 minutes notice.

25 December - Pvt. Rutledge returned to duty from sick (MLB). Christmas was quietly celebrated, made somewhat gloomy by the alert, but the last minute arrival of a large quantity of letters and packages boosted the morale of all. A Christmas show was staged in one of the hangars in the evening.

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26 December - Sgt. Tanner, from A.C.U., Pvt 1st Naik, Pts. De Salvo, Langtry, Owens, Shaul, Black, Stahl, Guy, Madgling and Pulley, from Hq. & Hq. Squadron, 38th Service Group, were transferred into this organization per paragraph 1 and 2, S.O. # 4, Hq. Gajda Service Center, dated 24 December 1942, and joined the company at 0900. Strength at the end of December: One officer and 37 enlisted men present for duty, 11 enlisted men having been transferred in, the 1st Sgt. still in the hospital, and 9 men on detached service at Xaux les Bains.

1 January - Still living in pup tents, maintaining a high morale despite torrential rains, hail, wind, and even some snow. The telephone operator's section was operating a 2B-14 switchboard for the base while the telephone linemen maintained and installed new circuits. Teletypewriter service to the teletypewriter exchange at V Army Hq. in Gajda, was established, by means of a simplified phantom circuit, ground return. The company's teletype operator's were operating the machine. A few days after the beginning of the month, the organization set up a Message Center and Code Room.

1 January - Capt. Dean was hospitalized in French Military Hospital, Gajda, with acute bronchitis. During the next 12 days, with S/Sgt. Stockstill acting as First Sergeant, and no officer present assigned, the company continued operations.

12 January - Pvt 1st V. E. Bittner was transferred from the 12th Replacement Pool per S.O. # 4, Hq. 12 A.F.S.C. dated 7 January, 1943, and joined the company this date, being assigned as student auto mechanic.

14 January - Pvt. I. A. Brennan and Pvt. E. H. Nyberg were both transferred from the 12th Replacement Pool per S.O. # 4, Hq. 12th A.F.S.C. Pvt. Brennan joined the organization at 1330 hours but Pvt. Nyberg did not join.

15 January - Capt. Dean returned from hospital to duty.

16 January - S/Sgt. Kern, Sgt. Davis and Pvt. Brennan went on a trip to La Senia in a 2 1/2 ton truck to procure Signal Equipment from AFGB No. 1.

17 January - S/Sgt. Kern and Sgt. Davis returned from La Senia without Pvt. Brennan, after a thorough search of La Senia was made for him. Pvt. Brennan was carried AWOL as of 1130, 17 January.

22 January - Pvt. F. H. Sheldon was transferred from the 12th Replacement Pool per paragraph 11, S.O. # 6, dated 11 January but did not join the organization.

23 January - 1/4th gr. Edwin H. Jacobs, Pts. 1st Alvin Galloway and Joseph A. Kroll were transferred from the 439th Signal Battalion (Avn) Center, per S.O. # 10, Hq. 12th A.F.S.C., dated 19 January and joined the company as linemen.

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29 January - Pvt. 1st William A. Harrison was transferred from the 1st Service Squadron, 3rd Service Group, per paragraph 2, S.O. # 12, Hq. 12th A.F.S.C., dated 26 January. He did not join, as orders were later revoked. Pvt. Brown was placed in confinement in Oran, Algeria on 28 January, pending a Court Martial for drunkenness and disorderliness. The status of Pvt. Hyberg was changed from detached service en route, not joined, to absent confinement, La Souda Air Base as of 7 January 1943.

31 January - Pvt. Stephen P. Durham was transferred from the 3rd Service Group per paragraph 9, S.O. # 9, Hq. 12th A.F.S.C., dated 21 January and joined the organization at 1400. He was assigned as company armorer. Strength of the company at the end of January: One officer and 42 men present for duty, nine men on detached service, six new men transferred in and the 1st Sgt. still in the hospital.

1 February - Still operating the base telephone and teletype service and providing personnel for base message center. Pvt. 1st Chapman, and Pvt. 1st Kruman and Pvt. Hallia appointed T/5th Gr. Corp. Parr reduced to grade of private for inefficiency, as recommended by Headquarters at Youk les Bains, per company order # 1, dated 1 February.

2 February - Pvt. 1st Raik transferred to the 68th Observation Group.

4 February - 1st Sgt. Morris returned to duty from the hospital at La Souda.

11 February - Pvt. 1st Dodson appointed T/5th Gr. and Pvt. Rutledge appointed Pvt. 1st Cl per company order # 3, dated 10 February.

20 February - Pvt. Hyberg arrived for duty from his confinement at La Souda and Pvt. Sheldon, had been transferred into the company, but had not yet joined, reported for duty.

22 February - T/5th Gr. Hallia was reduced to the grade of private per company order # 5, dated 19 February.

25 February - Pvt. Manichalli from Hq. Co., 815th Eng. Bn., was transferred to this unit per S.O. # 51, Hq. 2nd Service Area Command (Prov), but has not yet joined.

26 February - Sgt. Tanner appointed S/Sgt. (Temp.) and Pvt. Pailay and Blank appointed Pvt. 1st per Company Order # 6, dated 25 February. T/Sgt. Schilling, T/4th Gr. Regan, T/5th Gr. Paddyworth, T/5th Gr. Suggs, T/5th Gr. Wirt, Pvt 1st Patterson, Pvt 1st Browning, Pvt. Newcome, Stanford and Schevick were transferred to the organization from the 431st Signal Battalion per paragraph 2, S.O. # 54 Hq. 2nd Service Area Command (Prov) and joined. Pvt. Manichalli who had been on detached service (not joined) reported to the company for duty and was assigned to the telephone operator's section.

27 February - The men who had been on detached service at Youk les Bains, near the front lines since December, T/Sgt. Johnson, T/3rd Gr. Shively,

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T/4th Gr. McLeese, Beres, Hinton, Smith, T/5th Gr. Krauss and Hedgecock, and Pvt. Parr, returned to duty with reports of maintaining communications, including Air-Ground Radio in the face of frequent enemy air attacks. Strength of company at the end of February: One officer, 65 enlisted men. One man transferred, 12 new men joined, one man from confinement to duty, 1st Sgt. from hospital to duty, and 9 men from detached service to duty.

1 March - Operating the base telephone switchboard, maintaining and inter-telephone lines, operating teletypewriter service, and staffing the base message center. A few days after the beginning of the month, opened Radio Station 19N for the reception and transmission of emergency administrative traffic. In addition to other activities, the organization was handling all signal property functions for the service center.

6 March - Pvt. Nyberg and Pvt. Mallia went ANOL. Pvt. Mallia was apprehended and held by the Military Authorities in Oujda, French Morocco, notification being sent to the Commanding Officer the following morning.

7 March - Pvt. Nyberg returned from ANOL to duty and was placed in confinement in the base guardhouse. Pvt. Mallia was also placed in confinement. Charges were preferred against Pvt. Nyberg for being drunk on duty as base switchboard operator and ANOL, and Pvt. Mallia was charged with ANOL.

20 March - Pvt. Suttler was transferred from the N.A.A.F. Replacement Center per paragraph 22, S.O. # 31, Hq. 2nd Air Defense Wing, dated 15 March but has not joined the organization.

21 March - Pvt. Suttler joined and was assigned as a student teletypewriter operator.

25 March - Paragraph 2, S.O. # 15, 12th A.F.S.C. assigning PFC Harrison to this organization was rescinded by paragraph 7, S.O. # 53, 12th A.F.S.C. Strength at the end of March: One officer, 63 enlisted men present for duty. Three men absent in confinement.

1 April - Carrying on Signal Communications and Supply for Service Center No. 1. The radio section is now recording all traffic transmitted on the net. Pts. 1st Krall, Patterson, and Rutledge appointed T/5th Gr. Pts. Daughtry, De Salvo and Shaul were appointed Pvt 1st. The above promotions per Company Order # 7, dated 1 April.

1 April - Pvt. Boyle transferred from the N.A.A.F. Replacement Center per paragraph 4, S.O. # 5, Hq. N.A.A.F. Replacement Center and joined the unit and was assigned as teletypewriter mechanic, learning to operate.

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6 April - Pvt. Mallia was released from confinement and was assigned to duty as student supply clerk.

8 April - Corp. Daly, bitten by a stray dog, was sent to Algeria by air transport for Pasteur treatment.

9 April - Pvt. 1st Palfrey, also bitten by a dog, was sent to Algiers. Pvt. Purr placed in confinement for unlawful firing of service pistol and drunkenness in camp.

11 April - Pvt. Burton transferred from this organization to the 324th Service Group per paragraph 6, S.O. # 71, dated 27 March, Hq. 12th A.F.S.C., departed by air transport at 1330.

14 April - Pvt. Jacobelli from duty to ANOL 1730.

15 April - Pvt. Jacobelli returned from ANOL to duty at 0815, and was confined at 0845 hours this date, charges being preferred under AN-61.



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OUTLINE HISTORY: 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM 1 DECEMBER
1943 TO 31 DECEMBER 1943.

Alert orders were again issued for overseas movement and packing and preparation was immediately begun and completed within 3 days. One of the new men recently transferred, has been transferred to an Ordnance Company.

The company embarked from Bizerte, Tunisia at 1000 on 11 December and were at sea for 2 days. Arriving at Bagnoli, Italy, all personnel were billeted at Staging Area No. 1, PBS, for 9 days. Departing there on 22 December 1943 this unit arrived at Lucera, Italy. A bivouac area was established and the radio station and telephone switchboard was installed. The message center also set up and began operation. Private Brennan was dropped from the company roll as an absentee and Private Kussome was transferred to Personnel Center in North Africa, awaiting transportation to the United States to be discharged under Section VIII, AR 615-360.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp., Lucera, Italy
Month of: December 1943. Prepared by: William M. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

1 December - Continuing servicing with the 38th Service Group, this company still remained at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia.

Promotions and reductions made at the beginning of the month were as follows: T/Sgt Schilling reduced to grade of Private and re-appointed T/4Gr., T/4Gr Hedgecock and Krauss promoted to Sgt., and T/5Gr Benichelli and Nyberg promoted to T/4Gr. These were made per Company Order # 15, dated 1 December 1943, effective the same date. T/4Gr Payne L. Ken, having been with the company less than a month, was relieved from assigned and transferred in grade to the 2008th Ord Maint (M) Co.

5 December - Once again alert orders for overseas movement were issued this unit and preparations began without delay. Packing of the equipment was begun, the radio station and message center ceased operations and, although the telephone switchboard remained in operation, many of the lines were discontinued.

8 December - All packing having been completed, the equipment was loaded on unit vehicles and driven to the docks to be loaded on the boat. 1st Lt. Reid and 13 drivers were placed on D/S to accompany the vehicles and equipment on the movement. The remainder of personnel moved into a building on the base awaiting for movement.

10 December - At about 0900, the company entrained and departed Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia, boarding LCI # 75 at approximately 1030. Although not everyone was of the opinion the voyage was going to be a short one, all believed that it would be quite disagreeable. 40 men and their equipment were placed in a hold that would normally and comfortably accommodate 12 or 15.

S/Sgt Hicks was reduced to grade of private, broken restriction

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and came ANL on 9 December 1943.

11 December - At 1000, a convoy of some 25 or 30 ships formed and embarked from Bizerte, Tunisia. The first few hours of the voyage were very rough and by nightfall the convoy was well out "At Sea".

12 December 1943 - A large percentage of personnel aboard ship became "Sea Sick." The ship being small and the water rough, it was almost impossible, at times, to remain below deck.

13 December - Passing the Isle of Capri about 0830, the convoy was well within sight of Southern Italy. At 1430, the boat in which this company was riding, docked and disembarked at Bagnoli, Italy, just a short distance beyond Naples. No transportation being available, it was necessary to march to Staging Area No. 1, PBS, a distance of 2 or 3 miles. There, the organization, together with several others, were billeted in a large building, one of many similar structures constructed by the Italians for an Orphans' educational center. One of the buildings converted into an "American Red Cross Club", even though it wasn't nearly completed, offered an excellent place for relaxation and entertainment after a most unpleasant ocean voyage. Unfortunately, no heat was provided and the electric lights which were extinguished nightly at 1900 gave less illumination than candles would provide.

15 December - Passes were granted for the purpose of visiting Naples and Pompei, and were taken advantage of by most members of the organization. Many interesting and historical places were to be seen, especially in Pompei.

22 December - At 0900, a motor convoy, among whose passengers were the

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members of this organization, departed Bagnoli, Italy, Staging Area No. 1, PES. Adverse weather conditions (heavy rains almost the entire distance of the trip) and a very mountainous country made traveling quite difficult. After a distance of 120 miles, the convoy arrived in Lucera, Italy at 1800. All personnel were billeted for the night in a gymnasium.

23 December - The entire day was devoted to the establishment of the company's bivouac area. Pyramidal tents were pitched for housing and a large wall tent was used for the mess hall and kitchen. Lt. Reid with the detachment of 13 drivers, on D/S since 7 December, returned to duty with the company, having driven the unit motor vehicles from Staging Area No. 2, PES, Bagnoli, Italy, to Lucera.

27 December - A telephone switchboard, TC-4, was installed, using one trunk line to a small British switchboard in Lucera as its only outlet. Since the Lucera switchboard has only one line to Foggia, telephone communications will be poor. II Air Service Area Command Signal Section can offer no immediate assistance. The radio station was set up and reported into the II AFAC net on the verbal orders of Captain Dean, since no other communication channels existed. The message center section set up in base headquarters.

30 December - Private Ignatius A. Brennan, reported as AWOL on 29 November was dropped from the company roll as an absentee. Private Ray C. Newsome was transferred to Personnel Center # 2, HBE, for first available transportation to the United States, to be discharged under Section VIII, AR 615-360. Pvt Newsome departed this organization at 0730, and left the Foggia Airport via Military Aircraft for North Africa.

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Sheet No. 4 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Lucera, Italy

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31 December - Operating with the following strength, the company remains at Lucera, Italy, attached to the 38th Service Group.

Officers: Present Assigned: 3

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QUILLER HISTORY: 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM November
1943 to 30 November 1943.

Six promotions were made at the beginning of the month and one member of the organization was reduced to the grade of private. A Nissan Hut was secured for the Telephone Exchange which was erected by two members of the organization and a detail of Italian prisoners.

A radio officer, 1st Lt. Reid, joined the organization and was assigned to the Supply and Repair Platoon, and 2nd Lt. Resciniti was placed on D/S as an Italian Interpreter.

This company completed one years service in North Africa on the 8th day of this month and during the month, 9 new men were assigned to the unit.

Six enlisted men were placed on D/S to Oran for the purpose of driving motor vehicles back to this base. They returned to duty after an absence of 10 days.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company Serv Co., Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia.

Month of: November 1943. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps.

1 November - This company, servicing the 38th Service Group with Signal Communications, is still located at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia.

The following promotions were announced, effective this date: T/Sgt Johnson to T/Sgt, and Pvs Irl Dahl, De Salvo, Guy, Lodgling and Rutledge to T/Sgt. T/4Gr Airt was reduced to grade of private.

2 November - To increase the efficiency of our communication system, a requisition was submitted and approved for a Nissen Hut to be used for the Telephone Exchange. With a detail of Italian Prisoners, T/Sgt Schilling and T/4Gr Hedgecock immediately began its erection. The hut was constructed around the central underground cable terminal block to eliminate long field lines between the terminal and exchange.

3 November - 1st Lt. Roy L. Reid, O-560258, Sig Co., was transferred from the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group, and assigned to this unit per par 4, SO # 285, Hq XII AFSC, dated 27 October 1943. He joined the organization at 1530. Lt. Reid, a radio Officer, was assigned to the Supply and Repair Platoon.

5 November - 2nd Lt. Rescinski was placed on O/S with II AFSC as an Italian interpreter. WOJG Kochert was transferred to the 1078th Signal Company, Service Group per par 5, SO # 285, Hq XII AFSC, dated 27 October 1943 and departed this organization at 0715.

8 November - T/5Gr Howard R. Groff, M177561, and Pvt Irl Richard E. Burton, 15329139, were transferred from Hq Sq, XII AFSC, and assigned to this organization per par 1, SO # 296, Hq XII AFSC, dated 7 November 1943. Groff reported to the Radio Repair Section for duty, while Burton reported to the Switchboard Operator's Section.

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This date marks the first anniversary of this Unit's landing in North Africa.

12 November - T/4Gr Payne L. Hen and Pvt 1st Roger A. Sans were transferred and joined from the 22nd Replacement Battalion Pool. Authority for their transfer was contained in paragraph 4 of SO # 95, Hq 22nd Replacement Battalion, dated 5 November 1943.

13 November - T/4Gr Linakis, T/5Gr Hodgling and Cutler, Pvs 1st Bittner and Browning, and Pvt Sirt were placed on D/S to Oran for approximately 10 days.

14 November - T/5Gr Comoukos, Rhoads, Rosen, and Pvs Covey and Dalm were assigned to the organization and joined from the 2nd Replacement Battalion Pool.

19 November - Lt Resciniti returned from D/S and to duty with the company at 1230.

23 November - T/4Gr Linakis, T/5Gr Hodgling and Cutler, Pvs 1st Bittner and Browning, and Pvt Sirt returned from D/S at 0930.

25 November - Pvt Ignatius A. Brennan, in confinement since last June, was re-assigned to the organization and joined from the 15th Replacement Battalion.

29 November - Pvt Brennan was issued a special Privilege Pass which expired at 1200 but failed to return at the proper time, consequently was reported AWOL as of 1200, 29 November 1943.

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Sheet No. 3 War Diary, 10th Signal Company Serv Co., Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia.
Month of: November 1943. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps.

20 November - Continuing servicing the 35th Service Group, this Company remains at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia, with the following strength:

Present Assigned: 3 Officers
63 Enlisted Men

Absent Assigned: 1 Enlisted Man.
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UNIT HISTORY

1. Name of Unit: 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group
2. Where Activated Barksdale Field, Louisiana Date: 15 February 1941
3. Locations Trained: Barksdale Field, La. from 4 March 1941, to April 1941
Army Air Base
New Orleans, La. from April 1941, to 19 May 1942
from 1941, to 1941
from 1941, to 1941
from 1941, to 1941
4. Joined Service Group No. 38 at New Orleans Air Base Date: May 1942
5. (At U.S.)
(Staging Area) Fort Dix, New Jersey from 21 May 1942, to 4 June 1942
6. Departed U.S. from New York Port of Embarkation Date: 4 June 1942
7. Arrived overseas at Gourock, Scotland Date: 11 June 1943
Arzew, French North Africa Date: 8 November 1942
8. What combat units were served? (Give places and dates in Chronological Sequence)

31st Fighter Group from 11 June 1942 to 12 December 1942, at bases in England, and at La Senia Air Base, La Senia, Algeria. 68th Observation Group and 319th Bomb Group from December 1942 to May 1943, at Oujda Air Base, Oujda, French Morocco. 97th Bomb Group at Chateaudun Air Base, Chateaudun, Algeria, and 2nd Bomb Group at Ain M'lila, Algeria and Massicault Air Base, Massicault, Tunisia from May 1943 to August 1943. Presently Serving 1st Fighter Group and 325th Fighter Groups at Mateur, Tunisia; and 14th Fighter Group and 97th Bomb Group at Service Center No. 37, Tunisia.
9. Give resume of type of training received from time unit was activated until it began servicing combat units:

Training in individual sections to which assigned. About 30% of men attended Signal Schools at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, and at Chicago, Illinois. Base Signal Functions at the following bases: Army Air Base, New Orleans, Louisiana; Atcham Air Base, Atcham, England; Westhamphett, England; La Senia Air Base, La Senia, Algeria; Oujda Air Base, Oujda, French Morocco; Chateaudun Air Base, Chateaudun, Algeria; Ain M'lila Air Base, Ain M'lila, Algeria; Massicault Air Base, Massicault, Tunisia; Air Base at Service Center 37, Tunisia; and Air Base at Service Center 38, Mateur, Tunisia. This unit also had a detachment at Youks-Les-Bains, Algeria, from December, to March 1943, during actual combat operations.

REMARKS:


WILLIAM H. DEAN
 Captain, Signal Corps
 Commanding, 1032nd Sig Co, SG.

UNIT HISTORY

1. Name of Unit: 103rd Signal Company, Service Group
2. Where Activated: Barkdale Field, Louisiana Date: 15 February 1943
3. Locations Trained: Barkdale Field, La. from 1 March 1943 to April 1943
Army Air Base New Orleans, La. from April 1943 to 19 May 1943
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from 1943 to 1943
4. Joined Service Group No. 38 at New Orleans Air Base Date: May 1943
5. (At U.S. (Staging Area) Fort Dix, New Jersey from 21 May 1943 to 4 June 1943
6. Departed U.S. from New York Port of Embarkation Date: 4 June 1943
7. Arrived overseas at Gourock, Scotland Date: 11 June 1943
8. What combat units were served? (Give places and dates in chronological sequence)
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OUTLINE HISTORY. 1052ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM 15

OCTOBER 1943 to 31 OCTOBER 1943.

All packing and necessary arrangements have been completed for the overseas movement anticipated.

Two promotions were announced and two men were sent on D/S to Oren. A new man was assigned to the unit from the 1051st Signal Company Service Group.

The men spent most of their spare time improving the bivouac area. A new mess hall was built, crushed rock was obtained for tent floors and walks, and wooden floors are being constructed for most of the tents.

The Radio Station moved to another room in the base headquarters building, to separate it from the message center.

One member of the organization, in confinement since last June was re-assigned to this unit from Air Force General Depot No. 1.

Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp., Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia

Month of: October, 1943. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

18 October - The company is still carrying on Signal Communications for Service Center No. 38, at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia, with Teletype, Radio, Telephone, and Message Center operation, and Signal Property and Radio Repair Activities.

Although packing and other preparations for the overseas movement anticipated have been completed, it seems as if the unit might remain here for an indefinite period of time.

T/5Gr Black was promoted to T/4Gr and Pvt 1cl Nyberg was promoted to T/5Gr. T/5Gr Reynolds and Pvt 1cl Shaul were sent to Oran via Air Transport for the purpose of bringing back 2 3/4-Ton Trucks.

19 October - T/5Gr Masson was assigned to this unit from the 1061st Signal Company Service Group and joined at 1530. Having had experience as a Message Center Clerk, Masson reported to S/Sgt Stockstill, Message Center Chief, for duty.

22 October - T/5Gr Reynolds and Pvt 1cl Shaul returned from Oran at 2200, with two 3/4-Ton trucks which were turned over to group headquarters.

During the past week, the entire organization worked quite diligently improving its bivouac area. A larger and more convenient shower was constructed and, although practically every member of the company assisted in its structure, S/Sgt Lemoine deserves much of the credit, since his ideas and plans guided its progress. A large wall tent was set up adjoining the kitchen to be used for the Mess hall. Having procured lumber, T/4Gr Hodgecock and Kroll began at once building tables and screening the tent. Being wired for electric lights, it was quite appropriate for a day room. Magazines were obtained and it offered a suitable place for the men to read and write letters.

Sheet No. 2 War Diary, 1052nd Sig Co., Serv Gp., Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia

Month of: October 1945. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

In as much as the company was going for all-out improvement, a floor for the Orderly Room was built by T/Sgt Schilling, T/4Gr Hedgecock, and T/6Gr Nyberg. It added much to the appearance of the Orderly Room as an office, to say nothing of the extra comfort it afforded, especially with the rainy season approaching. Glass window panes were taken from an old trailer which the detachment had obtained while on D/S, which made very nice tops for the desks. T/4Gr Hedgecock used a larger piece of the glass to make a door for the Orderly Room Tent.

With all the improvements made in the area, the morale of the entire organization has increased considerably.

23 October - The Radio Repair Section started working with the 1st Sub Depot on the field, handling inspection and repair of Radio equipment in Aircraft turned in for repair.

24 October - Being over crowded in the operations room at base headquarters, another room was made available in the same building for the Radio Station. Due to the fact that traffic is so slight at the present time and can easily be handled by the other operators, S/Sgt Lemoine, Assistant chief, began working with the Radio mechanics, assisting them in their repair work.

27 October - Private Newsome, who has been in confinement since last June was re-assigned to this unit from Air Force General Depot No. 1, and joined the organization at 0945.

Sheet No. 3 War Diary, 1032nd Sig Co., Serv Gp., Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia

Month of: October 1943. Prepared BY: William H. Lean, Captain, Signal Corps

31 October - Company continuing normal operations at Service Center

No. 38.

Strength: Present Assigned: 2 Officers
1 WOJG
54 Enlisted Men

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INTRODUCTION

On 11 September 1942, at Westhampnett Airdrome, Chichester, Sussex, England, the 32nd Signal Platoon, Air Base, was redesignated the 32nd Signal Company, Service Group, by authority contained in letter, Headquarters, VIII Air Force, ETOUSA. The organization, with a strength of thirty two (32) Enlisted men and one (1) Officer, was at that time attached to the 38th Service Group, servicing the 31st Fighter Group and performing all communication duties for the Westhampnett Airdrome. Subsequent instructions received from Headquarters, VIII Air Force directed that no additional personnel would be requested to bring the organization to company strength. However, four (4) enlisted men were transferred from 418th Signal Company, Avn. Promotions of enlisted personnel of the organization were made, effective 17 September, copy orders attached, and 1st Lieut. William H. Dean, O-365639, Company Commander, was commissioned Captain, 8 October.

In compliance with paragraph 12, SO 47, Headquarters, Army Air Force Station F352, dated 20 October, copy attached, this organization - a highly disciplined, well trained Platoon - , together with Units listed in above mentioned special orders, entrained at 0530 hours, 22 October on the Southern Railway, at Chichester, bound for a secret destination. Captain Dean served as Train Commander. The train arrived at Avonmouth, England, at 1140 hours of same date, and the troops were transferred to H.M.T. MOOLTAN at 1330 hours.

The MOOLTAN sailed from Avonmouth at 0200 hours, 23 October, and after a short but rough coastwise trip reached the port of Gourock, Scotland, where she took her place in the largest ship convoy of history. At approximately midnight, 26 October, H.M.T. MOOLTAN weighed anchor, and the convoy sailed from the British Isles, destination - secret.

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The thirteen day journey which followed, taking an indirect and zig-zagging course, was uneventful. No enemy vessels or aircraft were encountered, and the sea was comparatively smooth. Cases of sea-sickness were surprisingly scarce, but one member of this organization was hospitalized for a few days until he could get his "sea legs". Duties aboard ship consisted mainly of an exercise period and a boat drill daily. Speculation and rumors regarding our destination were rife until 2 November, at which time each man was issued an information booklet dealing with the North African countries of French Morocco, Algeria, and Tunisia. On or about the same date a special news bulletin was read to all on board, describing the overwhelming defeat of Rommel's Afrika Korps at El Alamein, by the British Army.

On 7 November the convoy entered the Mediterranean Sea and it was realized the journey was nearing an end. Members of the expedition awoke on the morning of 8 November to find the boats at anchor outside the port of Arzew, Algeria. After one or two "false starts" members of the 32nd Signal Company disembarked by landing craft at 0700 hours, 9 November, 1942. Upon landing, Corp. Marvin L. Blalock, 34117168, and the unit's "jeep" was commandeered by Lt. Col. Mundel of the 12th Fighter Command, and did not rejoin the unit until 15 November. Sgt Forrest E. Davis Jr., 14017378, was engaged in the dangerous task of hauling aviation gasoline, before hostilities ceased, to Tafaraoui Airdrome, which was being used as a tactical base by the 31st Fighter Group. S/Sgt Anthony A. Lemoine, 14014876, because of his ability to converse fluently in the French language, was immediately put to work as an interpreter by the Rear Echelon, XII Air Force. The message center section was also attached to the Headquarters, XII Air Force. The remaining members of the organization departed by truck and afoot for the town of Saint Leu, a distance of six miles from the port of Arzew. Dinner the first day ashore was composed of American canned rations, which tasted exceptionally

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good after the questionable cuisine that had been experienced on His Majesty's Transport. The company bivouacked in trenches and foxholes that night, and the next day, 10 November, the telephone section and wire chief were sent ahead to Tafaraoui air base to establish communications. On 11 November, Armistice Day, while waiting for transportation, the unit heard the news of a new Armistice, an armistice between the American and French forces in North Africa. At 1400 hours, in a truck convoy preceded by a tank unit, the company left Saint Leu for Tafaraoui, completing the thirty mile ride at 1730 hours. That night the unit slept in a hangar and the following day, 12 November, departed by truck to La Senia Airdrome, a distance of ten miles, arriving at 1430 hours of same date.

HISTORY AT LA SENIA AIRDROME, LA SENIA, ALGERIA

At La Senia the unit took up the task of restoring to usefulness the communication system with the help of French workmen. On 15 November the message center section rejoined the unit and a base message center was set up by them. Teletype and telephone communication was established and the company's supply section functioned as a base signal supply dump for a time. The unit was then servicing the 31st Fighter Group, 52nd Fighter Group, 12th Fighter Command, and the 12th Air Force Service Command. Captain Dean was appointed assistant signal officer of the 12th Air Force Service Command by SO 52 of same headquarters (copy attached) and assumed the duties of this position during the absence of the signal Officer, Colonel Allen.

The 32nd Signal Company, Serv Gp, was then transferred from the 12th Fighter Command to the 12 Air Force Service Command by SO 2, Hq, 12th AFSC, dated 16 November, 1942, (copy attached). The unit at this time was living in one side of a French hangar and had set up a field range in the back of the hangar. Corp John S. Linakis, 32087648, took over as cook and during the remainder of the stay

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at La Senia the menu often included steaks and hamburgers. On Thanksgiving Day the company was served a turkey dinner with most of the trimmings. On 4 December nine men of the unit were sent on detached service with members of the 38th Service Group to service tactical units at an air base located at Youks-Les-Bains, Algeria. 1st Sgt Byrd Hamric, 6992214, was hospitalized 9 December in the La Senia station hospital for treatment to a broken bone in one foot sustained while playing basketball.

HISTORY AT OUJDA SERVICE CENTER, MOROCCO


At 0700 hours, 12 December, in accordance with instructions contained in paragraph 8, SO 2, Hq, XII AFSC, (copy attached), the unit departed La Senia by truck convoy for Oujda Air Base, Morocco, a distance of 147 miles. The company arrived at approximately 1600 hours on the same day and set up a "tent city", where it is located at present writing. In spite of inclement weather, including torrential rains, hail storms, and snow, the unit has set up teletype and telephone communications, and is operating a Base Message Center (with Code Room). Captain Dean was hospitalized at the French Military Hospital, Oujda, 4 January, 1943, for a severe cold and returned to duty 14 January. Since arriving at Oujda Air Base, fourteen (14) enlisted men have been transferred in, (copy orders attached), bringing the organization to following strengths:

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WILLIAM H. DEAN,
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Commanding.

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**OUTLINE HISTORY: 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM 15
OCTOBER 1943 to 31 OCTOBER 1943.**

All packing and necessary arrangements have been completed for the overseas movement anticipated.

Two promotions were announced and two men were sent on D/S to Oran. A new man was assigned to the unit from the 1051st Signal Company Service Group.

The men spent most of their spare time improving the bivouac area. A new mess hall was built, crushed rock was obtained for tent floors and walks, and wooden floors are being constructed for most of the tents.

The Radio Station moved to another room in the base headquarters building, to separate it from the message center.

One member of the organization, in confinement since last June was re-assigned to this unit from Air Force General Depot No. 1.

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OUTLINE HISTORY: 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM 1 November
1943 to 30 November 1943.

Six promotions were made at the beginning of the month and one member of the organization was reduced to the grade of private. A Nissen Hut was secured for the Telephone Exchange which was erected by two members of the organization and a detail of Italian Prisoners.

A radio officer, 1st Lt. Reid, joined the organization and was assigned to the Supply and Repair Platoon, and 2nd Lt. Resciniti was placed on D/S as an Italian Interpreter.

This company completed one years service in North Africa on the 8th day of this month and during the month, 9 new men were assigned to the unit.

Six enlisted men were placed on D/S to Oran for the purpose of driving motor vehicles back to this base. They returned to duty after an absence of 10 days.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp., Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia.

Month of: November 1943. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps.

1 November - This company, servicing the 38th Service Group with Signal Communications, is still located at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia.

The following promotions were announced, effective this date: T/Sgt Johnson to M/Sgt, and Pvts 1cl Dahl, De Salvo, Guy, Modgling and Rutledge to T/5Gr. T/4Gr Wirt was reduced to grade of private.

2 November - To increase the efficiency of our communication system, a requisition was submitted and approved for a Nissen Hut to be used for the Telephone Exchange. With a detail of Italian Prisoners, T/Sgt Schmilg and T/4Gr Hedgecock immediately began its erection. The hut was constructed around the central underground cable terminal block to eliminate long field lines between the terminal and exchange.

3 November - 1st Lt. Roy E. M. Reid, O-560258, Sig C., was transferred from the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group, and assigned to this unit per par 4, SO # 285, Hq XII AFSC, dated 27 October 1943. He joined the organization at 1530. Lt. Reid, a radio Officer, was assigned to the Supply and Repair Platoon.

5 November - 2nd Lt. Resciniti was placed on D/S with II ASAC as an Italian interpreter. WOJG Kochert was transferred to the 1078th Signal Company, Service Group per par 5, SO # 285, Hq XII AFSC, dated 27 October 1943 and departed this organization at 0715.

8 November - T/5Gr Howard R. Groff, 14177561, and Pvt. 1cl Richard K. Burton, 15329139, were transferred from Hq Sq, XII AFSC, and assigned to this organization per par 1, SO # 296, Hq XII AFSC, dated 7 November 1943. Groff reported to the Radio Repair Section for duty, while Burton reported to the Switchboard Operator's Section.

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This date marks the first anniversary of this Unit's landing in North Africa.

12 November - T/4Gr Wayne L. Neu and Pvt 1cl Roger J. Sans were transferred and joined from the 22nd Replacement Battalion Pool. Authority for their transfer was contained in paragraph 4 of SO # 95, Hq 22nd Replacement Battalion, dated 5 November 1943.

13 November - T/4Gr Linakis, T/5Gr Modgling and Sutler, Pvs 1cl Bittner and Browning, and Pvt Wirt were placed on D/S to Oran for approximately 10 days.

14 November - T/5Gr Domonkos, Rhoads, Rosen, and Pvs Covey and Dahm were assigned to the organization and joined from the 22nd Replacement Battalion Pool.

19 November - Lt Resciniti returned from D/S and to duty with the company at 1230.

23 November - T/4Gr Linakis, T/5Gr Modgling and Sutler, Pvs 1cl Bittner and Browning, and Pvt Wirt returned from D/S at 0930.

25 November - Pvt Ignatius A. Brennan, in confinement since last June, was re-assigned to the organization and joined from the 19th Replacement Battalion.

29 November - Pvt Brennan was issued a Special Privilege Pass which expired at 1200 but failed to return at the proper time, consequently was reported AWOL as of 1200, 29 November 1943.

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Sheet No. 3 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp., Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia.

Month of: November 1943. Prepared by: William h. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps.

30 November - Continuing servicing the 38th Service Group, this Company remains at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia, with the following strength:

Present Assigned: 3 Officers
63 Enlisted Men

Absent Assigned : 1 Enlisted Man.
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1 December - Continuing servicing with the 38th Service Group, this company still remained at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia.

Promotions and reductions made at the beginning of the month were as follows: T/Sgt Schniling reduced to grade of Private and re-appointed T/4Gr., T/4Gr Hedgecock and Krauss promoted to Sgt., and T/5Gr Menichelli and Nyberg promoted to T/4Gr. These were made per Company Order # 15, dated 1 December 1943, effective the same date. T/4Gr Wayne L. Neu, having been with the company less than a month, was relieved from assigned and transferred in grade to the 2008th Ord Maint (M) Co.

5 December - Once again alert orders for overseas movement were issued this unit and preparations began without delay. Packing of the equipment was begun, the radio station and message center ceased operations and, although the telephone switchboard remained in operation, many of the lines were discontinued.

8 December - All packing having been completed, the equipment was loaded on unit vehicles and driven to the docks to be loaded on the boat. 1st Lt. Reid and 13 drivers were placed on D/S to accompany the vehicles and equipment on the movement. The remainder of personnel moved into a building on the base awaiting for movement.

10 December - At about 0900, the company entrucked and departed Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia, boarding LCI # 75 at approximately 1030. Although not everyone was of the opinion the voyage was going to be a short one, all believed that it would be quite disagreeable. 40 men and their equipment were placed in a hold that would normally and comfortably accommodate 12 or 15.

S/Sgt Hicks was reduced to grade of private, having broken restriction

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and gone AWOL on 9 December 1943.

11 December - At 1000, a convoy of some 25 or 30 ships formed and embarked from Bizerte, Tunisia. The first few hours of the voyage were very rough and by nightfall the convoy was well out "At Sea".

12 December 1943 - A large percentage of personnel aboard ship became "Sea Sick." The ship being small and the water rough, it was almost impossible, at times, to remain below deck.

13 December - Passing the Isle of Capri about 0830, the convoy was well within sight of Southern Italy. At 1430, the boat in which this company was riding, docked and disembarked at Bagnoli, Italy, just a short distance beyond Naples. No transportation being available, it was necessary to march to Staging Area No. 1, PBS, a distance of 2 or 3 miles. There, the organization, together with several others, were billeted in a large building, one of many similar structures constructed by the Italians for an Orphans' educational center. One of the buildings converted into an "American Red Cross Club", even though it wasn't nearly completed, offered an excellent place for relaxation and entertainment after a most unpleasant ocean voyage. Unfortunately, no heat was provided and the electric lights which were extinguished nightly at 1900 gave less illumination than candles would provide.

15 December - Passes were granted for the purpose of visiting Naples and Pompei, and were taken advantage of by most members of the organization. Many interesting and historical places were to be seen, especially in Pompei.

22 December - At 0900, a motor convoy, among whose passengers were the

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members of this organization, departed Bagnoli, Italy, Staging Area No. 1, PBS. Adverse weather conditions (heavy rains almost the entire distance of the trip) and a very mountainous country made traveling quite difficult. After a distance of 120 miles, the convoy arrived in Lucera, Italy at 1800. All personnel were billeted for the night in a gymnasium.

23 December - The entire day was devoted to the establishment of the company's bivouac area. Pyramidal tents were pitched for housing and a large wall tent was used for the mess hall and kitchen. Lt. Reid with the detachment of 13 drivers, on D/S since 7 December, returned to duty with the company, having driven the unit motor vehicles from Staging Area No. 2, PBS, Bagnoli, Italy, to Lucera.

27 December - A telephone switchboard, TC-4, was installed, using one trunk line to a small British switchboard in Lucera as its only outlet. Since the Lucera switchboard has only one line to Foggia, telephone communications will be poor. II Air Service Area Command Signal Section can offer no immediate assistance. The radio station was set up and reported into the II ASAC net on the verbal orders of Captain Dean, since no other communication channels existed. The message center section set up in base headquarters.

30 December - Private Ignatius A. Brennan, reported as AWOL on 29 November was dropped from the company roll as an absentee. Private Ray C. Newsome was transferred to Personnel Center #2, MBS, for first available transportation to the United States, to be discharged under Section VIII, AR 615-360. Pvt Newsome departed this organization at 0730, and left the Foggia Airport via Military Aircraft for North Africa.

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Sheet No. 4 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Lucera, Italy

Month of: December 1943 Prepared by: William E. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

31 December - Operating with the following strength, the company remains at Lucera, Italy, attached to the 38th Service Group.

Officers: Present Assigned: 3

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OUTLINE HISTORY: 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM 1 JANUARY
1944 TO 31 JANUARY 1944.

One officer was transferred from the company at the beginning of the month. The unit moved out of pyramidal tents into a building in town. Two offices next door were used for the orderly room and Signal Office and the Signal Property Office.

Five enlisted men were transferred from the company as a cadre for forming new units in this theater. One member of the organization was sent home under the "Rotation" policy initiated last August.

Nine men were placed on D/S, six of them as guards and the other three reported to Signal Section XV AFSC for instruction in high speed radio operation.

Four new men were transferred into the company as replacements for the Cadre furnished.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp., Lucera, Italy
Month of: January 1944. Prepared by: William E. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

1 January - Still located in Lucera, Italy, this company continues servicing units of the 38th Service Group.

2 January - 2nd Lt. Armando Fesciniti received orders transferring him to the 1150th Signal Company Service Group. Even though Lt. Fesciniti has been with this unit just over three months, his transfer will be a great loss, since he had won the respect and admiration of both the officers and enlisted men.

3 January - The company moved out of pyramidal tents into a building in town. Three large rooms provided space for sleeping quarters. It was, nevertheless, a bit crowded but offered a great advantage over tents in as much as it was dry and easy to heat. Directly next door were two adjoining offices. One was used for the company orderly room and Signal Office, and the Signal Property moved their office into the other.

8 January - Pvt 1cl Bittner was relieved from assigned and transferred to the Signal Company Cadre, XV AFSC, pending orders for assignment to his new company. Bittner is the first of five men to be transferred from this company for the purpose of forming new units in this theater.

14 January - T/4Gr Linakis, T/5Gr Boyle, De Salvo, Groff and Sutler and Pvt 1cl Scheviak were placed on D/S at 0630. They were to work with the Quartermaster guarding rations on the train to Bari.

16 January - M/Sgt Johnson was reduced to Pvt and re-appointed T/Sgt at his own request.

17 January - T/5Gr De Salvo and Groff and Pvt 1cl Scheviak returned from D/S at 1030.

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Month of: January 1944. Prepared by: William h. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

18 January - T/4Gr Linakis, & T/5Gr Boyle and Sutler returned from D/S at 1030.

22 January - T/4Gr Nyberg was sent to the 34th Field Hospital. Sgt McAteer & T/4Gr Regan and Schmiling were transferred from this company to the 1152nd Signal Company, Service Group. The 1152nd Signal Company is being activated and is located at this station.

24 January - Orders were issued transferring Pvt Wirt to the 875th Signal Company Dep (AVN). T/4Gr Chapman and Kroll were placed on D/S in Bari with the Signal Section, XV AFSC for instruction as high speed radio operators.

25 January - T/Sgt Johnson was transferred in grade to Personnel Center # 1, ABS and departed this organization at 0700 to proceed by air from Foggia Airport to Casablanca, North Africa pending orders for transportation to the United States. Sgt Johnson is being sent to the States under the "Rotation" Policy initiated last August and is the first member of this company to receive orders for return.

28 January - T/4Gr Nyberg was released from the hospital and returned to duty at 1130.

29 January - T/3Gr Beres was placed on D/S as Radio Instructor with Signal Section, XV AFSC. T/Sgt Crippin, Sgt Ross, T/5Gr Lemmon, and Pvt Wickstrom were assigned to this unit from Personnel Replacement Center # 7-C. Crippin Lemmon reported to the Telephone Lineman Section for duty, Ross to the Teletypewriter Section, and Wickstrom began working in the Message Center.

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Sheet No. 3 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp. Lucera, Italy

Month of: January 1944. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

31 January - At the end of the month this company is operating with the following strength:

Present Assigned: 2 Officers 56 EM

Absent Assigned : 3 EM

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OUTLINE HISTORY: 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM 1 FEBRUARY
1944 to 29 FEBRUARY 1944

More promotions were made at the beginning of the month. A basketball league was initiated within the group and this company entered a team of 7 players.

Several new men have been transferred into the company, most of which are radio repairmen. 3 Switchboard operators were placed on D/S with XV AFSC and one man was sent to North Africa for Radar Instruction.

A 1st Lt. was assigned to the unit but is only a transfer on paper as he will be assigned another unit as soon as he has completed D/S which he is now on.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary. 1032nd Signal Company., Serv Gp., Lucera, Italy
Month of; February 1944. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

1 February - Remaining at Lucera, Italy, this company continues servicing the 38th Service Group and its units with Radio and Telephone Communications.

Promotions were made at the beginning of the month to include the following: T/Sgt Hawk to M/Sgt; S/Sgts Horn and Shively to T/Sgt; T/3Gr Miller to S/Sgt; T/5Gr Groff and Rutledge to Sgt; Prts 1cl Sans, Shaul and Schewisk to T/5Gr; and Prts Burton, Covey and Dahm to Pvt 1cl. T/4Gr Jacobs was reduced to Pvt. These were made per Company Order # 3, dated 1 February 1944 and effective the same date.

2 February - Pvt Jacobs was relieved from duty and sent to the 61st Station Hospital.

7 February - A basketball league was initiated within the group and this company having some very good players entered its team composed of 1st Sgt Hamric, M/Sgt Hawk, T/Sgt Brumfield, S/Sgt Kassel, T/3Gr McLeese, T/4Gr Patterson and T/5Gr Boyle.

8 February - Captain Dean, the commanding officer, having been ill for the past few days was sent to the 61st Station Hospital. Sgt Henry A. Tuohy, 12146273, was assigned to the organization and joined from Personnel Replacement Center # 7-C. Sgt Tuohy was sent to this unit classified as a "Repeaterman" MOS 187. The current T/C authorizes no such specialty and Tuohy was assigned to the Telephone Lineman Section.

11 February - Captain Dean returned to duty from the hospital at 1230.

12 February - Pvt Jacobs, sent to the 61st Station Hospital on 2 February, was transferred to the Detachment of Patients, 26th General Hospital.

13 February - Pvt William W. Pievley, 37380488, was assigned to the organization and joined from Personnel Replacement Center # 7-C. Pvt

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Sheet No. 2 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp., Lucera, Italy
Month of: February 1944. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

Rievley's MOS classified him as a switchboard operator, consequently he was assigned to that section in this unit and reported to the chief operator for duty.

14 February - Pvt 1cl Covey, one of the cooks, and Pvt Wickstrom, a new man in the company were both relieved from duty and sent to the 61st Station Hospital. The medical officers were of the opinion that Covey may have a slight case of Malaria.

16 February - In a telephone conversation from Captain Sommerville, Signal Section, XV AFSC, he informed the commanding Officer that they were short switchboard operators and requested that this organization furnish 3 to be placed on D/S for approximately 30 days. T/4Gr Menichelli and T/5Gr Guy and Modgling were selected and left at 0730 for Bari.

18 February - T/Sgt Shively was relieved from duty and placed on D/S with XV AFSC. Shively reported in Bari awaiting transportation by air for North Africa to attend school in Radar Instruction.

19 February - T/Sgt Lewis Keplinger, 31314122, T/5Gr Leo E. DuBose, 14091426, and Pvt Kenneth R. Ahlstrom, 37565342, were assigned to this unit from Personnel Replacement Center # 7-C. Keplinger and DuBose, classified as Telephone Lineman reported to S/Sgt Kassel for duty and Ahlstrom to the Message center.

21 February - Sgt Tuohy, assigned to this unit 8 February, was placed on D/S with 416th Signal Company in Bari. Pvt Wickstrom returned from the hospital for duty at 0930.

23 February - T/4Gr Ieland W. Lake, 35226402, and Pvt Leonard L. Pruitt, 19208031, were assigned to this company and joined from Personnel

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Sheet No. 3 War Diary, 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Lucera, Italy

Month of: February 1944. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

Replacement Center # 7-C. Lake, a telephone lineman, and Pruitt was classified as switchboard operator. Pvt 1cl Covey was released from the hospital and returned to duty at 1230.

24 February - T/5Gr Herley D. Cron, 15313312, and Myron A. McMillan, 17063967, and Pvts 1cl Vaito P. Harju, 36652836, Kenneth Mortimer, 16124093, and Kevin J. Murphy, 16101384, were assigned and joined from Personnel Replacement Center # 7-C. All were radio repairmen except Harju and he, being classified as a switchboard, reported to that section for duty. T/4Gr Kroll, on D/S since 28 January, returned to duty at 1730. He has been attending school in the instruction of Radio Operation.

26 February - Corp. Gordon T. Granert, 36742116, was assigned and joined from Personnel Replacement Center # 7-C.

28 February - 1st Lt. Stanley H. Herzoff, O-1636783, was assigned from the 1051st Signal Company Service Group and immediately placed on D/S with XV AFSC. This transfer is merely on paper as Lt. Herzoff did not report to this unit and he will be assigned to another organization as soon as he has completed D/S.

29 February - At the end of the month this company was operating with the following strength:

Officers: Present Assigned 2
Absent Assigned 1

EM : Present Assigned 64
Absent Assigned 7

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SUBJECT: Historical Record.

1. Unit history of the 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group for the period 1 March 1944 to 31 March 1944 inclusive.

b. Changes in organization:

(2) None

(3) None

c. Strength; Commissioned & Enlisted.

(a) 3 Officers; 71 ~~MI~~

(b) 3 Officers: 63 EA.

d. Status - Same.

e. Movements; The entire unit moved from Lucera, Italy to Torremaggiore, Italy on 8 March 1944, via Motor Transportation, a distance of about 20 miles.

f. Campaigns - "one"

g. Operations: Much assistance has been given the 341st Signal Company in the installation of telephone lines. 2 of our switchboard operators were placed on D/S to operate the Switching Central for the 5th Wing in Foggia. Our teletypewriter mechanic was sent to Africa for a 6 week course in maintenance. 2 radio operators on D/S at XV Air Force Service Command returned to duty.

During the month 13 new men were transferred into the company and one man was transferred out.

i. Losses in action - none

j. Members who have distinguished themselves - None

WILLIAM R. BUFORD
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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OUTLINE HISTORY: 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP, FROM 1 APRIL
TO 30 APRIL 1944.

Several telephone and teletypewriter lines were completed during the month. Company and Service Center Signal installations were inspected by officers of the 80th Signal Inspection Company. A VHF training schedule was drawn up and approved, and instruction for radio repairmen of P-51 Fighter groups was begun.

This company still has 3 men on d/s with XV AFSC and 2 men operating boards for the 5th Wing in Foggia.

An official letter was received acknowledging approval of Message Center Chief and Chief Radio Operator for return to the United States to form new Bombardment Groups.

3 men were transferred from the unit, 1 on rotation, 1 for return to the United States for assignment to new Bomb Group, and one was transferred to another company in this theater.

The company area has been greatly improved with sides built on all the tents. The mess hall, too, has been enlarged and painted inside.

One new man was transferred into the organization and assigned to the Motor transportation section for duty.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp., Torre Maggiore, Italy

Month of: April 1944 Prepared BY: WILLIAM H. DEAN, Captain, Signal Corps.

1 April - No change has been made in location by this company. It still remains with the 38th Service Group at Torremaggiore, Italy.

3 April - 1st Lt. Herzoff, an officer assigned to this unit in February, was relieved from d/s with XV AFSC and placed on d/s with the 875th Signal Depot Co.

The line crew completed installation of field wire line (about 13 miles) from 1st to 14th Fighter Group. The New Haven line was also completed thereby giving a direct line from Grocery (switchboard at this Service Center) to 351st Service Group. Lts. Amend and Copening of the 86th Signal Inspection Company inspected company and Service Center Signal installations at this base. Captain Somerville and WO Lassberg from XV AFSC spent the afternoon with the two Signal Companies here, discussing various topics such as Message Center procedure, telephone line shortage, etc.

4 April - A VHF training schedule was drawn up and approved by the Commanding Officer. This schedule is designed for 3 to 4 days training in the instruction of SCR-622 for radio repairmen of new P-51 Fighter Groups.

3 line crews are to be made available, 1 from each of the two Signal Companies and one from the Wing Signal Section. The purpose of the line crews will be to handle numerous lines, now the joint responsibility of the Wing and Service Group Signal Sections.

5 April - Tec 5 Dahl, on d/s with the 5th Wing was replaced by Pvt Pruitt and returned to duty at 1100 hours.

9 April - Tec 5 Hicks was relieved from duty and placed in arrest in quarters, awaiting charges being preferred for a Court Martial.

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Sheet No. 2 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company Serv Gp., Torre Maggiore, Italy

Month of: April 1944 Prepared By: WILLIAM H. DEAN, Captain, Signal Corps.

11 April - The Griffin Teletypewriter line has been completed and is now in operation. This line will be quite beneficial as it will speed up considerably, the traffic to and from XV AFSC. Although still slow, the traffic in the Radio Station has increased quite favorably.

The official letter was received acknowledging approval of Message Center Chief, S/Sgt Stockstill, and Chief Radio Operator, T/Sgt Clifton R. Brumfield for return to the United States and assignment to new Very Heavy Bombardment Groups. Stockstill is to return in June and Brumfield in September of this year.

12 April - Tec 4 Blalock, on pass en route to Bari was injured in an automobile accident and was taken to the 71st British General Hospital. He was, however, transferred the next day to the 55th Station Hospital in Foggia and after the Commanding Officer and 2 or 3 of the enlisted men visited him, it was learned that the injury was nothing serious and would most likely return to duty within the next few days.

15 April - A teletype line to the 300th Wing Switchboard was completed enabling the Service Center teletypewriter to contact the various Fighter Groups from its own machine.

Tec 5 Sheldon was sent to the 4th Field Hospital. He had been in sick quarters for the past 3 days and it is believed he may have a slight case of malaria. Tec 4 Blalock returned to duty at 1100 hours.

17 April - Orders were received on S/Sgt Lemoine whose name was submitted last October for rotation. He was transferred to Personnel Center No. 5, PBS awaiting transportation for return to the United States. Lemoine was well liked and respected by every member of this organization and his absence will be greatly felt. Always highly efficient and dependable in his work, a replacement for him

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Month of: April 1944 Prepared By: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps.

will be quite difficult.

19 April - Pvt 1cl Harju was replaced at the 5th Wing by Tec 3 Dahl and he returned to duty with the company at 1130 hours.

22 April - Some difficulty has been experienced with the 31st Fighter Group line. It is hoped however, that this will be eliminated as soon as a 5-pair rubber cable has been completed.

23 April - The bivouac area is being considerably improved in this unit. Parts of various boxes and crates have been procured from different Fighter Groups to build up the sides of the tents, raising them from 2 to 4 feet. This affords more room and adds to the appearance of the area in as much as they will all be uniform. With the recent increase in personnel it has been necessary to enlarge the mess hall. More parts for the Mess Hut were obtained, lengthening it by 10 or 12 feet.

24 April - Corporal Arthur A. Sjoström, 39176350, was transferred to the company and after an interview by the Commanding Officer, was assigned for duty to the Motor Transportation Section.

25 April - Pvt Rievley was relieved from assigned and transferred to the 43rd Service Group. Rievley departed this organization at 0630.

30 April - S/Sgt Stockstill who was to have left this organization in June for return to the United States to be assigned to a new Bombardment Group, received orders from Hq., XV Air Force, transferring him to Air Service Command Replacement Depot, Daniels Field, Augusta, Georgia. Naturally he is grateful for the opportunity he has been given and considered himself quite fortunate in that he is to travel by air, the entire trip.

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Sheet No. 4 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group, Forremaggiore, Italy

Month of: April 1944 Prepared By: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps.

Sgt Stockstill, intellectual, and possessing an exceptionally good sense of humor was very popular in this unit as well as others in and including the 38th Service Group. He had gained the confidence and respect of both the old and new men alike. It is needless to say he will be missed by every member of this organization, especially by the men in the message center, in which section he was chief.

At the end of the month, the company was operating with the following strength:

Officers: Present Assigned 2
Absent assigned 1

Enlisted Men: Present Assigned: 73
Arrest in Quarters 1
Absent Assigned 7
Total 81

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1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
Service Center # 38
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3 June 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Records.

TO : Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force, Attention: Historian.
(Through Channels)

1. Unit History of the 1032nd Signal Company Service Group for the period 1 May 1944 to 31 May 1944 inclusive.

- a. The present designation of the unit is 1032nd Signal Company Service Group, assigned to the 38th Service Group.
- b. Changes in Organization:
 - (1) None
 - (2) None
 - (3) 1st Lt. Roy E. M. Reid became C.O. vice Captain William H. Dean, 15 May 1944, SO # 56, Headquarters, 38th Service Group.
- c. Strength, Commissioned and enlisted.
 - (a) 2 officers, 82 enlisted men.
 - (d) 1 officer, 85 enlisted men.
- d. Stations - same.
- e. Movements - none.
- f. Campaigns - none.
- g. Operations: Pvt Brennan, AMOL since last November finally returned to the organization at 1830 on 5 May 1944. Charges were preferred against him the next day. The Radio Repair Section has received a large number of sets from AFAD # 53. The men are eager to get any repair work available so that they may be trained on different type sets. Seven men were transferred into the company during the month and two were transferred out. The organization lost its C.O. who was sent home on rotation. An "Anniversary Party" is being planned for the night of June 3rd, at which time we will have completed 2 years overseas.
- h. Commanding Officers in important operations - None.
- i. Losses in action - None.
- j. Members who have distinguished themselves - None

2. Enclosed is the War Diary for this unit for the period 1 May to 31 May 1944 inclusive.

Roy E. M. Reid
ROY E. M. REID
1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Torre Maggiore, Italy.

Month of: May 1944 Prepared By: ROY E. M. REID, 1st Lt., Signal Corps.

No change has occurred in the location of this unit since last month.

1 May - Pvt 1cl Leo Shuman, 31275378, was assigned and joined from the 19th Replacement Battalion. Classified as Radio Mechanic, he reported to M/Sgt Hawk, Radio Repair Section Chief, for duty.

Trial by Special Court Martial released Tec 5 Hicks from arrest in quarters and was returned to duty. His sentence however, places him in confinement to the company area for a period of 3 months and a fine of \$40.00 a month for a like period.

Captain Spesha of the 435th Signal Construction Battalion called, requesting information on cables he is to run. A 5-pair rubber covered cable from Grocery to Nightmare and 2 spiral four cables from Grocery to New Market.

2 May - The line from Grocery to Griffin is out due to trouble in New Bari-Poggia subterranean cable, the 431st Signal Construction Battalion is working on it however and it is believed the trouble will be eliminated in a day or so.

3 May - Paragraph 3 of Special Orders # 4b, issued by Headquarters, 38th Service Group, dated 1 May 1944, promoted the following men in this organization: Sgt Wascher to S/Sgt., Tec 5 Boyle and Sutler to Tec 4, and Pvs 1cl Burton and Dahm to Tec 5. Tec 4 Boyle who has been attending a Teletype Maintenance Course with the 6660th Signal Company in Oran for the past six weeks returned to duty at 1800 hours.

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Month of: May 1944 Prepared By: ROY E. M. REID, 1st Lt., Signal Corps.

Lts Amend and Copening of the 875th Signal Inspection Detachment made verbal report of their inspection of communications at Fighter Groups. They informed the C.O. that all Fighter Groups were well pleased with service from this Signal Set-Up, receiving better service than they have previously been getting.

An inspection of small arms in this unit was made and all were found to be in good condition, in spite of a very unfavorable and untrue report sent to the Commanding Officer of the 38th Service Group, by 1st Lt. Robert Carek, Armament Officer of the 1650th Ordnance S & M Company. The company, nevertheless, is still short arms for 5 men but the Ordnance Department states that they have been unable to procure same due to a shortage of weapons in this theater.

5 May - Pvt Brennan, who has been AWOL since last November when this company was still in North Africa, returned to the organization at 1830. He was immediately placed in arrest in quarters.

6 May - Charges were preferred against Pvt. Brennan. Pvt 1cl Harju replaced Pvt Pruitt, on D/S at the 5th Wing Switchboard.

7 May - T/Sgt Keplinger was transferred in grade to the 485th Bomb Group and departed this organization at 0900 hours. Pvt Brennan was released from arrest in quarters and taken to the AAF Area Command Stockade and placed in confinement awaiting trial by Court Martial.

10 May - Captain Sommerville, Signal Section of XV Air Force Service Command, has repeatedly promised the return of our 3 telephone operators who have been on D/S there since 16 February. In a telephone conversation

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Sheet No. 3 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Torre Maggiore, Italy.

Month of: May 1944 Prepared By: ROY E. M. REID, 1st Lt., Signal Corps.

with Captain Sommerville by the C.O. a few days ago he gave the same evasive alibi for their not having returned but stated definitely that he would send them back on the 10th. These operators are badly needed here and an attempt was made to contact Captain Sommerville, as for their not being returned today, but he was not in.

Our radio repair section has a large number of sets for repair from AFAD # 53 and work on them is nearing completion. We hunt up any radio repair work available in order to train our repairmen on different type sets, other than those normally serviced by this unit.

11 May - T/Sgt Thurman C. Johnston, 39132253, was transferred in as Wire Chief. This makes the third Wire Chief received as replacement on T/Sgt Alton G. Johnson who has been returned to the United States on rotation.

13 May - Sgt Robert J. Mann, 33236627, Cpl Harold W. Manstedt, 37469550, Pts 1cl David A. Huber, 33623749, and Vincent J. Logio, 32912507, and Pvt William C. Pearsall, 39120054, were transferred into the organization per Special Order # 131, Headquarters, XV Air Force Service Command. Mann and Pearsall were assigned to the Radio Repair Section, Manstedt and Huber as Radio Operators, and Logio, Teletype Mechanic.

Tec 5 Sheldon, in the hospital for the past 4 weeks returned to duty at 1530.

15 May - This company, today, lost its Commanding Officer, Captain William H. Dean, and another enlisted man, Tec 5 Andrew A. Reynolds. Both are returning to the United States on rotation. Captain Dean had been the Commanding Officer of this organization since its activation in April 1941 at New

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Sheet No. 4 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Torre Maggiore, Italy.

Month or: May 1944 Prepared by: ROY E. M. REID, 1st Lt., Signal Corps.

Orleans, Louisiana, when at that time it was just a Signal Platoon with 32 enlisted men. Reynolds joined in July of 1941. He and Captain Dean left at 0900 for Bari for rail transportation to Naples. Naturally all the men are sorry to see them go since most of the men have been together for the past $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, but are happy for them and the opportunity they have been given. 1st Lt. Reid, our supply and repair officer, assumed command.

17 May - Tec 5 Dahl and Pvt 1cl Harju, both on D/S with the 5th Wing in Foggia returned to duty at 1330.

23 May - Tec 4 Black was reduced to Pvt and re-appointed Tec 5. Authority for the reduction and re-appointment was contained in Special Orders # 61, Headquarters, 38th Service Group, dated 21 May 1944.

Plans are being made for an "Anniversary Party" for the unit to be held in Lucera on the night of June 3rd, at which time we will have completed 2 years overseas service.

24 May - Pvt 1cl Huber, with the organization just 11 days, was transferred. He was sent from the states for assignment to the 1051st Signal Company Service Group and was transferred to this unit by mistake.

25 May - Tec 5 Black was transferred in grade of Pvt to the 1135th Quartermaster Company Service Group. No travel was involved since the 1135th is also a unit of the 38th Service Group.

26 May - Tec 4 Rosen was placed on D/S with the 18th Air Depot Group for approximately 5 days and departed at 1330. He is to attend a school on Radar Equipment. We are not at the present time servicing such equipment but in this War anything can happen. We also like to have our Radio Re-

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Month of: May 1944 Prepared by: ROY E. M. REID, 1st Lt., Signal Corps.

pairmen trained in all lines of radio, thus enhancing their value to the Army and their own future.

30 May - Tec 4 Rosen having completed his course in Radar Equipment, returned to duty with the organization at 1600 hours.

At the end of the month, this company is operating with the following strength;

Officers: Present Assigned: 1
Absent Assigned: 1

Enlisted Men: Present Assigned: 81
Absent Assigned: 3
In Confinement : 1
Total : 85

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1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
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1 July 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Records.

TO : Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force, Attention: Historian.
(Thru Channels.)

1. Unit History of the 1032nd Signal Company Service Group for the period 1 June 1944 to 30 June 1944 inclusive.

a. The present designation of the unit is 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group, assigned to the 38th Service Group.

b. Changes in Organization:

(1) None

(2) None

(3) Captain William L. Buford became C.O. vice 1st Lt. Roy E. Reid, 12 June 1944, SO #153, Hq., 2nd Repl Bn., Personnel Repl Center 7-D.

c. Strength, Commissioned and enlisted.

(a) 2 Officers, 65 enlisted men.

(d) 2 Officers, 63 enlisted men.

d. Stations - Same.

e. Movements - None.

f. Campaigns - None.

g. Operations: A new officers was transferred in to replace the Commanding Officer who was sent home last month on rotation. The Unit held a party celebrating its 2nd anniversary overseas. The three switchboard operators on d/s with the IV AFSC since last February were returned to duty. 2 more men received orders for return to the United States on rotation.

A new Day Room has been built, in which is a very nice bar. Open each evening, it offers the men a place to drink in their own area. One night a week it is reserved for "News Discussion" periods.

One man was transferred from the company to the 26th General Hospital and one new man was transferred into the unit during the month.

h. Commanding Officers in important operations - None.

i. Losses in action - None.

j. Members who have distinguished themselves - None.

2. Enclosed is the War Diary for this unit for the period 1 June to 30 June 1944 inclusive.

William L. Buford
WILLIAM L. BUFORD
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Torre Maggiore, Italy
Month of: June 1944 Prepared By: WILLIAM E. BUNOID, Captain, Signal Corps.

1 June - Special Orders No. 70, Headquarters, 38th Service Group, contained authority for the following promotions: Tec 3 Beres, Grant and McLeese to S/Sgt., Sgt Groff to Tec 3, Tec 4 Domonkos to Sgt., Tec 5 Lemmon and Sans to Tec 4, Pvt 1cl Harju, Glade, Covey and Pvts Keller, Warnock and Pruitt to Tec 5, and Pvts Daub, Freedman, Sorrells, Feinstein, Kirschner and Waters to Pvts 1cl.

2 June - Tec 5 Sheldon was returned to the 4th Field Hospital at 0800.

Lt. Reid and S/Sgt Grant were placed on D/S to Bari to attend the trial by Court-Martial of Pvt Brennan. He was given 5 years hard labor and a dishonorable discharge. While in Bari Lt. Reid checked with the Signal Section at XV Air Force Service Command on spare parts and plans for modification of WAF sets in aircraft.

3 June - A party celebrating 2 years overseas service for this unit was held in Lucera. An orchestra composed of various members of units at this Base, furnished the music. Refreshments of Wine, cold fruit juices, sandwiches, ice cream and cake were served. Invitations had been printed about a week before and were given to girls in Lucera, the majority of whom worked for AIGOT. Italian civilians did a splendid job of decorating and lighting the gym. The entire evening was a very enjoyable one and every one said they had a very good time.

7 June - In a telephone conversation with Major Matthews at XV AFSC, he informed the Commanding Officer that a 2nd Lt. was being assigned to the company and should report for duty within a week or 10 days.

8 June - Our three switchboard operators, Tec 4 Menichelli, and Tec 5 Guy and Modgling who have on D/S with the XV AFSC since last February, were finally

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returned to duty with the organization. Their return will be a great help to the Telephone Section as they are badly needed here.

9 June - Lt. Reid conferred with Lt. Cherna of the 1152nd Signal Company in regards to obtaining spare parts for VHF sets. We have quite a few sets which we can't get parts for because Depot # 53 will not issue them to us.

From the 1000th Signal Company it is learned that innumerable spare parts are available on the other side of the country but will not be issued to us.

10 June - Sgt Hedgecock and Tec 5 Keller, working in conjunction with Sgt Davis our Motor Transportation WCO, made two large electric fans for our Mess Hall. It is a very great improvement..

11 June - Test benches for modification of VHF sets were set up in the Radio Repair Shop. Work has begun on these sets and is increasing each day.

13 June - A new officer, Captain William R. Buford, C-360971 was transferred into the company from the 22nd Replacement Battalion. Captain Buford is replacing Captain Dean who was sent home last month on rotation and is now the Commanding Officer.

15 June - Two more men from the unit received orders sending them home on rotation, E/Sgt Hawk and S/Sgt Kassel. Both men were with the organization before coming overseas and they will be missed by the entire company.

16 June - Tec 5 Sheldon who was sent to the 4th Field Hospital on the 2nd of June was transferred from this organization to the 26th General Hospital.

20 June - 1st Lt. Herzoff, assigned to this company last February but has been on D/S, was transferred to the 875th Signal Company, Depot. Tec 5 Dean C. Applebee, 39317619, was transferred in from the 1152nd Signal Company.

21 June - A Nissen Hut was erected for a new Day Room. Italian civilians

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laid a brick floor, part of which was covered with cement and the front was built up with brick, leaving enough space for a screen door and two screen windows on either side. The hut is also used for a club and bar. It is open almost every night with the exception of one night in each week, at which time the day room is reserved for "News Discussions" and "Orientation Classes." These meetings are very informative and are well attended. Each man has the opportunity of expressing his opinion on the various subjects, each week of course being a different one, thereby broadening ones outlook and viewpoint on World Affairs.

For the majority of the men in this organization having been overseas over 2 years, it is safe to say that the morale of the entire unit is exceptionally high. Besides having our own day room and bar, other recreation facilities include soft ball and base ball, this company playing in the National League. Movies are shown 3 or 4 times a week besides USO shows which are presented quite frequently. With all the above mentioned types of diversion, one's week is fairly well filled.

25 June - Tec 4 Richard L. Collins, 14014041 was attached to this organization from the 1149th Signal Company, Service Group, for duty as Radio Operator.

26 June - Tec 4 Rosen and Pvt 1cl Murphy were placed on D/S with Headquarters, 41st Air Depot Group for instruction in Radio Repair.

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Sheet No. 4 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Torre Maggiore, Italy.

Month of: June 1944. PREPARED BY: WILLIAM R. BURCED, Captain, Signal Corps.

30 June - At the end of the month, this company is operating with the following strength;

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| OFFICERS: | Present assigned | 2 |
| EM | : Present assigned | 60 |
| | Present Unasgd | 1 |
| | Absent Assigned | 2 |
| | In confinement | 1 |
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HEADQUARTERS
1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
Service Center # 36
APO - 520

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1 August 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Records.

TO : Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force, Attention: Historian.
(Through Channels.)

1. Unit History of the 1032nd Signal Company Service Group for the period 1 July 1944 to 31 July 1944 inclusive.

a. The present designation of the unit is 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group, assigned to the 36th Service Group.

b. Changes in Organization.

- (1) None.
- (2) None.
- (3) No change.

c. Strength, Commissioned and enlisted.

- (a) 2 Officers, 85 enlisted men.
- (d) 2 Officers, 79 enlisted men.

d. Stations - same.

e. Movements - None.

f. Campaigns - None.

g. Operations: Three more men have gone home on rotation. One man for the month of July, one for the month of August and the third is being sent to the states to form a cadre for a bombardment group. During the month 3 men have attended Radar and Radio Maintenance School and one man attended a course of instruction in Radar Supply. Modification of SCR 522's continues, some days the men doing 60 sets. The soft ball team is at the top of the league with 7 wins and 0 losses. Other recreational facilities include horse shoe pitching, an acting bar and movies 3 times a week and stage shows occasionally.

h. Commanding Officers in important operations - None.

i. Losses in action - None.

j. Members who have distinguished themselves - None.

2. Enclosed is the War Diary for this unit for the period 1 July to 31 July inclusive.

William R. Buford
WILLIAM R. BUFORD
Captain, Signal Corps,
Commanding.

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Month of: July 1944 Prepared By: WILLIAM L. BRUMFIELD, Captain, Signal Corps.

2 July - A check was made on the Wire Chief's maintenance book and it was discovered that "Nightmare" and the 34th Service Squadron were having a number of open and shorted lines. In order to eliminate some of the difficulty, several of the lines are being re-routed.

3 July - Pvt Brennan, tried by General Court Martial under the 81st A.M. on 2 June was relieved from assignment to this unit and transferred to the XV Air Force Stockade, per General Court Martial Order # 21.

Lt. Lehnre, communications officer for the 82nd Hunter Group was contacted and modifications of Teletype machines and power units PB-75 were discussed.

4 July - T/Sgt Brumfield was relieved from duty and sent to the 4th Field Hospital.

The circuit from "Grocery" to the two emergency fields that are going in north of Termoli were located.

5 July - Lt. Reid drove north of Termoli to visit the site of the two new fields in that area. A telephone circuit has been made available through the British system.

6 July - Tec 4 Sans was placed on D/S with the 1133rd Signal Company to attend a Radar Supply School.

Verbal orders were received that Tec 3 Hunter, submitted for rotation for July was being relieved from assignment and would be transferred on the 8th. Orders were also received on T/Sgt Brumfield to the effect that he was being transferred on the 9th. Brumfield is one of the two men chosen

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Month of: July 1944 Prepared By: WILLIAM A. BRUMFIELD, Captain, Signal Corps.

from this company as communications chief for return to the United States to form a cadre for a Very Heavy Bombardment Group. He was to have been transferred in September but it seems that they are being sent to the states much sooner than expected in as much as S/Sgt Stockstill returned about 2 months prior to the time the original order stated he would leave. Upon receipt of the orders on Brumfield, he was released from the hospital in order to make necessary arrangements.

7 July - A farewell party was given for T/Sgt Brumfield and Tec 3 Hunter.

Drinks were served from the bar and 3 pieces of the Group Orchestra furnished some very entertaining music together with several of the boys singing, dancing, telling stories jokes etc. Both of the men have been with the company since July 1941. Brumfield was chief radio operator and Hunter chief Switchboard operator. Naturally they were quite enthused about getting to go home, especially after having been overseas over 25 months although they were a bit reluctant about leaving their organization, having gained much popularity and many friends not only in this unit but the 35th Service Group as well. They will be missed. Of the original strength of 32 men who came overseas together, only 17 of them are left. Gradually being transferred, it is safe to assume that by the end of the year a larger portion of the old men will be gone.

3 July - Tec 3 Hunter was relieved from assignment and transferred to Personnel Center # 8, PBS. Tec 4 Sans having completed his course in Radar Supply instruction returned to duty at 2000.

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Month of: July 1944 Prepared BY: WILLIAM E. RUFLE D, Captain, Signal Corps.

9 July - T/Sgt Brumfield was relieved from assignment and transferred to the 19th Replacement Battalion.

Each Sunday a truck is available for the men to go swimming on the Adriatic Coast. On an average, some 10 or 15 men take advantage of the opportunity and it has proven to be quite a "Morale Booster".

14 July - Tec 4 Sutler was transferred in grade to the 1152nd Signal Company to replace a man sent home on rotation. No travel was involved in as much as the 1152nd Signal Company is a unit of the 36th Service Group also.

Captain Black and the Commanding Officer visited the Signal Office in Vasto to check on British circuits being used by the 367th Service Squadron and target range. A switchboard D-72 has been installed there. Three radio teams are making modifications on 522's at the 1st, 14th and 31st Fighter Groups. It is anticipated that this will be completed in approximately 2 weeks.

15 July - Major Berhily made a visit from the Signal Depot in Foggia. Minor supply problems were discussed and several points were clarified regarding Signal Supply of the 1000th Signal Company.

16 July - Tec 4 Rosen returned from D/S with Sq., 41st Air Depot Group. He had been attending an instruction course in Radio and Radar maintenance. The new modification being made on the SCR 522 radio is proceeding much faster than was expected. Our men have proven themselves capable of doing 50 sets a day. The depot contends that 12 or 15 sets a day is a good days work for them.

19 July - Pvt 1st Mortimer was placed on D/S with Sq., 41st Air Depot Group for Radio and Radar maintenance instruction. This week all the men have gone to the firing range to fire 15 rounds on the Thompson Sub-Machine Gun.

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Sheet No. 4 War Diary 1082nd Signal Company, Serv Gp., Torre Maggiore, Italy.

Month of: July 1944 Prepared by: WILLIAM L. BURD, Captain, Signal Corps.

The Commanding Officer offered a prize of \$5.00 for the highest score. It was a tie between Tec 4 Lomonkos and Tec 5 Tanner, both making 108.

21 July - Accompanied by Major Berhily, a visit was made to the 52nd Fighter Group and 1000th Signal Company. Information was obtained on switchboards, supply, and radio modifications.

23 July - Lt. Reid was placed on L/S with Hq., XV Air Force Service Command for approximately 30 days and left for Bari at 0600/

25 July - a phone was installed at the 43rd Medical Detachment. It works through a British board and does not talk as very well, but there is no way of improving it so it will be necessary for the detachment to depend on courier to a great extent.

26 July - The unit soft ball team is doing exceptionally well in the new league, proving their ability to play together, a contributing factor for real team-work and coordination. So far, they have had 7 wins and 0 losses. The game with the biggest score was with the officers of the 38th Service Group with a score of 27 to 0. In all probability however, the closest and most exciting game was with the 1736th QM Co. At the last half of the 7th inning, the score was 4 to 3 in favor of the 1736th, with the 1082nd coming to bat. Sgt Kwasniewski was walked to 1st base, stealing 2nd and 3rd on the next two throws. Pvt 1cl Logio knocked an in-field letting safe to first, bringing Sgt Kwasniewski in for a tying score. Sgt Arauss made the next hit and was safe on first. In an endeavor to steal 2nd base on the next throw, the pitcher made a wild throw thereby bringing Logio in for the winning run with a score of 5 to 4.

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Month of: July 1944 Prepared by: WILLIAM E. BIRD, Captain, Signal Corps.

Besides soft ball, several of the men participate in horse shoe pitching. An acting bar has also been constructed in the company area. Two poles set in the ground about 6 feet deep and 4 or 5 feet apart has an iron rod through either of the poles about 6 feet high. All the area in and around has been dug out and filled with sand. This has proven a great pass-time with some of the men, each one trying to out-do the other with various sorts of stunts.

27 July - Drove to Bari with Lt. Chernaau to attend a Signal Property meeting.

28 July - Rec'd Sheldon, who, last month was transferred to The Detachment of Patients, 28th General Hospital was re-assigned to this organization and reported for duty at 1600.

31 July - Orders were received on Rec'd Lyberg transferring him to Personnel Center W 6, PES, for transshipment to the United States on rotation. Of all the men who have gone home, he, perhaps was the most excited about it. Lyberg has been with the organization since early last year, having joined in North Africa. He has proven to be a very good soldier, quite capable of the job he is performing, and always highly dependable. His absence from the company will be felt by all the men.

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Sheet No. 6 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Co., Torre Maggiore, Italy

Month of: July 1944 Prepared by: WILLIAM L. BUFORD, Captain, Signal Corps.

At the end of the month, this company is operating with the following strength:

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| OFFICERS: | Present | Assigned | 1 |
| | Absent | Assigned | 1 |

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Month of: Aug. 1944 Prepared by: WILLIAM L. BURKE, Captain, Signal Corps.

1 August - High tension power lines have been causing interference with the reception of radio messages. A new site has been picked for the radio station.

2 August - The use of a British open wire circuit from the rest camp to Vasto has been requested. The XV Air Force Service Command is arranged for the release of the line.

3 August - The radio station has been moved to an improved tent in the new location. Reception of messages is now satisfactory.

4 August - The power, telephone and radio lines which supply the company area have been rewired for more efficient operation and a neater appearance.

Changes are being made on Power Units for the Photo Lab and Headquarters power. A 9.4KVA generator is to be obtained by trading the 6.3KVA now being used.

5 August - Captain Black and Captain Buford visited the 1000th Signal Company and unofficially inspected their Radio Repair Shop, which is almost completed. It is being built of belly tank crates and is quite practical.

6 August - Captain Leacon and Lt. Ginn visited from the Communications Section of the XV Air Force Service Command in Bari. Radio and wire communications for future operations were discussed.

7 August - Captain Buford flew to Ancona Air Base to survey the location of a Radio Station to be installed. This new station will be located near the 367th Service Squadron Headquarters. Operators are to be furnished by the 1000th Signal Company and Lt. Harris will go to Ancona to install

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the equipment.

8 August - The 300th Wing has requested two men to work in their Message Center. Arrangements have been made to send the men over.

The Radio Station at Ancona reported into the net at about 0800 hours today.

9 August - Lt. Ray from the 1000th Signal Company visited the Company Area, Radio Repair Shop and Signal Property Office.

A proposed modification was tried on the SCR-522 VHF set but was found to be not successful.

10 August - In an accidental fire, the cause of which is undetermined, two of the motor pool tents burned down. With the exception of a slight burn on the hand which Tec. 5 Shaul suffered while rescuing some things from the blaze, no one was injured. Some Government equipment was lost in the fire.

11 August - Captain Burford flew to Ancona again to check on the SCR-299 installed at the 367th Service Squadron there. Due to bad weather, the plane was unable to land.

12 August - The line section has constructed a shelter for the housing of the company's Power Units and Generators.

13 August - First Sergeant Asmund of the 328th Signal Wing Company visited the company to check on signal communications for future wing operations.

15 August - Pvt's 1st Mortimer and Murphy returned from Radar School.

16 August - The softball team won a tough game from the 94th Service Squadron by a score of 4 to 3.

18 August - Captain Burford drove to Bari to confer with Major Somerville

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at the XV Air Force Service Command. Lt. Heid visited the company in the afternoon.

19 August - Captain Deacon, Radio Officer, XV Air Force Service Command, gave permission for the modification on SC-522 VHF to be tested at the 31st Fighter Group.

22 August - Captain Buford attended a meeting at Base Headquarters of Staff Officers and Unit Commanders. Two new houses have been constructed in the company area from belly tank crates and another of stone is under construction.

23 August - This was an eventful day for many of the men in the company. A drawing was held in the dayroom shortly after dinner and the names of nine of the eligible men were drawn to go home on rotation. Arrangements are being made to fill the position vacancies with personnel in the company.

24 August - Arrangements have been made to divide the Signal Property, Radio Supplies and Telephone Equipment between the 1152nd Signal Company Service Group and the 1032nd Signal Company Service Group in anticipation of the separation of the two companies.

Winterizing of tents is being done where possible.

25 August - The nine men who are to go home on rotation were sent to Rome in one of the company's vehicles so that they would have a change of seeing the Eternal City before returning to the United States.

26 August - Captain Mack and Captain Buford traveled to the XV Air Force Service Command to confer with the Signal Officer there.

27 August - In preparation for winter, several houses of stone and belly tank crates are being constructed in the area. It is planned that all the

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men will eventually be able to construct houses that will be suitable for inclement weather. Plans are also being made to build a wooden orderly room.

28 August - Driver's permits were issued to six men who have qualified as drivers.

In almost all cases, men are being trained to fill the vacancies which will occur when the nine fortunate men leave on rotation.

29 August - Captain Buford attended a meeting of Commanding Officers in Headquarters Building at 1100 hours.

30 August - Copies of the General Orders have been posted in various conspicuous places about the area and efforts are being made to familiarize all personnel with these orders.

The nine men who are going home on rotation returned from their trip to home where they had an enjoyable time.

31 August - A Classification Team from the XV Air Force inspected the company records, interviewed men and recommended a few changes in MDS Classification numbers.

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Sheet No. 5 War Diary 1032nd Signal Company, Serv Gp, Torre Maggiore, Italy
Month of: August 1944 Prepared by: WILLIAM H. BUFORD, Captain, Signal Corps.

At the end of the month, this company is operating with the following strength:

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| OFFICERS: | Present assigned | 1 |
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| EM | Present assigned | 78 |
| | absent assigned | 4 |

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HISTORY OF THE 1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP FROM 15 SEPTEMBER to 15 OCTOBER 1943.

15 September - The company, less 4 men on D/S with II ASAC in Tunis, Tunisia, and 3 men sick in the hospital, was still carrying on Signal Communications and Signal Supply activities for the 33th Service Group, at Mateur, Tunisia.

16 September - Pvt Owens, on D/S with II ASAC in Tunis, was transferred to the 311th QM Plat (Trk) (Avn) (Sep) and joined that organization at 1500. The 311th QM was also a unit serving the 33th Service Group at Mateur.

Arrangements were being made preparatory for movement to Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia, about 20 miles distant, and T/4Gr Blalock, Patterson and Regan and T/5Gr Venichelli were sent as an advanced echelon. Patterson and Regan as telephone linemen and Blalock and Venichelli as switchboard operators.

17 September - Due to lack of transportation facilities, it was necessary to make several trips to Sidi Ahmed during the day moving the equipment; T/Sgt Johnson, Sgt Davis and T/4Gr Moll and Mirt being the drivers. All Signal Communications operated by the company were discontinued, effective this date.

18 September - Three 2 1/2-ton trucks were obtained from the 311th QM for moving the remainder of the equipment which was completed at 1130. At 1150, all personnel departed Mateur Via Motor Transport arriving at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia at 1230. Pyramidal tents had been pitched the day before for the housing of personnel. The company set up their own mess; S/Sgt Tanner, Mess Sergeant, and T/5Gr Black and Galloway, cooks.

Operation of the Radio Station, Teletypewriter, and Telephone Switchboard

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were taken over immediately by our operators, in connection with the opening of a Message Center. With comparatively few lines to the switchboard, the telephone linemen, without any delay, began installing phones for the various units on the base. The demand for telephones was greater than there were lines available, consequently a number of organizations were denied the privilege of such.

As before, the supply section continued handling requisitions of signal equipment. With the arrival of the Company at Sidi Ahmed, T/4Gr Blalock, Patterson and Regan and T/5Gr Benichelli, reported as on D/S, 16 September, returned to duty with the organization at 1230. T/4Gr Blalock was relieved from the switchboard and resumed his duty as Radio Operator.

19 September - T/5Gr Reynolds having spent 9 days in the hospital, returned to duty at 1645. Reynolds had previously been a switchboard operator but upon his return was re-assigned to the Motor Transportation Section.

20 September - T/4Gr Jacobs, admitted to the 114th Station Hospital on 9 September returned to duty at 1700.

22 September - 2nd Lt. Armando Resciniti was assigned to this unit per VCCG, AFSC and joined the organization at 1100, as Operations Platoon Officer.

23 September - T/4Gr Krauss, in the hospital since 31 August was transferred to Detachment of Patients, 3rd General Hospital.

24 September - The Unit was alerted for another movement and preparation began at once; re-packing, re-painting and re-stenciling boxes etc., being necessary, as this move was, from all indications, to be by boat.

25 September - On the night of this date, a dance was held in Tunis at the Oriental Palace for members of this organization. The services of

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a Civilian Orchestra were procured, and about 35 local French girls were invited. The 3 E1 on D/S were present and former members of the Organization recently transferred, were also invited.

S/Sgt Hicks and Paner devoted much time during the week making necessary arrangements. Refreshments of sandwiches and beer were served, and wine was available at the bar.

The 311th CI furnished transportation and left Sidi Ahmed for Tunis at 1815. From various remarks and comments, the evening was enjoyed exceptionally well.

1 October - During the past week a great deal of work and time was devoted; preparing for the forthcoming trip. As previously stated, this move was to be by water and all boxes of equipment had to be re-painted and re-stenciled.

2 October - T/5Gr Boyle was sent to the 53rd Station Hospital with a fever. Pvts 1cl Daughtry and Miller and Pvt Stanford on D/S with II ASAC in Tunis were assigned and transferred in grade to Hq Sq., II ASAC (Sp), per par 16, SO # 133, Hq II ASAC (Sp), dated 29 September 1943.

5 October - Pvt 1cl Sheldon was promoted to T/5Gr per SO # 10.

5 October - T/5Gr Boyle returned to fully duty status with the company at 1600.

13 October - T/4Gr Krauss, who on the 13th of September was transferred to Detachment of Patients, 3rd General Hospital, was re-assigned to this organization and reported for duty at 1130.

T/5Gr Black and Pvt 1cl Nyberg both received promotions; Black to T/4Gr and Nyberg to T/5Gr per SO # 12.

14 October - Company continuing operations at Service Center No. 33.

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52 Enlisted men.

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Month of: October, 1943. Prepared by: William H. Dean, Captain, Signal Corps

15 October - The company is still carrying on Signal Communications for Service Center No. 38, at Sidi Ahmed, Tunisia, with Teletype, Radio, Telephone, and Message Center operation, and Signal Property and Radio Repair Activities.

Although packing and other preparations for the overseas movement anticipated have been completed, it seems as if the unit might remain here for an indefinite period of time.

T/5Gr Black was promoted to T/4Gr and Pvt 1st Nyberg was promoted to T/5Gr. T/5Gr Reynolds and Pvt 1st Shaul were sent to Oren via Air Transport for the purpose of bringing back 2 3/4-Ton Trucks.

19 October - T/5Gr Masson was assigned to this unit from the 1061st Signal Company Service Group and joined at 1530. Having had experience as a Message Center Clerk, Masson reported to S/Sgt Stockstill, Message Center Chief, for duty.

22 October - T/5Gr Reynolds and Pvt 1st Shaul returned from Oren at 2200, with two 3/4-Ton trucks which were turned over to group headquarters.

During the past week, the entire organization worked quite diligently improving its bivouac area. A larger and more convenient shower was constructed and, although practically every member of the company assisted in its structure, S/Sgt Lemoine deserves much of the credit, since his ideas and plans guided its progress. A large wall tent was set up adjoining the kitchen to be used for the Mess Hall. Having procured lumber, T/4Gr Hedgecock and Kroll began at once building tables and screening the tent. Being wired for electric lights, it was quite appropriate for a day room. Magazines were obtained and it offered a suitable place for the men to read and write letters.

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In as much as the company was going for all-out improvement, a floor for the Orderly Room was built by T/Sgt Schmiling, T/4Gr Hedgecock, and T/5Gr Nyberg. It added much to the appearance of the Orderly Room as an office, to say nothing of the extra comfort it afforded, especially with the rainy season approaching. Glass window panes were taken from an old trailer which the detachment had obtained while on D/S, which made very nice tops for the desks. T/4Gr Hedgecock used a larger piece of the glass to make a door for the Orderly Room Tent.

With all the improvements made in the area, the morale of the entire organization has increased considerably.

23 October - The Radio Repair Section started working with the 1st Sub Depot on the Field, handling inspection and repair of Radio Equipment in Aircraft turned in for repair.

24 October - Being over crowded in the operations room at base headquarters, another room was made available in the same building for the Radio Station. Due to the fact that traffic is so slight at the present time and can easily be handled by the other operators, S/Sgt Lemoine, assistant chief, began working with the Radio Mechanics, assisting them in their repair work.

27 October - Private Newsome, who has been in confinement since last June was re-assigned to this unit from Air Force General Depot No. 1, and joined the organization at 0945.

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31 October - Company continuing normal operations at Service Center

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1 WOJG
54 Enlisted Men

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SUBJECT: Historical Data.

1. In accordance with letter dated 21 August, 1943, file 314.7, subject 'Historical Data', the following history of the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group is submitted.

The unit was activated as 33rd Signal Platoon, Air Base, February 15, 1941, at March Field, California, from a cadre of eleven (11) enlisted men and one (1) officer, of the 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. Formed on Table of Organization number 11-237, dated December 16, 1940 and letter WDAGO-File AG-221, dated February 24, 1941....Elmer F. Gahnz, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, Commanding.

September 29, 1941, eleven (11) privates joined organization from Signal Corps Replacement Training Center, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, per Special Orders No. 203, Headquarters, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant, John B. Winsted, Signal Corps, assigned and assumed command, per paragraph 9, Special Orders No. 31, Headquarters, Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma, dated February 4, 1942. First Lieutenant, Bernard G. Johnson, relieved command, per paragraph 10, Special Orders No. 31, Headquarters, Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma, dated February 4, 1942.

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Organization transferred to Savannah Army Air Base, (later Hunter Field) Savannah, Georgia, per paragraph 1, Special Orders No. 32, Headquarters, Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma, dated February 6, 1942. Departed February 6, 1942, 3:00 P.M., via railroad transportation and arrived Savannah Army Air Base, 8:00 A.M., February 8, 1942.

During period at Savannah Army Air Base, organization underwent rigid training at 8th Air Force Communications School, at Savannah, Georgia.

Organization departed from Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia, per paragraph 18, Special Orders No. 136, Headquarters, Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia, dated May 16, 1942. Assumed code number 2854-G. Departed 2:00 P.M., May 21, 1942, via rail transportation and arrived Fort Dix, Staging Area, 7:15 P.M., May 22, 1942.

Organization processed and equipped for overseas duty.

Organization moved to New York Port of Embarkation per Copy No. 107, Secret Letter, Headquarters, Fort Dix, New Jersey (370.5) Subject: Amendment No. 4, Movement Orders, Shipment....2854-G, dated May 23, 1942. Departed via rail transportation, 11:00 A.M., June 30, 1942.

Departed from New York Port of Embarkation aboard United States Army Transport Argentina, 5:00 A.M., July 1, 1942.

Arrived Holy Loch Harbor, Scotland, 8:00 A.M., July 12, 1942 and disembarked 10:00 A.M., July 14, 1942, per paragraph 2, Special Orders No. 12, Headquarters, United States Army Transport Argentina, dated July 12, 1942.

Organization proceeded via rail transportation to Royal Air Force Station, Molesworth, arriving at 5:00 A.M., 15 July, 1942. The unit immediately assumed responsibility for base communications and operation of the D. F. transmitter. British personnel were immediately impressed by our ability to function as a well coordinated unit. Second Lieutenant, Robert J. Kemmer assigned and joined 33rd Signal Platoon, Air Base, 15 September, 1942, per paragraph 2, Special Orders No. 85, Headquarters, 8th Air Force, dated September 9, 1942. First Lieutenant, John B. Winsted transferred to Headquarters, European Theater Operations, United States Army, 17 September, 1942, per paragraph 1, Special Orders No. 92, Headquarters, 8th Air Force, dated 12 September, 1942. Second Lieutenant, Robert J. Kemmer assumed command.

Organization redesignated as 33rd Signal Company, Service Group, per Cablegram, European Theater Operations, United States Army, dated 10 September, 1942.

Unit transferred to Royal Air Force Station, Podington, per Secret Order, 37th Service Group and carried on base signal communication, but on a greatly reduced basis as compared with the previous operational station.

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Organization consisting of thirty-two (32) Enlisted Men and one (1) Officer departed via motor transportation, 2200 hours, 6 December, 1942 enroute to Railway Station, Wellingborough, England. On 7 December at 0025 hours proceeded via rail transportation to Port of Embarkation, Liverpool, arriving at 0800 hours. Organization boarded British Army Transport, Empress of Canada (P-9), at 1000 hours. The convoy departed from Liverpool, England at 1400 hours on 11 December, 1942 for an unknown destination.

The voyage was uneventful and the trip was safely concluded at 0900 hours, 20 December, 1942, when the convoy docked at Mers El Kebir, Algeria.

Debarkation was not accomplished until the 24 December, 1942 and the organization proceeded via motor transportation to La Senia Air Base where they were attached to the 72nd Signal Company, Service Group. Base communications were extremely heavy and the unit's previous operational experience in the United Kingdom proved beneficial toward clearing up communication and supply difficulties.

The first additional personnel to bring the organization to Company strength began to arrive on 31 January, 1943, when four (4) Enlisted Men were assigned per paragraph 3, Special Orders No. 28, Headquarters, 2nd Service Area Command from 431st Signal Construction Battalion (Avn) and one (1) Enlisted Man assigned per paragraph 8, Special Orders No. 11, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command. Total personnel at the end of the month consisted of one Officer and thirty-six (36) Enlisted Men.

February was an eventful month and morale of enlisted personnel was excellent as the long awaited ratings were finally authorized. Eight (8) Enlisted Men were assigned from the 431st Signal Construction Battalion (Avn) per paragraph 5, Special Orders No. 34, Headquarters, 2nd Service Area Command and placed on detached service to Cryptographic School, XII Air Force Service Command for ten (10) days. The change affected by combining personnel of the 72nd Signal Company, Service Group and 33rd Signal Company, Service Group resulted in the transfer of seventeen (17) enlisted men and First Lieutenant, Frederick (NMI) Herliby who became Commanding Officer per paragraph 5, Special Orders No. 51, dated 22 February, 1942. Second Lieutenant, Robert J. Kemmer was relieved of command and appointed Signal Property Officer to take charge of the Signal Depot. The balance of the 72nd Signal Company, Service Group enlisted personnel were attached for rations and quarters pending receipt of movement orders. At this time base communication difficulties were definitely improved, but the Signal Depot presented quite a problem and required hard work and long hours of duty with limited personnel to affect improvement.

Two (2) enlisted men were transferred from the 72nd Signal Company, Service Group, 1 March, 1943, per paragraph 2, Special Orders No. 58. Two (2) enlisted men were transferred to the 72nd Signal Company, Service Group per paragraph 3, Special Orders No. 58. Twenty-three (23) enlisted men of 72nd Signal Company, Service Group relieved from attached on 2 March, 1943.

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Thirteen (13) enlisted men attached for rations, duty and quarters 13 March and one (1) enlisted man 17 March, per Verbal Orders, Northwest African Air Force, from Northwest African Air Force Replacement Center. S/Sgt. Frank J. Schmidt appointed Warrant Officer, per paragraph 3, Special Orders No. 20, Headquarters, Northwest African Air Force, dated 11 March, 1943 to fill Table of Organization vacancy in supply and function as depot Storage and Issue Officer. Second Lieutenant, Robert J. Kemmer appointed First Lieutenant per Letter, Headquarters, North African Theater Operations, United States Army, dated 22 February, 1943. First Lieutenant, Richard C. Mason and fifteen (15) enlisted men of the 437th Signal Construction Battalion (Avn) were attached for duty and rations per Verbal Orders, Signal Section, Northwest African Air Force Service Command, dated 21 March, 1943. Lieutenant Mason and his men went to work immediately in the capacity of shipping and receiving in the signal depot where a great deal of hard work was accomplished.

April was not particularly eventful, but the morale was very good as the men were working hard and once again contributing a worthwhile portion to the war effort. One enlisted man joined the organization on 23 March, per paragraph 7, Special Orders No. 5, Headquarters, Northwest African Air Force Replacement Center. Lieutenant Mason and fifteen (15) enlisted men relieved from attachment. Company strength at end of month was now three (3) officers, seventy-seven (77) enlisted men and sixteen (16) enlisted men attached.

First Sergeant, John W. Young was discharged on 3 May, 1943, to accept commission of Second Lieutenant, per paragraph 2, Special Orders No. 81, dated 27 April, 1943, Headquarters, North African Theater Operations, United States Army.

Three (3) enlisted men were transferred from the organization, one (1) on 1 May, per paragraph 3, Special Orders No. 41, dated 30 April, 1943, Headquarters, II Air Service Area Command, one (1) on May 9, per paragraph 3, Special Orders No. 90, dated 6 May, 1943, Headquarters, Air Force General Depot No. 1, and the third on 14 May, per paragraph 5, Special Orders No. 97, dated 13 May, 1943. Second Lieutenant, John W. Young was relieved from attached and assigned to the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group per paragraph 5, Special Orders No. 102, dated 17 May, 1943. Headquarters, Air Force General Depot No. 1. 33rd Signal Company, Service Group was redesignated as the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group per authority contained in W.D. Letter AF320.2, dated February 14th 1943. On May 8, 1943, the 21st Signal Company, Service Group was attached for rations and quarters. Company strength at end of month consisted of four (4) officers, seventy-five (75) enlisted men assigned and twenty (20) enlisted men attached. Second Lieutenant, John W. Young relieved from assignment to the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group and assigned to 1056th Signal Company, Service Group per paragraph 3, Special Orders No. 121, dated 5 June, 1943, Headquarters, Air Force General Depot No. 1. Captain Otto J. Novak relieved from further duty and assignment with the 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) and assigned as Commanding Officer, 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group per paragraph No. 11, Special Orders No. 139, dated 3 June, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command.

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Captain Frederick Herlihy relieved from further duty and assignment with the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group and transferred to the 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per paragraph 18, Special Orders No. 140, dated 11 June, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command.

First Lieutenant, Roy E.M. Reid assigned to this organization per paragraph 5, Special Orders No. 142, dated 6 June, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command. Lieutenant Reid immediately assumed the duties of Radio Officer, a position for which he is well qualified as he had experience as Communications Officer of the 320th Bomb Group and was well acquainted with Air borne radio problems. Total strength of Company at end of month was four (4) officers, eighty-two (82) enlisted men assigned and eleven (11) attached.

Second Lieutenant, Maurice J. Hoff assigned and joined 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group 3 July, per paragraph 4, Special Orders No. 163 dated 27 June, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command. Lieutenant Hoff was assigned to duty at the Signal Depot to gain experience in the supply functions. Two (2) enlisted men were transferred from the organization who were over age. One (1) on the 4th July, 1943, per paragraph 12, Special Orders No. 160 dated 24 June, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command and the other on 16 July, 1943, per paragraph 34, Special Orders No. 177, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command dated 11 July, 1943. Total Company strength at end of month was five (5) officers, seventy-eight (78) enlisted men assigned and one (1) enlisted man attached.

Lieutenant Kemmer relieved from assignment to the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group and assigned to 1023rd Signal Company, Service Group on August 2, 1943, per paragraph 17, Special Orders No. 192, dated 26 July, 1943. Lieutenant Hoff was relieved from further duty and assignment to this unit and transferred to 37th Service Group, per paragraph 14, Special Orders No. 195, dated 29 July, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command. Second Lieutenant, John C. Bleazey assigned and joined 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group per paragraph 1, Special Orders No. 206, dated 9 August, 1943. Lieutenant Bleazey immediately took over the Radar Repair Section and began organizing preventative maintenance inspections.

Second Lieutenant Joseph (NMI) Poticny, Second Lieutenant, George W. Long and Second Lieutenant, James I. Huston assigned to the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group per paragraph 5, 6 and 7 respectively, Special Orders No. 215, dated 18 August, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command. Lieutenant Long placed on detached service to 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) by same orders. These officers are all compliment of the Radar Repair Section.

Nine (9) enlisted men all of whom are Radar trained, joined the organization during the month. Seven (7) of these men were transferred per paragraph 14, Special Orders No. 216, dated 19 August, 1943,

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Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command, and two (2) per paragraph 26, Special Orders No. 195, dated 10 August, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command.

CONSECUTIVE PROSE

As previously recorded in the chronological list of events, the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group was formed at March Field, California in February of 1941 from a cadre of eleven (11) enlisted men and one (1) officer. The unit was activated as the '33rd Signal Platoon, Air Base' before the Service Group units had been adopted by the Air Corps. The unit was designated as a tactical unit and its general function was as a communications team for operational Air Bases. Obviously, from its name designation, the unit was designed to serve the Air Corps even though the personnel were Signal Corps men.

Near the end of March, just about a month and a half after the organization's formation, the unit was transferred to Oklahoma City Air Base (later Will Rogers Field), some ten (10) miles southwest of the city of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The original cadre contained mostly men whose Signal Corps experience was in the field of wire communication, although one man had had limited experience operating in a War Department radio station at March Field. Incidentally, this same man is with the organization still, and is now Chief Radio Operator of a much expanded radio operations section. The unit was assigned the job of operating the Signal Supply Section at Will Rogers Field. Also a few of the men operated the base's telephone exchange and teletype room. Due to the small size of the unit, the men were kept quite busy maintaining all these duties until the middle of September when thirteen (13) newly trained men were assigned to the unit from the Signal Corps Replacement Training Center at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. The organization now appeared to be a real organization instead of a detachment as it had previously appeared. The new men represented a cross-section of all the types of training available at the training center; supply men, message center men, radio operators and telephone operators. A definite shortage still stood in the radio repair, teletype operation and teletype maintenance sections. Of course the Platoon's Table of Organization was limited in many sections although all were represented. Need for the shortages was not great at Will Rogers, however.

The unit thus proceeded until the first of 1942 when five men joined the Platoon. Two (2) of these five (5) had come down from Fort Monmouth also, but the other three were recruits, having not even the advantage of the army training afforded by a 'boot camp'. At the entry of these new men, a training schedule was set up by the Commander, Lieutenant Bernard G. Johnson, in order to train these new men and to further the training of the rest of the men. This training was mainly concerned with the technical aspects of message center, radio operating procedure, radio operating and telephone maintenance. A barracks room was set aside and a code practice unit was installed for the radio operators. This same room furnished a classroom for the classes in message center procedure.

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A class was started to study the fundamentals of electricity, which all members of the other classes were obliged to attend. Shortly previous to this, the unit had been relieved of the responsibility of the signal supply on the base and the personnel was still kept busy by the training schedule. Numerous field problems were engaged in by both the radio and telephone sections. These problems served a valuable purpose in that they showed members of the organization how badly in need of training they actually were, notwithstanding the fact that they were training in themselves.

Orders were received shortly before the first of February to move the unit and on February 6, 1943, the unit boarded the train, destination definitely unknown. It was believed by the majority of the men that a staging area was the next stop although none of them had ever, as yet, even heard the expression. They were not too far off although it was to be a space of several months until an overseas trip would be their 'fate'. As it happened, the organization detrained at Savannah Air Base (later Hunter Field), which is a few miles south of Savannah, Georgia. The trip from Oklahoma was made in an extremely 'roundabout' manner, the train going in a wide circle north through Kansas and Missouri and turning back south to go through the big Smokies and on into Georgia. This, of course, probably followed the usual security plans for a large scale troop movement by train. It would be well to mention at this time that the move was quite a large one, since an entire Service Group (then known as an Air Base Group), with all its ground equipment and personnel was moved on the same train. The 33rd was then attached to the 37th Air Base Group which was mentioned above and naturally necessitated the 33rd's move with them. The organization had become attached to this group on its arrival at Will Rogers Field. Second Lieutenant, John B. Winsted replaced Lieutenant Bernard G. Johnson as Commanding Officer just previous to our departure from Will Rogers Field.

Since the base at Savannah was quite well stocked with signal personnel at the time of the arrival of the 33rd Signal Platoon, Air Base, there was really not a lot for the unit to do and a training program was the only answer in keeping the men busy. A training schedule was soon set up although it took on quite a different form than the one used at Will Rogers Field. Many members were sent to a civilian school in town to study radio operating, typing, teleprinter operation and repair and some radio maintenance. The school proved a fair basis for further training in these various but really not a lot more than a basic. Its teaching did not include work with actual issue equipment and it is obvious that without this, the fundamentals could only be taught and learned. The radio operations and maintenance sections received some little experience during this period when the 8th Air Force Service Command prescribed a practice radio net to be set up in the vicinity for the specific purpose of training. About five stations were included in the net and covered an area some seventy (70) miles in diameter. The section operated an SCR-188 Radio Set at the air base following an eighteen hour schedule. The repair section, which then consisted of three (3) men, finally got a chance to actually work on equipment that they had studied some months before and found that they were definitely getting rusty on their knowledge of this particular set. Not a lot of maintenance was required, however.

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On May 21, 1942, special orders moved the 37th Air Base Group, including the 33rd Signal Platoon, from Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia to Fort Dix, New Jersey, which proved to be the long-awaited staging area. The trip was uneventful and seemed to be done in a bit more efficient manner than the one previous since the route lay in an almost straight northerly direction. Upon the unit's arrival a block of tents in the staging bivouac area was assigned to the organization. The tents proved rather a new experience to most of the men with the exception of the few 'old army' men the unit possessed. A month and a half was spent in this place with a rather long series of inoculations and shots being given to say nothing of the long periods of close-order drill and callisthenics given daily. The dust of Fort Dix proved to be just as dry as we later found it in North Africa. The toughening process finally came to an end on June 30th and the unit took the train to Hoboken and ferried over to Brooklyn. In Brooklyn the 33rd Signal Platoon went aboard the transport steamship Argentina and sailed the next morning at dawn. This was the unit's last sight of American soil to this date. It was natural that the men should have quite a number of mixed feelings; those being mainly of regret, but a lot of them of eager anticipation and a good bit of conjecture as to their next port of call. This port proved rather a pleasant surprise. On the evening of the eleventh day at sea the Irish coast was sighted and early the next morning the convoy was steaming up between the green-clad banks skirting the Clyde estuary. The ships dropped anchor in the harbor of Holy Loch, near Greenock, a few miles below Glasgow, Scotland. After the usual few days of quarantine accompanied by the usual amount of anxiety to 'get going', the 33rd was finally debarked and put aboard a train. The fourteen (14) hour ride that took the unit to its next station was made almost totally in daylight since the nights in England at that time of year are quite short. This afforded the men an excellent opportunity to see the country as the train passed through it.

The next few weeks proved the busiest the unit had experienced and very likely, the most profitable ones it had seen up to that time. The station was Molesworth Aerodrome, an R.A.F. Station in Northamptonshire county in England. The entire organization was immediately put to work at various signal duties. The British equipment and procedures used were slightly confusing at first, but they soon became quite as commonplace as our own had been. The operations building, which also housed the Signals Office, cryptographic section and the telephone exchange was virtually the unit's 'place of business'. Here all the unit, with the exception of three men, was kept busy. Telephone operators, teleprinter operators, radio operators and message center men worked alongside the congenial Royal Air Force men to do a very excellent job of communications work. A man was assigned to act as clerk for the Signal Officer who happened to be the 33rd's Commander and this same man's ingenuity proved valuable to the operations section of the aerodrome. This man was responsible for the invention of a new system of handling files used in the drome's briefing room. The system, although simple, saved a great deal of time. For the two (2) months the unit functioned in this manner three (3) men were assigned to the Direction Finder's Transmitter, a few miles away from the base and obtained valuable

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experience in the maintenance of British radio equipment. Incidentally, these three (3) men were the only repairmen the unit had at the time. The transmitters that these men supervised were operated from a small building at the base.

It might be pointed out that the Unit's morale, as a whole, was at a very high level during this period, obviously due to the fact that the men actually had a job to do that would keep them busy and give them a feeling of responsibility unknown to them as yet in their army careers.

The job done at Molesworth was the start of a fine career for the unit. As yet, however, the unit was not 'recognized' by the powers that were and the men naturally took exception to the fact that they had done a good job but ratings were not forthcoming. This was probably the only real 'gripe' the men had. Then came a move which forbode no particularly good outlook for the unit's future.

On September 17, 1942, the organization moved with the 37th Air Base Group to Podington Aerodrome, another Royal Air Force station, twenty-odd miles from Molesworth. The 33rd Signal Platoon, Air Base now changed its designation to the 33rd Signal Company, Service Group. The Platoon had been abolished and the Air Base Group also but the 33rd still had thirty-two (32) enlisted men and one (1) officer. A new Table of Organization was anticipated and had been for some weeks prior to the move from Molesworth but it was not to be during the unit's stay in England. The next two and one-half months marked, probably, the darkest period the unit has experienced so far. No signal work was to be done with the exception of one teletype machine to be operated and a small message center to handle the small amount of traffic coming in and going out on the one machine. This proved to be quite a letdown for the men who were used to being kept at a rather lively pace for at least eight hours every day and who now were almost at a loss to find something to do. The 37th Service Group was not operating at this field and its ground crews were also idle. The station was supposed to be another staging area, but very little actual troop processing took place here as far as the 33rd was concerned. The fault most certainly did not lie with the Commander since he made every effort to keep the men occupied in some sort of useful work. The work was not signal work, however, and the men began to be rather depressed. Morale took its lowest plunge in the unit's history. A few futile attempts at drill and callisthenics were made and a sort of training schedule was set up but the men's hearts just weren't in it. The future looked gloomy. The men knew that another boat ride was in the offing and God knew what lay in store for them.

The one bright light in this dreary picture was the work done by the Company's Supply Section. A close check was made of the organizational equipment on hand and the shortages were completely filled. Luck and a lot of hard work did the job, however, and the unit left Podington with a full complement of organizational equipment. This included transportation and signal equipment also. Unfortunately, the transportation did not reach us at our next station but everything else did. Careful packing and crating was done by the section and nothing was broken or damaged in the least en route.

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On December 6, 1942, the unit left Podington (with very few regrets) and entrained for Liverpool. At Liverpool, the SS Empress Of Canada was waiting and the 33rd Signal Company, Service Group boarded her. She sailed within the next few days and again their destination was heavily veiled in a cloak of mystery. The southward journey across a wintry Atlantic was rather eventful. The sea was extremely rough and the better part of the troops aboard were seasick most of the journey. No enemy action was encountered during the entire trip. The men complained strongly about the food received during the trip and had excellent reason to. Of course the seasickness created a great deal of nausea at the sight of the food, but it was believed that the food would have nauseated a completely well person on dry land. The meat, when served, tasted as if it had been definitely 'doctored' and the bread was never too fresh. The coffee was definitely travelling under an assumed name (and flavor).

Fortunately, the trip finally dragged to a conclusion and the ship rode smoothly through the straits of Gibraltar and into the Mediterranean. A day later the ship docked at Mers El Kebir, a port just west of Oran harbor in Algeria, French North Africa. The warm weather and sun during the first two (2) days after docking were enjoyable but the enjoyment was quite heavily stifled when, on the third day in port, the day of the unit's debarkation, the seasonal rains began to pour down. At this point the unit had no attachment and no assignment. It was virtually a lost outfit. Lieutenant Robert J. Kemner, the unit's Commander was at pretty much of a loss as to know what to do. He contacted, finally, Lieutenant Frederick Herlihy, who was then Commander of the 72nd Signal Company, Service Group at La Senia Air Base and the Lieutenant arranged transportation for the extremely wet and bedraggled unit. The unit went to La Senia where it is at present. The arrival of the 33rd proved to be a great relief for Lieutenant (now Captain) Herlihy's much-overworked unit. There were few in any other signal men in the vicinity and the men of the organization were immediately put to work, functioning as base communications personnel. Together with the 72nd, the 33rd made up just about the right number of men required to do the communications work required. All radio operators were given work as well as all teleprinter operators, but the most needed personnel at the time of the 33rd's arrival were men having telephone operating and switchboard maintenance experience. The unit had these men and put them to a very good use at the base switchboard, then known as 'Blarney', now 'Gypsy Lee'. Toward the end of January, 1943, five (5) men were assigned to the unit, making a total of thirty-seven (37) men in the organization. The men were obtained on authority of a new Table of Organization issued the unit shortly before. The long-awaited ratings were finally available to the men and the future took on a much brighter aspect than it had for several months. Morale was as high or possibly higher than it had ever been before. On the fifth of February, eight (8) new men joined the unit, only to be sent to the XII Air Force Service Command cryptographic school for a ten-day course.

On February 8, 1943 a long list of promotions was posted on the company's bulletin board and there was jubilation amongst most of the men.

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However, there were a few who were remembered by the Commanding Officer as having been 'naughty' and their expected promotions were not forthcoming. On February 14, 1943 another list was published and another bunch of men made happy. It was an altogether bright time for the men. As in Molesworth the men were up to their ears in work and really liking it and the ratings were coming out to those who were showing that they were worth it.

The radio maintenance section had, probably, the least to do at this time. The teletype operations and maintenance sections were very busy and hampered with a lack of equipment and spares and inferior lines. With the rain constantly falling, the lines were just as constantly going out. The telephone men were not so vitally concerned with the wet lines since their equipment didn't need quite so perfect a line as did the teletypes. Twenty-four (24) hours a day the teletype men were busy, shooting trouble (even out on the lines themselves) and trying to maintain the machines with a bare minimum of tools and spare parts available. They did a commendable job and one man in particular, of the 33rd Signal Company, Service Group did a remarkable job with virtual junk. He pieced together a patch-panel out of scraps of old French aircraft and a few jacks and plugs he was able to wangle from the base signal dump. The panel, although simple, was an innovation and definitely a time-saver when time was at a premium back in those days when the enemy was much closer to this base than it is at this writing.

On February 23, the 72nd and 33rd were more or less merged to form a new and larger 33rd Signal Company, Service Group. Actually it was not a merger; the 72nd merely lost seventeen (17) of its men to the 33rd and the remaining men in the 72nd were transferred to another base. At this time, Lieutenant Frederick Herlihy took over command of the unit and Lieutenant Robert J. Kemmer was relieved of this duty. Shortly after the unit took over the working of the Base Signal Section which formed the Signal Section of Air Force General Depot No. 1. This required a large number of men, and the 33rd, with its usual versatility was able to supply the needed personnel. The repair section, radio, teletype and telephone used their training to good advantage. Their efforts were instrumental, for instance, in providing motion picture facilities for the base from equipment which had arrived in a damaged condition and previous to our arrival was considered unrepairable.

Lieutenant Kemmer was assigned the job of Depot Signal Supply Officer which he carried on until his transfer to another Signal Company some weeks ago. The 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group (having been redesignated), to this date, is operating the Signal Supply Section in a very efficient manner under the direction of Warrant Officer Frank J. Schmidt who rose from the enlisted ranks of the organization. Incidentally, it was this man of whom we mentioned having done the fine job in the Signals Office at Molesworth back in England, and the credit for the revised briefing file goes to him.

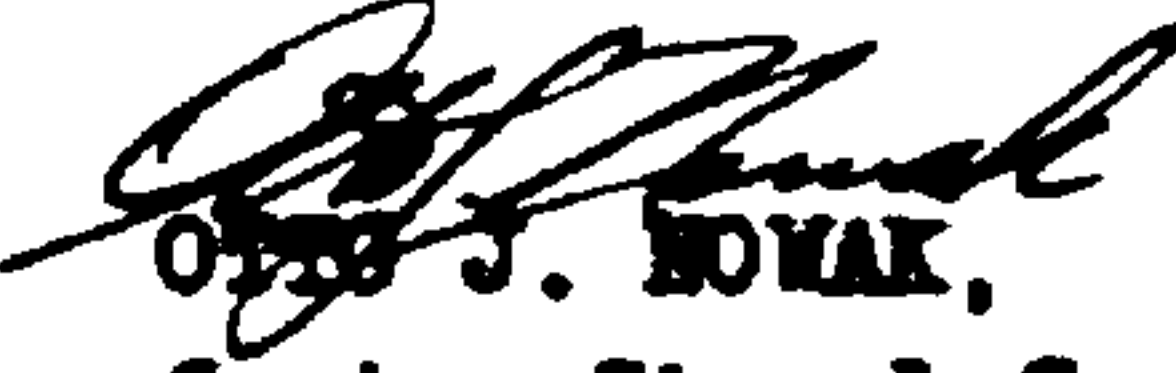
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Since the 103rd Signal Company, Service Group took over the Signal Section a large expansion has taken place in its facilities. A complete radio repair section has been assembled being run by the repair section of the organization. The section now comprises nine (9) men. Also added to the Signal Section is a radar maintenance group headed by Lieutenant John C. Bleazey. The radar men service units in the vicinity as well as equipment brought in to them from transient organizations.

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1033rd Signal Company, Service Group
A. P. O. 528 U. S. Army

Company History 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group, A. P. O.
528, U. S. Army. Month of October, 1943.

October 1

This was a typical first of the month. A few of the men called by the Orderly Room to deposit much more money in Soldier's Savings than what their pay amounted to. A few others were observed slyly asking their buddies for a loan until pay day. Such is the result of games of chance in a soldier's life. Private Cyrus W. Byrne, ASN 32328720, Private Ivon H. Fowler, ASN 13102592, Private Frederick E. Lewis, ASN 33095287, Private John Seward, ASN 36055633, and Private Littleton D. Stewart, ASN 34108005, were promoted to the grade of Private First Class per Company Order Number 18, dated 1 October, 1943.

October 2

Today we played a return engagement with the French Basketball aggregation. The few days of practice did wonders for our team. We turned the tables on our opponents, and trounced them much worse than they did us in the first game played the week before. Lieutenant Huston was our best scoring threat, while Sergeants Sewell, Semrinec, and Wallace showed up well on defense.

October 3

Nothing of particular interest to report. Routine duties were carried out. Quite a number of our men enjoyed a good show at the Base Theater. The picture was "Nice Girl" with Deanna Durbin.

October 4

The new Base Post Exchange opened today. The men were a bit disgruntled because they lost a weeks rations between the time our Company PX was closed and the Base PX opened. The Officers of the Base enjoyed a dance at the Officer's Club. Lieutenant Long was Officer of the Day.

October 5

Nothing of importance to report. Regular duties were carried out in the usual efficient manner. Quite a number of the men "sweated out" the ice cream line at the Red Cross. The Daily Bulletin carried the information that "all movies at the Base Theater will, in the future, begin at 1930 hours".

October 6

First Lieutenant Kenneth A. Wright, ASN 0-430526, was released from Detached Service, and returned to Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command per Paragraph Number 25, Special Order Number 252, dated 24 September, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command. Warrant Officer Frank J. Schmidt, of our Company was Administrative Officer of the Day.

October 7

Today we sent Technical Sergeant Roy D. Baker to the 151st Station Hospital. Ray met with a peculiar accident. He was on his way back to the Supply Depot after eating "chow". As he was walking down the steps in front of the barracks his feet slipped from under him, and he hit his head a terrific blow on the pavement. He was rushed to the dispensary. He was rendered first aid, and

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dismissed, but he was noticeably hurt so Technical Sergeant Semrinec took him to the dispensary. This time they gave Roy a more thorough examination which resulted in their rushing him to the 151st Station Hospital. Upon x-raying Roy's head the doctors found a first degree fracture. He will be lost to our organization for a long time and maybe permanently.

October 8

There was a USO show at the Base Theater last night. The men seemed to have enjoyed it very much despite the fact there were no girls in it. The men of the Base were warned via the Daily Bulletin that cotton uniforms are still in effect and woolen OD uniforms are NOT OPTIONAL.

October 9

Nothing of importance to report. Regular duties were carried out. The "Romeos" of our company were observed getting "slicked up" for the regular Saturday night dance at the Red Cross. They tell me that Staff Sergeant Guaraldi and Technician 5th Grade Ingram really shake a wicked hip when it comes to jitterbugging.

October 10

Today was a beautiful Sunday. A large number of men enjoyed a good Church service at the Base Chapel. The service was conducted by a colored Chaplain from the 838th Engineers. There was some beautiful special music furnished by a colored quartet and soloist. "A Day at the Circus" with the Marx Brothers was shown at the Base Theater.

October 11

Nothing of importance today. There was an unusually large "mail call". The morale certainly takes a turn for the better when the men get lots of mail.

October 12

A good show was on at the Base Theater. "Gentleman Jim" starring Errol "Wolf" Flynn was the feature picture. The men who enjoy boxing certainly had an entertaining evening.

October 13

Regular duties were carried out by all departments. Technical Sergeant Baker who has been very ill as a result of a fractured skull is improved slightly. He has finally regained consciousness but is bothered with blinding headaches.

October 14

Staff Sergeant William T. Halloran of the Radar Section was taken to the 151st General Hospital. The doctors pronounced him a yellow jaundice case. His services will be lost to his Radar team for at least two or three weeks.

October 15

Our company quarters were inspected today. We were warned against having any government issue food in our personal possession. We were urged to turn over our surplus reading books to the Red Cross. The various organizations of the Base were requested to turn in a roster of their officers together with the telephone number at which they can be reached. The purpose of the information is for the new

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telephone directory for the Base which is in the process of being printed.

October 16

Captain Otto J. Nowak, O-471280, our Company Commander, sent on Detached Service for approximately five days per Paragraph Number 3, Special Order Number 36, dated 10 October, 1943. Sergeant Richard Monda, 36319209, of the Supply Depot, went on Detached Service for approximately five days per Paragraph Number 3, Special Order Number 36, dated 10 October, 1943. Master Sergeant McDonald, 37073400, head of the Radio Repair Section, went on Detached Service for approximately five days per Paragraph Number 1, Special Order Number 39, dated 13 October, 1943.

October 17

Privates First Class Gerald P. Gross, 32192797, Ivon H. Fowler, 13102592, Bernard H. Hufker, 16054134, Edward J. Holey, 36340178, and Osborne A. Whorton, 31147201, were promoted to the grade of Technician 5th Grade per Paragraph Number 5, Special Order Number 41, dated 15 October, 1943, Headquarters Oran Intransit Center. Technician 5th Grade Raymond D. Spencer, 34335848, was promoted to the grade of Technician 4th Grade per Paragraph Number 5, Special Order Number 39, dated 15 October, 1943, Headquarters Oran Intransit Center.

October 18

Captain Nowak, O-471230, Master Sergeant McDonald, 37073400, and Sergeant Monda, 36319209 returned from Detached Service to duty at 1800 hours.

October 19

Corporal Harry M. Reynolds, 32302787 was assigned and joined our organization from the 8th Replacement Depot per Paragraph Number 16, Special Order Number 239, dated 16 October, 1943. Headquarters Mediterranean Base Section. Corporal Reynolds was placed under the supervision of Technical Sergeant Mortwedt in the Radio Operations Section.

October 20

The Redesignation of Oran Intransit Center became effective as of 0001 this date. Oran Intransit Center has been officially redesignated SUB-DEPOT Number 12.

October 21

Nothing of particular interest to report. The picture "Yankee Doodle Dandy" with James Cagney, Jean Leslie, and Walter Huston, showed at the Base Theater.

October 22

2nd Lieutenant Joseph Poticny O-163829, Technical Sergeant Clyde D. Isaacks, 38158222, and Sergeant William D. Parr, 10481191, of the Radar Section, were sent on Detached Service for approximately thirty days per Paragraph Number 7, Special Order Number 46, dated 21 October, 1943, Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12.

October 23

2nd Lieutenant Whitefield W. Moretti, O-509349, was placed on Detached Service with our organization for approximately five days per Paragraph Number 13, Special Order Number 277, dated 19 October, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command. The Daily Bulletin informed

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us that the Post Exchange would be open from 0900 hours to 1200 hours Sundays and from 1300 hours to 1900 hours on Mondays. Regular hours (1100 to 1900) will be maintained on other week days.

October 24

2nd Lieutenant Whitefield E. Moretti, O-509349, was released from Detached Service with our organization and returned to his proper station. Private First Class Robert S. German, 13061256, of the Telephone Section, was taken to the 151st Station Hospital. He was reported to have had a bad case of the yellow jaundice.

October 25

Technician 5th Grade James J. Ketchel, 32095755, and Technician 5th Grade Byron L. Smith, 11045584, were transferred in grade to the 1021st Signal Company, Service Group A.P.O. 528 per Paragraph Number 7, Special Order Number 48, dated 24 October, 1943, Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12.

October 26

2nd Lieutenant John L. Beirne, O-1641977 was placed on Detached Service with this organization from the 891st Signal Company Depot (Avn) per Paragraph Number 11, Special Order Number 275, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command, dated 17 October, 1943.

October 27

Nothing of importance to report in regard to the company activities. There was a good picture at the Base Theater, "The Navy Comes Through" with Pat O'Brien and Jane Wyman.

October 28

Technician 5th Grade Charles D. Pettry, 35266479, was reduced to the grade of Private per Paragraph Number 4, Special Order Number 51, dated 27 October, 1943, Sub-Depot Number 12.

October 29

The Daily Bulletin warned all men of this base that a sweater will not be worn as an outer garment. It also urged all units to save all wooden boxes and scrap lumber for the purpose of packing equipment.

October 30

The men were notified today that beginning November 1, 1943, "G.I." laundry service would be available. This will be quite a relief to the men who have been "haggling" with the native people for nearly a year over the price and the amount of soap furnished.

October 31

The units occupying the Barracks were warned that the windows needed cleaning. This is a lovely warm Sunday and pay day. There was a good turn-out at church today. Pay day with its usual quota of debts

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1033rd Signal Company, Service Group
A F Sub Depot Number 12
APO #528 U. S. Army

3 February, 1944.

SUBJECT: Historical Data.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters, A. P. C. # 512, U. S. Army.
ATTENTION: Historian.

1. In accordance with letter dated 21 August, 1943, file 314.7, subject "Historical Data", the following history of the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group is submitted. Period covered is from 1 September, 1943 to 1 February, 1944.

Radar Section was further enlarged with the acquisition of four additional enlisted men, who joined the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 3 Special Order 25 dated 9 August, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

Second Lieutenant Long assigned and reported for duty in Radar Section of the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 6 Special Order 215 dated 18 August, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

First Lieutenant Wright was placed on detached service with the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group for approximately fifteen days, per Paragraph 25 Special Order 252 dated 24 September, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

Captain Nowak, Commanding Officer, was placed on detached service from this unit for approximately five days per Paragraph 3 Special Order 35 dated 10 October, 1943, Headquarters Organ Intransit Center.

Second Lieutenant Poticny and his Radar team was sent on detached service for approximately thirty days per Paragraph 7 Special Order 45 dated 21 October, 1943, Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12.

Second Lieutenant Beirne was placed on detached service with this unit from the 391st Signal Company, Depot (Arm) per Paragraph 11 Special Order 275 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 17 October, 1943.

First Lieutenant Roy E. M. Reid released from assignment to the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group and assigned to the 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 4 Special Order 285 dated 27 October, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

Second Lieutenant George W. Long relieved from duty this organization and assigned to the 915th Signal Company, Depot (Arm) per Paragraph 4 Special Order 219 dated 2 November, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

Second Lieutenant James T. Huston relieved from duty this organization and assigned to the 1073rd Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 3 Special Order 292 dated 3 November, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

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1032ND SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
Service Center #36
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1 September 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Records.

TO : Commanding General, XV Air Force, Attention: Historian.
(Through Channels.)

1. Unit History of the 1032nd Signal Company Service Group for the period 1 August to 31 August 1944 inclusive.

a. The present designation of the unit is 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group, assigned to the 38th Service Group.

b. Changes in Organization.

- (1) None.
- (2) None.
- (3) No change.

c. Strength, Commissioned and enlisted.

- (a) 2 Officers, 50 enlisted men.
- (b) Net Increase; 3 enlisted men.
- (c) Net Decrease; 2 enlisted men.
- (d) 2 Officers, 81 enlisted men.

d. Stations - Same.

e. Movements - None.

f. Campaigns - Italian - From 13 December 1943 to "Still in Progress."

g. Operations; The radio station was moved because of interference.

Two motor pool tents burned. Two men returned from Radar School. Nine more men were chosen to go home on rotation. Signal Property, Radio Supplies and Telephone equipment is being divided between this company and the 1152nd Signal Company Service Group in preparation for a separation. Several stone and wooden houses are being built in the area. Men are being trained to fill the vacancies which will result from the rotation.

h. Commanding Officers in important operations - None.

i. Losses in action - None.

j. Members who have distinguished themselves - None.

2. Enclosed is the War Diary for this unit for the period 1 August to 31 August inclusive.

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WILLIAM B. BUFORD,
Captain, Signal Corps,
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Four enlisted men from the Radar Section released to this unit and assigned to the 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 5 Special Order 68 dated 12 November, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

First Lieutenant Bierns released from detached service with this Command and returned to his own station per Paragraph 5 Special Order 69 dated 15 November, 1943, Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12.

Six enlisted men were assigned to this organization from the 319th Signal Company Wing per Paragraph 9 Special Order 306 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

Two enlisted men were assigned to this unit from the 319th Signal Company Wing per Paragraph 10 Special Order 319 dated 30 November, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

Sergeants Gover, Strifer, and Bacon were sent to Cryptographic School per Paragraph 2 Special Order 26 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12.

Second Lieutenant Bleazey and Radar team consisting of four enlisted men were sent on detached service to the 907th Signal Company Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 1 Special Order 328 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 9 December, 1943.

Second Lieutenant George E. Northup was assigned to this unit from XII Air Force Service Command per Paragraph 15 Special Order 347 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 29 December, 1943.

Staff Sergeant Clarke was sent on detached service with the 323rd Service Group per Paragraph 4 Special Order 108 Headquarters A F Sub Depot Number 12 dated 27 December, 1943.

Second Lieutenant Joseph Potigny and his five enlisted man Radar team were released from duty with this unit and assigned to the 1065th Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 10 Special Order 349 dated 31 December, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

Captain Nowak, Commanding Officer of the organization since 9 June, 1943, and four enlisted men were released and assigned to the newly activated 874th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 6 and 3 respectively Special Order 5 dated 5 January, 1944, Headquarters ASCITO.

Five enlisted men were released by this unit and assigned to the 1151st Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 3 Special Order 5 dated 5 January, 1944, Headquarters ASCITO.

Three enlisted men were released and assigned to the 1152nd Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 3 Special Order 5 dated 5 January, 1944.

Lieutenant Robert G. Hainzer was joined our unit as Company Commander per Paragraph 35 Special Order 6 dated 6 January, 1944, Headquarters ASCITO.

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For the Commanding Officer:

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A F Sub-Depot Number 12
APO # 528 U. S. Army

Company History 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group
A. P. O. # 528, U. S. Army. Month of January, 1944.

January 1

The Company party was a huge success. The men had a better time than they have experienced since leaving the good old English soil over a year ago. The chairman and all members of the committee are to be congratulated on having a well planned and executed program for the entire evening. There were no severe headaches today. The Red Cross Manager told us that ours was the best party which has been held in the Recreation Hall. The men went about their business as usual today, looking into the new year and hoping stronger than ever to be in the states before the year has run its course.

January 2

Sergeant James F. Gover, Sergeant Paul F. Striefer, and Technician 4th Grade Joe F. Bacon returned from Cryptographic School and were assigned to their new duties in the Crypt Section. Private First Class Harry C. Brock was sent to the 151st Station Hospital for a minor operation. We lost our first basketball game to the Supply Squadron by a score of 36-24. The boys seemed too full of New Year's turkey to play as they should. Because of our party we decided not to have turkey until January 2.

January 3

We were informed today of the fact that we are going to lose our Commanding officer and a number of enlisted personnel. Every one is wondering and guessing what men will go.

January 4

Another installment of the Signal Corps picture, "Why We Fight" was shown at the Base Theater. Our basketball team bounced back in the win column by beating the 1144th Quartermaster 35-24. Staff Sergeant Murphy was the offensive star of the game with 18 points to his credit.

January 5

Second Lieutenant Joseph Poticny, Technical Sergeants Clyde D. Isaacs and Ralph W. McIninch, Staff Sergeants William T. Halloran and Wallace E. Yohe, and Sergeant William D. Parr Jr. were released from our organization and assigned to the 1065th Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 10 Special Order 349 dated 31 December, 1943, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command. This Radar team has been with our command for some time and we are sorry to have them leave.

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January 6

Our organization is having to furnish six guards for the base. This makes it rather hard since we work "around the clock". It takes extra work for every one but the men accept it in good spirit. Our team won another basketball game. We won from the Officers team in a very heatedly contested game 27-24.

January 7

Today a group of twelve enlisted men were released from duty and are to be ready to leave at any time for newly activated units in a different theater of operations.

January 8

Second Lieutenant Robert G. Mainzer was assigned and joined our Company per Paragraph 55 Special Order 5, Headquarters Army Air Force Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, dated 5 January, 1944. Lieutenant Mainzer is to be our new Commander. He and Captain Nowak were very busy all day making the sign over and exchanges.

January 9

Captain Nowak and the enlisted men who are leaving the organization were very busy with their packing. Lieutenant Mainzer, our new Commander, made a very good impression on the men of his new Command.

January 10

Today we had a number of changes in our organization. Captain Nowak, who has been with us since June, as our Commanding Officer was released and assigned to the 274th Signal Company, Depot Aviation per Paragraph 6 Special Order 5 dated 5 January, 1944, Headquarters Army Air Force Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Technical Sergeant John J. Serrinec, Sergeants Ralph S. Liddinger and Richard Mondo, and Technician 4th Grade Raymond D. Spencer were assigned to the 874th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 5 Special Order 5 dated 5 January, 1944, Headquarters Army Air Force Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Technician 3rd Grade William A. Anderson, Technician 4th Grade Norbert A. Hickman, Private First Class Manley Nelson, Private Russell J. Bigelow, and Private Howard Donohoe were assigned to the 1151st Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 3 Special Order 5 dated 5 January, 1944, Headquarters Army Air Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Master Sergeant J. D. (IO) Sheppard, Private First Class Robert S. German, and Walter E. Ciecko were assigned to the 1152nd Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 3 Special Order 5 dated 5 January, 1944, Headquarters Army Air Force Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Private First Class Harry C. Brock who underwent a minor operation at the 151st Station Hospital was released to duty.

January 11

Second Lieutenant George W. Long, Technical Sergeant Glenn H. Friedley, Technician 4th Grade Conrad R. Smith, and Private John R. Broderick were placed on detached service with our organization from the 1035th Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 1 Special Order 5 dated 6 January, 1944, Headquarters 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn).

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January 12

Eight additional men of the 12th Weather Squadron were attached to our organization for rations. Our basketball team dropped a very important game to the Headquarters aggregation, in Hangar B. Had our boys won this game they would have tied for the championship of the first half of the league play. As a result of the 30-19 loss they tied for second place in the league.

January 13

Mr. Schmidt and his depot crew was very busy today transferring equipment. The men carried out their duties in the usual efficient manner.

January 14

The second half of the basketball schedule started. This half is to be run off as a double elimination tournament. We lost a very roughly played game to the 19th Supply team.

January 15

Lieutenant John C. Bleszey, who is on detached service from our organization, was promoted to the grade of First Lieutenant per authority contained in letter, A.A.T.C.S.A., dated 22 December, 1943, effective 22 December, 1943. This is a well deserved promotion and all the men of this organization were proud to see Lieutenant Bleszey receive it.

January 15

First Lieutenant Lloyd Froland and Technical Sergeant Arnold L. Morrison were sent from duty to detached service with 2675th Signal School Platoon per Paragraph 1 Special Order 12 dated 14 January, 1944, Headquarters Air Force Sub-Depot Number 12. Our team won their basketball game tonight to remain in the running. Roy "Slim" Martindale was lost to the team for the remainder of the season when he received a badly wrenched ankle. He was removed to the Base Dispensary where x-rays revealed that the ankle was badly sprained but not broken. "Slim" will be confined to quarters for several days.

January 17

There was a good mail call for a change. The morale of the Company rose at least one hundred per cent. Every one was busy until late bed time answering letters. We had rumors that we might have to send some of our Radio Operators on detached service.

January 18

Technician 5th Grade John Y. Miller was sent on detached service not to exceed three days, per Paragraph 4 Special Order 14 dated 17 January, 1944, Headquarters Air Force Sub-Depot Number 12.

January 19

We were eliminated from the basketball tournament last night by the Reclamation and Salvage quintet. Our team played their hearts out in the second half trying to overcome the long lead the opponents built up in the first half. Our regular center "Slim" Martindale, watched the game from the side line. He was still limping badly from the sprained ankle sustained in a game a few days previously. Our team gave a very good account of itself during the short season of play. Our's was easily the third best team in the league. If we had

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been able to keep all the men who started the season, we might have had the championship team--but the war must go on, so we will not grumble over having to give up a few men.

January 20

Staff Sergeant Floyd V. Simmons and Technician 4th Grade Roger M. Sherman were sent on detached service with the 391st Service Company per Paragraph 1 Special Order 16, Headquarters A F Sub-Depot Number 12, dated 19 January, 1944.

January 21

The personnel of this base were advised via the Daily Bulletin of the possibility of ordering gifts for every occasion for friends back home. A list of gifts may found at the local Post Exchange. The selection is made, the money paid to the post exchange authorities, and thirty days later the gifts together with your card will be delivered to your friend in any part of the United States. The picture, "Adventures of a Rookie" was shown at the Base Theater.

January 22

Corporal Robert J. Loberger, Private First Class James V. Schrimsher, and Private Raymond L. Middlemas were sent from duty to detached service with the 6660th Signal School Company (Provisional) per Paragraph 2 Special Order 18, Headquarters A F Sub-Depot Number 12, dated 21 January, 1944. These men will be in Message Center School for approximately 21 days. Technician 5th Grade John Y. Miller who had been on detached service to Algiers for three days returned to duty.

January 23

Private Ernest B. Thompson, who was sent to the hospital for a major operation in August 1943, and who was later transferred to the 21st General Hospital was reassigned to us from the Personnel Replacement Center 7A, 19th Replacement Battalion per Paragraph 1 Special Order 19, Headquarters 19th Replacement Battalion dated 20th January, 1944. Private Thompson was stationed within seven miles of us. Since the Replacement Pool he was stationed in was for ground forces and Private Thompson was assigned to the air forces, he was sent some 800 miles to an Air Force Replacement Pool, then sent back to us.

January 24

Staff Sergeant James A. Clarke, one of our Wire Chiefs, who was sent out on detached service some time ago, was released and assigned to the 1150th Signal Company, Service Group, per Paragraph 7 Special Order 19, Headquarters ASCMTO dated 19 January, 1944.

January 25

A Base Barber Shop was opened today. The barbers are Italian Prisoners of War. The prices are very reasonable; haircut, five francs; shave, five francs; shampoo, five francs; and massage, five francs. No cash will be accepted at the shop. Tokens worth five francs and purchased at the Post Exchange are used in lieu of cash. The picture, "Girl Crazy" with Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland, was shown at the Base Theater.

January 26

Quite a number of the men of this organization saw the basketball games played in Hangar B. The Oran League games are being played there. The Depot Supply with Warrant Officer Schmidt in charge, has been handling an abundance of material recently.

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January 27

There was no mail again today. The mail has been coming in very slowly since the first of the year. The morale of the men of this organization has been unusually high since Christmas. With no mail, however, the morale is gradually slipping.

January 28

The beautiful sunshing weather is still holding on. We have been expecting every day for the rain to start. We have had a whole month without a rain. This is quite different to the weather during January of 1943 when, as I remember, it rained ever day.

January 29

We had a called meeting of the committee for the planning of a party for Valentine's Day. Technical Sergeant Roy D. Baker, was made chairman of the committee. The group is almost the same as the one for our New Year's party. They did such a good job that we decided to use them again. No mail again today.

January 30

Today was another beautiful sunshing day. Our organization was well represented at the morning church service. A great number of the men of this base were observed in various phases of sports. Touch football games, throwing baseballs and playing volley ball seemed to be the order of the day for all men who were off duty.

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Technician Fourth Grade Mirhan D. Paragon was placed on detached service with this organization from detached service with Company A, 6740th Radar Service Battalion, from 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 12 Special Order 27 dated 27 January, 1944, Headquarters ASCMTO. This was pay day and a great many of the men of our organization were helping the War Bond drive by buying bonds.

For the Commanding Officer:

Laurence A. Wise
LAURENCE A. WISE,
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Sheet No. 1. Outline History, 1033rd Signal Company, SG. La Senia, Algeria

Month of February 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., S. C.

- a. Original unit
- (1) Designation: 33rd Signal Platoon (Air Base)
 - (2) Place of organization: March Field, California
 - (3) Date of organization: 15 February, 1941.
 - (4) Authority of organization: Table of organization Number 11-257, dated 16 December, 1940; and letter WDAGO File AG-221, dated 24 February, 1941.
 - (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men).
- b. Changes in organization: None
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted
- (1) At beginning of month: 6 O; 86 E/M
 - (2) Net increase: 1 O; 6 E/M
 - (3) Net decrease: 1 O; 0 E/M
 - (4) At end of month: 6 O; 92 E/M
- d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:
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| (1) March Field, California | Date of Activation: 15 February, 1941 |
| (2) Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City | Date of Departure: 30 March, 1941 |
| (3) Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia | Date of Arrival: 2 April, 1941 |
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| (6) RAF Station, Podington, England | Date of Departure: 21 May, 1942 |
| (7) La Senia Air Base, Algeria | Date of Arrival: 22 May, 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 June, 1942 |
| | Date of Arrival: 15 July, 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 17 September, 1942 |
| | Date of Arrival: 17 September, 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 December, 1942 |
| | Date of Arrival: 23 December, 1942 |
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None
(Unit has had following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt. Elmer F. Ganz, 15 February, 1941--28 November, 1941; 1st Lt. Bernard G. Johnson, 28 November, 1941--4 February, 1942; 2nd Lt. John B. Winsted, 4 February, 1942--18 September, 1942; 2nd Lt. Robert J. Kimmer, 18 September, 1942--22 February, 1943; Capt. Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February, 1943--14 June, 1943; Capt. Otto J. Nowak, 14 June, 1943--8 January, 1944; 2nd Lt. Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January, 1944--19 February, 1944; Capt. Harry F. Ort, 19 February, 1944--to date).
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: Two (2) photographs inclosed with current Special Events.

Harry F. Ort
HARRY F. ORT,
Captain, Signal Corps
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Sheet No. 1 Special Account, 1033rd Signal Company, SG. La Senia, Algeria
Month of February 1944 Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., S.C.

February 17th was a gala day for the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group. That was the date of our post-poned Valentine party.

The committee for arrangement of the evening's entertainment consisted of Technical Sergeant Roy D. Baker, chairman, Staff Sergeant Michael Kaminsky, decorations, Technician 4th Grade Joseph Sopenski, food, Technician 4th Grade Raymond Brane, drinks, Sergeant John F. Gillespie, music, and Technician 5th Grade Raymond Cunningham, transportation.

The committee was able to procure the use of the Non-Commissioned Officer's Club in Oran for the occasion. This place served our purpose nicely since it contained a bar, a band stand, tables, and ample floor space for dancing. Colorful paper hearts, created by Sergeant Kaminsky, occupied prominent positions along the walls, depicting Valentine's day.

The bar was tended by regular personnel of the Non-Com's Club. The drinks they dispensed consisted of beer and punch that really had a PUNCH, believe me.

The music was furnished by "The Big Six", a part of the MBS Headquarters Command Band. The lads were right in the groove, with a nice variety of hot and sweet tunes. The band reminded me of the old Dixie Land bands, of days gone by.

The sandwiches and doughnuts, furnished by Sergeant Sopenski, were delicious and were perhaps enjoyed by the mothers who accompanied their daughters, more than any part of the program.

The girls were very nice looking and were good dancers. There were plenty of girls so that any one who wished could dance when he wished. This must have been one of the better parties held in North Africa.

Besides our own enlisted personnel and officers, we had some visitors whom we were glad to have; namely: Major R. K. Fadel, Captain William A. Shores, Lieutenants Sally Eilers, Helen Freedom, Helen Gothart, Army Air Corps Nurses; and Miss Ann Morgan, of the American Red Cross.

The men of our organization certainly enjoyed this occasion and are already planning a party to celebrate our two years over seas which is not too far in the future.

(Pictures taken at the party are attached).

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1033rd Signal Company, SG La Senia, Algeria

Month of February 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., SC.

| <u>DAY</u> | <u>EVENTS</u> |
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| <u>1.</u> | This was a typical first of the month. Some of the men were observed sending money orders home. Some five or six men came by the orderly room to buy bonds. Then there were a few who lost all their pay at the usual games of chance. |
| <u>2.</u> | There was a good mail call today. The men were exchanging remarks from their letters in true brotherly style. It is really amazing what a good morale builder a letter from home is. |
| <u>3.</u> | Our company clerk was kept busy all day making out war bonds. Technician 4th Grade Sam Karich was the largest single cash buyer. He bought a \$100 bond and a \$25 bond. It seems that he did all right in a game of chance the night before. |
| <u>4.</u> | Technician 5th Grade John Y. Miller was sent to the 151st Station Hospital. John was suffering from boils. This is the second trip John has made to the hospital for the same treatment. Here is hoping the medics can find the cause for John is a key man in the Cryptographic Section. |
| <u>5.</u> | Today the committee for our party met to get things lined up. Technical Sergeant Roy D. Baker was made chairman. Other members included Technician 4th Grade Brane, Technician 4th Grade Kaminsky, Technician 4th Grade Sopen-ski, Technician 5th Grade Cunningham, and Technician 5th Grade Gillespie. The committee decided that it would be impossible to procure a place for the party on Valentine's Day as planned but that everything could be worked out for February 17. |
| <u>6.</u> | Today was Sunday. The church service was very impressive. We have one of the best choirs in North Africa. They sound better than most church choirs back home. Our Company had a good attendance record today. |
| <u>7.</u> | Today Second Lieutenant Long, Technical Sergeant Friedley, Technician 4th Grade Smith, and Private Broderick were released from detached service to return to their own outfit per Paragraph 1 Special Order 5, Headquarters 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn), dated 8 January, 1944. Technician 4th Grade Parigan was released from detached service to return to proper station per Paragraph 12, Special Order 27, Headquarters AFSC/MTO, dated 27 January, 1944. |
| <u>8.</u> | First Lieutenant Lloyd Froland and Technical Sergeant Arnold L. Morrison returned from detached service to duty per Paragraph 1 Special Order 12 A F Sub Depot Number 12, dated 14 January, 1944. These two men had been attending a Radar school at Canastota. |
| <u>9.</u> | There was a very good picture at the Base Theater. Many of the men were discussing the picture for hours after returning to the barracks. |
| <u>10.</u> | Technical Sergeant Baker, chairman of the dance committee, informed us today that he was able to lease the Non-Commissioned Officers Club in Oran for our dance on 17 February. Also, he procured the services of one of the best dance bands in this section for the occasion. |

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| 11. | Corporal Robert J. Loberger, Private First Class James V. Schrimser, and Private Raymond L. Middlemas, who have been attending Message Center School for three weeks returned for duty in our organization today. |
| 12. | Today was the birthday of one of the great men of our country. I am sure that most fellows over seas thought of Lincoln's birthday at sometime during the course of the day but no programs were planned as in peace times. Each man is doing his little part to defend the rights of that great country he worked so hard to hold together. |
| 13. | Second Lieutenant Lawrence A. Wise was released from assignment and assigned to 874th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 7, Special Order 38, Headquarters ASC/MTO, dated 7 February, 1944. Lieutenant Wise had been serving in the capacity of personnel officer, wire, and chemical warfare officer. He was competent and certainly well liked by all the men of the organization. He left a host of friends in this Command and we wish him well in his new organization, which is headed by Captain Nowak, who was our former commanding officer. |
| 14. | The phrase most often heard today was, "Well, I hope you are home for next Valentine." Quite a number of men received Valentines in the mail today. They enjoyed them but I am sure that each one would have enjoyed a regular letter more. |
| 15. | We had our first volley ball game of the season after the evening chow. There was a full team on each side of the net and the fellows had a very good time until it grew too dark to see the ball. |
| 16. | Second Lieutenant George R. Northup was sent on detached service with 6740th Radar Service Battalion (Prov) per Paragraph 9 Special Order 42, Headquarters AFSC/MTO, dated 11 February, 1944. Lieutenant Northup was in the Radar Section. He hated to leave just one day before our impending company party. The Lieutenant is very well liked in the company and all the men hope that he will soon return. |
| 17. | The most interesting thing of this date was, of course, our company party. A full account of the party will be found in the Special Events Section. |
| 18. | There were quite a number of "big" heads as a result of the company party. This did not interfere with the usual routine. Each man carried out his duties in the usual efficient manner. Technician 4th Grade Roger Sherman, one of our radio operators who has been on detached service with the 391st Service Company, returned to duty. |
| 19. | Captain Harry F. Ort was assigned and joined our organization from Headquarters I ASAC (SP), per Paragraph 5, Special Order 33, dated 17 February, 1944. Captain Ort will assume command of our organization. |
| 20. | Today we received a small bundle of very late letters. Those who were lucky enough to receive it, were reading mail which was barely a week old. That particular bundle of letters must have had just the right connections all the way through. I was not one of the fortunate ones. |
| 21. | There has been much "gripping" over the picture which was shown at the base theater. One "G.I." was heard to remark that he wondered why they took up cargo space for such a poor picture. |
| 22. | This was the birthday of the father of our country. I am sure that most men over seas thought of him and appreciated better than ever before his hardships at Valley Forge. |

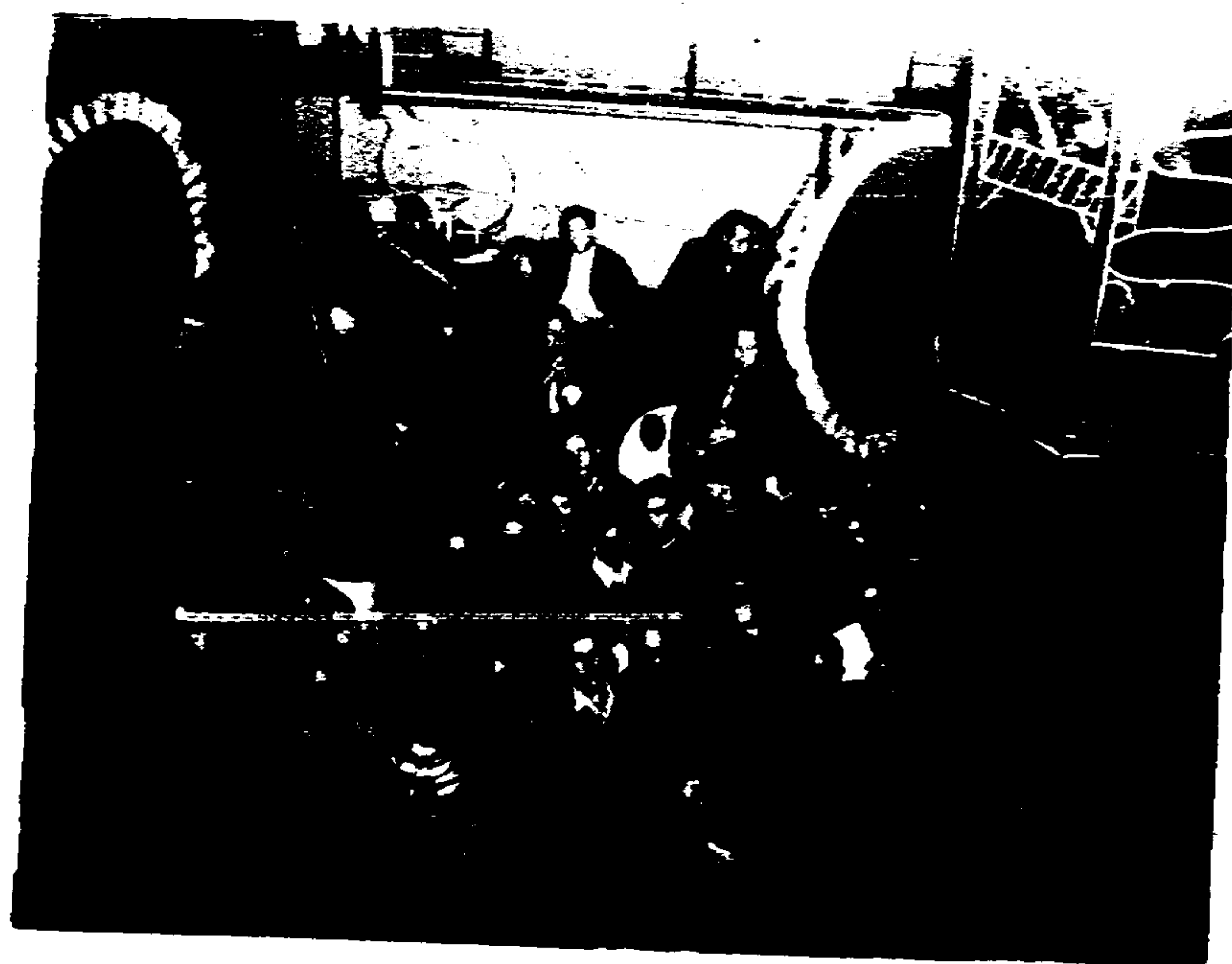
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| 23. | Private First Class Charles J. Meyers joined our organization from the Personnel Replacement Center 7-C, APO 528 per Paragraph 30 Special Order 35, Headquarters 22nd Replacement Battalion, dated 14 February, 1944. Private First Class Anthony J. Namake and Private Michael E. Healey joined our organization from Personnel Replacement Center 7-C per Paragraph 40 Special Order 34, Headquarters 22nd Replacement Battalion, dated 13 February, 1944. |
| 24. | Warrant Officer Schmidt and his boys at the Supply Depot have been very busy for the past few days shipping out materials. They ran a night shift last night in order to finish out a shipment on schedule. |
| 25. | Technician 5th Grade John Y. Miller, who has been confined in the hospital for sometime was released for duty. He is not fully recovered. He will have to go on sick call for a while but he is able to take his regular shift in the Cryptographic Section. |
| 26. | A large crowd attended church today. The choir is unique in that it is made up of many grades and colors. The choir is led by a Corporal. A Staff Sergeant, a First Lieutenant, and a colored Corporal do the solo work. There are several English soldiers, one New Zealander, and some Canadians in the group. These men can really sing. |
| 27. | The much talked of soldier extravaganza picture by Irving Berlin was shown at the base theater. The men really liked the picture and are much interested in the rumors that the stage production is headed in this direction. |
| 28. | The picture, "Saharah", starring Humphrey Bogart was shown at the base theater. The men were somewhat divided on their opinion of the picture. Most of them did not particularly enjoy it. |
| 29. | Staff Sergeant Floyd Simmons returned from detached service today to duty. Sergeant Simmons is one of our high speed radio operators and has been helping the 891st Signal Company for the past few weeks. This was pay day and the men of our organization were busy paying up old debts, buying bonds, and sending money orders home. |

Harry J. Ort
HARRY J. ORT,
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Sheet No. 1. Outline History, 1033rd Signal Company, SG. La Senia, Algeria

Month of March 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., S. C.

- a. Original unit
 - (1) Designation: 33rd Signal Platoon (Air Base)
 - (2) Place of organization: March Field, California
 - (3) Date of organization: 15 February, 1941.
 - (4) Authority of organization: Table of organization Number 11-237, dated 16 December, 1940; and letter WDAGO File AG-221, dated 24 February, 1941
 - (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men).
- b. Changes in organization: None
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted
 - (1) At beginning of month: 6 O; 92 E/M
 - (2) Net increase: 0 O; 9 E/M
 - (3) Net decrease: 1 O; 0 E/M
 - (4) At end of month: 5 O; 101 E/M
- d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:
 - (1) March Field, California Date of Activation: 15 February, 1941
Date of Departure: 30 March, 1941
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Date of Departure: 30 June, 1942
 - (5) RAF Station, Malesworth, England Date of Arrival: 15 July, 1942
Date of Departure: 17 September, 1942
 - (6) RAF Station, Poddington, England Date of Arrival: 17 September, 1942
Date of Departure: 6 December, 1942
 - (7) LaSenia Air Base, Algeria Date of Arrival: 23 December, 1942
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None
(Unit has had following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt. Elmer F. Ganz, 15 February, 1941--28 November, 1941; 1st Lt. Bernard G. Johnson, 28 November, 1941--4 February, 1942; 2nd Lt. John B. Winsted, 4 February, 1942--18 September, 1942; 2nd Lt. Robert J. Kimmer, 18 September, 1942--22 February, 1943; Capt. Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February, 1943--14 June, 1943; Capt. Otto J. Nowak, 14 June, 1943--8 January, 1944; 2nd Lt. Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January, 1944--19 February, 1944; Capt. Harry F. Ort, 19 February, 1944--to date).
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: None

Harry F. Ort
HARRY F. ORT,
Capt. Sig. C.
Commanding.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1033rd Signal Company, SG La Senia, Algeria

Month of March 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C.

- | DAY | EVENTS |
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| 1. | Technical Sergeant Joseph S. Yockubisin and Private Dale D. Dressel were assigned to our organization from the 22nd Replacement Battalion per Paragraph 30 Special Order 42, Headquarters 22nd Replacement Battalion, dated 21 February, 1944. Sergeant Robert R. Humphreys was assigned and joined our organization per Paragraph 18 Special Order 22 Headquarters 22nd Replacement Battalion, dated 21 February, 1944. |
| 2. | There was a large mail call today. Several men came by the Orderly Room to buy war bonds and to deposit money in Soldier's Savings. |
| 3. | Privates First Class William J. Salony and Robert G. Plate were assigned and joined our organization from I Air Service Area Command per Paragraph 4 Special Order 37, Hqs I ASAC dated 23 February, 1944. Plate was placed in the Radio Repair Section and Salony in Company Supply. |
| 4. | The following promotions were made in the Company effective 1 March, 1944. Technician 4th Grade Kaminsky to Staff Sergeant; Technicians 5th Grade Gillespie and Wilhite to Sergeants; Technicians 5th Grade Schwartz and Tarochione to Technicians 4th Grade; Privates First Class Campbell, Schmidt, and Stewart and Private Hamilton to Technician 5th Grade. |
| 5. | First Lieutenant John C. Bleazey was released from detached service to 907th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) and placed on detached service with the 306th Service Squadron, 41st Service Group. |
| 6. | Technician 4th Grade Roger M. Sherman, radio operator, was sent to sick quarters with an attack of appendicitis. |
| 7. | Sergeant Edward W. Ohrtz and Private First Class Charles R. Hartley reported for duty from 1085th Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 1 Special Order 44 Headquarters I ASAC, dated 3 March, 1944. |
| 8. | Technician 4th Grade Roger Sherman was released from sick quarters after recovering from a chronic attack of appendicitis. |
| 9. | The traffic in teletype, crypt, and radio is increasing daily. The first group of officers of the I ASAC moved in today. One of our men was fortunate in the drawing for prizes held by Special Services in connection with the war bond drive. Technician 4th Grade John M. Althoff is the proud possessor of a beautiful 17 jewel wrist watch, as the result of holding the lucky number for first prize. |
| 10. | Staff Sergeants Lloyd M. Allen and Edward B. Kusinski were assigned and joined our organization per Paragraph 88 Special Order 51 Headquarters 22nd Replacement Battalion dated 1 March, 1944. |

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| 11. | Master Sergeant McDonald and his section were very busy installing a transmitter for the Radio Section. The Cryptographic Section was turned over to Lieutenant Berkman of the I ASAC. This section has been very capably headed by Technician 3rd Grade Washa for several months. The men from our organization will continue to work in this section but under the supervision of Lieutenant Berkman. |
| 12. | All section in our organization were very busy today especially Message Center, Crypt, and the Radio Station. The fact that we have a higher headquarters in I ASAC accounts for the enormous increase in traffic. |
| 13. | The Telephone Section has been working hard for the past few days installing telephones for the various offices in I ASAC Headquarters. |
| 14. | The Telephone Section was very active again today. Nine phones were changed from common battery to local battery. Inside wiring was installed in Building 21 for I ASAC. Twenty-six numbers were changed on the switchboard. These additional telephones has made Gypsy Lee switchboard a very busy place. |
| 15. | Technician 5th Grade Edward J. Crick, Private First Class Kenneth C. Alfield, Privates Marvin D. Stocks, Joseph P. Hammond, and Dominic Mucci reported for detached service from the 1044th Signal Company, Service Group (present organization, 1085th Signal Company, Service Group) per Paragraph 4 Special Order 50, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 14 March, 1944. |
| 16. | Private Robert G. Larson was sent on detached service to 6660th Signal School Platoon per Paragraph 2 Special Order 50, Headquarters I ASAC dated 14 March, 1944. Private Larson will take a six weeks course in teletype maintenance. |
| 17. | Staff Sergeant Wesley C. Rechr was confined to the dispensary with a badly wrenched ankle. He hurt the ankle while playing volley ball. This was a blow to the Radio Section since they are swamped with work and were already short handed. |
| 18. | The Depot Supply boys worked most of the night making a boat shipment. The Radio Station handled just short of 10,000 groups in 110 messages for the day. For the uninformed that is a lot of transmitting for one day. |
| 19. | Master Sergeant Frank R. Pole and Private First Class Cyrus W. Byrne were sent to the 151st Station Hospital. Sergeant Pole had a severe case of pneumonia and Private First Class Byrne was placed under observation for a possible diabetic condition. |
| 20. | The Teletype Section handled more traffic than they have for several months. They handled a total of 189 messages. The radio operators are certainly the over-worked boys these days. Six of them are handling from 100 to 130 messages per day. |
| 21. | Private First Class Charles J. Meyers was transferred to the 1081st Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 6 Special Order 51 Headquarters I ASAC dated 15 March, 1944. Technician 5th Grade Robert J. Badgley and Technician 5th Grade Jack M. Rowe reported from the 1044th Signal Company, Service Group for detached service with our organization. These two men are radio operators and relieve Technical Sergeant Mortwedt's over-worked men. |

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| 22. | Staff Sergeant Wesley Reehr's injured ankle is sufficiently healed to allow him to report for duty. Warrant Officer Frank J. Schmidt was placed in quarters for treatment of malaria. This is the first day that Mr. Schmidt has failed to report for work at the Supply Depot since he started working there in December of 1942. |
| 23. | Technician 3rd Grade Roy C. F. Martindale was sent on detached service to the 6660th Signal School Platoon per Paragraph 11 Special Order 45 Headquarters I ASAC, dated 19 March, 1944. The Signal Supply Section had a busy day. They made a large shipment by air freight and loaded 1000 boxes totaling 90 tons on board ship. |
| 24. | Private First Class Anthony J. Mamake was released and assigned to the 1044th Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 6 Special Order 56 Headquarters I ASAC dated 21 March, 1944. |
| 25. | Private First Class Cyrus Byrne was released from the hospital but will continue to report to sick call for observation. The Radio Repair Section started work on the installation of radio telegraph high speed equipment in our radio room. |
| 26. | Corporals Leonard J. Pikaard, Joseph Weinfurter, Jack Steinholtz, Technician 5th Grade Murray P. Remmert, Privates First Class Jacob R. Burnside and Lawrence J. Calabro were assigned to our organization per Paragraph 4 Special Order 57 Headquarters I ASAC, dated 22 March, 1944. There was a very good U. S. O. stage show at the Base Theater. The men of the base particularly enjoyed the pretty acrobatic dancer in the troop. The Telephone Section installed rubber cable to the radio room to carry the lines necessary for efficient operation. |
| 27. | The first work out for softball was held today. We decided, since we work shifts, not to try to field an organizational team this year. We are consolidating with the 1144th Quartermaster and the 18th A.A.C.S. The prospects look quite good and we should have a good team from the three outfits. |
| 28. | Private John J. Hart was assigned to us from the 1081st Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 11 Special Order 58 Headquarters I ASAC dated 23 March, 1944. |
| 29. | Second Lieutenant Robert G. Mainzer was released and assigned to the 1081st Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 13 Special Order 58 Headquarters I ASAC dated 23 March, 1944. We held a beer party in honor of Lieutenant Mainzer last night. Lieutenant Mainzer was with our organization less than three months but he made a host of friends. We hated to see him leave because he was an efficient officer and at the same time a true friend. I have never seen a man attach himself to so many men in so short a time and still command the respect of both officers and enlisted men with whom he was associated. We hated to see him leave the organization and we wish him the best of everything in his new assignment. |

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| 30. | The Message Center was practically "snowed under" today with 245 messages being handled. The Depot Supply Section delivered to the port area for shipment, 87 tons of signal equipment. Technical Sergeant Roy D. Baker is doing a swell job of pinch-hitting for Mr. Schmidt, who is confined to the dispensary with a touch of malaria. |
| 31. | The Base Theater showed "His Butler's Sister" with Deanna Durbin and Franchot Tone. A very good picture, it is. Our Day Room is almost finished. Staff Sergeant Michael Kaminsky has drawn some beautiful murals on the walls depicting scenes here in North Africa. The room, when completed will be something to be proud of. So endeth another month in North Africa. |

Harry M. Ort
HARRY M. ORT,
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Month of April 1944

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- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None
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- k. Photographs: None

For the Commanding Officer:

James E. Horr
JAMES E. HERR,
CWO, U. S. A.
Personnel Officer.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1033rd Signal Company, SG La Senia, Algeria

Month of April 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C.

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| 1. | This was "All Fools" day and the American soldiers proved that they can keep their sense of humor by playing all sorts of tricks on each other. The most common gag was to tell everyone early in the morning that the long looked for invasion had taken place from England. |
| 2. | Privates Charles R. Hartley and Marvin D. Stocks of the 1085th Signal Company, Service Group were released from detached service and returned to their proper station per Paragraph 1 Special Order 44 Headquarters I ASAC, dated 3 March 1944 and Paragraph 12 Special Order 63, same headquarters, dated 28 March 1944. |
| 3. | Warrant Officer Frank J. Schmidt was released from the Base Dispensary today after having won a battle with Malaria. The men at the Signal Depot were very glad to see Mr. Schmidt return. Technical Sergeant Baker, ranking non-com in charge in Mr. Schmidt's absence, did a remarkable job of "pinch-hitting" but he admitted that there was nothing like having the head-man behind the desk. |
| 4. | Technician 3rd Grade Roy C. F. Martindale, who was attending Carrier School with the 6660th Signal Company, Platoon was sent to the hospital as the result of a peculiar accident. Sergeant Martindale was on pass in Oran. He and a friend were walking on the side walk conversing when a weapons carrier swerved over and struck Roy in the back. It has not been established how badly Martindale is injured. The doctors are checking for possible internal injuries. |
| 5. | Technician 4th Grade Ferdinand Beyer and Private Cedric M. Usher arrived on detached service from the 1085th Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 6 Special Order 65, Headquarters I ASAC dated 31 March, 1944. These men will be placed in the Radio Operations Section. |
| 6. | Private Cyrus W. Byrne was confined to Sick Quarters today again with an infected leg and hand. The Signal Depot delivered fifteen radar trucks and trailers to the port for loading aboard a liberty ship. |
| 7. | The operations sections were very busy today. The Message Center handled 255 messages and the Radio Station handled a total of 9883 groups. The Cryptographic Section handled well over 1000 groups during the day. |
| 8. | Master Sergeant McDonald and Technical Sergeant Canfield set up a public address system for the Sunrise Easter program. An overflow crowd attended the final basketball game. A goodly number of men from this organization attended all the ball games in the playoff tournament which started on Monday, 3 April 1944. The Navy All-Stars defeated the Blackbirds of Sicily and thus became champions of the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. |

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| 9. | Corporal Everett E. Ankney was assigned to our organization per Paragraph 10 Special Order 72, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 7 April 1944. A Sunrise Easter program was held on the field. The program was very impressive and was well received by a large crowd of service men and women. |
| 10. | The Company censors had a busy day today. It seems that all the men were thinking of home on Easter Sunday. I believe that every man in the command wrote at least one letter home. |
| 11. | James E. Horr, Chief Warrant Officer was assigned and joined our organization today. Mr. Horr is an Army man with several years of service to his credit. He has a brilliant background for an Operations Platoon Officer, and will fit very nicely into the vacancy left by Lieutenant Mainzer. Mr. Horr came to us per Paragraph 16 Special Order 72, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 7 April 1944. |
| 12. | Private Cyrus W. Byrne was sent from Sick Quarters to duty. The infection on his hand is healed but his leg is not entirely healed as yet. The Signal Supply has been very busy filling orders and handling intransit materials. |
| 13. | The Telephone Section installed a buzzer system for the Base Adjutant. The Signal Depot received approximately sixty-five tons of radar equipment from the docks and placed it in stock. |
| 14. | The men of the base were ordered by way of the Daily Bulletin to use Dubbin on their shoes in order to prolong the life of the shoes. Also a new base order directs all enlisted personnel going on pass to check in and out with the Sergeant of the Guard. |
| 15. | Technician 3rd Grade Claude L. Wallace, Technician 4th Grade Peter Tarochione, Corporals Leonard J. Pikaard, Jack Steinholtz, Joseph Weinfurter, and Private First Class Robert G. Plate were sent on detached service with the 1085th Signal Company, Service Group at Casablanca per Paragraph 7 Special Order 78, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 14 April 1944. |
| 16. | Radio traffic hit a new high today when the station handled a total of 10432 word groups. The radio operators are earning their pay with handling three radio nets and pulling guard when their regular turns come. |
| 17. | The Radio Repair Section completed the installation of a SCR-695 radio set in a P-39 for the French 3/6 Squadron. "Riding High" with Dick Powell, Dorothy Lamour, and Victor Moore showed at the Base Theater. |
| 18. | A U.S.O. concert program was presented from the stage of the Base Theater. At first, most of the crowd was dubious but before the program ended they were cheering wildly at the end of each number. In the opinion of many it was the best program presented in a long time. The U.S.O. should be encouraged to send out more such shows. |
| 19. | Corporals Clarence A. Chafey, Marshall V. Clements, Jack A. Cottrell, Richard J. Griffiths, Technician 5th Grade Clair J. Chamberlain, and Private Martin Chasin joined our organization per Paragraph 3 Special Order 81 Headquarters I ASAC, dated 17 April 1944. |

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| 20. | Technician 3rd Grade Roy Martindale, who was hurt in an automobile accident was released from the hospital. Corporal Richard Reiners was assigned from I ASAC per Paragraph 3 Special Order 81 Headquarters I ASAC. |
| 21. | Privates Dale D. Dressel and Raymond C. Schuler were transferred to the 1085th Signal Company, Service Group and placed on detached service with this organization per Paragraph 4 Special Order 81, Headquarters I ASAC dated 16 April 1944. |
| 22. | Private Elmer H. Iserhott went on detached service with 6660th Signal School Company, (Prov) per Paragraph 16 Special Order 75, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 10 April, 1944. Private Iserhott will study in the Message Center School. |
| 23. | Master Sergeant Pole, who was confined to the hospital with a severe case of pneumonia was transferred to the Detachment of Patients, 151st Station Hospital per Paragraph 1 Special Order 112, Headquarters 151st Station Hospital, dated 20 April 1944. |
| 24. | Chief Warrant Officer Horr went on detached service on important business concerning the Company. Rumors have it that there is the possibility that the 1033rd Signal Company might make a move at long last. |
| 25. | All men of this section were warned that not more than one dollar in blue seal money could be in their possession in this Theater of Operation. The teletype operators were busy today as evidenced by the total of 288 messages handled. |
| 26. | Private Robert G. Larson returned to duty from detached service. Larson has been attending a six week's teletype maintenance school. His classification has been changed from teletype operator to teletype maintenance man. |
| 27. | All stoves had to be turned in to the Quartermaster today. The Supply Sergeant hated to see the stoves go, but then, who knows, perhaps, we will not need them next year. |
| 28. | Master Sergeant Pole was re-assigned to our organization today per Paragraph 4 Special Order 52, Headquarters First Replacement Depot Personnel Center #2, dated 25 April, 1944. |
| 29. | Chief Warrant Officer Horr returned today and his report carried the alleged move beyond the rumor point. The Radio Operations Section reached a new high today when they reported 1205 word groups as the total traffic for the day. Master Sergeant McDonald and his men made a road test on the repair vans. Sergeant McDonald and his section have been assigned the job of installing several VHF radio sets for the Navy Department. Mr. Schmidt salvaged a PE-92 power unit and procured a PE-95 for our organization. |
| 30. | Technician 4th Grade Herbert Holtvogt was sent on detached service to the 6660th Signal School Company, per Paragraph 4 Special Order 86, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 22 April, 1944. Holtvogt will attend Field Wire School. Private Michael Healey was transferred to Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron of the 19th Air Depot Group per Paragraph 11, Special Order 91, Headquarters I ASAC dated 27 April, 1944. |

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For the Commanding Officer:

James E. Horr
JAMES E. HERR,
CWO, U. S. A.
Personnel Officer.

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Sheet No. 1 Outline History, 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina, Tunisia

Month of May 1944 Prepared by Jacob R. Hamilton, Technician 5th Grade, Sig. C.

a. Original unit

- (1) Designation: 33rd Signal Platoon (Air Base)
- (2) Place of organization: March Field, California
- (3) Date of organization: 15 February, 1941
- (4) Authority of organization: Table of organization Number 11-237 dated 16 December, 1940; and letter WDAGO File AG-221, dated 21 February, 1941.
- (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men.)

b. Changes in organization: None

c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted

- (1) At beginning of month: 5 O; 105 E/M
- (2) Net increase: 0 O; 0 E/M
- (3) Net decrease: 1 O; 4 E/M
- (4) At end of month: 5 O; 101 E/M

d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:

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| (1) March Field, California | Date of Activation: 15 February, 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 March, 1941 |
| (2) Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City | Date of Arrival: 2 April, 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 February, 1942 |
| (3) Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia | Date of Arrival: 8 February, 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May, 1942 |
| (4) Fort Dix, New Jersey | Date of Arrival: 22 May, 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 June, 1942 |
| (5) RAF Station, Malesworth, England | Date of Arrival: 15 July, 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 17 September, 1942 |
| (6) RAF Station, Fodington, England | Date of Arrival: 17 September, 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 December, 1942 |
| (7) La Senia Air Base, Algeria | Date of Arrival: 23 December, 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May, 1944 |
| (8) El Aouina Army Air Base, Tunisia | Date of Arrival: 25 May, 1944 |

e. Marches: None

f. Campaigns: None

g. Battles: None

h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt. Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February, 1941--28 November, 1941; 1st Lt. Bernard G. Johnson, 28 November, 1941--1 February, 1942; 2nd Lt. John B. Winsted, 4 February, 1942--16 September, 1942; 2nd Lt. Robert J. Kimmer, 18 September, 1942--22 February, 1943; Capt. Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February, 1943--14 June, 1943; Capt. Otto J. Nowak, 14 June, 1943--8 January, 1944; 2nd Lt. Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January, 1944--19 February, 1944; Capt. Harry F. Ort, 19 February, 1944--to date.)

i. Losses in action: None

j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None

k. Photographs: One (1) photograph inclosed with current Special Events.

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For the Commanding Officer:

James E. Horr
JAMES E. HARR.
CNO, U. S. A.
Personnel Officer.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia
 Month of May 1944 Prepared by Jacob R. Hamilton, Technician 5th Grade, Sig. C.

| DAY | EVENTS |
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| 1. | This month appears as if it is going to be a busy one for this organization. It is definite that we are going to move and arrangements for the movement are beginning to take place. Captain Ort and Master Sergeant Pole left today on detached service to observe the nature of the duties we are about to undertake. Private Thompson was transferred to the 1108th Quartermaster Company, per Paragraph 21, Special Order 91, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 27 April, 1944. |
| 2. | Plans are completely arranged for another Company Dance to be held at Club Oranaise on 10 May. Music will be furnished by the MBS Headquarters Band and once again the committee is trying to have some AACCS present. |
| 3. | Captain Ort and Sergeant Pole returned from detached service today and reported that our new station will be a "good deal." |
| 4. | Operations has been kept very busy ever since they started to handle communications for I ASAC. Today the Message Center handled a total of 269 messages and the Radio Station passed 10,168 groups. |
| 5. | All men of the organization are preparing their personal belongings for the forthcoming change of stations. "Guadalcanal Diary" with William Bendix and Lloyd Nolan was the main attraction at the Base Theater. |
| 6. | The softball players of our organization are represented in a league with the 1144th Quartermaster and the 18th AACCS. The team is named the "Combines" and has a record of five wins and one defeat. The traffic totals for the day were 266 messages in the Message Center and a total of 10022 groups passed through the Radio Station. |
| 7. | Corporal Chafey was transferred to the 891st Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 11, Special Order 94, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 2 May, 1944. Technician 3rd Grade Killian was sent to the 6660th Signal School on detached service per Paragraph 5, Special Order 86, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 22 April, 1944. |
| 8. | Private Usher was released from detached service with our organization and assigned to us per Paragraph 9, Special Order 95, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 3 May, 1944. Headquarters Squadron of the 19th Air Depot Group started their outdoor theater tonight which is directly in front of our barracks and makes it quite convenient for the men of this organization. The name of the picture was "Four Jills And A Jeep". It was a true story of the trip made by Kartha Raye, Kaye Francis, and Carole Landis to England and North Africa and was enjoyed by our men as many of them saw Kartha Raye in person when she visited La Senia Air Base. |
| 9. | First Sergeant Biggers went to the hospital today for an operation on his eye. Sergeant Biggers's vacancy will be filled by Sergeant Gillespie. Lieutenant Froland and his Radar Team, consisting of Technical Sergeant Morrison, Staff Sergeants Gray, Hedrick, Murphy, and Sergeant Huntoon went on detached service to the 213th AAA Group per Paragraph 2, Movement Order 34, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 30 April, 1944. |

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| 10. | Base Headquarters informed all organizations of the base via Daily Bulletin that a Daily Staff Journal was no longer needed to be submitted. Today was the date of our party, a full account of the event is found in the Special Events Section. |
| 11. | All sections of the organization continue to be kept busy getting equipment in shape for our movement. Sergeant Sopenski, Mess Sergeant, has all arrangements made for the organization to eat while traveling to our new site. |
| 12. | Private Iserhott returned to duty today after attending a full course in Message Center Procedure at the 6660th Signal School. |
| 13. | Sixteen men left the organization this morning as an advanced detail to arrange our equipment at the new station. Technical Sergeant Snider was in charge of the group which traveled by train, better known to the men as the "Arab Cannonball". These men will be attached to the 891st Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 1, Movement Order 36, Headquarters I ASAC dated 3 May, 1944. Private Usher was sent to the 6660th Signal School per Paragraph 7, Special Order 94, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 2 May, 1944. Usher will attend a course in radio operation. |
| 14. | Technician 3rd Grade Wallace, Technician 4th Grade Tarochione, Corporals Pikaard, Steinholtz, Weinfurter, and Private First Class Plate returned from detached service with the 1085th Signal Company, Service Group. |
| 15. | Mr. Horr left today to join our advanced party at our new location. We have all learned by now it is to be El Aouina Army Air Base. Staff Sergeant Floyd V. Simmons was transferred to the 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 6, Special Order 101, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 12 May, 1944. Simmons is an original member of the organization and will be missed by his many friends. |
| 16. | Today was the first day for the wearing of the khaki uniform. All of the Company's "Casinovas" and "Jitterbugs" wore their new uniforms to the weekly dance at the Base Theater. The 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) arrived here today, this is the organization that will take over our duties when we leave. |
| 17. | There was a large mail call today which is one of the best means of lifting the morale of the organization. Another outstanding feature of the day with the men was the drawing of double rations at the Post Exchange. These were given to our company as we expect to be traveling for several days. |
| 18. | Master Sergeant Pole and Technical Sergeant Kortwedt left today for El Aouina per Paragraph 7, Special Order 103, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 16 May, 1944. |
| 19. | Nine men who were on detached service with were released today. These men were from the 1085th and 1044th Signal Companies, Service Groups and they did a very good job of helping us handle communications for I ASAC. |

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| 20. | Today was a busy day for our Administration Section. Everything had to be cleared before leaving the base then there were several transfers and men ordered on detached service. The happiest man in the organization on this date was Corporal Robert J. Loberger as he left to go home on rotation. Loberger, serving twenty four months of overseas duty, was a popular of the Company and is our first to go back to the states. He was transferred to Personnel Center # 2, IBS, per Paragraph 2, Special Order 134, Headquarters AAFSC/ETO, dated 13 May, 1944. Sergeant Streifer, Technician 4th Grade Bacon, and Technician 5th Grade Miller were placed on detached service with the 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 10, Special Order 105, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 18 May, 1944. Another outstanding member of the organization was lost today when Technician 5th Grade Rossow was transferred to Headquarters MATS, per Paragraph 2, Special Order 104, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 20 May, 1944. First Lieutenant Bleazey, and his Radar Team consisting of Technical Sergeant Combs, Technician 3rd Grade Lapcewich, Sergeant Beissel, and Technician 4th Grade Fahey were transferred to the 907th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 14, Special Order 135, Headquarters AAFSC/ETO, dated 14 May, 1944. |
| 21. | Awakened early this morning by the voice of Technician 3rd Grade Kartindale, Charge of Quarters, the Company was fed, packed all belongings, and were seen leaving La Senia Air Base around nine o'clock. After spending eighteen months at La Senia, our men left many friends both at the base and in Oran and enjoyed many good times as well as their work on the base. We traveled 142 miles and bivouaced at Orleansville for the night. |
| 22. | We traveled through many miles of beautiful scenery today. After traveling a distance of 152 miles we stopped at L'Arba, a small town outside of Algiers. Several men went on pass to Algiers and had a very enjoyable time. |
| 23. | Eating "C" rations for lunch and two other cooked meals from Sergeant Sosnenski's rolling kitchen, sleeping on the ground, and doing the best they can to clean up, the men's morale is good and everyone seems to be enjoying the trip. We traveled 148 miles and bivouaced outside of a small town called Sefia, which appeared to be a very clean place. |
| 24. | Traveling 190 miles, most of which was through the mountains, we stopped for the night near a town, Souk Ahras. In order to have fresh eggs for breakfast, everyone bought two eggs from an Arab. Some men went on pass, some rode horses, while others listened to small Arab boys impersonate Bing Crosby. |
| 25. | Our trip ended today, after traveling 160 miles, we had reached our new station, El Aouina Army Air Base. The men were a little tired and were glad to "hit the sacks" that our advanced party had set up. Corporals Richard, Souhrada, and Szachowicz joined our organization per Paragraph 17, Special Order 117, Headquarters AAFSC/ETO, dated 26 April, 1944. |
| 26. | Today found the men busy making things comfortable in their new living quarters and looking over the work we are about to undertake. There seems to be quite a lot for us to do and the more there is, the better our organization will like it. |

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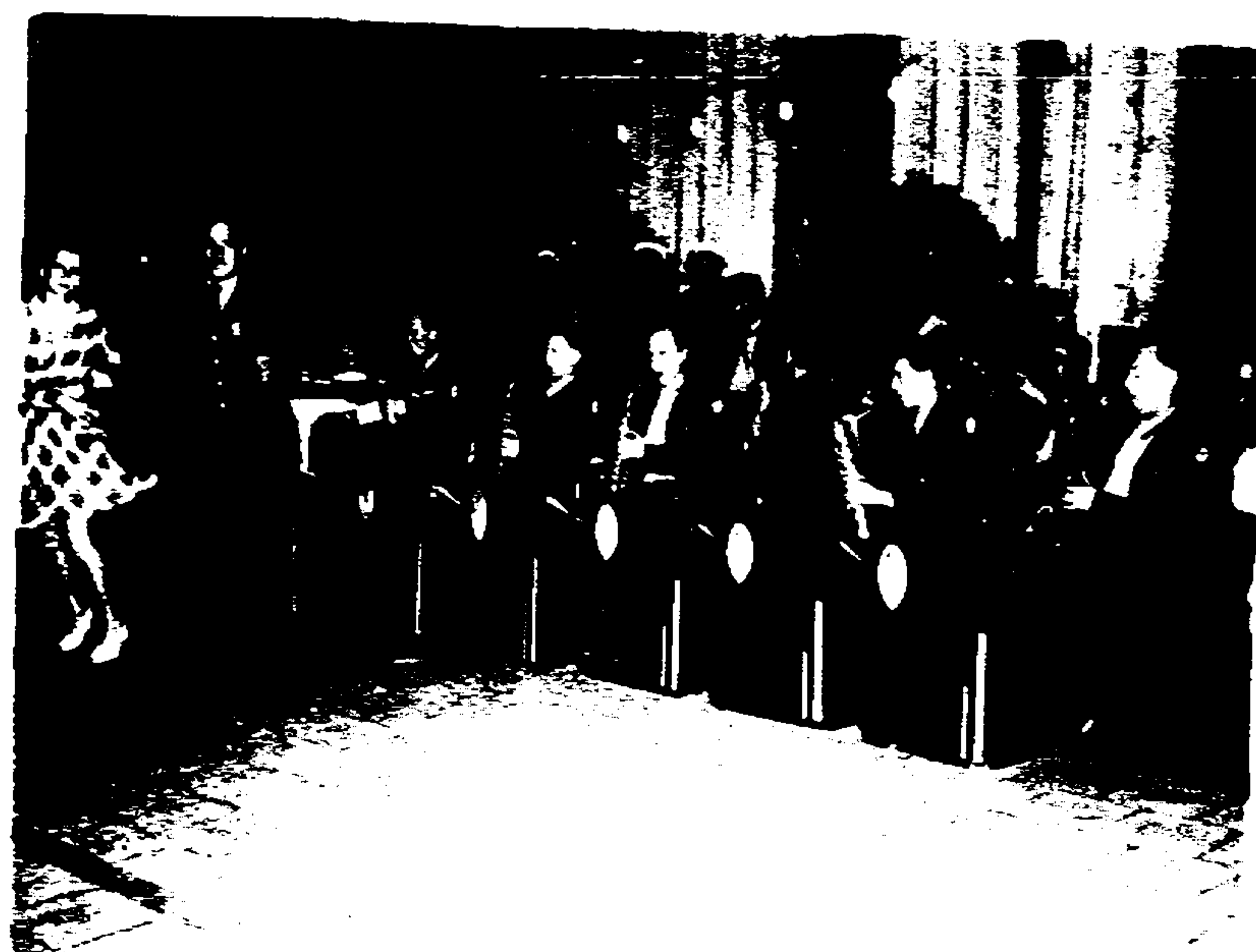
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| 27. | Already the men have found many things to do in their spare time here at El Aouina. Many of us have gone to the beach at La Marsa and have enjoyed swimming, dancing, and movies. All seem to like their new surroundings very much. |
| 28. | A radar team led by Second Lieutenant Polishuk and consisting of Technical Sergeant Hughes, Staff Sergeant Valence, Technicians 3rd Grade Comer and Tolenaar, and Technician 4th Grade Pale was attached to us this date per Paragraph 4, Special Order 143, Headquarters AAFSC/MTG, dated 22 May, 1944. |
| 29. | Sergeant Streifer, Technician 4th Grade Bacon, and Technician 5th Grade Viller, three of our cryptographic men, returned from detached service with the 915th Signal Company, Derot (Avn). |
| 30. | Staff Sergeant Reohr, Sergeant Gover, and Private Chasin went on detached service to Pantellaria Air Base per Paragraph 3, Special Order 80, Headquarters AFSD # 2, dated 28 May, 1944. Some envied them a bit, others didn't hear much in favor of and against the place. |
| 31. | After a month of much activity, our men are ready to give their best to all Signal work here at El Aouina and are anxious to establish for themselves and the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group the same reputation for courteous and efficient duty that all at AFSD # 12 so readily admitted. We are reminded of that reputation by a letter that reached us with a wrapper indorsement from Headquarters AFSD # 12 from the French 1/5 Squadron expressing their regret at loss of our services and commending all personnel for the cooperation we gave them, especially Warrant Officer Schmidt. |

For the Commanding Officer:


 JAMES E. HORR,
 CWO, U. S. A.
 Personnel Officer.

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Sheet No. 1 Special Account, 1033rd Signal Company, SG. El Aouina, Tunisia
Month of May 1944 Prepared by Jacob R. Hamilton, Technicien 5th Grade, SC

Another well planned organizational dance was held on 10 ~~May~~ at the Club Oranaise. This was our last formal gathering of the Company while at La Senia.

Sergeant Gillespie was in charge of the entertainment and did a fine job in procuring the MBS Headquarters Band. Not one FAC was present, but the men enjoyed dancing with a very nice group of French mademoiselles.

Drinks and refreshments were furnished by Sergeant Sopenski. Drinks consisted of beer and the "Sopenski Booby Trap", a mixture of several French wines. Everyone seemed to enjoy the fine assortment of refreshments.

Our officers, Captain Ort, Mr. Horr, and Mr. Schmidt were present for the occasion. Guests for the evening consisted of Lieutenant Harring, Postal Officer at La Senia Air Base; Lieutenants Ellers, Tucker, and Gothart, Army Nurses Corps; Miss Ann Morgan, American Red Cross; and Rene Koch, an Oren Barber and a friend of all the men. Also present were several enlisted men who have been very good friends of members of the organization during our time at La Senia.

Everyone seemed to have an enjoyable evening and our last party at La Senia should be long remembered by all of the Company.

(A picture taken at the party is attached.)

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Sheet No. 1 Outline History, 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina, Tunisia

Month of June 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C.

- a. Original unit
- (1) Designation: 33rd Signal Platoon (Air Base)
 - (2) Place of organization: March Field, California
 - (3) Date of organization: 15 February, 1941
 - (4) Authority of organization: T/O Number 11-237 dated 16 December, 1940; and letter WDAGO File AG-221, dated 24 February, 1941.
 - (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men)
- b. Changes in organization: None
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted
- (1) At beginning of month: 5 O; 101 E/M
 - (2) Net increase: 0 O; 0 E/M
 - (3) Net decrease: 2 O; 8 E/M
 - (4) At end of month: 3 O; 93 E/M
- d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:
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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| (1) March Field, California | Date of Activation: 15 February 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 March 1941 |
| (2) Bill Rogers Field, Oklahoma City | Date of Arrival: 2 April 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 February 1942 |
| (3) Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia | Date of Arrival: 8 February 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May 1942 |
| (4) Fort Dix, New Jersey | Date of Arrival: 22 May 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 June 1942 |
| (5) RAF Station, Malesworth, England | Date of Arrival: 15 July 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 17 September 1942 |
| (6) RAF Station, Podington, England | Date of Arrival: 17 September 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 December 1942 |
| (7) La Senia Air Base, Algeria | Date of Arrival: 23 December 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May 1944 |
| (8) El Aouina Army Air Base, Tunisia | Date of Arrival: 25 May 1944 |
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February 1941 --28 November 1941; 1st Lt Bernard G. Johnson, 28 November 1941--4 February 1942; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kimmer, 18 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January 1944 --19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944--to date.)
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: None

Harry F. Ort
HARRY F. ORT,
Capt., Sig. C.
Commanding.

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MONTHLY HISTORICAL STATISTICAL REPORT

JUNE 1944

MESSAGE CENTER

Outgoing messages handled totaled 1059. Incoming messages handled totaled 1179.

CRYPTOGRAPHIC SECTION

Total messages encoded were 83, composed of 6019 groups. Total messages decoded were 154, composed of 15, 478 groups.

RADIO STATION

Outgoing messages sent totaled 41, composed 1569 groups. Incoming messages received totaled 379, composed of 16,071 groups.

TELEPHONE SECTION

2900 calls per day was the average for the month. The line and maintenance crews have been snowed under with work. They laid 5000 feet of lead cable under ground and 10,000 feet of rubber overhead cable. They cleared up approximately 150 cases of trouble. Eight new installations were made during the month. Three radio aerial poles were installed.

RADIO REPAIR

Total number of items repaired was 308. This total was comprised of the following totals: command items, 121; liaison items, 47; VHF items, 43; IFF items, 25; compass items, 21; and miscellaneous items, 52. 295 repaired items were returned to the Signal Supply Depot for stock.

SIGNAL DEPOT

78 requisitions were received and serviced. 143 repair order replacements were met. 26 shipping orders were received from I ASAC and AAFSC/LTO. 20 Air Freight shipments were delivered. 6 Air Freight shipments were received. Equipment was assembled for shipment to Air Force Sub Depot Number 12, total weight was approximately 65 tons. Items most commonly issued were: radio compass units, BC-433, 11; Headsets, HS-23, 55; Microphones, T-30, 65; radio transceiver, SCR-522-A, 21; Batteries, BA-2, 118; and Batteries, BA-30, 722.


HARRY S. ORT,
Capt., Sig. C.
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS
1033rd Signal Company, Service Group
Air Force General Depot Number 2
APO 528

5 July, 1944.

SUBJECT: Unit Historical Reports.

TO : Historical Officer, Army Air Force Service Command/MFO, APO 528, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with letter 314.7, subject as above, your headquarters, dated 15 June, 1944, this organization's report for March, April, and May is submitted.

2. These three months will serve as an average for the year prior to that time.

Harry F. Ort
HARRY F. ORT,
Capt., Sig. C.
Commanding.

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**MONTHLY HISTORICAL STATISTICAL REPORT
MARCH 1944**

MESSAGE CENTER

1, 424 teletype messages handled; 59, 496 word groups required for their distribution.

RADIO STATION

Messages received and sent totaled 492.

TELEPHONE SECTION

2, 608 calls handled in the average day; 75,632 calls per average month.

SIGNAL DEPOT

A total of 1311 items are on hand for disposition, the following "more familiar" being disbursed in the numbers indicated: RS-33(headset) 8; flashlight TL-122-A, 230; batteries, BA-30, 4, 826; switchboard, BD-72, 2; tubes, VT-87, 4; cords, CD-307-A, 6 and solder, M-31, 10 pounds. Total equipment received for the month 585 tons, total shipped was 390 tons.

RADIO REPAIR

20 aircraft of varied types checked and serviced for operation of VHF and other radio equipment. 10 VHF sets repaired for stock in the Signal Supply Section. All of the above mentioned work was done on the base. The Radio Repair Section was frequently called upon to install and service VHF equipment aboard U. S. Naval craft in the Oran harbor and the same section unit operates and maintains the Base Theater and services movie equipment for many other units in the area.

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MONTHLY HISTORICAL STATISTICAL REPORT

APRIL 1944

MESSAGE CENTER

Teletype messages handled totaled 2567. 60629 groups were required for their distribution.

RADIO STATION

Messages received and sent during the month totaled 1032.

TELEPHONE SECTION

The average daily telephone calls for this month was 2800.

SIGNAL DEPOT

Total items on hand for distribution: 1850. Items most commonly issued were as follows: Headsets, RS-33, 31; Flashlights, TL-122A, 208; Batteries, BA-30, 7307; Switchboard, SD-72, 1; Tubes, VT-86, 8; Tubes, VT-147, 27; Solder, M-31, 24 pounds and Antenna weight, VT-7-A, 13.

RADIO REPAIR

Eleven aircraft of varied types, both American and French were checked and repaired during the month. The radio work was all completed at this base. The repair section continues to work at intervals on VHF equipment on Naval craft in the Oran harbor.

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MONTHLY HISTORICAL STATISTICAL REPORT

MAY 1944

MESSAGE CENTER

Teletype messages handled totaled 4511. Word groups required for their distribution were 419111.

RADIO STATION

1701 messages were received and sent during the month.

TELEPHONE SECTION

2700 calls per day was the average for the month.

SIGNAL DEPOT

97 requisitions were received and serviced. 372 issues were accomplished. 26 air and rail shipments were met. 222 items were issued in exchange for salvage and repair. Items most commonly issued were: Antenna Weights, WT-7-A, 25; Headset, HS-33, 21; Tubes, VT-87, 1; Tubes, VT-136, 18; Batteries, BA-30, 2922; Cord, CD-307-A, 1; and Switchboard, BD-71, 1.

RADIO REPAIR

Radio operations at La Senia were turned over to the 915th Signal Service Depot Group. Radio operations were installed and are now in service at new station. All organizational equipment was checked and minor repairs were made.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia

Month of June 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C

E V E N T S

1. The men of this organization were busily engaged in getting acquainted with the new base and in getting into the swing of their work here. Master Sergeant McDonald announces that there is enough work to keep his section very busy for many days to come. My thanks, as compiler of the Company History for these many months, go to Technician 5th Grade Hamilton, for "pinch hitting" for me as reporter during May. I offered him the job permanently but he declined the offer.
2. Private Larson, one of our teletype maintenance men returned from detached service to duty per Paragraph 4 Special Order 80, Headquarters AFCD # 2, dated 28, May 1944. Some of the men have been building side walls for their tents.
3. A large number of the men from this organization enjoyed the dance at the Enlisted Men's Club at Lallarsa. The dance was held on a patio overlooking the blue Mediterranean. Most of the men in attendance were of the opinion that the girls were a bit better looking than those who attended our dances at our last station.
4. A few of the men made a trip to the Bardo Museum this afternoon. They were very much impressed with the evidence of the old Roman civilization which once prevailed in this surrounding country.
5. Staff Sergeants Gray, Hedrick, and Murphy, personnel of a Radar team assigned to our unit, were transferred to Personnel Center #2, Canastel. Authority: letter Headquarters AAF/ETO, dated 3 June, 1944.
6. This was the day we have been waiting for so long--the invasion of the Continent of Europe. It was really a red letter day for the reporter as he returned to his Company after almost a month spent in the 46th General Hospital. Technician 3rd Grade L. D. Kilbier and I flew from Lallarsa and each place we stopped the people were very happy over the invasion news.
7. The chief topic of discussion today was the invasion. Every place containing a radio was crowded during the numerous news periods. Orders were being taken on certain Indian and Egyptian souvenirs at the Post Exchange. Quite a number of our men were observed placing orders.
8. There was a very interesting U. S. O. show at the Base Theater tonight. The magician particularly brought the house down with his slight of hand and ready wit. "Andy Hardy's Blond Trouble" showed at the Enlisted Men's Club.
9. There was much work going on in the Company Area today. Several groups were busy building side walls and floors for their tents. Private Schrimsher had a work detail cleaning debris from the area. Carpenter Smith was busily overseeing the whole activity.

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| 10. | Private Schrimsher was sent to the 54th Station Hospital with a badly sprained knee. "Jumbo" was covering second base on a fast double play ball. He had to stretch far toward third base to make the out and just as he completed the throw to first base the runner charged into him and knocked his knee out of socket. Schrimsher will probably be confined for several weeks. |
| 11. | Due to the move made late in May our men were not paid until the 10th of June. There were many pay day headaches today since many men had not had the cash to try the Tunisian drinks before. Many of the men have dropped by the Orderly Room to leave deposits for Soldier's Savings. |
| 12. | There were many requests for passes today. A soldier with money in his pocket likes to see the country on his day off. Our men have been very much interested in watching the natives irrigate with water by drawing it from a dug well with oxen. They have shown a great deal of interest, also in the Ruins of Carthage and the remains of a Lion's den reputedly built at the beginning of the downfall of Christianity in this area. |
| 13. | Warrant Officer Frank J. Schmidt, our Signal Supply Officer, went on detached service to La Senia Air Base per Paragraph 4 Special Order 87, Headquarters AFGD # 2 dated 11 June, 1944. Mr Schmidt went for the purpose of appearing before an examining board. If Mr Schmidt passes the board, which everyone feels confident he will, he will no longer be Mr Schmidt but Lieutenant Schmidt. |
| 14. | Second Lieutenant Arthur T. Polishuk, Technical Sergeant Hughes, Staff Sergeant Valence, T/3 Comer, T/3 Tolleneer, and T/4 Palo returned from duty to further detached service with our organization per Paragraph 2 Special Order 83, Headquarters AFGD # 2, dated 4 June, 1944. |
| 15. | Technician 5th Grade Harold J. Bonham, who came into our organization from the 72nd Signal Company over 16 months ago was transferred to the 122nd Bomb Squadron, per Paragraph 4 Special Order 121, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 10 June, 1944. Bonham was one of the most reliable truck drivers in the outfit and his place will be hard to fill. |
| 16. | There was an interesting softball game after evening chow tonight. Our regular club needed some practice so the Telephone Section drafted enough men from their various branches to make up a starting line up. At the end of the first inning the telephone boys held a 2 to 0 lead. No one thought anything of this since they expected the "Wrong Number" boys to blow up any moment and give the first team a lead. Pitcher Franklin kept serving his slow ball to the regulars and they kept sending "zizzling" line drivers to third baseman Hufker who nonchalantly stuck his hand up in self defense and speared the ball. The crux of the matter is that the pitcher of the regulars blew sky high and the telephone boys won the game and the free beers. There has been a great deal of good natured kidding as a result of the game. |

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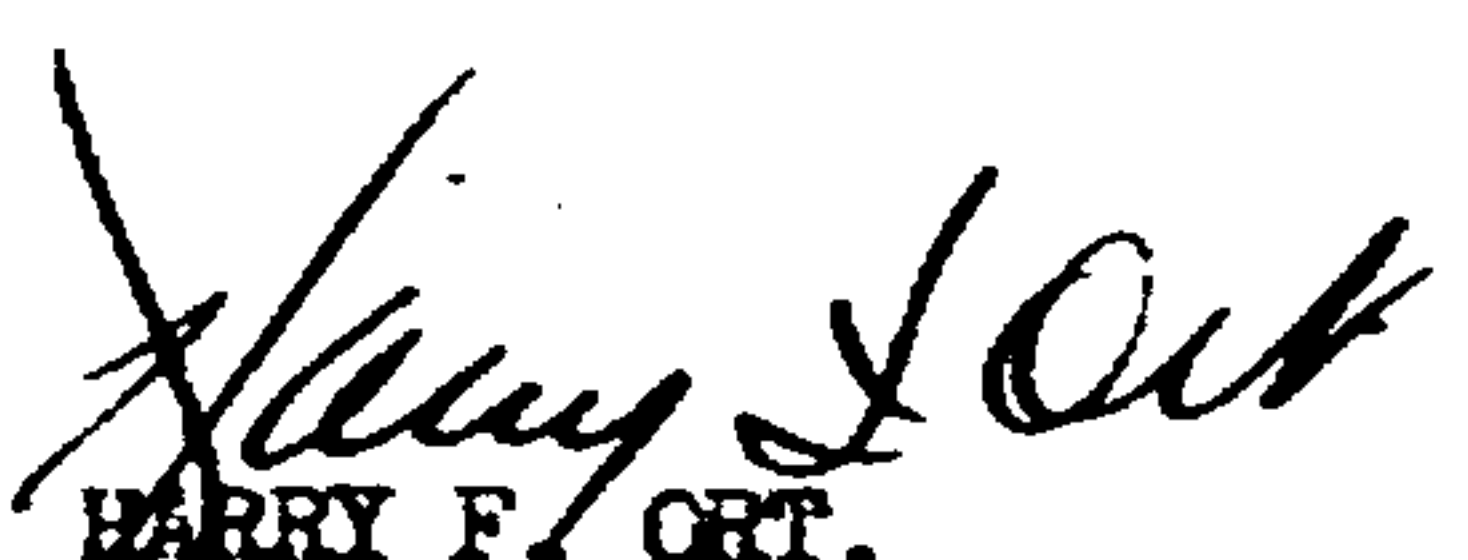
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| 17. | Private First Class Pace was transferred to AAF Engineer Command/ETO, per Paragraph 3 Special Order 121, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 10 June, 1944. Pace has been in the Company Motor Pool for 13 months. The boys will miss his hearty greeting of "well, how's she going." |
| 18. | The picture, "See Here, Private Hargrove" was shown at the Enlisted Man's Club tonight. The picture was received by the all "G I" audience. Many scenes recall to the men, happenings in their own Army career. |
| 19. | Warrant Officer Schmidt returned from the La Senia Air Base today. When asked how he made out with the examining board, Mr. Schmidt replied with a twinkle in his eye, "it wasn't so tough". |
| 20. | Today some of the men of this organization made a trip to Bizerte. They really got an eye full of what bombing can do. They report that seemingly, not one house in the city is left intact. The men seemed to appreciate the liberty run. We plan to make similar trips to near-by places of interest at least once a week, if possible. |
| 21. | Captain Harry F. Ort, our Company Commander, went on detached service to Naples on business pertaining to our organization per Paragraph 1 Special Order 92, Headquarters AFGD #2, dated 20 June, 1944. |
| 22. | Technician 4th Grade Karich was sent to the 54th Station Hospital for treatment. Everyone was worried because Sammy is due to start for home on rotation in a very few days. Needless to say, Sammy was worried more than any one else since he has passed his twenty-fifth month over seas. Here's hoping he recovers in time to catch the boat. |
| 23. | Captain Ort returned from Detached Service in Naples to duty. He reported that his trip was partly successful but he found that we are going to lose some very dependable enlisted men from the organization. |
| 24. | Lieutenant George R. Northup, one of our Radar Officers, returned from detached service to duty. His team composed of Technical Sergeant Conrad R. Smith, Technician 4th Grade William C. Dene, and Technician 4th Grade Miran D. Parigian, were attached to our organization per letter order 3 Headquarters 915th Signal Company Depot (Avn), dated 29 May, 1944. |
| 25. | Our Radar team composed of Lieutenant Froland, Technical Sergeant Morrison, Staff Sergeants Gray, Hedrick, and Murphy, and Sergeant Huntoon were released from assignment to us and assigned to MBS and placed on detached service with the 31st AAA Brigade per Paragraph 11 Special Order 167, dated 15 June, 1944, Headquarters AAFSC/ETO. |
| 26. | Lieutenant Northup, of the Radar Section, was released from assignment with our organization and assigned to Headquarters MBS and placed on detached service 915th Signal Company Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 11 Special Order 167 Headquarters AAFSC/ETO dated 15 June, 1944. |
| 27. | Today we received General Order 53 from Headquarters NATOUSA which listed two members of our organization among those receiving the Legion of Merit in this theater. These two men of whom we are justly proud are Warrant Officer Frank J. Schmidt, Signal Supply Officer of this base, and Technical Sergeant Wilbur B. Canfield, of the Radio Repair Section. |

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| 28. | Technician 4th Grade Schwartz was sent to the 54th Station Hospital today with a stubborn case of sciatic trouble. Private Usher, who has been attending Radio School near Oran, returned to the organization today. |
| 29. | Technician 5th Grade Smith, our Company Carpenter, was transferred to Hq & Hq Squadron, 89th ADG per Paragraph 16 Special Orders 128, Headquarters I ASAC, dated 20 June, 1944. "Smitty" was a good worker and a finished carpenter. All you had to do was to give him a brief discription of what you wanted built and a short time later Carpenter Smith would have the finished product turned out. It was fortunate for our organization that we were able to keep him until most of the carpentry work around our bivouac area was completed. |
| 30. | Technician 4th Grade Althoff and Technician 5th Grade Chamberlain were sent to Pantellaria Air Base to relieve Staff Sergeant Reonar, Sergeant Gover, and Private Chasin. The fellows who were relieved seemed to have enjoyed their stay on the tiny island immensely. It was learned today that there will be a parade on the base on Independence Day, July 4. Mr Schmidt and Technical Sergeant Canfield will receive their Legion of Merit awards as a part of the ceremony. And so ends another month with a Signal Service Group in North Africa. This particular Group, incidentally, left Fort Dix just two years ago today but more of that in next month's war diary. |


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Sheet No. 1 Outline History, 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina, Tunisia

Month of July 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C.

- a. Original unit
- (1) Designation: 33rd Signal Platoon (Air Base)
 - (2) Place of organization: March Field, California
 - (3) Date of organization: 15 February, 1941
 - (4) Authority of organization: T/O Number 11-237 dated 16 December 1940 and letter WDAGO File AG-221 dated 24 February 1941.
 - (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men)
- b. Changes in organization: None
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted
- (1) At beginning of month: 3 O; 93 EM
 - (2) Net increase: 0 O; 0 EM
 - (3) Net decrease: 0 O; 4 EM
 - (4) At end of month: 3 O; 89 EM
- d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:
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| (1) March Field, California | Date of Activation: 15 February 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 March 1941 |
| (2) Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City | Date of Arrival: 2 April 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 February 1942 |
| (3) Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia | Date of Arrival: 8 February 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May 1942 |
| (4) Fort Dix, New Jersey | Date of Arrival: 22 May 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 June 1942 |
| (5) RAF Station, Malesworth, England | Date of Arrival: 15 July 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 17 September 1942 |
| (6) RAF Station, Podington, England | Date of Arrival: 17 September 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 December 1942 |
| (7) La Senia Air Base, Algeria | Date of Arrival: 23 December 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May 1944 |
| (8) El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia | Date of Arrival: 25 May 1944 |
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February 1941--28 November 1941; 1st Lt Bernard G. Johnson, 28 November 1941--4 February 1942; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kinner, 18 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January 1944--19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944--to date.)
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: One (1) photograph inclosed with current Special Events.

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**HISTORICAL STATISTICAL REPORT
1033RD SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
JULY 1944**

MESSAGE CENTER

Outgoing messages handled totaled 858. Incoming messages handled totaled 841.

CRYPTOGRAPHIC SECTION

Total messages encoded were 61, composed of 4886 groups. Total messages decoded were 146, composed of 14,350 groups.

RADIO STATION

Outgoing messages totaled 26, composed of 1001 groups. Incoming messages totaled 337, composed of 15,302 groups.

TELEPHONE SECTION

3000 calls per day was the average for the month. Many telephones were disconnected, changed or moved and extensions installed. All trouble calls were corrected.

TELETYPE SECTION


Outgoing messages totaled 706, composed of 57,892 groups. Incoming messages totaled 545, composed of 44,690 groups. All trouble that occurred in the lines was repaired immediately. All equipment has been cleaned and checked several times during the month.

RADIO REPAIR

Total number of items repaired was 142. This total was comprised of the following totals: command items, 27; liaison items, 28; VHF items, 20; IFP items, 11; compass items, 6; and miscellaneous items, 60. 362 repaired and reclaimed items were returned to the Signal Depot for stock.

SIGNAL DEPOT

82 requisitions were received and serviced. 94 repair order replacements were met. 25 shipping orders were received from I ASAC and AAFSC/MTO. 23 Air Freight shipments were delivered. 9 Air Freight shipments were received. Railroad shipments totalled 70 tons.


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Sheet No. 1 War Diary, 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia

Month of July 1944

Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C.

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1. Just at daylight two years ago today the members of the 33rd Signal Platoon (Avn) caught their last glimpse of the Statue of Liberty and the famous skyline of New York. Many changes have taken place in the insuing two years. We have grown from the thirty-one man platoon into a Signal Company Service Group. We have worked under both the famous 8th Service Command operating from England and under the equally famous 12th Service Command and finally the AAFSC/MTO. We have had five Commanding Officers including Captain Ort, our present Commanding Officer. We have had some good times and some bad times. On the whole it has been as pleasant as one could expect. But two years is a long time to be away from home.
2. Today we had a "dry run" parade. We formed in the Company area into three platoons and marched to our appointed place between the Quartermaster Company and the 17th Supply Squadron. The whole procedure was practiced twice. Our Company did fairly good. The mass front left turn was not so smooth but otherwise everything moved smoothly.
3. The men in our organization fell out at 0730 hours for a bit of private drill in preparation for the forthcoming parade. We practiced particularly, company mass left. Technical Sergeant Canfield appeared very nervous as the time approaches for the parade. Sergeant Canfield and Warrant Officer Schmidt are to be decorated by the Reviewing Officer.
4. This was quite a day for our organization. The parade was a huge success. A full account will be found under the heading of special events. We were very proud of Mr. Schmidt and Sergeant Canfield. After the parade we had a Company formation at which time Colonel Giesecke presented thirty of our men with Good Conduct Medals. When the formation was finished Mr. Schmidt informed us there was "Bou Coup" cold beer for everyone in the Mess Hall--compliments of Mr. Schmidt and Sergeant Canfield. This was a very thoughtful gesture on their part and the men certainly enjoyed the beer. The Red Cross had sandwiches and free beer at the beach all afternoon. All in all this was a very good Independence Day for the men of Station 16.
5. This was a sort of anti climax to yesterday. Several of the men felt the effects of too much brew on the 4th. Private First Class Severe "Frenchy" Beaulieu went to sleep on the beach and someone releived him of his wrist watch and his wallet containing some sixty dollars.
6. Lieutenant Hare, of the 17th Medical Detachment, gave a formal discussion about Malaria and its control.
7. Technician 4th Grade Samuel S. Karich left the organization today on his way back to the States on rotation of personnel. Sammy served twenty-five months of overseas duty, sixteen months with our organization.

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| 8. | The enlisted men of this organization enjoyed a very interesting dance at LaMarsa. They commented that it reminded one of a Saturday night dance back home. |
| 9. | Our Company was well represented at church today. In the afternoon every one who was not on shift went to the beach at LaMarsa. |
| 10. | All personnel of the base were placed under restriction for forty-eight hours. Lack of proper military courtesy was given as the reason for the restriction. |
| 11. | The following warning appeared in the Depot Daily Bulletin, "A report of four drownings on Sunday and six on Monday at LaMarsa makes it necessary to call attention to the stiff undertow that prevails. All orders or restrictions imposed by the life guard will be strictly adhered to". As a result of the restriction order more faces were seen in the Company Area and at the Base Red Cross than at anytime since we've been on the base. |
| 12. | The Depot Commander put out an order making it legal to omit ties and to open the collar and to roll the sleeves above the elbow. This order was received with much enthusiasm by the men who are obliged to wear Class A uniforms all the time. The restriction on the base was extended until further notice. |
| 13. | The restriction of all personnel to the limits of the base area was lifted at 0800 hours today. There was a big rush for passes and many men signed out for the beach. |
| 14. | We sent a platoon of men to participate in the Bastille Day parade in Tunis. The parade was very impressive and the "Yanks" received a round hand of applause when they passed the reviewing stand. Our Captain Ort was Officer of the Day. |
| 15. | Master Sergeant Pole and Private First Class Timney started their trip to the United States today. Both men have served a long time overseas. Timney is the first man from the original 33rd Signal Platoon to go home on rotation. |
| 16. | The Red Cross girls, Peggy Newton and Lucy Lane Kelly, are doing a wonderful job with the Red Cross at this station. The ice cream this afternoon was really good. A very enjoyable picture was shown at the Enlisted Men's Club, "Old Acquaintances" with Bette Davis and Marion Hopkins. |
| 17. | Today I went on sick call to have my eye checked. The doctor found, upon examination, that another pterygium has started. This means another operation on the same eye. This, of course, was discouraging news to me. |
| 18. | Private First Class Jack C. Weaver, was assigned and joined this organization from 891st Signal Company Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 1 Special Order 193 Headquarters AAFSC/MTO dated 11 July 1944. Weaver will work in Message Center as a motor messenger. |

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| 19. | Technician 5th Grade Lewis of our organization went into Sick Quarters in the local dispensary. Technician 5th Grade McCannon also went from duty to sick in quarters. Corporal McCannon is one of the cable splicers on detached service from 226th Signal Operations Company. |
| 20. | According to the Daily Bulletin, men taking civilian women to the beach must have a pass from Special Service for them. "Uncertain Glory" with Errol Flynn and Paul Lukas showed at the Enlisted Men's Club. |
| 21. | Warrant Officer Schmidt, our Signal Supply Officer went to Naples to appear before an examining board. Corporal Lewis was released from sick in quarters to duty. Our Radar Team returned from their monthly round of check ups today. Technician 4th Grade Woods and Technician 5th Grade McCannon, two cable splicers who have been doing some splicing for us were returned to their company. |
| 22. | A number of our friends from the 1144th Quartermaster Company stopped by to see us today. We were on the same base with these fellows for sixteen months. They are on their way to Naples. They came to see me about passes. I gave them pass blanks so they could visit Tunis. |
| 23. | Early this morning several of the men from the 1144th Quartermaster Company came by to tell us good by. They left at 0800 hours in a B-17. About 0900 hours some of these same men came back to the Orderly Room and told us of the tragedy which overtook them. Some fifteen minutes after taking off one of the engines burst into flames. The pilot gave orders to abandon ship. After twenty-two of the thirty men had jumped, the fire suddenly extinguished itself, and seven men were brought back safely. All the other twenty-two men are presumed to be lost; since they jumped into the Mediterranean Ocean. |
| 24. | Technician 4th Grade Bacon and Technician 5th Grade Miller were transferred to 1023rd Signal Company Service Group per Paragraph 3 Special Order 158 Headquarters I ASAC dated 19 July 1944. Both these men were excellent cryptographers and we were sorry to lose them. It has been reported that two of the men from the 1144th Quartermaster Company who baled out of the B-17 yesterday have been recovered. This report, however, has not been confirmed. |
| 25. | Four of the Quartermaster boys have been recovered alive. Four others, found dead were buried this afternoon. Technical Sergeant Cherry, Staff Sergeant Mayhew, Technician 4th Grade Winburg, Technician 5th Grade Youngblood, Privates First Class Alonso and Duckworth, and Private Crook were attached to this organization for rations. These were the men from the 1144th Quartermaster who did not bale out of the B-17 on Sunday. |
| 26. | Two more of the Quartermaster men were buried this afternoon. Lieutenant Haywood, Adjutant of the 1144th Quartermaster came by today and picked up his men who were attached to our organization and took them on to their destination. The four men in the hospital are doing fine. |

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| 27. | Today our Teletype circuit was discontinued. This left our whole Teletype Section with nothing to do. Mr Horr gave the members a brief vacation after which they will be allocated to other sections until such time as we are assigned another circuit. |
| 28. | Technician 4th Grade Sherman, radio operator, and Private First Class Swank, radio maintenance man were flown over to the island of Pantellaria to relieve Technical Sergeant Mortwedt and Technician 3rd Grade Wallace who have been working there for the past two weeks. |
| 29. | The dance at the Enlisted Man's Club was well attended. Rumor has it that Private First Class Weaver was the outstanding jitterbugger on the floor. Two Brigadier Generals were visitors on the base today. They visited Warrant Officer Schmidt's Signal Supply Depot but did not visit the Company area. |
| 30. | Our Commanding Officer had as his guest today, Lieutenant Colonel DeJong, Chief Signal Officer of I ASAC. Colonel DeJong was here on business pertaining to the teletype service to I ASAC from this base. |
| 31. | Teletype service will be resumed shortly. We will have a line to Tunis where the British will relay for us on to Algiers, Oran, and Casablanca. Today was pay day and physical inspection day. Another month can be checked off of the calendar of time. |


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Sheet No. 1 Special Account, 1033rd Signal Company SG El Aquina Tunisia

Month of July 1944 Prepared by Joseph Weinfurter, Corporal, Signal Corps

WOJG Frank J. Schmidt, son of Mrs Bertha Schmidt, 2148 Wellington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois has been awarded the Legion of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in North Africa". The award was presented to Mr. Schmidt on 4 July by Base Commander Colonel Martin C. Biesecke.

Presented at an Independence Day review of service command personnel, the citation reads: "Operating the first Air Force Signal Depot in Africa, Warrant Officer Schmidt, as Signal Property Officer at La Senia Air Base, received and shipped under extremely difficult conditions, over two thousand tons of signal equipment. To meet new and unforeseen operating conditions of this massive and unprecedented task, he speedily devised original and highly successful operating techniques. So successful were these innovations, that cadres of officers and enlisted men were later sent to La Senia Depot for indoctrination in the procedures which Warrant Officer Schmidt had devised."

Behind the broad outlines presented by the citation lies the story of how the 33-year old Chicagoan maintained the signal supply needs of a troop carrier command stationed in his area during the Tunisian campaign. Somehow the Signal supplies for the ground forces collaborating with the carrier command were way-laid and Warrant Officer Schmidt dispelled the emergency. Ground radio equipment and control tower units all were assembled speedily and played a vital part in the success of the campaign. High-ranking army officials, observing Mr Schmidt's work, issued letters of commendation, from which stemmed the citation and award.

A staff supply clerk for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company in civilian life, Mr Schmidt has been overseas for two years, serving in England and North Africa, chiefly as Signal Supply Officer for this organization. Inducted at Camp Grant, Illinois he was trained at Camp Crowder, Missouri and the Savannah Army Air Base, Georgia and Fort Dix, New Jersey. He was appointed Warrant Officer from the rank of Staff Sergeant 20 March 1943, while our company was at La Senia Air Base, Algeria.

(A picture of Mr Schmidt is attached.)

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Sheet No. 2 Special Account, 1033rd Signal Company SG El Aouina, Tunisia

Month of July 1944 Prepared by Joseph Weinfurter, Corporal, Signal Corps

The American mechanical ingenuity that has come to be tradition on all fronts of World War II was illuminated on 4 July when Tech Sergeant Wilbur B. Canfield, son of Willis Pierce Canfield, 412 Burdick Street, Stillwater, Oklahoma, was awarded the Legion of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service" in the North African campaign. The medal was presented to Canfield by Colonel Martin C. Giesecke.

The citation reads: "When an important air base had urgent need for an efficient teletype system which could not be immediately supplied, Tech Sgt. Canfield, working on his off-duty hours and utilizing odd and ends of Signal equipment, designed and constructed a well-operating switchboard. On another occasion, when a dental clinic needed an aspirator, he volunteered his services and with exceptional ingenuity and unusual technical ability supplied the needed mechanism. His devotion to duty above and beyond the usual is a credit to himself and his organization.

Sergeant Canfield's substitute switchboard maintained teletype lines in his area when ordinarily they would not have been in operation. When standard teletype switchboard equipment finally arrived, the substitute switchboard was shipped to the States and displayed in Signal Corps Schools as an example of what initiative and imagination could do under theater conditions.

Rigging up an airplane pump, a teletype motor, a tube and scattered other parts, Sgt. Canfield's aspirator operated smoothly as a suction device for dental wounds. His work as a radio technician too has received notable praise.

Sgt Canfield was formerly chief clerk for the United States Engineering Service before joining the Army. Teletype operator, teletype maintenance man, radio operator, radio technician, Sgt. Canfield, overseas two years now, has been a member of this organization for practically his entire army career. Enlisting in Oklahoma City, he served at Ft Sill and Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma, Savannah Army Air Base, Georgia, and Fort Dix, New Jersey before moving to England and then North Africa.

(A picture of the event is attached)

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Sergeant Officer Frank J. Schmitt



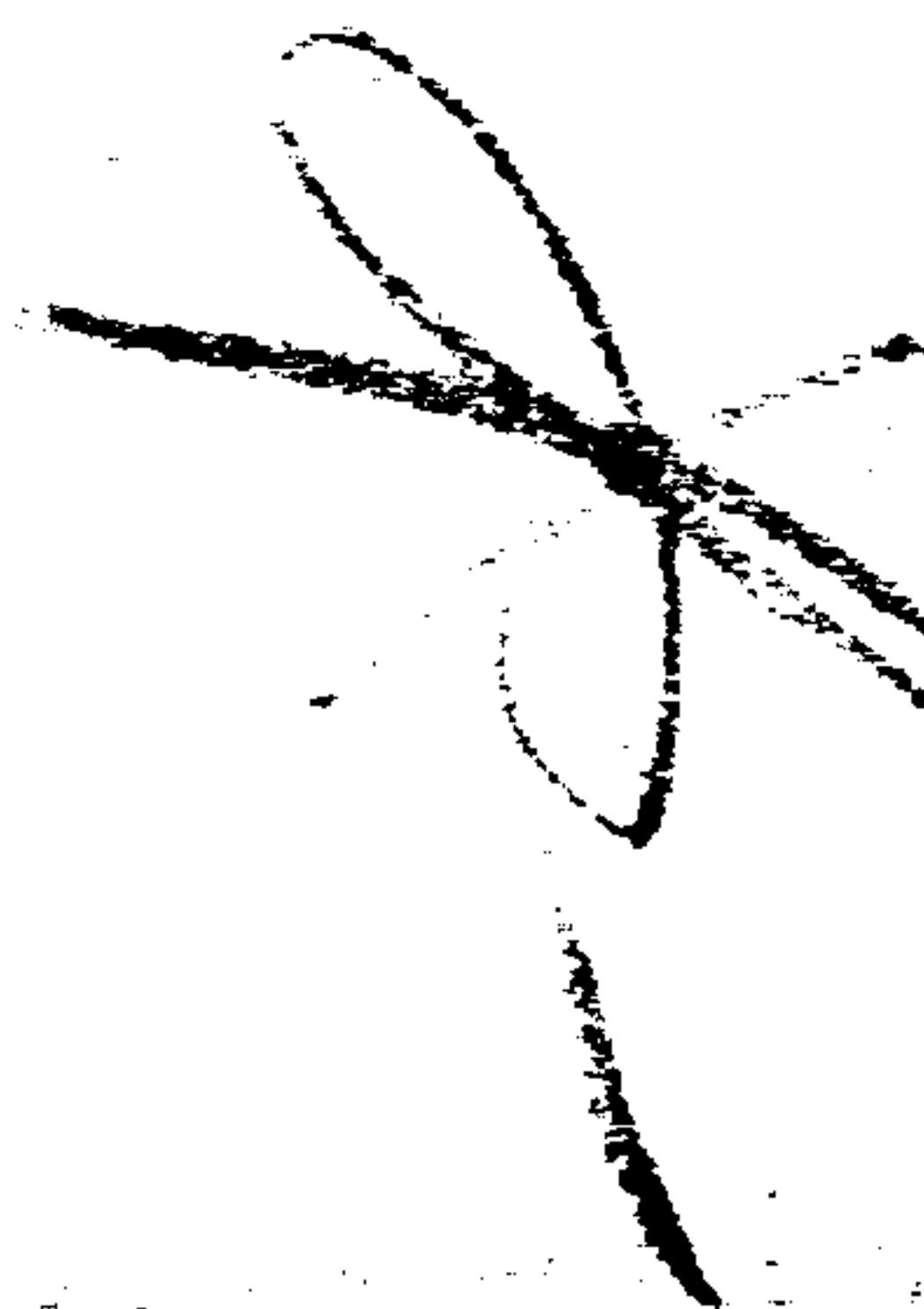
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Month of August 1944 Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C.

- a. Original unit
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(2) Place of organization: March Field, California
(3) Date of organization: 15 February 1941
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(5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men)
- b. Changes in organization: None
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted:
(1) At beginning of month 3 O; 89 EM
(2) Net increase: 0 O; 0 EM
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(4) At end of month: 3 O; 87 EM
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(6) RAF Station, Podington, England Date of Departure: 21 May 1942
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(8) El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia Date of Departure: 30 June 1942
Date of Arrival: 15 July 1942
Date of Departure: 17 September 1942
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Date of Departure: 6 December 1942
Date of Arrival: 23 December 1942
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Date of Arrival: 25 May 1944
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February 1941--28 November 1941; 1st Lt Bernard G. Johnson, 28 November 1941--4 February 1942; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kimmer, 18 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January 1944--19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944--to date.)
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: None

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Sheet No. 1 Outline History, 1013rd Signal Company, 22 El Aouina, Tunisia
 Month of August 1944 Prepared by Harry F. Ort, 1st Lt. Sig. Co.

- a. Original unit
 - (1) Designation: 13rd Signal Platoon (Air Base)
 - (2) Place of organization: March Field, California
 - (3) Date of organization: 15 February 1941
 - (4) Authority of organization: T/O Number 11-237 dated 16 December 1940 and letter DAAG File AG-221 dated 24 February 1941.
 - (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men)
- b. Changes in organization: None
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted:
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- d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:

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| (5) RAF Station, Hles-orth, England | Date of Arrival: 8 February 1942 |
| (6) RAF Station, Fodington, England | Date of Departure: 21 May 1942 |
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| | Date of Departure: 21 May 1944 |
| | Date of Arrival: 25 May 1944 |
- e. Remarks: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Gunn, 13 February 1941—26 November 1941; 1st Lt Edward G. Johnson, 26 November 1941—4 February 1942; 2nd Lt John B. Elsted, 4 February 1942—16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kinner, 16 September 1942—22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Norling, 22 February 1943—14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Runk, 14 June 1943—8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Main-ster, 8 January 1944—19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944—to date.)
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: None

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Month of August 1944 Prepared by David V. Sizemore, 1st Sgt., Sig. Co.

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 - (2) Place of organization: March Field, California
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- b. Changes in organization: None
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- e. MARCHES: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
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- i. Losses in action: None
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Sheet No. 1 War Diary 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina, Tunisia

Month of August 1944 Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C.

| DAY | EVENTS |
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| 1 | Teletype communication was resumed today. The section was very well pleased because they did not like the prospect of being "farmed out" to work in other sections of the organization. The personnel of this section was given three days off. Corporal Foster was heard to moan; "three days off, three francs to my name, all my clothes are dirty, and my girl can't get out of the barracks." |
| 2 | It seems that the hot weather is really upon us. The past two days seem to have been the hottest of the summer. Many men were observed downing salt pills before taking a drink of water. Master Sergeant McDonald has informed us that an occasional movie can be shown for the company since movie projectors are now coming into the Radio Repair Section for repair or overhaul from the entire area including Special Services of EBS and at least one projector is in repair all the time. After repairs are made, the projector will be given a "test" run that evening with a film borrowed from the 17th Air Depot Group's Special Service Office. It is our hope that the projectors for repair will continue to come in. |
| 3 | Today "Jumbo" Schrimsher, with his Italian helper, started fixing a screen for movies. The pictures will be reflected on the north wall of our orderly room. The first step in the preparation was to plaster up the holes in the wall which still exist from the Tunisian campaign. After the holes were filled, the screen area was measured off and outlined with a six-inch black border then the whole surface of interior of the black border was painted white. This made an A-1 projection screen. |
| 4 | Tonight we had the first Company movie. The theater is of the open air variety, located immediately behind the Company Headquarters building. All the fellows were very enthusiastic because the sound was perfect and the screen worked fine. We are grateful to Special Services for loaning us film. |
| 5 | Staff Sergeant Wesley F. Reohr was relieved from assignment and transferred on rotation to Personnel Center #2, EBS for trans-shipment to the United States per Paragraph 3 Special Order 210, Headquarters AAFSC/ETO dated 28 July 1944. Wes, is the second one of the original men who came overseas in this organization to go home on rotation. "Wes" was especially eager to get home because he had a baby boy sixteen months old whom he had never seen. He left a host of friends in this organization and here's hoping he gets a good assignment after he has had his furlough at home. |
| 6 | The Daily Bulletin of AFGD #2 dated 5 August reported that Sunday will be the official day off for all personnel except a skeleton crew remaining on duty in each department. The day off for such personnel will be Monday. |
| 7 | Some of the men of our organization who are members of the "First Three Grader's Club" in Tunis were pleasantly surprised to find that they could order rum and coke last night. This is by far the best "GI" club we have ever seen. |

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| 8 | Today a group of our men went to the firing range for some target practice and came back with some fairly good scores. Out of a possible 50 average, Sergeant Gould scored the best for the organization with a 45. Many of the men are anxious to return to the range as they are almost positive they can turn in better scores than they did today. |
| 9 | The men of the organization know what it is to go through a Tunisian hurricane. Around nine o'clock tonight a black cloud came rolling out of the northeast accompanied by plenty of thunder and lightening. Very few of the men were in the Company area. Most of them were at the Enlisted Men's Beach, the Red Cross, or the show. Before the few men that were around could lower all the tent sides a torrent of rain with plenty of hail and wind was upon us. The wind must have reached a maximum of at least sixty miles. Believe me, there were several men who slept on wet cots. The Motor Pool tent blew down and two pyrominals were damaged. |
| 10 | We met our first opposition in the Depot ping pong tournament tonight. We won three out of five matches. Our entrants looked good and should make a strong bid for the championship. Lieutenant Polishuk returned today from detached service with AAFSC/ETO. We had a return visit from the storm. The fellows were kidding each other about being out in shorts with helmets trying to get the tent flaps to fit more snugly. |
| 11 | Lieutenant Polishuk gave a very interesting talk on his experience in Russia. He was chosen to act as interpreter for a general going on business to Russia. Lieutenant Polishuk told something of the customs and habits of the Russian people as observed by him. His description of the famous 224 gun salute in Moscow was particularly vivid. The men displayed much interest in the talk as evidenced by the many questions asked at the end of the lecture. |
| 12 | Corporal Hobart was assigned to us from 22nd Replacement Battalion per Paragraph 17 Special Order 198 Headquarters 22nd Replacement Battalion dated 27 July. Hobart is the replacement for Corporal Loberger, our first man to be sent home on rotation. Incidentally, one of the men in the organization had a letter from Loberger stating that he is now working in the Pentagon Building in Washington, D.C. as a teletype operator. Lucky fellow. |
| 13 | The Radar team returned today from their monthly check-up round. We enjoyed some delicious white grapes for chow today that Sergeant Sherman brought back from the island where he has been working for the past two weeks. |
| 14 | Technician 5th Grade Albert J. Janousek and Private Arnold W. Carson were attached to us for rations and quarters. These are two of the survivors of the B-17 tragedy which happened to the 1144th Quartermaster Company. They have been in the hospital since the tragedy and seem to be fully recovered now. |
| 15 | It was officially announced today that we will get a new switchboard. This should help our communication problem a great deal. The present board is not adequate to take care of the volume of business we handle. |

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| 16 | The two boys from the 1144th Quartermaster Company left to join their outfit in Italy. Here's hoping they have a lot better luck this time. Technical Sergeant Smith and Technician 4th Grade Boze were attached to us from the 296th Signal Installation Company. These boys will help to install our new switchboard. Private Schrimsher was sent back to the hospital with his wrenched knee. He spent three weeks there in June and his knee has never regained its strength. |
| 17 | Private First Class Franklin received a very nice commendation on work well done last night in the form of a letter written by Lieutenant Colonel Shaw, Commanding Officer of the 837th Engineer Battalion. The following is a quotation of the letter: "On the night of 16 August it was necessary for a long distance call to Oran to be relayed through Gallop switchboard by the operator there". "The operator then on duty, Private First Class Franklin, in relaying difficult questions and answers, performed the most efficient job as a telephone operator that I have to date observed." |
| 18 | Technician 5th Grade Chamberlain and Private Chasin were transferred to the 1085th Signal Company, SG per Paragraph 4 Special Order 164, Headquarters I ASAC dated 12 August 1944. |
| 19 | The usual Saturday night dance was held at the Enlisted Men's Club at La Marsa. The men certainly seem to enjoy these dances. For those who stayed in camp there was a good picture at the theater. |
| 20 | Today was Sunday and practically all of the men of the station were enjoying their day off. There was a very good turn out for church. After lunch all roads lead to the seashore. Special Services is doing a great deal toward making the men of this base comfortable at the beach. They furnish food for the supper meal on Sunday. Special Services is to be congratulated on their efforts. |
| 21 | Today we were able to give three forty-eight hour passes to deserving men. The new plan is to give each man a chance at a two day pass before the last of September. We plan to give out three passes on Mondays and six on Wednesdays. The men seem very enthused at the prospect. |
| 22 | Today we had a good mail call. It was the first which we have received in several days. It is good to see the men's faces light up when there is mail to hand out to them. Results made at the firing range were sent to Depot Headquarters today. Sergeant Gould's 45 was the highest mark in the company. The average for the entire organization was 30. |
| 23 | Sergeant Gover was sent on detached service to Headquarters I ASAC to work in their Cryptographic Section. This will work a hardship on our Cryptographic Section as it leaves only two men in the department. Sergeants Kasha and Streifer will do their best until Gover is returned to us. |
| 24 | We were sorry to hear that one of our local Red Cross directors, Miss Peggy Newton, was hospitalized today. Peggy has made many friends in our outfit and we all wish a speedy recovery for her. |

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| 25 | Today I spent my third birthday overseas with all of them being spent in a different place. The first in London, the second in Oran, Algeria, and this one at the First Three Grader's Club in Tunis. I was greatly surprised when the band played "Happy Birthday" and every one joined in to sing. Then the French girls filed by and kissed me lightly on either cheek according to an old French custom, so they tell me. |
| 26 | Today we sent two more radio men to the island; Technicians 5th Grade Lewis and Whorton as operator and maintenance man respectively. Technician 4th Grade Tarochione and Corporal Reynolds returned from their two week's work on the island. Pete Tarochione got along swell with the natives with his Italian speaking ability and playing his accordian. |
| 27 | The telephone section was very busy today cutting over the new switchboard. The operators are going to have some bad days until everyone gets accustomed to the changes. Here to fore there were two boards, now there will only be one. Instead of saying "Outgo" or "Gallop", the operators will say "Number Please". Also, several numbers were of necessity changed so the operators will have to correct the careless person who picks up his telephone and gives the old number and finds himself connected to a totally strange number. |
| 28 | Today Colonel Giesecke, Commanding Officer of the 17th Air Depot Group, called Captain Ort, our Commanding Officer, on the telephone and congratulated him on the orderly manner in which the difficult switchboard cut-over was made. The Telephone Operations and Maintenance Sections felt very good over the whole thing. |
| 29 | Staff Sergeant Guaraldi and his work detail were busy today building new horse shoe pits for the forth coming company tournament. Much interest is being shown from the various sections in their elimination contests to determine who shall be the representatives for the round robin playoff for the Company championship. |
| 30 | Quite a number of the men of this organization took advantage of an educational tour sponsored by Special Services. The trip was to "Dugga", the cite of some of the best preserved Roman ruins in the section. |
| 31 | This was pay day and the men were really for it. It seemed that we had more "broke" men before this pay day than we've had for some time. Technician 4th Grade Schwartz, who has been in the hospital since June 26 was transferred to the detachment of patients in the 54th Station Hospital. Here's hoping we do not lose "Schwartzzy" because he is a very valuable man in the Radio Repair Section. |


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- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Gans, 13 February 1941--28 November 1941; 1st Lt Bernard G. Johnson, 28 November 1941--4 February 1942; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kimmer, 18 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January 1944--19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944--to date.)
- i. Losses in action: None
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- k. Photographs: None


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| (4) Fort Dix, N. J. | Date of Arrival: 22 May 1942 |
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- i. Losses in action: None
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Month of September 1944 Prepared by David V. Biggers, 1st Sgt., Sig. C.

| DAY | EVENTS |
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| 1 | Today we were officially informed that trips to the Rome and Capri Rest Camps are forth coming. Our organization will be allowed to send two men the first week and one man each week there after. |
| 2 | Master Sergeant McDonald returned from detached service with the 57th Station Hospital where he installed a movie set-up for them. |
| 3 | First Sergeant Biggers and Technical Sergeant Canfield were selected from this organization to make the trip to Rome and Capri. They left this base at 0900 hours. |
| 4 | A large number of our men have had severe head colds recently. Sergeants Martindale and Steinhols were confined to quarters as a result of colds. |
| 5 | Our Commanding Officer, Captain Ort, was duty officer. He reported a very quiet tour of duty. A large number of our boys enjoyed the movie "Follow The Boys" with an all star cast shown at the Enlisted Men's Club, La Marsa. |
| 6 | There was a Casbah Tour last night sponsored by the Red Cross. Only twenty men could go but those who were lucky enough to make it said that it was very interesting to see a bit of Arabic night life. |
| 7 | Several more men have been ill with colds. Corporals Rennert and Hobart have been confined to quarters for treatment of their colds. Much interest is being displayed by the men of this organization in horse shoe pitching. There is a movement on foot to organize teams in the different sections and have an organizational tournament. |
| 8 | Technicians 5th Grade Lewis and Whorton returned from their two weeks tour of duty on Pantellaria. Both these men enjoyed their stay and were a bit reluctant to return to the mainland. Technician 4th Grade Althoff and Private First Class Burnside relieved them. |
| 9 | The Saturday night dance at the Enlisted Men's Club at La Marsa was well attended. Quite a number of the men of this organization have been enjoying membership in the "First Three Grader's Club" in Tunis. |
| 10 | Sergeants Biggers and Canfield returned from their visit to the Rest Camps in Rome and Capri. They were very enthusiastic about the trip. They both agreed that this trip is about the greatest thing the Army has to offer. They displayed many souvenirs and reported that it is a man's own fault if he doesn't have fun on this trip. Technical Sergeant Baker left on the trip for this week. |
| 11 | All personnel of this base were warned to wear head gear when going to and from the Army Exchange. The picture at the Enlisted Men's Club in La Marsa was "Jack London" with Michael O'Shane. |

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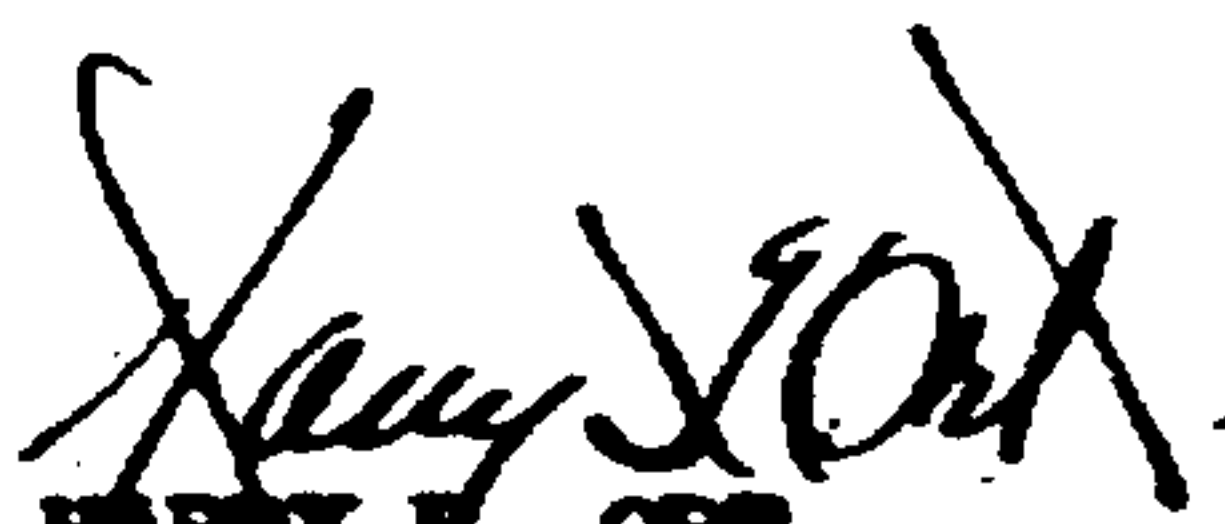
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| 12 | Technician 4th Grade Brans was released from quarters after being treated for a slight case of dysentery. The medical officers report several new cases of dysentery and made an appeal to all men to be very careful and help get it under control before it spreads further. |
| 13 | Captain Ort was Officer of the Day. The first game for the Tunisian Baseball Championship was won by the Navy team from Bizerte. The Navy aggregation was sparked by Red Scharpples, the same boy we remember so well from the Basketball Championship games played at La Senia last April. |
| 14 | Technical Sergeant Green of the 1081st Signal Company, who has been checking our switchboard for the past few days returned to his station. Sergeant Green pronounced our switchboard alright. "Sweet Rosie O'Grady" starring Betty Grable was the movie. |
| 15 | Technical Sergeant Snider was sent on detached service to Pantellaria for a week. Effective today all trip tickets for transportation of civilians in government vehicles must be signed by the Depot Transportation Officer. |
| 16 | The Company Horse Shoe tournament is gaining more interest each day. As the second round draws to a close the team representing the Switchboard Operators is ruling; favorite closely followed by Telephone Repair and Teletype. The most closely contested game to date was between the two telephone entries. The operators had to go the full seven games to take the contest four games to three. |
| 17 | In the recent ping-pong tournament sponsored by Special Services, our entries won second place. We were beaten in the final contest by the 17th Air Depot Group's Repair Squadron. The men representing the 1033rd were Corporals Weinfurter and Foster, Staff Sergeant Guaraldi, and Sergeant Basile. |
| 18 | Technical Sergeant Baker returned from his visit to the Rest Camps at Rome and Capri. He reported a great time. Master Sergeant McDonald left for the same trip today. |
| 19 | There was a USO Show at the Enlisted Men's Beach. The men, particularly, enjoyed the Master of Ceremonies and the sweet singing of Helen Young, former vocalist for Johnny Long's Band. |
| 20 | Quite a number of men turned out for the horse shoe match between the Telephone Repair and Teletype Section. The former team took the match four games to two. |
| 21 | The Company Area looked like a playground back home after evening chow today. One group of men was passing a football around with great abandon and eventually started a touch-football game. Another group was enjoying a hotly contested volley ball game. Both horse shoe courts were engaged with a waiting list of players acting as spectators. It's really good to see so many men interested in sports. A great deal of the credit goes to our Supply Officer, Mr. Schmidt, for procuring an abundance of athletic equipment and much credit is due Technician 5th Grade Hamilton who lends much of his leisure time to planning and encouraging participation in sports. |
| 22 | Sergeants Snider and Althoff, and Private First Class Barnside returned from Pantellaria. Technician 4th Grade Sherman and Private First Class Swank were sent on their regular tour of duty to the Island. |

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| 23 | Captain Harry F. Ort made a business trip to Headquarters I ASAC in Casablanca. |
| 24 | Sergeants Hughes, Valence, and Tollenaar of the Radar Team were sent on detached service to Italy. Master Sergeant McDonald returned from his furlough at Rome and Capri and Technical Sergeant Mortvedt left on his furlough to the same places. |
| 25 | The Depot Bulletin informed us that in the carbine firing on the range this week several prizes will be awarded by Depot Special Services. A \$25 War Bond will be given to the high scorer in each lot of two hundred and thirty enlisted men. We have several good marksmen who should give some keen competition for the prizes. |
| 26 | Corporal Whorton has completed the wiring of the Company Area which before was very poor. Corporal Whorton and Private First Class Swank set new poles, used rubber cable and as a result our area is free of fire hazards from the lighting installations. |
| 27 | Private First Class Byrne with the help of some PW's has done a remarkable job of beautifying the area. He has constructed gravelled walks bordered by white stones neatly placed in rows. "Cy" has built two very good horse shoe courts, a volley ball and basketball court. His latest accomplishment was winterizing the tents by covering the side walls with tarred paper. |
| 28 | Sergeants Schroyer and Hennkens, Technicians 5th Grade Cunningham and Ingram, and Private Sewell left for Oren to deliver some radio vans for the Supply Depot. Private Schrimsher was released from the 57th Station Hospital today after spending forty-five days there but his knee injury is far from well. |
| 29 | Technical Sergeant Yockubisin was sent to Pantellaria for a week to be in charge of the enlisted men working there. Technician 3rd Grade Killian and Private First Class Beaulieu were sent to the 57th Station Hospital for treatment. |
| 30 | Corporals Szachowicz and Novak, representing the Telephone Operators, won the double horse shoe tournament. These men each received a carton of cigarettes for his efforts and skill. There was so much interest in the double tournament that we immediately launched a singles tournament to discover the one best pitcher in the company. We had our regular semi-monthly physical inspection by Lieutenant Hare and had pay call immediately after; thus closing our twenty-seventh month overseas. |


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Sheet No. 1 Outline History, 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina, Tunisia.
Month of October 1944 Prepared by Robert L. McDonald, M/Sgt., Sig. C.

- a. Original unit
- (1) Designation: 33rd Signal Platoon (Air Base)
 - (2) Place of organization: March Field, California
 - (3) Date of organization: 15 February 1941
 - (4) Authority of organization: T/O Number 11-237 dated 16 December 1940 and letter WDAGO File AG-221 dated 24 February 1941.
 - (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Wing. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men.)
- b. Changes in organization: None
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted:
- (1) At beginning of month: 3 O; 86 EM
 - (2) Net increase: 0 O; 2 EM
 - (3) Net decrease: 0 O; 0 EM
 - (4) At end of month: 3 O; 88 EM
- d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:
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| (1) March Field, California | Date of Activation: 15 February 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 March 1941 |
| (2) Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City | Date of Arrival: 2 April 1941 |
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| (5) RAF Station, Malesworth, England | Date of Arrival: 15 July 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 17 September 1942 |
| (6) RAF Station, Podington, England | Date of Arrival: 17 September 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 December 1942 |
| (7) La Senia Air Base, Algeria | Date of Arrival: 23 December 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May 1944 |
| (8) El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia | Date of Arrival: 25 May 1944 |
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February 1941--28 November 1941; 1st Lt Bernard C. Johnson, 28 November 1941--4 February 1942; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kimmer, 18 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January 1944--19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944--to date.)
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: None

James E. Hart CWO
HARRY F. ORT,
Capt., Sig. C.
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Sheet No. 1 War Diary 1033rd Signal Company, SG El Aouina, Tunisia.

Month of October 1944 Prepared by Robert L. McDonald, M/Sgt., Sig. C.

| DAY | EVENTS |
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| 1 | Warrant Officer Schmidt and Staff Sergeant Kaminsky left this morning for their furloughs in Rome and Capri. Both left with bulging pocketbooks with intentions, apparently, of some rather extensive souvenir purchases. From previous personal experience, I'm sure they won't be disappointed. Warrant Officer Horr left this morning on detached service for official business with AAF/MTO in Naples. He left on the same plane with Mr. Schmidt and Sergeant Kaminsky but will not be enjoying a furlough with them. |
| 2 | Technical Sergeant Mortvedt returned today from his Rome-Capri tour. He reported an enjoyable trip even though he was forced to lay over a day at Naples because of bad weather. |
| 3 | Although our Supply Sergeant made the issue of woolens several days ago, they became the official uniform today. Those who had not had a complete issue were required to wear ties with their khakis; this being the first time ties have been required since the relaxation of uniform regulations early last summer. "OD's are quite welcomed, however, since the weather has a very definite fall "tang" in it. |
| 4 | Private First Class "Frenchy" Beaulieu was returned from the station hospital today. Corporal Szachowicz won the Company singles horse-shoe tournament and was awarded a carton of cigarettes. A "Last Four Grader's" Club was opened officially tonight in Tunis sponsored by the 17th Air Depot Group. Thirty-two men from this organization joined and paid their five hundred franc entrance fee. Technician 4th Grade Cottrell of Radio Repair constructed a small P.A. system for the club. Technician 5th Grade Hamilton represents the 1033rd in the Clubs official activities. |
| 5 | Warrant Officer Horr and Staff Sergeant Gulley were appointed Company Safety Officer and Non-Commissioned Officer respectively. Master Sergeant McDonald went into the 57th Station Hospital this morning for treatment. |
| 6 | Warrant Officer Horr returned today from Naples. Technical Sergeant Yockubisin who has been on Pantellaria for the past week with Technician 4th Grade Sherman and Private First Class Swank who have been there for the past two weeks, returned to the Company today. They were relieved by Technician 5th Grade Lewis and Private First Class Plate. |
| 7 | Privates Iserhott and Middlemas received promotions to the grade of Private First Class today. The men who drove trucks through to AFS #12 returned to the organization today. |
| 8 | Our Supply Sergeant, Staff Sergeant Falton started off on his trip to Rome this morning. Technical Sergeant Hughes, Staff Sergeant Valence and Technician 3rd Grade Tollenaar, men of the attached radar team, returned to the Company today from detached service with the 1095th Signal Company. |

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| 9 | Telephone maintenance men and operators requisitioned by ATO to replace our telephone maintenance and operator personnel arrived today and started the task of learning the system set up on the base by us. They will ultimately replace our men, who will, in the meantime, stand by to assist in advisory and supervisory capacity. |
| 10 | Warrant Officer Schmidt and Sergeant Kaminsky finally got back from their Rome trip. He had nearly given them up for lost but they made it back safe and sound after the weather finally permitted them to fly. They didn't return empty handed. The places they visited are no doubt quite a few dollars richer because of them. Sergeant McDonald returned to duty from the hospital. Master Sergeant Jackson and Sergeant Clark were assigned and joined our organization today per Paragraph 14, Special Order 268, Headquarters 22nd Replacement Battalion dated 5 October 1944. Sergeant Jackson is a telephone maintenance man and Sergeant Clark is a teletype operator. |
| 11 | An epidemic of Bubonic plague seems imminent and the medics have started inoculations against the dread disease. Our organization was given its first of two shots this morning. Captain Hare, Medical Officer, gave a short lecture on methods of safeguarding against exposure and a "rat campaign" is already under way in the company area. "Cy" Byrne and his crew of Italians gave the rats a taste of carbon-monoxide by running a hose from a vehicle's exhaust underneath each tent floor. Although it's a very serious business, the humorous aspect of this particular treatment was not absent. It was quite comical to watch the process with Cy operating the hose and a person stationed at each corner of the tent with a bat in his hand in case a rat decided to make a run for it into cleaner air. Private James Schrimsher went to the range today for carbine practice and shot a score of 122 out of a possible 125 points. Schrimsher won a \$25 war bond for highest score of firing that was done at a range of 100 yds. from prone and sitting positions. |
| 12 | Today we were pleasantly surprised by a visit from Lieutenant Mainzer, a former Commanding Officer of this Company. During his duty with this Company, the Lieutenant made a large number of friends and was more than ordinarily welcomed. He announced that he will be with us for a few days. He is now assigned to Headquarters, I ASAC. |
| 13 | A trip to Kairouan, Tunisia, scheduled for this Sunday, was announced by the Red Cross. Kairouan is a famous rug-making center as well as one of the four "meccas" for those of the Moslem faith. There are a number of large and very ancient mosques in the city which are really beautiful. Most of them date back to 600 AD. Fifteen men from our company have signed up to go. |
| 14 | Lieutenant Mainzer left today to return to his organization. The enlisted men's dance is being held tonite at the Red Cross club in Tunis. The EM Club at La Marsa has been closed down for the season which is regretted by many in this unit. It provided much entertainment during the summer with its beach, movies, and Saturday night dances. |
| 15 | This has been a quiet Sunday. The boys returning from the Kairouan trip reported an interesting and enjoyable time. The Red Cross has announced a forthcoming pet contest to be held here at El Aouira tomorrow evening. The 1033rd will no doubt be well represented. We have quite a menagerie. |

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- 16 The Red Cross pet contest went off well and all entries from the Company won some prize or recognition. The men at the transmitter borrowed an Arab's donkey and brought along a pet mouse named "Oscar". Several dogs from the Company were entered. A Brazilian honey bear, an entry from another unit won the prize as "most original" entry and topped off the evening by getting into the mouse's cage and making a meal of poor "Oscar".
- 17 Sergeant Falton finally got back from his furlough and Sergeant Martindale got away at long last. It seems that the weather was too poor for flying again and held up the plane in Italy. Volley ball has evoked so much interest in the Company that another court is required and will be under construction soon.
- 18 Increased restriction and off limits areas were announced today in order to protect troops from exposure to bubonic plague. The Tunis Casbah, which would undoubtedly be a hotbed of infection in the event of an epidemic, was declared strictly off limits and all sight-seeing trips were banned. The second and last immunization shot was given all members of the Company today. The Company's basketball team played an exhibition game with the 1631st Engineers at the Red Cross Club in Tunis. Our team won with a score of 25 over the Engineer's 24.
- 19 The telephone maintenance section, in conjunction with the local British Signals, is now making a study of French underground cables located on the base. With permission of the French authorities, they will repair and place into service existing cables thereby expanding the present cable facilities and possibly eliminating the greater part of the necessary overhead wire. Three French women were added to the staff of switchboard operators at the base exchange. Their English is surprisingly good and it is apparent that they will, in a comparatively short time, make good operators. Our operators are instructing them in the handling of calls as well as polishing up their English.
- 20 First Sergeant Dave Biggers was relieved from duties today and left this morning for the 1st Replacement Depot for trans-shipment to the States. Dave was as excited as a small child and we can't blame him a bit. Almost two and a half years overseas is enough to make anyone a bit anxious to get back. We'll all miss Dave as he was a good "top-kick" and a swell fellow. Master Sergeant McDonald will act as First Sergeant until a replacement arrives. Sergeant Mortweat, Corporal Richard, and Private Usher went on detached service to Pantellaria this morning to relieve Technician 5th Grade Lewis and Private First Class Plate.
- 21 It has been a quiet Saturday on the Base but many of the boys are making merry tonite at the Enlisted Men Clubs in town. The "Club Seventeeners" for the last four grades is especially popular at this time.
- 22 Our attached Radar team left this morning, bag and baggage. Lieutenant Polishuk and his men are driving to Oran and will embark there for Italy.

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| 23 | Captain Ort gave the Company a short talk this evening explaining the Army Air Force Aid Society; its purposes and aims, as well as full particulars regarding memberships. Over half of the Company made immediate pledges. |
| 24 | Corporal Reynolds was today reduced to grade of Private as the result of a Summary Court Martial held at Depot Headquarters. |
| 25 | Technicians 5th Grade Gragg and Stewart were placed on detached service at AFSD #12. They are driving trucks through to Gran for Base Transportation and will be gone for about a week. |
| 26 | Many of our men attended the Sunday morning church service at the Base Chapel. Several of the men went on different sight-seeing trips while others spent the day at "Club Seventeeners". |
| 27 | The Company basketball team defeated EBS Headquarters team 27 to 24 at the Red Cross in Tunis. Corporal Reinfurter was the high scorer for the winners with nine points. |
| 28 | A personal inspection of all men in the organization was conducted this morning by Captain Peyton of the 2488 Quartermaster Company. The inspection was made in full uniform and the results were gratifying. |
| 29 | This evening Private First Class Beaulieu jumped off a truck and broke a bone in the lower part of his leg. Fortunately, it is only a simple fracture but Beaulieu will be hospitalized for forty-five days. |
| 30 | Special Order Number 292 dated 19 October 1944 from Headquarters AAPSC/ITO informed us that First Sergeant Jim A. Church, assigned to the 2488 Quartermaster Truck Company (Avn) is transferred to this Company as replacement for First Sergeant Biggers, who left ten days ago on rotation orders. |
| 31 | The men were paid off immediately following the physical inspection. Captain Hare, the Medical Officer making the inspection, gave a short lecture to the men, a part of which was given to some very nice compliments of the Company's record of zero of VD cases for the past six months. First Sergeant Jim A. Church joined the organization today being transferred from the 2488 Quartermaster Truck Company. |

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| | Date of Departure : 17 September 1942 |
| (6) RAF Station, Podington, England | Date of Arrival : 17 September 1942 |
| | Date of Departure : 6 December 1942 |
| (7) La Senia Air Base, Algeria | Date of Arrival : 23 December 1942 |
| | Date of Departure : 21 May 1944 |
| (8) El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia | Date of Arrival : 25 May 1944 |
| | Date of Departure : 28 November 1944 |
| (9) Naples, Italy | Date of Arrival : 3 December 1944 |
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following)
Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February 1941--28 November 1941;
1st Lt Bernard C. Johnson, 28 November 1941--4 February 1942; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kimmer, 18 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January 1944--19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944--to date.)
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs; Two photographs of a Company party.


Harry F. Ort
Capt., Sig. C.
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1033rd SIGNAL COMPANY, SG

NOVEMBER 1944

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary 1033rd Signal Company, SG Naples, Italy

Month of November 1944 Prepared by Jim A. Church, First Sergeant...Sig. C.

| DAY | EVENTS |
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| 1 | Beginning another month overseas, the 1033rd is at work preparing the Company Area for the winter months. Depot Supply has issued aircraft heating units for tent heating. Technician 5th Grade Cunningham, Stewart and Gragg are installing the units. |
| 2 | Private Usher was admitted to the 57th Station Hospital today with stomach trouble. The Company basketball outfit was defeated by 17th Headquarters Squadron 28-25 in the last three minutes of play. |
| 3 | Sergeant Wallace and Corporal Lewis relieved Sergeant Mortwedt and Corporal Richard for duty at the radio station on Pantelleria. |
| 4 | Our men spent another Saturday night at the clubs in Tunis. The men are well pleased with the accommodations at the First Three Graders and 7 teeners' clubs. Mr. Horr and five of our men came back from a hunting trip where they killed a large wild boar. Technician 5th Grade Fowler fired the deadly shot. Private "Jumbo" Schrimsher skinned and cleaned the animal. |
| 5 | Staff Sergeant Kaminsky was sent on detached service to Hq & Hq Squadron, I ASAC per Paragraph 5 Special Order 204 dated 30 October 1944 Hqs I ASAC. Captain Ort and Staff Sergeant Gully left this morning to spend a weeks furlough in Rome and Capri. Technician 3rd Grade Washa arrived back from his furlough which he enjoyed very much. |
| 6 | A message from I ASAC informed us that Captain Ort was to be transferred out of the organization. Captain Ort is to be transferred to the 1085th Signal Company and their Commanding Officer, Captain Hopkins is to be transferred to our Company. After supper, First Sergeant Church held a meeting of the Company to nominate a committee to plan a farewell party for Captain Ort. W/O Schmidt was appointed chairman and five enlisted men were selected to help him. |
| 7 | Mr. Schmidt held a meeting of the party committee and it was decided to hold this party at the Signal Depot one week from today. We are to eat the wild boar the men killed on the hunting trip and Sergeant Sopinski promised a fine meal. |
| 8 | Our basketball team suffered another defeat tonight at the hands of the 417th Quartermaster Platoon. The score was 30-26. It seems that our ballplayers play good ball up to the last few minutes of the contest. |
| 9 | Still fixing our area for the winter. Cy Byrne and his POW'S completed a wash room which will come in very handy. First Sergeant Church went to Tunis this morning to make an estimate on straw to make mattresses for the men. |
| 10 | The men are still having some real good volley ball games at noon time and after duty hours. We received more Special Service reading material today which was placed in the library in our Day Room. |
| 11 | Private First Class Iserhott of the Crypt Section was sent to Pantelleria. Private Usher returned from the hospital today feeling much better than when he entered. |
| 12 | Captain Ort and Staff Sergeant Gully returned from their furlough. Both of them enjoyed the well-planned trip to Italy. Staff Sergeant Stoeber left this morning to spend a week in Rome and Capri. All the men who have gone on furlough have returned with some very nice souvenirs. |
| 13 | Tonight we had the party which we have been planning since hearing of Captain Ort's transfer. A delicious meal of wild boar, several vegetables, fruit, cake and coffee was prepared by Sergeant Sopinski and his kitchen staff. A real treat to all the men was American beer which they surely enjoyed and also the mixed drinks of rum and coca-cola. Entertainment was furnished by Sergeants Sherman and Tarochione playing the piano and accordion respectively. Guests for the evening included Major Clark, Lieutenants Neymschoff and Anderson of the 17th |

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| DAY | EVENTS |
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| | Air Depot Group and Miss Carrie Young of the American Red Cross. Photographs which are enclosed were taken by Sergeant Griffiths of Base Photo. Everyone seemed to have had an enjoyable evening. |
| 14 | Several men had slight headaches this morning as a result of last night's party. Some of the men got hold of a rumor that our Company is to move. A rumor such as that always lifts the morale of our men as they enjoy traveling. |
| 15 | Captain Raymond J. Hopkins of the 1085th Signal Company arrived this afternoon. Captain Hopkins was assigned to this organization per Paragraph 2 Special Order 206, Hqs I ASAC dated 4 November 1944. |
| 16 | Every week, the basketball team gets the jitters in the last few minutes of play and comes out on the short end of the score. Tonight it was the ATC Engineers that defeated our basketball team to the tune of 26-25. This game was played without Corporal Weinfurter who has been playing good ball all this season. Weinfurter turned his ankle in practice yesterday and was unable to take part in tonight's contest. |
| 17 | Captain Ort left this morning to take command of the 1085th Signal Company per Paragraph 2 Special Order 206 Hqs I ASAC dated 4 November 1944. Sergeant Wallace returned from Pantelleria. Corporal Lewis remained at duty on the island and Corporal Whorton was sent out to do the radio maintenance work. |
| 18 | Sergeant Wallace left this morning on furlough to Rome and Capri and Sergeant Stoeber returned from his week in Italy. This being a very nice Sunday, many of the men took short trips to places of interest near the base. |
| 19 | An inspection of the tents was held this morning by Captain Hopkins, Mr. Horr, and Sergeant Church. A few men were short some mess utensils which are to be procured from our Supply Sergeant. The inspection was rated as excellent. |
| 20 | We received another message from I ASAC today. The message informed us that the Special Order which transferred Captain Ort to the 1085th Signal Company and Captain Hopkins to our organization was rescinded. Captain Hopkins is to be placed on detached service with the 1081st Signal Company. |
| 21 | It is another sad story in regards to our basketball team. Our team and the 17th Repair outfit have become "drinking buddies" at "Club Seventeeners" and the game between the two organizations was said to be a better contest by the "bar-room coaches". The prognosticators weren't far from wrong as the Repairmen edged out the Signalmen by a 26-23 score. This was a good, clean, and hard fought game by both teams. Both outfits went to Club Seventeeners after the contest and bought each other drinks. |
| 22 | Captain Ort came back to the Company today per authority TNY Message from I ASAC dated 20 November 1944 rescinding I ASAC S.O. 206. Staff Sergeant Kaminsky came back with Captain Ort from detached service with Hq & Hq Squadron, I ASAC. |
| 23. | Another Thanksgiving overseas and it was a very enjoyable one. A very fine dinner was prepared by the kitchen personnel. Our boys really enjoy big meals, especially turkey with all the "trimmings". Captain Ort held a meeting of the entire organization at noon time and informed us that beginning tomorrow we must prepare to move. This was good news to our men as they figure they have been in North Africa too long. After the meeting there was rum and coca-cola for all the men. The majority of the Company went to either Club Seventeeners or the First Three Grader's Club in Tunis to complete a nice holiday. |
| 24 | Details were formed to take our tents down and to pack our equipment. Our living quarters will be quite crowded now as we will all be living in three small buildings until we move. Corporals Lewis and Whorton returned from Pantelleria and there were no men sent to the island. The radio operators and repairmen who were sent to Pantelleria while the organization has been at El Aouina Air Base, enjoyed their tour of duty there very much. |

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| 25 | Captain Hopkins left the organization this morning per authority TWX message from I ASAC dated 20 November 1944 rescinding Paragraph 2 Special Order 206 dated 4 November 1944 Hqs I ASAC. We began loading the ship which we will travel on with our equipment. Today we started to eat at the mess hall of Hqs 1260th AAF Base Unit, ATC. |
| 26 | Mr. Horr and Sergeant Gillespie left this morning as an advanced detail to Naples, Italy per VOCO AFGD Number 2. Sergeant Wallace returned this afternoon from furlough at Rome and Capri. |
| 27 | Today we had plenty of work. Cleaned up the area and our organizational buildings. We had to work late at night to finish loading our equipment on the ship. |
| 28 | After six months of being assigned to AFGD Number 2 at El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia we departed the station in late morning and boarded the S.S. Michael J. Stone at the harbor of Tunis. Departed Tunis at 1600 hours, destination Naples, Italy. |
| 29 | Some of our men aren't very good seamen as they were seasick. For being aboard ship we are having some real good meals. We had a movie on ship tonight, "Bathing Beauty" with Red Skelton and Esther Williams. |
| 30 | Today we arrived at the harbor of Augusta, Sicily, and going to remain here until sometime tomorrow. Another movie tonight called "Up in Mabel's Room". This month we end our diary aboard the S.S. Michael J. Stone anchored in the harbor of Augusta, Sicily. |


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Headquarters
1033RD SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AIR FORCE GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 3
APO 528

5 December 1944.

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6. Commanding Officers:
 - a. 2nd Lt John B. Winsted--February 1942 to 17 September 1942 par 9 SO 131 Hqs Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma dated 4 February 1942.
 - b. 2nd Lt Robert J. Kemmer--17 September 1942 to 22 February 1943 par 2 SO 85 Hqs 8th Air Force dated 9 September 1942.

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- c. Captain Fredrick Herlihy--22 February 1943 to 9 June 1943 par 4 SO 51 Hqs II Air Service Area Command dated 22 February 1944.
- d. Captain Otto J. Nowak--9 June 1943 to 8 January 1944 par 11 SO 139 Hqs XII Air Force Service Command dated 3 June 1943.
- e. 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer--8 January 1944 to 19 February 1944 par 33 SO 6 Hqs AAFSC/MT0 dated 6 January 1944.
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Month of December 1944 Prepared by Jim A. Church, 1st Sgt.

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 - (3) Date of organization: 15 February 1941
 - (4) Authority of organization: T/O Number 11-237 dated 16 December 1940 and letter LAGG File AG-221 dated 14 February 1941.
 - (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Transferred from 321st Signal Company, Air Base. (1 Officer and 11 Enlisted Men.)
- b. Changes in organization: None
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted:
- (1) At beginning of month: 3 O; 88 EM
 - (2) Net increase: 0 O; 0 EM
 - (3) Net decrease: 0 O; 0 EM
 - (4) At end of month: 3 O; 88 EM
- d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:
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| (1) March Field, California | Date of Activation: 15 February 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 March 1941 |
| (2) Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City | Date of Arrival: 2 April 1941 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 February 1942 |
| (3) Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia | Date of Arrival: 8 February 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May 1942 |
| (4) Fort Dix, New Jersey | Date of Arrival: 22 May 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 30 June 1942 |
| (5) RAF Station, Molesworth, England | Date of Arrival: 15 July 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 17 September 1942 |
| (6) RAF Station, Podington, England | Date of Arrival: 17 September 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 6 December 1942 |
| (7) La Senia Air Base, Algeria | Date of Arrival: 23 December 1942 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May 1944 |
| (8) El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia | Date of Arrival: 25 May 1944 |
| | Date of Departure: 28 November 1944 |
| (9) Naples, Italy | Date of Arrival: 3 December 1944 |
| | Date of Departure: 22 December 1944 |
| (10) Pisa, Italy | Date of Arrival: 23 December 1944 |
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers): 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February 1941--26 November 1941; 1st Lt Bernard C. Johnson, 26 November 1941--4 February 1942, 2nd Lt John E. Linsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kinmer, 16 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Frederick Horlily, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Monah, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Kinmer, 8 January 1944--19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944--to date.)
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: None

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- f. Campaigns: None
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- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
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| Sheet No. 1 War Diary | 1033rd Signal Company, SG | Naples, Italy |
| Month of December 1944 | | |
| Prepared by Jim M. Murphree, 1st Sgt., Air. C. | | |
| DAY | | |
| 1 | Our diary for this month begins at sea leaving the harbor of Augusta, Sicily and traveling on the U.S. Michael J. Stone. The ship's clock ship tonight was "Going by Sea" with Bing Crosby put on by the Special Service of the 17th AGF. The sea was very calm and none of the men were sea-sick. | |
| 2 | This morning we arrived at the harbor of Naples, Italy and are to spend another day at sea and anchor here at this harbor. | |
| 3 | We disembarked from the U.S. Michael J. Stone at 0930 hours today and set up new quarters in the city of Naples. Our quarters are located in a former apartment house at 9 Corso Novaro. We were kept very busy unloading our equipment from the ship. Sergeant Gillespie rejoined the organization and had many things arranged for the Company. Mr. Horr was sent on detached service today as an advance party for a future movement of the Company. | |
| 4 | Our men worked hard today unloading more equipment from the ship and arranging our new quarters. Mess tables were procured from Utilities at Air Force General Depot Number 3. The organization is quite comfortably situated but it appears that we will soon be on the move again. We were informed today that our stay in Naples would be very short and we would not go into operation while here. | |
| 5 | Most of the men have traveled around the city of Naples and have found many places of interest. The San Carlo's Opera House in the center of the city has attracted men who have spent an afternoon there to enjoy a famous opera. The men report one of the best Red Cross installations they have ever seen and spend a lot of off-duty time there. Mr. Horr came back from detached service today with details of our future movement. | |
| 6 | Being attached to AFGL #3, our men are authorized to join their Enlisted Men's Club, "The Power Dive". Staff Sergeant Guaraldi was placed in charge of the membership drive to the club. | |
| 7 | Due to our movement, our pay-roll was delayed until today. Equipment for a day-room has not been procured yet so our kitchen is being used for the monthly poker games. Twenty-one men answered Sergeant Guaraldi's notice of membership to the "Power Dive". Many of these men visited the club tonight and returned having an enjoyable time after dancing and having a few mixed drinks. | |
| 8 | Our men have found AFGL #3 to have several means of interesting entertainment. Their theater is the best we have seen overseas and features new and outstanding pictures each day. We have witnessed a few exciting basketball games in a fast league held at the Depot. As we will not be here long, our basketball team will not enter the league. We are also using the shower facilities at Depot #3. | |
| 9 | Today a truck went to Pompeii for our men to visit the Roman ruins there. The men returned having an interesting day and purchased many souvenirs of Pompeii. | |

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| 10 | Since arriving in Naples, our men have been doing "WP". We certainly do miss the P.O.'s we had in Africa but our men do the work in the regular "GI" manner. Only "WP" and Guard Duty and a few miscellaneous details give ample time for all the men to see all the sites in the immediate locality. |
| 11 | Our Supply Sergeant issued the new "GI" sweater to each man today. The fellows seem to like their new sweaters and find them very warm. |
| 12 | We now have our own Company Post Exchange. Sergeants Villian, Martinale, and Wilkite were put in charge of the PX and have been issued many articles from AFM #3 Quartermaster which will go on sale in a few days. Beer was sold today which our men enjoyed very much. |
| 13 | Many of our men are taking advantage of the hot cross buns which they have three days during the week. The tour which is enjoyed most is the one to Mt. Vesuvius. Our photographers have been taking some very good pictures on these tours. Another tour that has been taken is the one through the city of Naples. |
| 14 | Very nice writing and card tables and chairs were procured from the hot cross today which completed a comfortable Company Day Room. Our other games have been taken from the kitchen to the day room and the men now write letters at tables instead of on the side of the bed. |
| 15 | Sergeant Gover returned to the organization today from detached service with Headquarters, I ABM. Sergeant Gover has been away from us since August helping I ABM with their cryptome cipher work. He had a large mail call today consisting mostly of Christmas packages. The men have been having light snacks at night in their rooms from the articles of food they received from home. |
| 16 | Tonight at the AFM #3 theater there was a real good USO show featuring five American girls who staged an enjoyable variety show. The men certainly thought it a real treat to see American girls. |
| 17 | Eight of our Signal Depot men were sent on detached service today to AFM #6 to aid the 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) with their depot work, per Paragraph 3 Special Order 309 dated 15 December 1944 Headquarters AFM #1/AFM. Master Sergeant Mc Donald and Sergeant Conley left today on Temporary Duty to spend thirty days at their home. Sergeants Mc Donald and Conley were attached to the 7th Replacement Depot for trans-shipment to the United States per Paragraph 3 Special Order 309 dated 15 December 1944 Headquarters AFM #1/AFM. |
| 18 | Another large mail call today which always lifts the men's morale. It is beginning to look like Christmas around the Company now with the gifts accumulating. Our monthly physical examination was held today by a Medical Officer from the AFM #3 Dispensary. |
| 19 | Sergeant Clark and Corporal Fowler were both hospitalized today. Clark was sent to the 106th Station Hospital and Fowler to the 52nd Station Hospital. |
| 20 | Today we were informed that our stay in Naples would end in a few days as orders have been received for the unit to move. We loaded some of our equipment and the men packed their personal belongings ready for a truck convoy. Private First Class Byrne fainted doing "WP" duty and was taken to the 52nd Station Hospital for observation and a general physical check-up. |

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| 21 | Sergeant Sherman entered the 52nd Station Hospital to say for treatment of an infection of the feet. We completed the loading of our equipment on the trucks today and are ready to leave Naples early tomorrow morning. Tonight, Major Frederick Herfily, former Commanding Officer of this organization visited us. Major Herfily, then Captain, made many friends while in command of the Company and the men were very glad to see him again. |
| 22 | This morning the Company convoyed out of Naples at 0800 hours. We left four men behind hospitalized but hope that they will be back with us soon. Our authority to leave Naples was General's 3-Movement Order 52 dated 17 December 1944, Headquarters AFHQ/TC. With a convoy of seventeen vehicles we traveled 209 miles till 1200 hours at which time we bivouacked at Traffic Control Point C. Sergeant Sopenski cooked a hot meal for us which really was good after a cold day's ride. This is surely a cold night especially since we have to sleep out in the open. |
| 23 | After spending a cold night of sleeping but then refreshed by a warm breakfast we departed Traffic Control Point C and traveled 156 miles in cold weather. We arrived at Air Force General Lelet Number 6 at 1700 hours and moved into a building in Pisa that was formerly a schoolhouse. The men went right to work and arranged the living quarters. |
| 24 | The entire organization was kept very busy today unloading our equipment and setting up our kitchen, Supply room, and Officer's room. Until Civilian Personnel is procured we will still use our own "T's". Sergeant Sopenski is preparing one of his "Holiday Specials" for Christmas dinner tomorrow. |
| 25 | Another Christmas overseas for the 1033rd Signal Company. Due to movement and unsettled condition there wasn't much of a celebration this year. The men continued to work around the Company area. Sergeant Sopenski came through with a delicious dinner that the men enjoyed very much. Many of our men met several of their friends from other Signal units who are former members of this organization. It is a very clear Christmas day and many of the men went sight-seeing through the town of Pisa and climbed the leaning tower. |
| 26 | Mr Horr and Master Sergeant Jackson were sent on detached service today to the vicinity of Ancona to investigate communication facilities in that area. |
| 27 | The men have changed their minds about the theater in Naples being the best they have seen overseas now that they have visited the theater run by Special Services of AFHQ. The theater is a former Opera House and is very comfortable with new shows every two nights. Also located at the theater is a very nice bar, a music room, and a library. Our men have taken advantage of all the entertainment at the former Opera House. |
| 28 | Sergeant Halton, Supply Sergeant, issued the new "GI" field jacket to each man today which all the men seem to like as they are warmer than the old type of jacket. |
| 29 | The Company being comfortably located most of the organization reported to the 915th Signal Company for duty. Warrant Officer Schmidt with his Supply Section and a detail from the Operations Section is assisting the 915th Signal Company in inventorying and moving their spot. |

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- 29 The Radio Repair Section are checking radio vans and assisting in the general repair and several telephone operators are now on duty. The Company had been idle since leaving Africa on 28 November 1944 and with the exception of short periods of travel, the only time since their arrival in England in July of 1942.
- 30 The 26th Fighter Group has a very nice theater where at the present time they are featuring a USO show named "Art Thou Cookin'". Some of our men are planning to make a trip to Florence on New Year's Day to see a "Spaghetti Bowl" football game.
- 31 Sergeant Sherman returned to his organization today from the 52nd Station Hospital in Naples. He was informed that he was to join an advanced party to Cattolica, Italy, our future station, with Supply Sergeant, 26th A.G. Thirty men from our Company's Battalion were selected for the advance party and are to leave in a few days. This ends our diary for another month or another year.

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- c. Captain Frederick Merrill--22 February 1943 to 9 June 1943 per 4 SO 51 Hqs III Air Service Area Command dated 22 February 1944.
- d. Captain Otto J. Lock--9 June 1943 to 8 January 1944 per 11 SO 139 Hqs VII Air Force Service Command dated 3 June 1943.
- e. 2nd Lt Robert G. Kinsler--1 January 1944 to 19 February 1944 per 33 SO 6 Hqs II AF/ 10 dated 6 January 1944.
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e. Marches: None

f. Campaigns: None

g. Battles: None

h. Commanding Officers in important engagements: None (Unit has had the following Commanding Officers): 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February 1941--28 November 1941; 1st Lt Bernard C. Johnson, 28 November 1941--4 February 1942; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kinner, 18 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Novak, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January 1944--19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944--to date.)

i. Losses in action: None

j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None

k. Photographs: None

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Sheet No. 1, War Diary 1033rd Signal Co, Service Group Pisa, Italy

Month of January 1945

Prepared by Jim A. Church, F/Sgt.

DAY

EVENTS

- 1 During the first day of 1945 the company busied itself readying an advance party to our new station. It leaves on the 2nd. Eight of our Signal Supply men returned from the 915th Signal Co, Depot (Avn) today. They will continue at duty with the depot company, but will be quartered and messed with us. Mr. Herr and Sgt Jackson returned from the vicinity of Ancona, having completed a survey of communications facilities at our new station. The destination of several of our men today was the "Spaghetti Bowl", where they witnessed the trouncing of the 12th Air Force pigskinners by a 5th Army team.
- 2 Mr Herr and thirty men made up the advance party that left very early this morning to establish communications at our new station. They have been attached to the 36th ADG's Supply Squadron there by par 2, Movement Order 3 Hqs, AFGD #6, dtd 31 December 1944 for this permanent change of station. Three Tec 5s, Campbell, Gragg and Stewart, drove organizational vehicles in the convoy and are on TD orders for three days.
- 3 Six bottles of American beer, very welcome to most of us, were included in our PX ration, made available to us today by Supply Sergeant Haltem. Tec 5 Ingram returned to his duties as cook today, having recovered from an infected hand. Tec 5 Stewart had been filling the temporary vacancy.
- 4 Tec 5s Campbell, Gragg and Stewart reported our advance party safely arrived in Cattolica, Italy, exact site of our new station. Buildings which formerly housed a fishery are now being used by the party as quarters.
- 5 USO presented an unusual show at AFGD #6 theatre tonight. 1944 World Series movies, talks by diamond stars Joe Medwick, N. Y. Giants, Nick Etten, N. Y. Yanks and Lee Durrocher, "them bums" colorful manager. Tom Meaney, New York sports writer played "master mind" in a baseball quiz that followed.
- 6 Private John J Hart's transfer to 2618th Hqs Squadron, MATS, as directed in par 1, SO 360 dtd 27 December 1944 at Hqs, AAFSC/MTO was completed today. Sgt Clark returned to duty today after a two week's stay in the 106th Station Hospital. Sgts Basile and Wilhite completed the construction of a shower-room in the rear of company quarters for use of the enlisted men.
- 7 S/Sgts Stoeber and Wallace, Sergeant Basile and Tec 5 Gragg drove two 2 and one half ton trucks of organizational equipment to our new station, officially designated as AFGD #7 at present.
- 8 The Ordnance section, AFGD #6, declared our weapons as evidencing excellent care, after inspecting them on this date. Mr. Schmidt and Mess Sgt Sepenski purchased a sufficient number of dishes and cups to warrant our putting away mess cups and kits. The purchase was made from the company fund.
- 9 Miss Caroline Young, ARC, an old acquaintance from the ARC Enlisted Men's Club at El Aouina Army Air Base, may be responsible for the large number of men from this organization who can be found at the Pisa ARC during off duty hours. "Carrie" just joined the Pisa club and was most welcome to us.
- 10 Had sort of a "repeat" Christmas today, with the arrival in mail of many Christmas packages that had been delayed because of our recent movements. Italian civilians have been hired by the company from Civilian Personnel at AFGD #6 for mess work and other utility duties.

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| 11 | Correspondence was received today pertaining to Privates First Class Byrne and Beaulieu. Both of these men entered the hospital before we arrived in Pisa. Byrne is being considered for a medical discharge and Beaulieu has been sent to the 1st Replacement Battalion to be returned to this organization. |
| 12 | The Signal Supply section and details from other sections have completed moving the Signal equipment from the old depot occupied by the 915th Signal Company to their new location. This was a dirty and tedious job as the boxes were mud covered and water soaked from the Pisa flood. The Radio Repair section is nearing completion of their work checking fighter control equipment. This was the first opportunity for a number of the men in the Radio section to work on this type of equipment since completing their schooling. |
| 13 | Corporal Stewart left this morning for Rome where he will spend five days at the AAF Rest Camp and tour the city of Rome. |
| 14 | Sergeant Wilhite returned from AFGD #7 where he delivered supplies and mail to our men stationed there. Corporals Griffiths and Gragg left this morning for AFGD #7 with another truckload of organizational equipment. |
| 15 | Since being here in Pisa we have been receiving the daily issue of "Stars and Stripes" free of charge through Special Service, AFGD #6, and the Red Cross. It was announced today that we will begin to pay two lire a copy for the "Stars and Stripes". The majority of our men signed for the paper. |
| 16 | Sergeant Streifer, who has been in the dispensary for the past week, entered the 7th Station Hospital today for an operation. Corporals Griffiths and Gragg returned from AFGD #7 today. |
| 17 | Common items of supplies have been received for opening our Signal Depot and will be trucked to AFGD #7 as soon as transportation is available. |
| 18 | Sergeant Schroyer traveled to Rome to stay to spend five days at the AAF Rest Camp. Corporal Stewart returned from his Rome trip late this afternoon after having a fine time. |
| 19 | Sergeants Canfield, Stoeber, Cottrell, and Corporal Griffiths of our Radio Repair Section and Sergeant Wilhite and Corporal Foster of the Message Center and Teletype Section went on Temporary Duty to AFGD #7 per Paragraph 3 Special Order 17 dated 18 January 1945, Headquarters AFGD #6. Sergeant Gulley arrived at this station tonight after being at AFGD #7 for two weeks. Tomorrow is a big day for Sergeant Gulley. |
| 20 | There are four happy men in the organization today who are leaving the organization for trans-shipment to the United States. Sergeant Gulley is going home on permanent rotation per Paragraph 2 Special Order 15 Hqs AAFSC/WFO dated 15 January 1945. After spending thirty days at their homes, Sergeant Sherman, Corporal Stewart, and Private Larson will return to the Company. The authority for their temporary duty to the United States is Paragraph 3 Special Order 15 dated 15 January 1945. |
| 21 | Our men have been buying a lot of souvenirs to send home. Many of the men have purchased souvenirs while visiting Florence on trips sponsored by AFGD #6. The men particularly like the alabaster items that the Italian merchants have on sale. |

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| 22 | A Special Order was received today stating that Private First Class Byrne was transferred to Detachment of Patients, 118th Station Hospital per Paragraph 8 dated 18 January 1945, Headquarters 118th Station Hospital. Byrne is to be sent to the United States as class "C" personnel. |
| 23 | Technician 5th Grade Cunningham will spend five days at Rome Rest Camp commencing today. Sergeant Francis Peregrin was assigned to this organization from the 391st Signal Company per Paragraph 1 Special Order 17 dated 17 January 1945 Hqs AAFSC/MT0. Sergeant Peregrin is a radio operator and will be assigned to our Radio Operations Section. |
| 24 | Sergeant Schroyer returned from his five day leave in the city of Rome. At the present time at the AFGD #6 theater, there is a USO stage show named "Blithe Spirit" starring Annabella, the screen actress. |
| 25 | Company Supply has issued hoods for the new type jackets to all the men present at this station. Our men have purchased rabbit furs and have had them sewed in the inside of their hoods which is very warm. |
| 26 | Sergeant Peregrin, our newly assigned radio operator was sent on detached service to AFGD #7 to work with our Radio Operation section. The Pisa Red Cross sponsored a carnival featuring several side shows of "GI" talent. Many of our men attended the Red Cross event, joining in the fun and enjoyed it very much. |
| 27 | Staff Sergeant Frank J. Feeley joined this organization from the 19th Repl Bn. Sergeant Feeley is the replacement for Sergeant Reohr who went home on rotation in August 1944. Sergeant Feeley will be assigned to the Radio Operation Section. Private First Class Beaulieu, who has been in the hospital and replacement centers since October, was attached to the 435th Replacement Company, 31st RB for trans-shipment to the United States, per Paragraph 22 Special Order 24 dated 24 January 1945 Hqs 7th Repl Depot. Beaulieu was on the December orders of AAFSC/MT0 for Temporary Duty to the United States. |
| 28 | Private First Class Ptaszynski left this morning for Rome to spend five days at the Rest Camp. Corporal Cunningham returned this afternoon from his five day stay in Rome. Technician 5th Grade Edwin A. Green was assigned to our Company from the 391st Signal Company per Paragraph 1 Special Order 17 dated 17 January 1945 Hqs AAFSC/MT0. Green is a radio operator which makes our Radio Operations section complete with high speed operators. |
| 29 | Sergeant Rosner and Corporal Gragg left this morning for AFGD #7 hauling a truckload of organizational equipment to our men stationed there. |
| 30 | Today organizational equipment was loaded on trucks of the 2488th QM Truck Company to be taken to AFGD #7 tomorrow. The majority of our equipment is now at AFGD #7. |
| 31 | Sergeant Feeley and Corporal Green left this morning with the 2488th Truck Company convoy to work with our Radio Operation section. Our men at both AFGD #6 and AFGD #7 were paid. A physical inspection was held at this station. We are hoping that the Company is all together by this time next month. |

Harry F. Ort
HARRY F. ORT,
Captain, Signal Corps,
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**HEADQUARTERS
1033RD SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
AIR FORCE GENERAL DEPOT NUMBER 6
APO 528**

4 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Administrative Data.

1. **Present Designation of Unit:**
1033rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn)
2. **Activation of Unit:**
Activated 15 February 1941 as 33rd Signal Platoon, Air Base at March Field, California per WDAGO File AG-221 dated 24 February 1941 in accordance with T/O Number 11-237 dated 16 December 1940. General Order Number 3 Par 4, Hqs GHQ Air Force, Langley Field, Virginia dated 8 February, 1941.
3. **Redesignations:**
10 September 1942 33rd Signal Platoon, Air Base redesignated 33rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) per Authority ETOUSA Cablegram dated 10 September 1942. 18 May 1943 33rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) per WD letter 320.2 Subject Redesignation of Certain Units dated 14 February 1943 per NATOUSA letter AG 322.07/105 AM dated 13 May 1943.
4. **Reorganization:**
February 1943 33rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) reorganized per Authority T&I message from 12th Air Force to II Air Service Area Command in accordance with T/O 11-237 dated 1 July 1942.
5. **Assignments:**
 - a. 15 July 1942 33rd Signal Platoon, Air Base assigned to the 37th Service Group. (Order number not available.)
 - b. 23 December 1942 33rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) assigned to 11th Air Depot Group per Paragraph 2 Special Order 37 II Area Service Command (Prov) dated 7 February 1943.
 - c. 15 June 1943 1033rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) attached to 38th Air Depot Group. (Order number not available.)
 - d. 12 September 1943 1033rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) attached to 19th Air Depot Group (Order number not available.)
 - e. 19 May 1944 1033rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) assigned to the 17th Air Depot Group per Movement Order Number 46, Hqs I Air Service Area Command dated 19 May 1944.
 - f. 3 December 1944 1033rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) attached to AFGD 3 per General Order 102, Hqs AAFSC/MFO dated 22 November 1944.
 - g. 22 December 1944 1033rd Signal Company Service Group (Avn) attached to AFGD 6 per Paragraph 3 Movement Order 52 Hqs AAFSC/MFO dated 17 December 1944.
6. **Commanding Officers:**
 - a. 2nd Lt John B. Winsted--4 February 1942 to 17 September 1942 par 9 SO 131 Hqs Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma dated 4 February 1942.

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- c. Captain Fredrick Herlihy--22 February 1943 to 9 June 1943 par 4 SO 51 Hqs II Air Service Area Command dated 22 February 1944.
- d. Captain Otto J. Nowak--9 June 1943 to 8 January 1944 par 11 SO 139 Hqs XII Air Force Service Command dated 3 June 1943.
- e. 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer--8 January 1944 to 19 February 1944 par 33 SO 6 Hqs AAFSC/MTO dated 6 January 1944.
- f. Captain Harry F. Ort--19 February 1944 to date par 5 SO 33 Hqs I ASAC dated 17 February 1944.

7. Movements:

- a. 30 June 1942 unit departed staging area at Fort Dix, N.J.
- b. 30 June 1942 unit arrived New York Port of Embarkation.
- c. 1 July 1942 unit sailed from New York Port of Embarkation.
- d. 1 July 1942--15 July 1942 unit at sea.
- e. 15 July 1942 unit disembarked at Greenock, Scotland.
- f. 15 July 1942 unit proceeded by rail to RAF Station, Molesworth, England.
- g. 17 September 1942 unit proceeded by truck to RAF Station, Podington, England.
- h. 6 December 1942 unit proceeded by rail to Liverpool, England.
- i. 7 December unit boarded English Army Transport Ship.
- j. 7 December 1942 to 22 December 1942 unit at sea.
- k. 23 December 1942 unit disembarked at Mers El Kebir and proceeded by truck to La Senia, Algeria.
- l. 21 May 1944 unit departed La Senia Air Base by truck convoy.
- m. 26 May 1944 unit arrived El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia.
- n. 28 November 1944 unit disembarked at Tunis, Tunisia.
- o. 28 November 1944 --2 December 1944 unit at sea.
- p. 3 December 1944 unit arrived Naples, Italy.
- q. 22 December 1944 unit departed Naples, Italy.
- r. 23 December 1944 unit arrived AFGB #6, Pisa, Italy.

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| | Date of Departure: 22 December 1944 |
| (10) Pisa, Italy. | Date of Arrival: 23 December 1944 |
| | Date of Departure: 10 February 1945 |
| (11) Cattolica, Italy. | Date of Arrival: 10 February 1945 |
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 February 1941--28 November 1941; 1st Lt Bernard C. Johnson, 28 November 1941--4 February 1942, 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 February 1942--16 September 1942; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kinner, 18 September 1942--22 February 1943; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 February 1943--14 June 1943; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June 1943--8 January 1944; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 January 1944--19 February 1944; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 February 1944 to date.
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Month of February 1945 Prepared by Jim A. Church, First Sergeant.

DAY

EVENTS

- 1 The first day of February found three of our Privates being promoted to Privates First Class. These men were Reynolds, Schrimsher, and Sewell.
- 2 Private First Class Ptaszynski returned from his five day stay at the AAF Rest Camp in Rome having spent a very nice time there.
- 3 With half of our organization in Pisa and half in Cattolica, it is impossible for our basketball team to function in a depot league. Corporals Weinfurter, Hamilton, and Private First Class Salony are donating their services to the 2488th QM Truck Company basketball outfit.
- 4 Many of our men have been making trips to the city of Florence which they enjoy very much and have been purchasing many souvenirs.
- 5 Warrant Officer Schmidt, three of his Signal Supply men, and six men from the Communication's Section left today to join the other members of our Company at AFGD #7.
- 6 Corporal Clements was admitted to the 105th Station Hospital today for an operation of his foot. The monthly inspection of our weapons was held today by the Ordnance Officer of AFGD #6. Our weapons were given a high rating.
- 7 Technician 4th Grade Brame left today to spend five days at the AAF Rest Camp in Rome. Private First Class Burnside entered the 105th Station Hospital today for an operation. Sergeant Halton issued the post exchange rations to all present today. The men surely do enjoy the six bottles of beer issued.
- 8 Word has been received that more men of the organization at AFGD #6 will move to AFGD #7 on the tenth of this month. Preparations for the trip were made today.
- 9 Seven men from Radio Repair Section and three Signal Supply men will stay in Pisa and continue to work for the 915th Signal Depot Company. All the equipment that we are to take to AFGD #7 was loaded onto our own vehicles and two trucks from the 2488th QM Truck Company.
- 10 A convoy of six vehicles and twenty three men of the organization left Pisa this morning at 0700 hours. Traveling through the mountains and viewing some beautiful scenery, the men really enjoyed the trip. The authority for this movement was Movement Order Number One, AFGD #6 dated 6 February 1945. The trip was a distance of 176 miles traveled in very nice weather. We arrived at AFGD #7 in Cattolica at 1430 hours. Sergeants Canfield and Stoesber left Cattolica this morning and traveled to Pisa to attend a radar school at the 915th Signal Depot Company.
- 11 The entire Company was very busy today moving into our new quarters, a former hotel situated on the beach. The men are very enthusiastic to make their rooms as comfortable as possible.

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| 12 | The Signal Supply Section have been busy unpacking equipment and preparing the bin stocks for issue. Requisitions are now being received and the Signal Depot is now officially underway. |
| 13 | The Radio Operation Section is preparing to move to a new location that will improve operating conditions and be more accessible to the Message Center. |
| 14 | Since arriving in Cattolica our organization has been eating with the 2496th QM Truck Company and the 36th Supply Squadron. Commencing this morning at breakfast we started to eat in our own Mess Hall using the chinaware we purchased in Pisa. Italian civilians were hired through Depot Civilians Personnel to work as mess attendants. |
| 15 | Our men have their rooms arranged very nicely and all sections of the organization are fixed to be very convenient for the men during their work. |
| 16 | Special Service of AFGD #7 has a building arranged very nicely for both athletics and shows. There is a basketball floor there where a depot league will begin in a few days. Three times a week there are movies. |
| 17 | The 417th QM Plat will be attached to our Company for rations. The 417th is billeted right next to our barracks. The Quartermaster Platoon will also team up with us in the newly formed depot basketball league. |
| 18 | A Company Order was published today assigning special duties to both officers and enlisted men of our organization. The non-commissioned officers to be assigned additional duties were Master Sergeant Jackson, Ground Safety; Technician 3rd Grade Killian, Technical Inspector; First Sergeant Church and Technical Sergeant Mortwedt, Chemical Warfare; Corporals Hamilton and Weinfurter, Special Services. |
| 19 | Playing our first basketball game with our entire squad since leaving Africa, we downed the 17th Headquarters Squadron 32-20 with Joe Weinfurter leading the attack with ten points. |
| 20 | Staff Sergeant Kaminsky left this morning for the United States on permanent rotation per Paragraph 2 Special Order 46 Headquarters AAFSC/MFO dated 15 February 1945. Technicians 3rd Grade Martindale and Wallace and Sergeant Gover also left today and will spend thirty day on Temporary Duty in the United States per Paragraph 3 Special Order 46 Headquarters AAFSC/MFO dated 15 February 1945. Corporal Lewis traveled to Rome today where he will spend five days at the AAF Rest Camp there. |
| 21 | Twenty-six men from the 2488 QM Truck Company in Pisa who have come to Cattolica on Temporary Duty have been attached to our Company for rations. Today at noon chow a committee was selected by the entire organization to manage the PX rations for the Company. The men named to the committee were Sergeants Killian and Schroyer and Corporal Weinfurter. |
| 22 | We now have our Day Room completed except for blackout curtains and a writing table which we hope to have soon. Sergeant Basile built a nice ping-pong table which we have placed in the Day Room along with our other athletic equipment. |

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| 23 | The men who have been on detached service with the 915th Signal Depot Company arrived here late this afternoon. Sergeants Canfield and Stoeber returned to the organization after attending radar school in Pisa. Also coming to this station was Private First Class Burnside who has been in the hospital. |
| 24 | Private Michael L. Lombardo was assigned and joined this organization from the 285th Replacement Company per Paragraph 16 Special Order 49 dated 18 February 1945. Private Lombardo will be assigned to our Signal Supply Section. |
| 25 | Corporal Lewis returned from his five day stay at Rome Rest Camp. In order to keep our weapons in good condition we are all to fire our pieces sometime during this week. The beach located in back of our barracks is an excellent place for firing. |
| 26 | Playing our first game in the newly formed Depot Basketball League we were victorious in defeating the American Field Service 34-20. Ham Hamilton led the scorers with eighteen points for our cagemen. |
| 27 | The past few days found our Signal Supply Section very busy unloading and warehousing signal equipment received from AEGD #3. |
| 28 | Today was the usual last day of the month with all our men present at this station receiving their monthly pay. |


 HARRY E. OTT,
 Captain, Signal Corps.
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Outline History, Sheet No. 1
Month of March 1945.

1033rd Signal Company, SG Cattolica, Italy.
Prepared by Jim A. Church, First Sergeant.

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 - (2) Net increase: 0 O; 2 EM
 - (3) Net decrease: 0 O; 0 EM
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- d. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:

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| (1) March Field, California. | Date of Activation: 15 Feb '41 |
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| | Date of Departure: 21 May '42 |
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| (5) RAF Station, Molesworth, England. | Date of Arrival: 15 July '42 |
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| (6) RAF Station, Fodington, England. | Date of Arrival: 17 Sept '42 |
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| (7) La Senia Air Base, Algeria. | Date of Arrival: 23 Dec '42 |
| | Date of Departure: 21 May '44 |
| (8) El Aouina Air Base, Tunisia. | Date of Arrival: 25 May '44 |
| | Date of Departure: 28 Nov '44 |
| (9) Naples, Italy. | Date of Arrival: 3 Dec '44 |
| | Date of Departure: 22 Dec '44 |
| (10) Pisa, Italy. | Date of Arrival: 23 Dec '44 |
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| (11) Cattolica, Italy. | Date of Arrival: 10 Feb '45 |
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 Feb '41--28 Nov '41; 1st Lt Bernard C. Johnson, 28 Nov '41--4 Feb '42; 2nd Lt John B. Tinsted, 4 Feb '42--16 Sept '42; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kinmer, 18 Sept '42--22 Feb '43; Capt Frederick Herlihy, 22 Feb '43--14 June '43; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June '43--8 Jan '44; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 Jan '44--19 Feb '44; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 Feb '44 to date.
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None.
- k. Photographs: None

James V. Ort
JAMES F. ORT,
Captain, Signal Corps,
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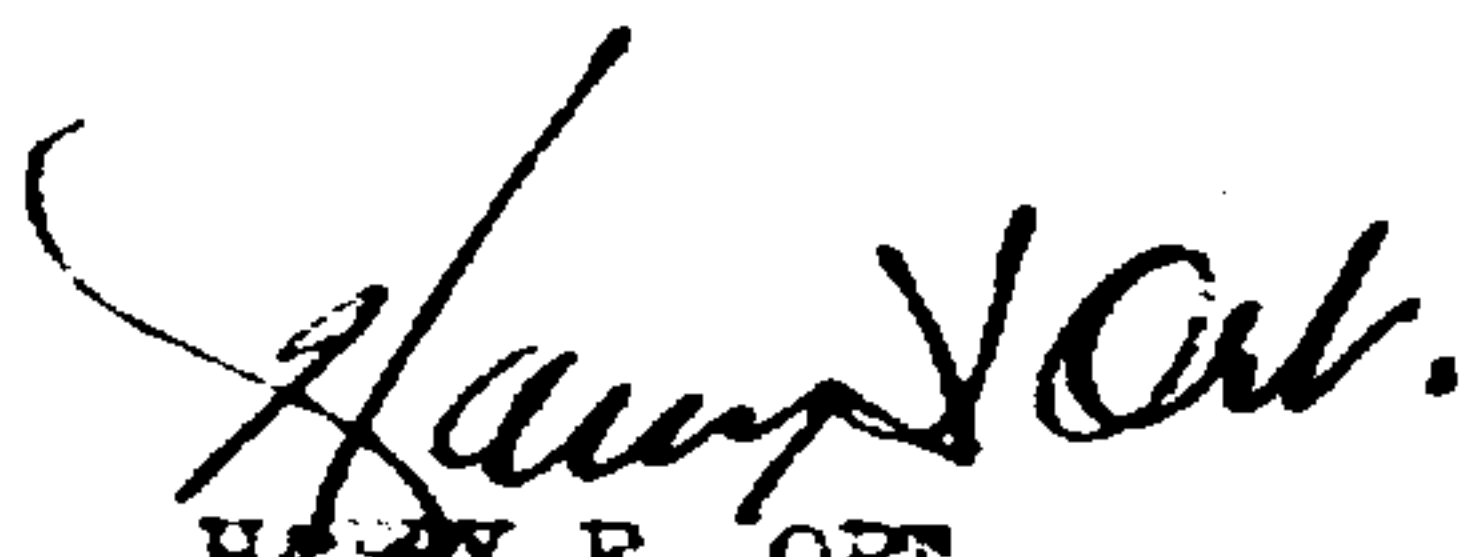
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| Month Of March 1945 | Prepared by Harry F. Ort, Capt., Sig. C. | |

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2. Activity at the Signal Depot increased considerably during the month of March with a demand for power unit repair. As power unit repairmen are not authorized by our Table of Organization it was necessary to handle the work through the Unit Motor Pool. Two civilian mechanics were hired and supervised and trained by Private First Class Burnside of our Radio Repair Section and our Motor Pool mechanics. This section has functioned well having completely overhauled twenty-two (22) units in addition to making miscellaneous repairs.
3. The Telephone Section was called upon by Depot Utilities for the construction of power lines within the Depot. This work was handled by a crew in charge of Staff Sergeant Kuzminski who had considerable experience as a power line-man in civilian life.
4. Test equipment for Airborne Radar is now being installed by the Radio Repair Section in order that fourth echelon repair can be handled at this Depot. Two radio repairmen recently attended a Radar School held at Pisa and others will attend in the near future.


HARRY F. ORT,
Captain, Signal Corps,
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Month Of March 1945

1093rd Signal Company, SG

Cattolica, Italy.

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Commanding.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary 1033rd Signal Company, SG Cattolica, Italy.

Month of March 1945 Prepared by Jim A. Church, First Sergeant.

DAY

EVENTS

- 1 The first day of March found many of our men depositing money in Soldier's Savings and sending it to their homes through Personal Transfer Accounts system. A large amount of money is always deposited in Soldiers Savings each month by our men.
- 2 The men enjoyed a very entertaining USO Stage Show tonight at the Depot Theater. The entire cast of the show consisted of girls, which really raised the morale of the audience. Much interest is being taken in the current basketball league. At the present time our team is in a three way tie for first place.
- 3 This morning we were surprised by the visit to our headquarters by Lieutenant Colonels Walter and Sennefeld of AFGD #7. The colonels inspected our quarters and Company area and were very much pleased with the appearance of our entire area.
- 4 Sergeants Hardebeck and Althoff left early this morning for Rome where they will spend a short leave there at the AAF Rest Camp. Our basketball squad came through with another victory tonight defeating the 1245th Engineers 37-24.
- 5 Private Angelo A. Zarro joined our organization today from the 19th Repl Bn per Paragraph 2 Special Order 56 dated 25 February 1945. Zarro is the replacement for Private First Class Tinney who was rotated last June and will take Tinney's place in our Telephone Operation's Section.
- 6 Several men of our organization are taking part in the USAFI program. Walking through the rooms at night many men can be seen working at their courses. A paper is now being published daily with a large edition Saturday for the men of the depot. Sergeant Gillespie will be the correspondent for our organization. The name of the depot paper will be the "Depot Dispatch".
- 7 Private First Class Brock returned to the Company today after spending several weeks in the 35th Field Hospital. Complying with a letter from AAFSC/MTO Headquarters all the weapons in the organization were turned in to our Company Supply.
- 8 Sergeant Paul Streifer came back to the organization this afternoon from the 7th Station Hospital. Paul underwent an operation at the hospital and is now fully recovered.
- 9 Corporal Gross traveled to Rome this morning to spend a few days at the rest camp there. After enjoying a pleasant stay, Sergeants Hardebeck and Althoff returned from the Rome Rest Camp.
- 10 Corporal Clements, who has been in the 105th Station Hospital for a month returned to the organization today after receiving a foot operation. In a "Depot Dispatch" published today we learned that two men from our basketball team lead the scoring in the local basketball league. The high scorers are Corporals Reinfurter and Hamilton respectively.
- 11 The basketball team chalked up another win tonight in the Depot Basketball League by trimming the 2496 QM Truck Company 29-4. A special feature with our meals now is recorded music at two meals a day. Our Radio Repair Section installed the record player in the mess hall so we now have music from all the top named bands with our meals.
- 12 Captain Ort traveled to AFGD #6 today by plane on official business. Corporal Fennert was accepted into the 35th Field Hospital this morning for observation.

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| 13 | Our Commanding Officer returned from Pisa late this afternoon and reported that the tower in Pisa still leans. Another victory went down into the win column for our cagemen as they outscored the Depot Officers 29-12 before a large crowd at the Depot Theater. |
| 14 | Brigadier General Whitten, Commanding General of AAFSC/ATO, visited our Signal Depot this afternoon. General Whitten is spending a few days at this Depot. Corporal Gross returned tonight from his fine visit to the city of Rome. |
| 15 | At noon time or after working hours we can find many of our men participating in one of two sports. The two events that draw so much interest are ping-pong and volley ball. Privates First Class Salony and Serell are responsible for erecting the good volley-ball court in back of our quarters. |
| 16 | Warrant Officer Horr and Sergeant Washa left this morning for Naples on official business at Headquarters AAFSC/ATO. Corporal Rennert was released from the 35th Field Hospital this afternoon. |
| 17 | The basketball team suffered their first defeat tonight losing by the small margin of 22-20 to the "Friendly 5" of 17th Headquarters Squadron. |
| 18 | Photography rates as the number one hobby for our organization. Most all our men have cameras and a few of our men have set up their own dark rooms. Sergeant Rosner devotes the majority of his off-duty hours to developing and printing photographs for our men. |
| 19 | Staff Sergeants Guaraldi, Hardebeck, and Stoeber went to the 7th Repl Bn today for trans-shipment to the United States where they will spend a thirty day furlough. The authority for the men leaving the organization was Paragraph 3 Special Order 74 dated 15 March 1945 Headquarters AAFSC/ATO. Technician 5th Grade Lewis of our Radio Operations Section left the Company today on rotation to the United States per Paragraph 2 Special Order 74 dated 15 March 1945 Headquarters AAFSC/ATO. Sergeant Gillespie's turn came today to visit the city of Rome on a short leave. |
| 20 | Mr Horr and Sergeant Washa returned from AAFSC/ATO Headquarters this afternoon after attending to cryptographic matters at the Signal Section in Naples. |
| 21 | Located at the end of our street is a small canal which many of our men must cross in order to get to their work. The means of conveyance across the canal is a small rowboat operated by an Italian civilian. Our fellows have named the boat the "Queen Mary." |
| 22 | Tonight in our Mess Hall a meeting was held of the entire company conducted by Captain Ort. Subjects discussed at the meeting were rotation, military discipline, wearing of the uniform, and an enlisted men's club. |
| 23 | A last minute field goal by a 1952nd Ordnance man marked the second defeat for our basketball team. Ordnance outscored our boys 19 to 18. This was by far the most spectacular game played in the league this season. |
| 24 | Sergeant Gillespie returned from the Rest Center in Rome today after having a very enjoyable time there. Injured in last night's basketball contest, Corporal Paxilton was taken to the Depot Dispensary with a strained ankle. |
| 25 | Nearing completion is our own shower room located at the rear of our building. Responsible for the room are such men as Private Schrimsher for procuring a tank and pipe; Sergeant Basile for his carpentry; Corporal Gragg for doing the plumbing work; and Sergeant Kuzinski for installing electric lights in the room. An Italian civilian did a fine job of the mason work. |

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| 26 | A meeting was held tonight to make plans for the coming basketball season. Sergeant Feeley was appointed to take charge of the practice sessions and the first workout will be held in the gym tomorrow. |
| 27 | Sergeant Halton, our Supply Sergeant, issued to us today the new type of blouse. With buttons on close this made the men feel as they were getting a new doctor suit. |
| 28 | Private First Class Caswell was admitted to the 35th Field Hospital today. Caswell is being treated for an injured back. Another convenience was added to our quarters today as the water pipes were corrected giving all the rooms running water. |
| 29 | Corporal Hamilton returned today from the Depot Dispensary with a strained ankle and will be unable to participate in the remaining basketball games for this season. Our team gained a victory in the basketball league tonight when 17th Headquarters Squadron forfeited to us. Corporal Campbell traveled to the AAF Fone Rest Camp today to stay for a short time. |
| 30 | Sergeants McDonald and Conley were welcomed back to the Company today. These men left the organization in December to spend a furlough in the states. Both men reported having spent a very nice time and were asked many questions about the states by other members of the Company. |
| 31 | Published today in the "Depot Dispatch" was an All Star basketball team for this Depot. Corporal Reinfurter, outstanding performer for our Headquarters was awarded top position on the picked list. The usual semi-monthly Signal Operations Report has been changed to a monthly report. Our Section Chiefs were busy today totaling their traffic and man hours for the month. All our men received their pay today and at the same time marked down another month of overseas duty. |


 HAROLD F. GHT,
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Sheet No. 1 War Diary 1033rd Signal Company, SG Cattolica, Italy

Month of April 1945 Prepared by Jim A. Church, First Sergeant.

DAY

EVENING

- 1 Easter Sunday started our War Diary for the month of April. Very nice services were held at the Depot Chapel. Many of our men visited the Republic of San Marino where they enjoyed Easter Sunday. A delicious dinner was served which made Easter all the nicer for the men who stayed at the Company.
- 2 The basketball season for the organization ended tonight when 36th Supply Squadron won the Depot Championship by defeating our hoopers 23-12. Our entire season can be considered a success losing only three contests with a six man squad. Corporal Campbell traveled to Rome today where he will spend a few days at the AAF Pest Camp.
- 3 Signal Supply and Radio Repair spent a busy day at work today taking inventory of all stock on hand. Technician 4th Grade Howard T. Chambers joined our organization today from the 391st Signal Company per Paragraph 1 Special Order 85 Headquarters AAFSC/MTO dated 26 March 1945.
- 4 Three days a week four men from our Company go fishing in the Adriatic with Italian civilians. From the flounder caught in yesterday's trip we had a very good fish supper tonight. Staff Sergeant Irving Moskowitz was assigned to our organization today from the 19th Repl Bn replacing Sergeant Kaminsky who was rotated in February. Moskowitz will take Kaminsky's place as Message Center Chief.
- 5 Our new shower room is now fully completed and was used by our men for the first time today. Sergeants Killian and Wilhite were designated to represent our Company to organize an Enlisted Men's Club. A building has been selected by all the Depot representatives and the building is being reconstructed and redecorated. Much work is required to make the selected building satisfactory, it may be a month before the club opens.
- 6 Sergeants Mc Donald, Kuzminski, Gould, and Corporal Griffiths traveled to AFGE #6 today where they will observe a demonstration of fungus proofing.
- 7 Two former members of our organization, Sergeants Semrinec and Monda, now with the 874th Signal Company arrived today and will spend a few days with us. We were all glad to see the old timers.
- 8 Sergeant Feeley is having regular nightly baseball workouts and plans to have a few practice games before the opening contest in the Depot League.
- 9 Staff Sergeant Dale H. Bradburn joined our Company today as the replacement for Sergeant Gulley who was rotated in January. The men who have been to Pisa the past few days observing fungus proofing returned today. During their trip, Sergeant Mc Donald purchased additional chinaware to be used in our Mess Hall.
- 10 Sergeants Canfield and Schroyer and Corporal Cunningham left today to the 7th Repl Bn for trans-shipment to the United States where they will spend some time at home after serving two and a half years of overseas duty. The authority for their departure was Paragraph 5 Special Order 99 Hqs AAFSC/MTO dated 9 April 1945.

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| 11 | Our baseball nine suffered defeat in its first contest of the season. The 19th Air Service Group outscored our diamond men 10-0 with plenty of hitting on the part of the victors. |
| 12 | Three new men were assigned to the Company today from the 19th Repl Bn. Corporal Bompane, Privates First Class Crosby and Farley will work in the Signal Supply Section. They were assigned to our organization by authority of Paragraph 4 Special Order 68 dated 12 April 1945 Headquarters AFGD #7. |
| 13 | Early this morning we received the very sad news of President Roosevelt's death. As in every other military organization our late president was a much admired leader. Conversations could be heard discussing the life of Roosevelt and also the future of our nation. Corporals Holey and Hufker traveled to Rome today where they will spend a short leave at the Rest Camp there. |
| 14 | This afternoon at 1400 hours there was a five minute silence in memory of our late president. The Depot Classification Board met today and six of our men had their MOS changed. |
| 15 | The entire Company attended a formation this afternoon at Depot Headquarters for memorial services for President Roosevelt. An opening prayer was given by Chaplain Horner, a War Department General Order was read by Major Clark of the 17th ADG. Taps were played and the benediction lead by Chaplain Horner. |
| 16 | Warrant Officer Horr, Corporal Pikeard and Private First Class Reynolds went to Pisa this morning where they will meet before an Officer Candidate School Board. |
| 17 | Injured in a baseball workout last night, Corporal Clements entered the Depot Dispensary this morning with a sprained ankle. Our men spend alot of their off-duty time playing volley ball. Enclosed is a snapshot of the men playing volley-ball on our court behind our billet. The snapshot was taken by Sergeant Rosner who takes most of the pictures for the organization. |
| 18 | Corporals Holey and Hufker returned from Rome today after spending an enjoyable time at the Rest Camp and through the city. Captain Ort, Corporals Weinfurter and Hamilton attended an Orientation School today at the Depot Theater conducted by the AAF/MTO I & E Section. |
| 19 | The men who went before the OCS board at Pisa returned today. We are hoping that Mr Horr, Corporal Pikeard, and Private First Class Reynolds are all successful. |
| 20 | We have finally procured black-out curtains for our Day Room and can now be used till late at night. A ping-pong tournament within the Company is now underway which being play in two sections. |
| 21 | Space in the Signal Depot is being petitioned off to have a room where fungus proofing for the organization can be done. Our Radio Repair and Signal Supply Sections will do the fungus proofing work. |
| 22 | Playing its first game in the Depot League, our baseball men were defeated 10-4 by the 649th Military Police Company. |
| 23 | Captain Ort and Sergeant Washa traveled to Naples today for cryptographic material at AAFSC/MTO Headquarters. Private Schmidt went to the AAF Rome Rest Camp today to spend a short leave there. |

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| 24 | Our Radio Repair Section has been kept very busy here lately. As many of the units we service are turning in excess equipment which must be processed before being placed back into Depot Stock. |
| 25 | Captain Ort and Sergeant Washa returned from Naples today after the monthly cryptographic trip to AAFSC/MTO Headquarters. |
| 26 | All of our men are quite busy now having their rooms painted and plastered. The appearance of our building has surely improved since we first moved into it. |
| 27 | The War News these past few days has sounded very good to all of our men. In the rooms of our barracks the men can be seen close to their radio listening to the news of the world. |
| 28 | Our Company Ping Pong tournament is almost now completed. Sergeant Streifer won the "B" bracket and at present Sergeant Feeley and Corporal Weinfurter are in the final round of "A" bracket. |
| 29 | Captain Ort was called to AAFSC/MTO Headquarters in Naples on official business today. Sergeant Kuzminski went along with the Captain. Technician 3rd Grade Washa and Staff Sergeant Halton left this morning to the 7th Repl Depot for trans-shipment to the United States. Sergeant Halton left on Temporary Duty and Sergeant Washa on permanent rotation. Both Halton and Washa are original members of this organization. |
| 30 | Sergeant Streifer and Private First Class Seward traveled to Rome Fest Camp today for a few days leave. We now have our own barber shop located in our quarters with a very good civilian barber. Sergeant Church and Corporal Campbell, our Malaria Control non-coms, attended a Malaria Control school today conducted by the Depot Surgeon. Pay call was at noon time and all men present were paid by Warrant Officer Horr in the absence of Captain Ort. |


 HARRY F. ORT,
 Captain, Signal Corps.
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OUTLINE HISTORY
1033RD SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP
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- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 Feb '41--28 Nov '41; 1st Lt Bernard C. Johnson, 28 Nov '41--4 Feb '42; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 Feb '42--16 Sept '42; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kimmer, 18 Sept '42--22 Feb '43; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 Feb '43--14 June '43; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June '43--8 Jan '44; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 Jan '44--19 Feb '44; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 Feb '44 to date.
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None.
- k. Photographs: One

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Harry F. Ort
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SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

1033RD SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP

MONTH OF APRIL 1945

HEADQUARTERS
1033rd Signal Company Service Group
Air Force General Depot Number 7
APO 528

5 May 1945.

Subject: Special Accounts of Monthly History.

To : Historian, AAFSC/MTO, APO 528, U. S. Army.
THRU: Statistical Officer, AFGD #7, APO 528, U. S. Army.

1. The Special Accounts of the Monthly History for the month of April 1945 is herewith submitted as negative.

Harry F. Ort
HARRY F. ORT,
Capt., Sig. C.
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OPERATIONS

1033RD SIGNAL COMPANY SERVICE GROUP

MONTH OF APRIL 1945

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| Operations | 1033rd Signal Company, SG | Cattolica, Italy. |
| Month of April 1945 | Prepared by Harry F. Ort, Capt., Sig. C. | |

The Radio Repair Section has handled the largest work load during the past month than at any other time in the Company's history. A total of 1,788 pieces of Signal equipment were checked or repaired during the month of April. Units in this area probably anticipating redeployment are cleaning house prior to their movement. A back log of several hundred items are awaiting repair and further heavy turn backs of airborne equipment are anticipated for several more months.

Harry F. Ort.
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Outline History
Month of May 1945

1033rd Signal Company, SG Foggia, Italy.
Prepared by Jacob R. Hamilton, Tec 5, Sig. C.

- a. Original unit:
(1) Designation: 33rd Signal Platoon (Air Base)
(2) Place of organization: March Field, California.
(3) Date of organization: 15 February 1941
(4) Authority of organization: T/O 11-237 dtd 16 Dec '40.
(5) Sources from which personnel was obtained: Trans fr 321st Sig Co.
- b. Changes in organization: None.
- c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted:
(1) At beginning of month: 3 O; 93 EM
(2) At end of month: 3 O; 91 EM
- d. Stations (permanent or temporary of unit or parts thereof:
(1) March Field, California Date of Activation: 15 Feb '41
Date of Departure: 30 March '41
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Date of Departure: 6 Feb '42
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Date of Departure: 30 June '42
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Date of Departure: 28 Nov '44
(9) Naples, Italy Date of Arrival: 3 Dec '44
Date of Departure: 22 Dec '44
(10) Pisa, Italy Date of Arrival: 23 Dec '44
Date of Departure: 10 Feb '45
(11) Cattolica, Italy Date of Arrival: 10 Feb '45
Date of Departure: 18 May '45
(12) Foggia, Italy Date of Arrival: 18 May '45
- e. Marches: None
- f. Campaigns: None
- g. Battles: None
- h. Commanding Officers: 1st Lt Elmer F. Ganz, 13 Feb '41--28 Nov '41; 1st Lt Bernard C. Johnson, 28 Nov '41--4 Feb '42; 2nd Lt John B. Winsted, 4 Feb '42--16 Sept '42; 2nd Lt Robert J. Kimmer, 18 Sept '42--22 Feb '43; Capt Fredrick Herlihy, 22 Feb '43--14 June '43; Capt Otto J. Nowak, 14 June '43--8 Jan '44; 2nd Lt Robert G. Mainzer, 8 Jan '44--19 Feb '44; Capt Harry F. Ort, 19 Feb '44 to date.
- i. Losses in action: None
- j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None
- k. Photographs: None

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary

1033rd Signal Company, SG

Foggia, Italy

Month of May 1945

Prepared by Jacob R. Hamilton, Tec 5, Sig C.

DAY

EVENING

1. The first day of May finds our organization still located in the small town of Cattolica, Italy with all departments busy at work. Our Soldier's Savings clerk was kept busy today accepting many deposits for the men's savings account. Lieutenant Colonel Sennefeld, Base Executive Officer, inspected our living quarters and company area this morning. The Colonel complimented us on our entire area and liked our Mess Hall set-up very much. In return for the compliment we invited Colonel Sennefeld to join us in one of our meals.
2. Several visitors were present in our Mess Hall today. This morning at breakfast not only our own men enjoyed Sergeant Chambers's delicious hot cakes but Lieutenant Colonels Walter and Sennefeld also went to the chow line for "seconds". For dinner several members of the USO show currently playing at the Depot Theater enjoyed a real "GI" meal at our Mess Hall.
3. Captain Ort and Sergeant Kuzminski returned from AAFSC/MTO Headquarters in Naples today. The entire organization is wondering what news the Captain has brought back with him.
4. This morning Staff Sergeant Killian, Private First Class Sewell, and Private Schmidt left the organization traveling to Naples for trans-shipment to the United States. At evening chow tonight Captain Ort announced to the Company what he had learned while in Naples at Service Command Headquarters. Some men of the organization will be sent to Naples and remain in what is to be called the 1033rd Signal Company. The majority of the men will remain at this station and members of the 891st Signal Company will be sent to this station. The organization here in Cattolica will be called the 891st Signal Company. Sergeant Streifer and Private First Class Seward returned from the Rome Rest Camp this evening.
5. After our noon meal today five of our men played five British soldiers in a ping-pong contest and were victorious with a four to one score. Sergeants Feeley, Basile, Streifer and Corporal Weinfurter were our contestants to out-point the British opponents.
6. Sergeants Baker and Mortwedt left this morning for Naples then to travel to the United States to replace key personnel. Baker was our non-com in charge of the Signal Depot and Mortwedt was chief of our Radio Operations Section. Both men were original members of this organization.
7. Private First Class Pettry was our first man to receive a trip to the Rest Camp in France. Pettry departed this station early this morning. A party was held tonight to be the last for this 1033rd Signal Company. Shortly after supper we heard by radio that the European war had ended. This made us all happy and we celebrated a double occasion with Mess. Sergeant Sopenski's punch as the weapon. Delicious sandwiches and potato salad prepared by Sergeant Chambers and ice cream donated to us by the 417th QM Platoon were the refreshments.

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| <u>DAY</u> | <u>EVENTS</u> |
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| 8. | Today being declared VE Day everyone was in a very happy mood. It was a holiday for everyone at the Depot. Most of our fellows enjoyed the day by swimming off the beach located directly behind our quarters. Others went on a short trip. Sergeant Gillespie and Corporal Hamilton worked on the Adjusted Service Rating card of each man. All members of the unit were interviewed by Captain Ort as to the number of children they had and if they desired to stay in the Army. |
| 9. | Today was declared another holiday and our fellows surely enjoy swimming in the Adriatic. All members came by Company Headquarters this morning to certify that their length of service and time overseas was shown correctly on their Adjusted Service Rating Cards. Sergeant Sopenski and Private First Class Salony traveled to Rome today where they will spend a few days at the Rest Camp there. |
| 10. | Another happy day for the members of the 1033rd Signal. We learned this evening that our outfit is not to split up and we will all remain in the good ole 1033rd Signal Company. |
| 11. | It is expected that in the very near future we will move from this station. Our Signal Supply and Radio Repair Sections are very busy packing equipment. Many attended the USO show featuring Roscoe Yates at the Depot Theater tonight. Roscoe Yates, the former movie star, kept the boys laughing during the entire show. |
| 12. | Private Usher was promoted to Private First Class today per Company Order 5. Captain Sterling, Sergeant Kalafus, and Corporal Harrall all from Headquarters AAFSC/MTO came to us on detached service today and will work at the Signal Depot. The majority of our fellows are spending their off-duty time swimming. We would all like to spend the summer here in Catolica but it is definite now we will be leaving in a short time. |
| 13. | Corporal Stewart and Private Larson returned from temporary duty in the United States today. Both men reported having a wonderful time at home and although glad to be back to the unit they would much rather be in the states. |
| 14. | The Depot Post Exchange opened today and have a very nice store and a good selection of articles to purchase. All sections of the Company are now preparing to move. The Signal Depot and Radio Repair Sections have been working nights to be sure to have their departments ready for the movement. |
| 15. | We learned today that we will leave this station on the eighteenth of this month and that we will travel to Foggia, Italy from here. All of the men began preparing their personal belongings for the trip. Sergeant Sopenski and Private First Class Salony returned from the Rome Rest Camp this afternoon. |
| 16. | The MRU roster for VE Day was received by us today and each members credits were placed by his name. The roster was returned to the 21st Machine Record Unit. |

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| DAY | EVENTS |
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| 17 | Warrant Officer Schmidt and four Signal Supply men of our organization will remain here at this station for a short time along with the men who are now on detached service with us from Service Command Headquarters. Our enlisted men who will continue to work at this depot are Sergeants Snider, Yockubisin, Brame, and Hemmekens. This afternoon all Company and personal equipment was loaded on trucks to be taken to Foggia tomorrow along with our convoy. |
| 18 | After spending five months in Cattolica we departed early this morning by motor convoy. Seventy-one enlisted men and two officers of our unit traveled 314 miles and arrived in Foggia at 1930 hours. We were attached to the 339th Air Service Squadron at Amendola, a few miles outside of Foggia. After having late chow, we pitched tents and then retired for the evening after a long day. |
| 19 | We learned today that the 1033rd Signal Company was soon to be disbanded. The enlisted men and the equipment are to be divided among units that are being formed under XV AFSC. This was bad news for all of us as most of us have been working together for several years. The organization has held a fine reputation for Signal operations. Our men are very unhappy of the fact that our outfit must disband. Private First Class Pettry returned from the Rest Camp in France today after enjoying a very fine trip. Many of our fellows visited the city of Foggia tonight and did not approve of it like other Italian cities we have visited. |
| 20 | Today the orders for the transfer of our Officers and enlisted men reached us. Warrant Officer Horr was transferred to the 530th Air Service Group. Warrant Officer Schmidt was transferred to the 533rd Air Service Group. Thirty-eight enlisted men were transferred to the 529th Air Service Group. Thirty-seven enlisted men were transferred to the 528th Air Service Group. All the above personnel were transferred on Special Order 96 Headquarters 324th Air Service Group. |
| 21. | Orders were received today transferring our members who are currently on at temporary duty in the United States to the United States. This included fifteen enlisted men who at one time were very valuable to this unit. The men present here in Italy reported to their new organization this morning. This parted many friends that have been together a long time. |
| 22. | Today ends the history of the 1033rd Signal Company when the final roster was submitted. Captain Crt, Commanding Officer, and First Sergeant Church were transferred to the 528th Air Service Group. The outfit was organized in February 1941 at March Field, California and has traveled a long ways since that time. All of its members were outstanding in their line of work. Let us hope that our men join an outfit as fine as the one they left and that they will all return to their homes in the very near future. |

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Sheet No. 4 War Diary, 33rd Signal Co. Serv. Gp Sqn. Podington

Month of October, 1942, Prepared by Young, John W. S/Sgt 33rd Signal Co.
(Name) (Rank) (Unit) Serv. Gp.

| DAY | EVENTS |
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| HISTORY - Cont. | |
| 11 October | Organization carried on regular training and duties. |
| 13 October | Organization moved from tents to huts at the same station. Due to the insistant rain and increasing cold, the change was welcomed by all the men. |
| 16 October | Tech. 5th Grade Lewis returns from hospital to duty. |
| 17-18 Oct. | Organization carried on regular training and duties. |
| 19 October | Six 2-1/2 ton cargo trucks were assigned to the company - the problem of drivers then arose. |
| 20 October | Tech. 5th Grade Tinney returned from hospital to duty. |
| 21 October | More communications on the base were taken over by the organization and gurads were required for the post. |
| 23-25 Oct. | Final touches were put on packing and crating of equipment. All supplies which were needed were requisitioned and obtained. |
| 31 October | Payday - After regular duties, poker games abounded. |
| 1 November | Telephone crew took down all field telephone lines and switchboard. |
| 2 November | Tech. 5th Grade Mack L. Kennedy, who has been with the organization since its activation was today promoted to the grade of Tech. 4th and transferred to the 61st Signal Company, Service Group. |
| 3 November | Regular duties were carried on. |
| 4 November | Pfc. Joe F. Bacon, who was injured in an automobile accident, was today transferred to the 12th Replacement Control Depot. |
| 5-9 November | Regular duties were carried on. |
| 9 November | Pfc. Frank Nasha, teletype operator and cryptographer was promoted to Tech, 5th Grade. |
| 14 November | Pvt. David V. Biggers waspromoted to the grade of Pfc. Pfc. Joe F. Bacon returned to the organization from replacement pool today. |
| 15-19 Nov. | Organizations at the base began packing equipment and preparing to leave. |
| 20-30 Nov. | Regular duties were carried on. |

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Sheet No. 5 War Diary, 33rd Signal Co. Serv. Gp. Sqdn. Podington
(Station)
Month of November, 1942, Prepared by Young, John W S/Sgt. 33rd Sig Co Serv Gp
(Name) (Rank) (Unit)

DAY : E V E N T S

HISTORY - Cont.

- 1 December : Tech. 5th Grade Michael Kaminsky and Pfc. James J. Ketchel were reduced to the grade of Private. Pfc. Floyd V. Simmons was promoted to Tech. 5th Grade. Privates Martindale and Sherman were promoted to Private First Class. Pfc. Martindale taken to the Chelveston Station Hospital.
- 2 December : Organization began packing equipment today for change of station.
- 3-4 Dec. : Packing of organization personal equipment continued. Christmas gifts arrived for all members of the unit.
- 5 December : Today we moved all equipment to freight cars in Wellingborough, England.
- 6 December : This morning instructions were given to pack and be ready to leave the station by 2130 hours. Pfc. Martindale returned from the hospital. At 2030 hours we left the barracks and went directly to the station hospital where all members of the unit were given a physical examination, after which we went to the mess hall to have a last meal at Poddington, Bedfordshire, England with no regrets. At 2130 hours we loaded on trucks and headed for the Wellingborough Railway Station.
- 7 December : On the anniversary of the day that the enemy first struck at us, the 33rd Signal is on its way to strike back at him...destination unknown... At 0025 hours left Wellingborough IMS RR Station. Most of the men were tired and sleepy and almost immediately went to sleep. At 0630 hours we were awakened and told that we were at Liverpool, England. Trucks met us at the station and carried us to the docks, where the Empress of Canada was at anchor. We boarded her at 0800 hours today and were assigned to section 4 of "C" Deck. Details spent the remainder of the day loading equipment.
- 8 December : More men and equipment were loaded onto the boat this morning. At 1200 hours the boat was moved to another pier about a mile distance. More men and equipment were loaded here.
- 9 December : Today a major portion of the personnel was loaded on the boat and we furnished guides and details to direct organizations to their areas.
- 10 December : Today we awoke to find that we had pulled away from the pier and were awaiting to get underway.
- 11 December : This morning ships began to gather about us and at approximately 1400 hours the convoy began to move out of the harbour.

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Sheet No. 6 War Diary, 33rd Signal Co. Serv. Gp. Sqdn. _____

Month of December, 1942, Prepared by Young, John W S/Sgt. 33rd Sig. Co. Serv. Gp.
(Name) (Rank) (Unit)

DAY : E V E N T S

HISTORY - Cont.

- 12 December : Early this morning we found we were in the Irish Sea. On one side we : could see the mountains of Scotland and on the other the mountains of Ire- : land. All the men were amazed at the largeness of the convoy. Toward late : evening we began to lose sight of land.
- 14 December : Heavy fog and a rough sea. By 1500 hours the boat began to rocking : heavily. We received word that we were about to go into a heavy storm. The : men began to refuse their food and all but about six members of the organiza- : tion became sea sick. Surely tomorrow will be a better day.
- 15 December : At approximately 0200 hours this morning there was a terrific crash and : men sleeping on tables began rolling off of them. Guns, packs and bedding : rolls began rolling off the racks and fell on sleeping men in hammocks. The : boat had been rocking all night, but at this particular time it took and : extreme dip to one side and then to the other. I shall never forget one boy : who jumped up in bed and shouted "Boys, this is it!" In the midst of all : the cursing the men had to stop and laugh at this. We had little sleep until : 0630 hours when we go up. Outside, waves were splashing on the promenade : deck. No one could possibly go onto the bow of the ship. Few men could eat. : All day long we rocked and rocked. Surely tomorrow will be a better day.
- 16 December : Just as rough as yesterday. The floors were wet from leaking port : holes and we would slide from one side of the boat to the other every time : we tried to walk. At approximately 1900 hours today the sea grew a bit more : calm. We knew we were going South and surely, soon we must run out of the : storm.
- 17 December : Today the sun came out and the sea became calmer. The dining tables : began to see faces they had not seen in some time. The decks again became : crowded. The sun was not so far south as it was when last we saw it.
- 19 December : We had a very nice day today. The sun shone bright and warm and the : sea was very calm in comparison with previous days. At about 1430 hours an : Armoured Division Band came on deck and played a thirty-minute concert. : Tonight the moon shone brightly and the sea was very calm.
- 20 December : Before daylight this morning men came from on deck stating that they : could see shore lights on both sides of the ship. We surmised that we were : going through the straits of Gibraltar. Sure enough, at day break we saw : the Rock of Gibraltar and back of it the mountains of Spain. By 1000 hours : the sun was shining brightly and we were going East along the coast of Spain. : We could see snow-capped mountains and yet the calm and blue Mediterranean : was definitely warm. This afternoon the band played another concert and we : sat on deck and took a sun bath.

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Sheet No. 7 War Diary, 33rd Signal Co. Serv. Gp. Sqdn. _____

Month of December, 1942, Prepared by Young, John, W S/Sgt. 33rd Sig Co. Serv. Gp.
(Name) (Rank) (Unit)

DAY : E V E N T S

HISTORY - Cont.

- 21 Dec. : At 0200 hours this morning I was awakened by four terrific blasts which
: seemed to be at some distance away. I heard no guns firing and so I went back
: to sleep. 0730 hours we went on deck and found Oran Harbor in front of us.
: At 0900 hours we came to anchor in Mers El Kebir Harbor. At approximately
: 1200 hours troops began debarking. Our complete organization was chosen for
: a baggage detail. About 1500 hours a pursuit plane began diving and climbing
: over the harbor and many times came directly over our heads. As he made one
: dive over us he leveled off and either hit a wind pocket or lost control of his
: plane and crashed into the harbor. The incident was witnessed by most of the
: men of the 33rd Signal.
- 22 Dec. : At 0600 hours we started getting our personal equipment together to get
: off the boat. At 0900 hours we started loading it on a barge to go over to the
: Oran Docks. One barge with part of our organizational equipment was ready to
: go at 1000 hours. S/Sgt. Baker, T/4th Anderson, Cpl. Stewart and myself got
: aboard and went along to Oran Harbor. The remainder of the organization sat
: out on another barge until 1630 hours and upon learning the barge would not go
: across that day, went back aboard the Empress of Canada to spend the night.
: We at Oran Harbor waited all day for the remainder of the organization. Night
: came and we had not one blanket to sleep on. We tried to sleep on the rough
: cobblestones of the dock.
- 23 Dec. : The bay became extremely rough and no barges could cross. Personnel and
: their equipment were loaded upon landing barges and proceeded toward the bay.
: The barges found the bay much too rough and had to return to Mers El Kebir
: harbor. We at Oran Docks could find no mess hall that would feed us and we
: could not leave the docks to get anything to eat. Rain began to fall in tor-
: rents. All personal equipment and men got soaked. Lt. Kemmer made arrange-
: ments for a truck to pick up the men at Mers El Kebir. The transportation did
: not arrive. Some Naval Officers asked our men to eat with them that night,
: they did and at 2000 hours the transportation arrived and carried personnel and
: equipment to La Senia Air Base
- 24 Dec. : At 1000 hours today, Lt. Kemmer arrived at the docks and picked up we
: four stranded men. At 1100 hours we arrived at La Senia Air Base to find every-
: one building shelters for bunks. We spent Christmas Eve drying wet clothing and
: equipment and building shelters. An alert was sounded at 1900 hours.
- 25 Dec. : Today the sun shone brightly. Nothing about the day gave the slightest
: resemblance to a usual Christmas Day. Most of the men attended church service.
- 26 Dec. : Today we started bringing our equipment in from the docks. At 1500 hours
: and 1900 hours a show was presented by French entertainers in our hanger.

Sheet No. 8 War Diary, 33rd Signal Co. Serv. Gp. Sqdn. La Senia Air Base
 (Station)
 Month of December, 1942, Prepared by Young, John. W S/Sgt. 33rd Sig Co. Serv. Gp.
 (Name) (Rank) (Unit)

| DAY : | E V E N T S |
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| | HISTORY - Cont. |
| 27 Dec. | : The remainder of equipment was brought in from the Air Corps Dump.
: Some of our Teletype operators went to work on the Base Teletypewriters. |
| 28 Dec. | : Today the remainder of the Teletype pperators went to work on the base
: teletype systems. Details were furnished for cleaning the hanger and grounds. |
| 29 Dec. | : Today the telephone switchboard operators went to work operating on the
: base switchboard. Regular details for policing were furnished. |
| 30 Dec. | : Regular duties were carried on. |
| 31 Dec. | : Pay Day - Everyone was paid in Francs today and they carried away
: enough paper to cover the walls of their small huts. Several of the men
: began making deposits in soldier's savings and increasing their allotments.
: At 2355 hours everyone started shouting "Happy New Year" and guns started
: going off outside of the hanger, which started quite a disturbance. |

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Company History for the month of September, 1943, of the 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group, A. P. O. # 528, U. S. Army.

Sept. 1. This month started off well for the following named men of this organization: Robert S. German, Edward J. Holey, Fredrick Schmidt, Glenn S. Swank and Osborne A. Wharton. These men were promoted to the grade of Private, First Class, per Company Order Number 16, dated 1 September, 1943.

Sept. 2 All unit Commanders were warned by way of the Daily Bulletin to begin making arrangements for all organizational equipment to be placed under cover. They are warned that after 15 October storage outside will be hazardous due to rain and mud. A large number of men of this organization enjoyed a stage review at the Base Theatre. It was billed as "Dori Ann Stage Review" with 8 beautiful girls and 2 men.

Sept. 3 S/Sgt Clyde D. Isaacs and Technician Third Grade Robert R. Combs were promoted to the grade of Technical Sergeant per Paragraph Number 15, Special Order Number 204, dated 1 September, Headquarters, Air Force General Depot Number 1.

Sept. 4. Nothing of importance happened today. Some of the men enjoyed a good swim at the beach but ventured the opinion that the water was a bit cool.

Sept. 5. The company Supply Sergeant was kept very busy today. He had all the members of the company bring their gas masks to the supply. He and his helpers exchanged the old type container for the new "yellow top" type.

Sept. 6. PFC Bernard Huffer returned to duty today. He had been in the 151st Station Hospital for several days with a stubborn case of dysentery.

Sept. 7. Regular duties were carried out today. Quite a number of men were observed "sweating out" the ice cream line at the Red Cross Service Club.

Sept. 8. PFC Warner G. Shelton was promoted to the grade of Technician Fifth Grade per Paragraph Number 6, Special Order Number 3, dated 7 September, 1943, Headquarters, Oran Intransit Center.

Sept. 9. The Radar section of our command expanded today with the acquisition of the following named enlisted men: Technical Sergeant Guy M. Saba, Technician Third Grade Cecil A. Griffin, Technician Fourth Grade Clarence A. Martin and Technician Fourth Grade Mirhan D. Parigian. The above named were assigned and joined from Headquarters, XII Air Service Command per Paragraph Number 6, Special Order Number 235, dated 7 September, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command.

Sept. 10. Technician Fifth Grade Warner G. Shelton, who has been a very valuable man in our Cryptographic section for several months, was released from duty and assigned to the 1065th Signal Company, Service Group, per Paragraph Number 4, Special Order Number 236, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command, dated 8 September, 1943.

Sept. 11. Howard P. Tinney, Motor Pool Sergeant for the past several months, was reduced to the grade of Private per Paragraph Number 6, Special Order Number 6, dated 10 September, 1943, Headquarters, Oran Intransit Center. Technician Fifth Grade Ralph S. Biddinger, Chief Company Clerk, was promoted to the rank of Sergeant per Paragraph Number 9, Special Order Number 7, dated 11 October, 1943, Headquarters, Oran Intransit Center.

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Sept. 12. Staff Sergeant Floyd V. Simmons, Radio Operator, was sent to the 180th Station Hospital today. The final recreation beach trip of the season was made. The men have lost interest noticeably in the past two weeks due to cooler weather.

Sept. 13. The personnel of this base was warned via the Daily Bulletin that too many soldiers were trading excessive amounts of cigarettes and other PX supplies to the French and Arab civilians. These supplies have been finding their way into the Black Market. The soldiers were warned that they were violating the 84th article of war and were subject to courts martial under said article. Our company carried out garrison duties in the usual efficient manner.

Sept. 14. Private Ernest B. Thompson, Company Carpenter, was sent to the 7th Station Hospital for treatment and possible operation for hernia.

Sept. 15. Private Charley W. Talley who has been in our message center for a short while was released and assigned to the 38th Air Depot Group per Paragraph Number 22, Special Order Number 10, dated 14 September, 1943, Headquarters, Oran Intransit Center. In the Daily Bulletin Section IV, Circular 174, Headquarters, MATOUSA, dated 8 September, 1943, was quoted and gave the information that no officer candidates from this theatre of operations will be returned to the United States for training. Nor would direct appointments be continued. Several men in our company who had been anticipating applying for direct appointments were disappointed.

Sept. 16. PFC Bernard Haffer, completely recovered from his attack of dysentery, was released from the 151st Station Hospital and returned to duty in the telephone section. Private James Schrimsher was assigned to and joined our command from the 1056th Military Police Company per Paragraph Number 2, Special Order Number 12, dated 16 September, 1943, Headquarters, Oran Intransit Center. Private Schrimsher was placed in the message center.

Sept. 17. Staff Sergeant Floyd V. Simmons was released from the 180th Station Hospital and returned to duty in the Radio Operations section. Sergeant John M. Gillespie was transferred into our company from the 751st Chemical Depot in the grade of Private, per Paragraph Number 18, Special Order Number 10, dated September 14, 1943, Headquarters, Oran Intransit Center. Private John M. Gillespie was promoted to the grade of Technician Fifth Grade-Paragraph Number 3, Special Order Number 13, dated 17 September, 1943, Headquarters, Oran Intransit Center. Corporal Gillespie is to divide his time between the Orderly Room and the Cryptographic section. Sergeant Littleton D. Stewart of the telephone section was reduced to the grade of Private per Paragraph Number 2, Special Order Number 13, dated 17 September, 1943, Headquarters, Oran Intransit Center.

Sept. 18. Nothing of importance to report. Most of the men enjoyed the show at the Base theatre, "Young Thomas Edison", starring Mickey Rooney.

Sept. 19. 2nd Lieutenant George W. Long who has been on detached service, reported for duty in the Radar section per Paragraph Number 6, Special Order Number 215, dated 18 August, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command. Technician Fifth Grade James Ingram, one of our cooks, was sent to the 7th Station Hospital for treatment of either a tooth or gland ailment.

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Sept. 20. No changes to report today. Quite a number of men were seen passing footballs in front of the barracks. Another group was observed playing basketball in preparation for a game with a local French team.

Sept. 21. Technician 4th Grade Fredrick E. Lewis, Radio Operator, and Technician 5th Grade Harry C. Brock, Message Center Clerk, were reduced to the grade of Private per Paragraph 4, Special Order Number 17, date d 21 September, 1943, Headquarters, Gran Intransit Center. Private Ernest B. Thompson, Company Carpenter, was relieved from duty and assigned to the 21st General Hospital per Section 1, Circular Number 65, Headquarters, MATOUSA, dated 20 April, 1943. Authority, Commanding Officer, 7th General Hospital.

Sept. 22. 2nd Lieutenant John C. Bleassey, Radar Officer, entered the 151st Station Hospital for a minor operation. MBS via the Daily Bulletin, declared another portion of Gran "off limits" to American soldiers.

Sept. 23. Nothing of particular importance to report except an observation that the weather is becoming much cooler. The Supply Sergeant is having daily requests from different men for additional blankets.

Sept. 24. The Non-Commissioned Officer's Club reopened on the Base and will operate four nights a week from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. One of the best shows staged overseas was presented at the Base theatre, "Hey Rookie" starred Sterling Holloway of Radio and Screen fame, well supported by an all star cast of enlisted men. Everyone who saw it agreed that it was the best show ever staged on this Base.

Sept. 25. 1st Lieutenant Kenneth A. Wright was placed on detached service with our Company for approximately 15 days per Paragraph Number 25, Special Order Number 252, dated 24 September, 1943, Headquarters, XII Air Force Service Command. We engaged a team of French soldiers in a game of basketball. They drubbed us pretty badly. We believe that with a few days practice we can win from them handily. Technical Sergeant John Semrinec, our team manager, promised to get us a basketball and call some practice sessions in preparation for a return game with the French.

Sept. 26. Technician 5th Grade James Ingram returned from the hospital to duty as a cook. He is not fully recovered from his ailment, but the local dispensary can dress the wound for him each day.

Sept. 27. The men of this Base were warned that if field jackets were worn they would be buttoned at all times. They were further warned that sweaters would not be worn as an outer garment at any time.

Sept. 28. 2nd Lieutenant Bleassey of the Radar section was released from the 151st Station Hospital and returned to duty after having undergone a minor operation.

Sept. 29. Today we had a good basketball practice in preparation for a return game with the French soldiers Saturday. Manager Sergeant Semrinec made good his promise to procure us a basketball. The team members firmly believe they will trounce the Frenchmen on Saturday.

Sept. 30. Another busy day for Lieutenant Heid and Sergeant Biddinger, the men who "pay off". It was a very quiet day. Only a few men asked for passes, even

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though it was pay day. That goes to bear out the belief we hold that pay day just doesn't mean a thing in North Africa.

For the Commanding Officer:

Roy E. M. Reid
ROY E. M. REID,
1st Lt., Sig. C.,
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November 1

First Lieutenant Roy E. M. Reid was released from further duty with this organization and assigned to the 1032nd Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph Number 4 Special Order Number 285 dated 27 October, 1943 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command. Lieutenant Reid has been Personnel Officer of our organization for the past four months. Everyone from this Command wish him good luck in his new position.

November 2

Nothing of importance happened today. The movie, "Oxbow Incident" with Henry Fonda and Dana Andrews, was shown at the Base Theater.

November 3

Staff Sergeant William T. Halloran, of the Radar Section, was released from the 151st Station Hospital. He was still a bit weak from a three week seige of Jaundice. First Lieutenant Robert H. Jackson, Base Security Officer, was released from further assignment and duty with Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 19th Air Depot Group and assigned to our organization per Paragraph Number 8 Special Order Number 191 dated 31 October, 1943 Headquarters I Air Service Area Command.

November 4

Sergeant Edmund R. Conley, Chief Switchboard Operator, was sent to the 151st Station Hospital. Lieutenant Bleazey, Technical Sergeant Mortwedt, and Staff Sergeant Clarke were picked by our Company Commander to represent our organization at a lecture on Fire Prevention to be held on 8 November, 1943.

November 5

Private Jacob R. Hamilton and Private Raymond L. Middlemas were assigned and joined our organization from the 22nd Replacement Pool, per Paragraph Number 22 Special Order Number 92 dated 2 November, 1943. Headquarters 22nd Replacement Battalion. Technical Sergeant Roy D. Baker, of the Signal Depot Section, was released from the 151st Station Hospital. Roy had been gravely ill for a month as the result of a fractured skull.

November 6

Second Lieutenant George W. Long, of the Radar Section, was releived from duty with our organization and assigned to the 915th Signal Depot Company (Avn) per Paragraph Number 4 Special Order Number 291 dated 2 November, 1943 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command. The Enlisted Men's Red Cross Snack Bar was officially opened today. Coffee and sandwiches are to be served daily from 2 to 4 and 7 to 10 P. M.

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November 7

Second Lieutenant James T. Huston, of the Radar Section was relieved from duty and assigned to the 1073rd Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph Number 8 Special Order Number 292 dated 3 November, 1943 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command. Lieutenant Huston was very popular with the enlisted men of this Command. He took an active part in athletics. The men in his section, particularly, hated to see him go. It's good luck to Lieutenants Huston and Long from the 1033rd.

November 8

Second Lieutenant John C. Bleazey, Technical Sergeant Roy D. Baker, and Technician 4th Grade Otto F. Hennekens left for Detached service at 1300 hours today per Paragraph Number 2 Special Order Number 61 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12. Technician 5th Grade Osborne A. Whorton was sent to the 151st Station Hospital where he will be confined for some time with the Jaundice. Technician 5th Grade Alton Gould was transferred to our Command from Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron XII Air Force Service Command per Paragraph Number 1 Special Order Number 296 dated 7 November, 1943 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command. Lieutenant Bleazey, Technical Sergeant Mortwedt and Staff Sergeant Clarke attended a lecture on Fire Prevention at 0900 hours in Hangar 94.

November 9

The town of La Senia, a bare half-mile from our base was declared Off-Limits to all personnel of this Command.

November 10

Sergeant Edmund R. Conley and Private First Class Robert S. German were dismissed from the 151st Station Hospital and returned to duty. Sergeant Conley had been treated for Influenza and Private First Class German for Jaundice.

November 11

A short, but impressive Flag Ceremony was observed on the base to commemorate the Armistice of the last war. Second Lieutenant Bleazey, Technical Sergeant Baker and Technician 4th Grade Hennekens returned from Detached Service to duty at 1300 hours.

November 12

There was a test blackout of the base and surrounding territory. The stage show "Ten Minute Break" was given in the Base Theater. It was a very enjoyable show with some very good original songs and good female impersonations by the all "G.I." cast.

November 13

Another Saturday night and another Red Cross Dance. The jitter-bugs report that the Native girls are growing more adept at dancing the light fantastic, the American way.

November 14

There was a large turn-out at church today. The chapel has undergone a complete renovation. The men were very happy over the fact we now have real pews with backs on them. The chapel has certainly been

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improved upon and the whole base is greatly obliged to those men responsible for the changes.

November 15

Technical Sergeant Guy M. Saba, Technician 3rd Grade Cecil A. Griffin, Technician 4th Grade Clarence A. Martin, and Technician 4th Grade Mirham D. Parigian, all of the Radar Section, were released and assigned to the 915th Signal Company, Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 5 Special Order 66 dated 12 November 1943 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12.

November 16

Private First Class Cyrus Byrne was taken to the 151st Station Hospital today as a result of a peculiar accident. Cy had an ash tray made from the top of a piston. The ash tray was lying by his bed and when, in the midst of a nightmare, Cy fell out of bed and his hip struck the side of the ash tray and it seemed to paralyze his whole leg. He will be hospitalized for at least a week.

November 17

First Lieutenant John C. Beirne who has been on Detached Service was released to return to his own Station per Paragraph 5 Special Order 69 dated 15 November, 1943 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12. Technician 5th Grade Osborne Whorton, who had been confined in the 151st Station Hospital for several days with the Jaundice, was released to duty.

November 18

Second Lieutenant Edgar O. Parker, Technical Sergeant Herman R. Petty, Technical Sergeant Jack R. Onstett, Staff Sergeant Edward R. Webb, Sergeant John W. Devine, and Sergeant George J. Wendal were placed on Detached Service with us per Paragraph 8 Special Order 301 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 12 November, 1943. Technical Sergeant Wilbur B. Canfield and Sergeant Anthony Basile were sent on Detached Service per Paragraph 3 Special Order Number 70 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 70 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12 dated 17 November, 1943.

November 19

Second Lieutenant John C. Bleazey went on Detached Service per Paragraph 2 Special Order 70 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12 dated 17 November, 1943. Private First Class Kenneth H. Franklin, Private First Class Manly N. Nelson, Private Russell J. Bigelow, Private Walter E. Ciecko, Private Elmer H. Iserhott, and Private Raymond C. Schular were assigned and joined our organization from the 319th Signal Company, Wing per Paragraph 9 Special Order 306 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 17 November, 1943.

November 20

There were some very distinguished visitors on the base today but the average men were not able to ascertain just who they were. It made good fuel for Latrine rumors. Our Company Commander called all the men together and explained a few things which are likely to happen to our organization for the next few weeks. Master Sergeant J. D. Sheppard, Technical Sergeant Sledge Scruggs, Technical Sergeant Geo. W. Snyder Jr., and Technical Sergeant Lindel C. Waugh were placed on Detached Service to this base from the 319th Signal Company, Wing and then attach to our Command for rations, quarters, and administration, per Paragraph 2 Special Order 22 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12.

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November 21

Technician 3rd Grade Michael Lapcewich was sent on Detached Service per Paragraph 2 Special Order Number 70 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12 dated 17 November, 1943.

November 22

Captain Nowak was given four Gazelle today. He is giving the whole Company a feast of fresh meat for their meal on Wednesday at noon. Master Sergeant Pole, Master Sergeant Sheppard, Technical Sergeant Taugh, Staff Sergeant Clarke, Technician 4th Grade Holtvogt, and Technician 5th Grade Holey went to Mastagenom to pack up the new switchboard which we are getting. They expect to have it ready to transport to our base shortly.

November 23

Second Lieutenant John C. Bleazey, Technical Sergeant Wilbur B. Canfield, Technician 3rd Grade Michael Lapcewich and Sergeant Anthony J. Basile returned to duty from Detached Service. Master Sergeant Pole and Staff Sergeant Gulley were busily engaged in starting the installing of the new switchboard.

November 24

First Sergeant Biggers, Staff Sergeant Clarke, Technician 4th Grade Bacon and Technician 5th Grade Donaldson went on Detached Service per Paragraph 3 Special Order Number 76 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12.

November 25

This marks the second Thanksgiving which this organization has spent over seas. Everyone is hoping that this is the last one. Mess Sergeant Sapenski and his corps of kitchen help certainly did themselves proud with their Thanksgiving meal. Turkey with all the trimmings and good pumpkin pie. Second Lieutenant Poticney, Technical Sergeant Isaacs and Sergeant Farr returned from thirty days of Detached Service to Sicily. They say that Sicily is much better than North Africa.

November 26

Technician 4th Grade Raymond H. Sewell and Technician 5th Grade Glenn S. Gage went on Detached Service per Paragraph 1 Special Order Number 78 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12 dated 25 November, 1943. First Sergeant Biggers, Staff Sergeant Clarke, Technician 4th Grade Bacon, and Technician 5th Grade Donaldson returned from Detached Service.

November 27

The work on the installation of the new switchboard is moving along nicely. Master Sergeant Pole and Staff Sergeant Gulley are working almost day and night in order to rush up the job as much as possible. We were scheduled to play our first game in the Touch and Pass Football League today but our opponents for the game called up to post-pone it to a later date.

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Cyrus Byrne, of the Teletype Section, returned from the 151st Hospital to duty. First Lieutenant Robert H. Jackson, head of the Cryptographic Section, was released from duty and assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron II Air Service Area Command Special per Paragraph 2 Special Order 312, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 23 November, 1943.

November 28

Second Lieutenant Lawrence A. Wise was assigned and joined our organization per Paragraph 7 Special Order Number 314 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 25 November, 1943. Technician 4th Grade Raymond H. Sewell and Technician Glenn S. Gragg returned from Detached Service to duty at 1600 hours today.

November 29

Private First Class Frederick Schmidt was sent to the 151st Hospital from the effects of a tooth infection. Quite a number of the men were happy over receiving Christmas packages from home.

November 30

Our organization had quite a feast today. The Gazelle meat prepared by the Nuns at the Convent was served at the noon meal. Our cooks did themselves proud with the remainder of the menu consisting of mashed potatoes, string beans, pickles, cinnamon rolls, coffee, and fresh oranges. The men agreed that the meal was almost, if not quite, as good as the Thanksgiving meal last Thursday. Our distinguished guests for the fine meal included: Major Fadel, Major McIntyre, Major May, Captain McQueen, Captain Wilmont, Lieutenant Barnes, and Lieutenant Eiler, an Army Nurse, and our own officers; Captain Nowak, Lieutenant Bleazey, Lieutenant Poticny, Lieutenant Wise, and Warrant Officer Schmidt.

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December 1 1943

Today saw quite a few changes in the organization. Privates Severe Beaulieu, Harry C. Brock, William F. Campbell Jr., Charles D. Pettry, and Howard P. Tinney were promoted to the grade of Private First Class per Paragraph 1 Company Order Number 22 Headquarters 1033rd Signal Company, Service Group dated 1 December, 1943, Authority: Army Regulation 615-5. Private First Class Fredrick Schmidt was released from the 151st Station Hospital and returned to duty. Technical Sergeant Arnold L. Morrison, Staff Sergeant Leland S. Gray, Staff Sergeant James K. Hendrick, Staff Sergeant Robert J. Murphy, and Sergeant Elmer D. Huntoon were assigned and joined our organization from the 914th Signal Company Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 5 Special Order Number 316 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 27 November, 1943.

December 2

Private First Class Fredrick E. Lewis, one of our Radio operators was promoted to the grade of Technician 5th Grade, per Paragraph 6, Special Order 84 Headquarters, Sub-Depot Number 12 dated 1 December, 1943.

December 3

Master Sergeant J. D. (IO) Sheppard and Technical Sergeant George N. Snider were released from Detached Service with our Command and assigned to us from the 319th Signal Company Wing, per Paragraph Number 10 Special Order Number 319 dated 30 November, 1943 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command.

December 4

Second Lieutenant Parker, Technical Sergeant Herman R. Petty, Technical Sergeant Jack R. Onstatt, Staff Sergeant Edward D. Webb, Sergeant John J. Devine, and Sergeant George J. Wendell were released from further Detached Service and returned to their proper Station, 1085th Signal Company Service Group per Paragraph 3 Special Order 301 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 12 November, 1943. The men who attended the Protestant Church Services were greatly pleased to see Captain Stansberry, the former Base Chaplin, in the pulpit. He preached a very good sermon.

December 5

Technical Sergeant Sledge Scruggs and Technical Sergeant Lindel C. Waugh were released from further Detached Service with our organization and assigned to the 1085th Signal Company, Service Group per Paragraph 11 Special Order 319 Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 30 November, 1943.

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December 6

Today Warrant Officer Schmidt procured for our Company a thirty-five gallon barrell of real American beer. The beer lovers of the organization pronounced their seal of approval after the first few canteen cupfuls had been emptied.

December 7

Sergeant James F. Gover, Sergeant Paul F. Streifer, and Technician 4th Grade Joe F. Bacon left for Cryptographic School in Algiers per Paragraph 2 Special Order Number 86 Headquarters Sub-Depot Number 12 dated 3 December, 1943. The school will last thirty days. Master Sergeant J. D. (IO) Sheppard and Private First Class Harry C. Brock were sent on Detached Service to Message Center School per Paragraph 1 Special Order 317 as amended Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 18 November, 1943. The school will last approximately 21 days. On the Second Anniversary of Pearl Harbor the men in this Section seemed more determined than ever to put an early end to the war.

December 8

The picture "Zigfield Girl", starring Lana Turner and James Stewart was shown at the Base Theater. The M.C.O. Club has been moved to a new location. The new place is very attractively decorated. The Club will be operated by and under the supervision of the M.C.O.'s. Wine and American type beer will be offered for sale. We were advised by Base Headquarters that because beer rations for this Club are drawn against the enlisted strength of the Base, it will be impossible for Units to obtain beer directly from the brewery.

December 9

Technician 5th Grade John V. Miller, of the Cryptographic Section, was sent to the 151st Hospital with a severe case of "Boils". Technician 3rd Grade William A. Anderson, Technician 4th Grade Raymond Brame, Technician 4th Grade John M. Althoff and Technician 5th Grade James Ingram were sent on Detached Service for approximately three days per Paragraph 4 Special Order Number 89, as amended, Headquarters Air Force Sub Depot Number 12, dated 6 December, 1943.

December 10

Warrant Officer Schmidt and his Staff at the Signal Depot were busily engaged in a huge loading job, despite the rainy weather.

December 11

The weekly "Stars And Stripes" were not delivered today. This was due, no doubt, to transportation problems brought on by the heavy rains. Technician 3rd Grade William A. Anderson, Technician 4th Grade Raymond Brame, Technician 4th Grade John M. Althoff and Technician 5th Grade James Ingram returned from Detached Service to duty.

December 12

This was another rainy Sunday. There was a good turn-out for church. Some of the Radio Maintenance had to work all day on the French Airplane Radio Installations. These men are doing a good job on these installations.

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December 13

We had our first basketball workout of the season. Private Hamilton was selected as manager and coach. Ham was outstanding in football and basketball in his high school days, finished only recently in New Jersey. He should make us an excellent coach. The prospects look fairly good for a good team.

December 14

Coach Hamilton attended a called meeting of the Basketball Managers of the Base. Plans were drawn up for the formation of a Basketball League for the Base. Master Sergeant Spears of Headquarters Squadron was in charge of the meeting.

December 15

More Christmas packages came in today. Some of the men who have transferred recently received as many as forty letters plus several packages.

December 16

The rain still continued today. This is the third straight day of rain. Our men are thankful that they are in good barracks and not in pup tents and huts as they were during the rainy season last year.

December 17

We played our first scrimmage basketball game. The men participating found themselves to be in very poor condition. They looked fairly good for the first few minutes and then they could hardly travel from one goal to the other. Coach "Ham" Hamilton did, however, get a good look at his squad under game conditions. Sergeants Hedrick and Murphy, two new Radar men, showed up particularly well. When asked how his squad looked in practice, "Ham" frowningly replied, "Not too good but we'll win a few ball games in this man's league, we've got some good boys out." The Base Inspector visited our Barracks and mess hall and pronounced them in good shape.

December 18

Today our Commanding Officer, Captain Nowak, suggested that our Company have a gala New Year's party. The suggestion was accepted with enthusiasm by the enlisted men of the Organization. A committee of seven men was appointed by First Sergeant Biggers to work out the plans for the party.

December 19

Second Lieutenant John C. Bleazey, Technical Sergeant Hobart R. Combs, Technician Third Grade Michael Lapowich, Sergeant John W. Beissel, and Technician Fourth Grade Michael J. Pehey were sent on Detached Service with the 907th Signal Company Depot (Avn) per Paragraph 1 Special Order 323, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 9 December, 1943.

December 20

There was an excellent picture at the Base Theater. "The Keeper of the Flame" starring Katharine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy.

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December 21

First Lieutenant Lloyd (LMI) Froland, who was assigned to our organization from the 1062nd Signal Company Service Group, and immediately sent on Detached Service with the 907th Signal Company Depot (Avn), arrived for duty today per Paragraph 4 Special Order 314, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command, dated 25 November, 1943.

December 22

The men of the original 53rd Organization marked their first anniversary on North African shores sometime during December 21. Today marks the end of one year on the base here at La Senia. This is one of the very few organizations which has been fortunate, or unfortunate as the case may be, enough to remain in one place for a full year. There have been many changes on the base in the year. Our men are agreed that we are in much better circumstances as to living conditions, food, and general outlook for the Christmas holidays. The world outlook is much brighter too, for the Allies.

December 23

Master Sergeant Frank R. Pole was sent on Detached Service per Paragraph 4 Special Order 92, Headquarters Air Force Sub Depot Number 12, dated 10 December, 1943. Technician 4th Grade Robert G. Larson and Technician 5th Grade Howard W. Donohoe were reduced to the grade of Private for misconduct per Paragraph 4 Special Order 102, Headquarters Air Force Sub Depot Number 12, dated 20 December, 1943. Technician 5th Grade John Y. Miller, one of our Cryptographic men, was released from the 151st Station Hospital.

December 24

Sergeants Kaminsky and Wickman worked hard all day decorating our mess hall for Christmas and for our New Year's party. They certainly did a wonderful job with the materials they had to work with. Our Base Commander and Company Commander issued orders that all men possible were to be free of duty on Christmas day. Snatches of "Silent Night" and other Christmas Carols were heard throughout the day.

December 25

Today was the second Christmas overseas for most of the men in this organization. This was a much better Christmas than the one we spent on this base in 1942. We had one of the best meals we have ever had at noontime. Our cooks certainly did themselves proud. The menu consisted of baked turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, gravy, olives, pumpkin pie, white bread, butter, coffee and finally two oranges and a bag of assorted hard candies. After the meal our Captain read us Christmas greetings from President Roosevelt, General Eisenhower, and General Marshall. After he finished reading these greetings, the Captain added his own good wishes and started the group to singing Christmas carols by leading "Silent Night." The men all agreed that we had the finest Christmas possible under the circumstances.

December 26

Things were back to normal today after a very enjoyable Christmas on this base. Of course there were a few "beer heads" at getting up times today--but that was to be expected. Nineteen men of the 12th Weather Station of this base were attached to our organization for rations.

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December 27

Technical Sergeant Baker, chairman of the committee to organize our New Year's party, reported that the plans are coming along nicely. The greatest problem to date is finding a Dance Band. The men are looking forward to a very enjoyable evening. The picture "Slightly Dangerous" with Lana Turner and Robert Young played at the Base Theater.

December 28

We made our debut in the Base Basketball League with a dope upsetting win over one of the favorite teams. In a practice tilt a few nights ago this same team gave us a severe drubbing. The entire team played exceptionally good basketball. Our opponents led at the half 11 to 12. With the help of some beautiful long baskets by Technical Sergeant Semrinec and good ball handling by all the men we were able to over come the lead and then blaze on to a 26 to 23 win.

December 29

Master Sergeant Pole returned from Detached Service to duty at 0800 hours. Staff Sergeant James A. Clarke was sent on Detached Service with 323rd Service Group per Paragraph 4 Special Order 108, Headquarters Air Force Sub Depot Number 12 dated 27 December, 1943. Master Sergeant J. D. Sheppard and Private First Class Harry C. Brock returned from Detached Service to duty.

December 30

Second Lieutenant George R. Northup was assigned and joined our organization from XII Air Force Service Command per Paragraph 15 Special Order 347, Headquarters XII Air Force Service Command dated 29 December, 1943. Technical Sergeant Baker and his committee for the gala New Year's Eve Party were very busy today making all the necessary plans.

December 31

This was a "big" day for the organization. First of all it was pay day. Then it ended our eighteenth month over seas and finally it was the night for our great New Year's Party. The party was a huge success. The committee in charge are to be congratulated for putting on a fine show. The decorations were beautiful--almost like other New Year's parties we've known in the states. The Navy Orchestra was good. The drinks were good and plentiful. The eats were very tasty and even the French ladies were able to almost fill their hand bags with sandwiches. There were more than enough girls. The girls were more attractive than the average that come to the Red Cross Dances. I think that all officers and enlisted men of the organization are agreed that we had as good time as it is possible to have in a foreign land under war conditions.

As the curtain falls on 1943 we feel that we are much nearer to the goal of victory than we were a year ago. The year has been comparatively uneventful for us. We have spent the entire year on this base. However, we feel that we have worked hard and have done our part well. As we go into the new year we wonder where we will be sent. Most of us feel that this new year will see the complete downfall of our enemies and have fond hopes of spending next New Years in our respective homes.

For the Commanding Officer:

Laurence A. Wise
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2nd Lt., Sig. C.
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The 34th Signal Platoon (AB) was activated on 15 Feb 1941 at MacDill Field, Fla. (Per GO # 3, GHQ, AF, Langley Field Va, Dated 8 Feb 1941).

The unit's mission was to maintain telephone, teletype, and radio communications within an air base. One officer and eleven enlisted men formed the original cadre for the platoon and were drawn from the 312th Signal Co, (Avn) stationed at MacDill Field, Fla. (Par 34, SO #42, AB Hq, MacDill Field, Fla, dated 15 Feb 1941).

The first Signal Corps officer assigned to the organization was 1st Lt. Banks who joined at MacDill Field on 28 Feb 1941, and assumed command on the same date. Captain Hutchinson, an Air Corps officer, who was in temporary command of the platoon was relieved from duty on 3 March 1941.

On 15 March 1941 the platoon was transferred to Orlando Air Base, Orlando, Fla (SO # 67, AB Hq, MacDill Field, Fla, dated 15 March 1941).

At 2:00 P.M., 18 March 1941, the platoon, consisting of one officer and ten enlisted men left MacDill Field, Fla, by motor convoy for Orlando Air Base, Fla, and arrived at 7:30 P.M. the same day after an uneventful trip.

From the time of the platoon's arrival at Orlando Air Base on 18 March 1941, until 30 April 1941, it performed the usual garrison duties.

On 4 May 1941, eleven privates were assigned to the platoon, bringing the total strength to one officer and twenty-two enlisted men. One officer and six enlisted men of the 5th Signal Service Det. were attached to the platoon on 27 May 1941 for administration, supplies and rations.

From 1 May 1941 to 31 May 1941, the platoon performed the usual garrison duties. On 1 June 1941, Captain Evans of the 5th Signal Service Det, was relieved from attached, but the six enlisted men remained. The entire month of June was spent performing garrison duties.

Ten more enlisted men were assigned and joined the platoon on 25 July 1941, making the total unit strength one officer and thirty-two enlisted men. Of the ten enlisted men who arrived on this date, five were placed in the base hospital.

Lt. Banks was placed on Special Duty with Orlando Air Base Hqs on 28 July 1941. Lt. Fitzgerald was attached and assumed temporary command the same date. From 1 July 1941 to 31 July 1941, the usual garrison duties were performed.

On 5 August 1941, the six enlisted men attached to the platoon were relieved and rejoined the 5th Signal Service Det. Lt. Banks returned from Special Duty with Base Hqs on 12 August, and resumed command. Lt. Fitzgerald was relieved the same day.

Five enlisted men of the organization were placed on Detached Service with the 26th Air Base Squadron, Orlando Air Base, Fla, on 17 August 1941.

The platoon left Orlando Air Base, Fla, at 6:15 A.M., 21 August 1941 for maneuvers area, Beaumont, Texas. At 6:25 P.M. the same day they arrived at

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6th Service Gp (Air)**

**AFPO 292.
1 May 1944.**

**NARRATIVE HISTORY COVERING PERIOD FROM ACTIVATION (15 FEB 1941)
TO 31 DEC 1943.**

Seven enlisted men were assigned to the platoon on 18 February 1942 but were relieved from assigned on 22 February 1942. From 11 February to 28 February 1942 usual garrison duties were performed.

Twenty-one enlisted men were attached for rations only on 18 March 1942. Lt. Browning departed on a seven day leave on 12 March 1942 and Lt. Benjamin was attached and assumed command.

Sixty-one enlisted men were assigned and joined at 7:00 AM, 12 March 1942 from the 64th Signal Bn, Fort George G. Meade, Md. An additional ten men were attached for rations only. The total platoon strength at this time was one officer and ninety-six enlisted men.

Lt. Browning returned from leave on 18 March 1942 and resumed command relieving Lt. Benjamin.

Eight enlisted men were transferred to the 60th Signal Platoon and three more were assigned to the 34th Signal Platoon from Fort Meade, Md. on 19 March 1942. On 24 March 1942 eleven additional men were transferred from the platoon to the 60th Signal Platoon. Sixteen men who were attached to the 34th Signal Platoon for rations and quarters were assigned on 26 March 1942 bringing the platoon enlisted strength to ninety-seven.

The platoon's activities for the month of March 1942 consisted of usual garrison duties.

On 6 April 1942 the platoon strength was reduced to one officer and fifty-six enlisted men by the transfer of thirty-five men to the 61st Signal Platoon, and two men to the 1322 Service Unit, Fort Meade, Md.

Six enlisted men were attached for rations on 16 April, forty-one enlisted men were relieved from attached for rations on 18 April, twenty-one men attached were dropped on 19 April and later the same day twenty-one men were assigned to the platoon and joined, making a total of seventy-six enlisted men.

On 22 April five more men were assigned but were attached to the Air Corps Recruiting Center for basic training. Nine additional men were assigned during the next two days. The platoon was now undergoing extensive training in various Signal Corps functions, such as radio, telephone, teletype and message center work.

During the month of May 1942 the unit continued its training schedule, interrupted almost daily by the transfer of enlisted men into, and out of, the organization.

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Starting the month of May with an enlisted strength of ninety-three men, it was increased to one-hundred and fifty-nine men by the end of the month. Nine men were on Detached Service at various radio schools in Washington, D.C., Chicago, Kansas City, Mo., and Athens, Ga.

June 1942 started out exactly like May in respect to the shifting of personnel. Starting off with one-hundred and fifty-nine men, the platoon closed out the month with only thirty-six enlisted men, the original authorized strength.

The majority of the men transferred out of the platoon were assigned to the 3rd Signal Platoon (AB), stationed at the same base. Most of this month was spent in training and preparing the transferred men for departure.

On 1 July 1942, Lt Browning was relieved from assigned, and 1st Lt Beachler was assigned and joined from the 3rd Signal Platoon (AB) for the purpose of assuming command.

Six men on Detached Service at Chicago were granted a five day delay en-route to joining the platoon.

The 34th Signal Platoon (AB) was redesignated 34th Signal Company Service Group on 22 July 1942 (Per GO # 15, Hq, AAB, Barksdale Field, La., dated 22 July 1942). The new mission is as follows:

Primary Mission:

1. 3rd echelon Maintenance on airborne radio and ground radio in the Service Group area.
2. Install and maintain wire lines of communication for the Service Group.
3. Receive, store, and issue all classes of signal supplies in Group Area.
4. Operate Service Group wire, radio, and telephone systems. (Service Group area is defined as covering 8 combat squadrons. Two Service Groups cover all third echelon maintenance for an air depot Group. i.e.: 16 combat Squadrons.

This month was spent in training and usual garrison duty. Lt. Beachler and eleven enlisted men departed on Detached Service to Fort Dix, N.J. on 15 August 1942, and Lt. Lewis was attached for command.

Lt. Lewis was relieved from attached for command, and Lt. Boydstun was attached for command on 22 August 1942. The men remaining at Barksdale Field were busy during this period painting and crating equipment, as the company was alerted for movement.

Lt. Beachler and the men on Detached Service at Fort Dix returned to duty on 29 August 1942. Lt Boydstun was relieved from attached the same date. The last half of the month of August was spent in preparing for a permanent change of station.

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TO 31 DEC 1943.**

The strength of the company was raised to sixty-four enlisted men on 1 September 1942 by the assignment of twenty-six men from the 59th Signal Company and the 3rd Signal Company. On 9 September 1942, ten of the men were granted ten day furloughs, leaving at 5:00 P.M.

The ten men on furlough returned to duty on 20 September 1942 and the next day ten more departed on furlough. These men were called back to duty when the company received movement orders a few days later.

Lt. Beachler departed the company on 26 September 1942 for Detached Service with an advanced cadre at Camp Stoneman, Pittsburg, California. The same day 1st Lt. Schwendau was assigned from the 913th Signal Company (Avn), Duncan Field, Texas.

The company was built up to its T/O strength of seventy enlisted men on 27 September, and at 11:30 P.M. that same day it departed Barksdale Field, La., by train, for a permanent change of station.

The period from 27 September 1942 to 2 October 1942 was spent on board the troop train enroute to Camp Stoneman, California. The men completely enjoyed the trip, passing through many scenic parts of the country, and were allowed to purchase candy, ice cream, and magazines at various stops throughout the trip. Morale was excellent.

Arriving at Camp Stoneman on the 2nd of October at 10:00 P.M., the company marched to its assigned barracks. The time from 3 October to 31 October 1942 was spent in hikes and garrison duties.

W.O. (jg) Hendershott was assigned and joined the company on 27 October 1942. The company was at its complete authorized strength, both commissioned and enlisted, on 31 October 1942.

The afternoon of 1 November 1942, the company departed Camp Stoneman by rail for San Francisco, to embark for overseas. They arrived at the docks and boarded the U.S. Army Transport 3P425 at 9:00 P.M. that night. The ship lay in the bay until 3 November 1942 and on that date put out to sea.

Several of the men became seasick the first few days out, but soon became accustomed to the motion of the ship. The voyage was uneventful, broken only by the initiation ritual when crossing the equator, and the sighting of various small islands from the ship. The morale of the men was excellent during the long stay aboard ship.

The ship arrived at its destination, Noumea, New Caledonia, on 22 November 1942 and dropped anchor off shore. The company disembarked on 26 November 1942 and proceeded by truck to its bivouac area, approximately three miles from Tontouta Air Base. Thanksgiving dinner that year consisted of two sandwiches and an apple.

Despite the long tiresome voyage and desolate bivouac area, the men were in high spirits and began setting up the camp.

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Early in December 1942 the company took over the Base Communications, consisting of the Telephone, Teletype, and Radio Communications at Tontouta Air Base. On 6 December 1942, Lt Schwendau left the bivouac by plane to go on Detached Service at Plaines Des Gaillac Air Base, about 140 miles away, to take over the Base Communications there.

On 10 December the company moved 1/2 mile to a new bivouac within the Service Center area and set up communications there in addition to their operations at the air bases. The rest of December was spent improving communications and building up a permanent camp area.

Lt. Beachler was appointed Base Signal Officer on 22 December. Christmas day was observed by an excellent dinner.

Lt. Schwendau and nine enlisted men returned from Detached Service at Plaines Des Gaillac on 10 January 1943 in preparation for their transfer to another island. Their orders were revoked, however, and on the 18th of January, Lt Schwendau and eight men returned to Plaines Des Gaillac. Warrent Officer Hendershott, meanwhile, had gone to Plaines Des Gaillac to command the Detachment at that base, but rejoined the company upon Lt. Schwendau's return.

During the month the company completed their mess hall and improved the company area. The Radio Section set up a communication system at Tontouta Air Base for Staff Officers of the New Zealand Army.

The men completed a new Signal Supply building on 3 February 1943. A few days later the Radar men went on Detached Service to the U.S. Navy at Magenta, New Caledonia.

Lt. Beachler was relieved as Base Signal Officer and appointed Base Communications Officer on 6 February 1943. The same day three more enlisted men were transferred into the company, making a total of seventy-three enlisted men.

The first beer ration was issued to the men on 13 February 1943, calling for a celebration.

Lt. Beachler was promoted to Captain on 26 February 1943 by orders from Hqs, USAFISPA.

On 9 March 1943, Pfc Hill died of gunshot wounds and the following day was buried in the American Cemetery, New Caledonia, with full military honors.

April was uneventful, the company performing the usual camp duties. Ten enlisted men were attached for rations, quarters and duty. The men organized a soft-ball team to enter into the competition with various units on the island.

The designation of the company was changed on 5 May to 1034th Signal Company Service Group, without change of station. (GO # 110, Hq, USAFISPA, dated 3 May 1943). The company now has an authorized strength of ninety-seven enlisted men and three officers.

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The men began construction of a new native type mess hall early in the month and it is now nearing completion.

In June 1943 the radio and teletype sections of the company completed communications installations in the new control tower at Tontouta Air Base and it is now in operation.

The new company mess hall was completed and the men messed there for the first time, the old mess hall being converted into a day room.

The overage in strength of personnel has now been reduced by transfers of men into the 905th Signal Company and the organization is now back to its authorized strength.

Technician Fourth Grade Van Horn departed for the Continental U.S. on 9 July 1943 to attend Signal Corps Officer's Candidate School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

During July all sections of the company were relieved of communications duty at Tontouta Air Base by the 306th Signal Company pending a permanent change of station. Lt Schwendau and the men on Detached Service at Plaines Des Galac were relieved on 1 August 1943, and returned to duty with the company.

Sergeant Beckman returned to the United States on 21 August 1943 to attend Aviation Cadet school.

The line crew spent most of the month hanging cross-arms on poles between Tontouta and Noumea.

On 18 September 1943, 2d Lt Clause was assigned and joined the company, and on the 24th, Lt. Schwendau was relieved from assigned and transferred to the 321st Service Group.

The company was alerted for movement early in October 1943 and the men began crating and preparing equipment for shipment.

Three men on Detached Service at Guadalcanal returned to duty on 13 October 1943.

Capt. Beachler and eight enlisted men were attached to the 6th Service Group Detachment at Tontouta and the remainder of the company departed by truck for Noumea on 21 October, where they boarded a Troop Transport for movement to a new station.

After a calm voyage, the ship arrived at Banika, Russell Islands, Solomon Islands on 31 October 1943. The men disembarked into a landing craft and were carried ashore at 1700. They marched about one mile to the 6th Service Group bivouac area where they immediately began setting up a temporary camp.

Early in November the company moved across Renard Sound to the new bivouac area and began construction of their permanent camp. At the same time the various communications sections took over and began operating the former Marine transmitting station, the maintenance and operation of two switchboards and their network of lines, and the Air-Op Message Center. A few days later men were

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assigned to teletype operations and the radio repair section relieved the Marines and began repair and maintenance of airborne radio equipment for the different bomb squadrons on the island.

Private Agron left the company on 24 November 1943 by plane enroute to the United States to attend aviation Cadet School.

During the month the men worked steadily weatherproofing their tents and improving the company area, at the same time constructing a permanent Signal Supply Warehouse.

Three more enlisted men were assigned to the company on 26 November 1943. The company enjoyed an excellent Thanksgiving dinner at the Group Consolidated Mess.

In the first week of December the men began construction of their own Company Mess Hall, which was completed on the last day of the month.

Four men were transferred to a higher Medical Echelon during December. Christmas was celebrated by a turkey dinner and a ration of beer later in the day.

The weather was continuously rainy during the entire period the company has been on Banika, but the morale of the men has been excellent.

Everett S. Beachler
**EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
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DATA

1034th Signal Company, Service Group
6th Service Group (Air)

1. a. Original Unit.

- (1) Designation - 34th Signal Platoon (Air Base)
(Authority, Unknown)
- (2) Date of Organization - February 15, 1941.
- (3) Place of Organization - McDill Field, Florida.
- (4) Authority for Organization.
(G.O. No. 3, General Headquarters, Air Forces, Langley Field,
Virginia, dated February 8, 1941).
- (5) Sources from which personnel was obtained.
(a) No information pertinent to the above available.

b. Changes in Organization.

- (1) Redesignated 34th Signal Company, Service Group.
(G.O. No. 15, Hq, Army Air Base, Barksdale Field, Louisiana,
dated July 22, 1942).
- (2) Assigned to 6th Service Group
(Par 1, G.O. No. 62, Hq, Air Service Command, Wright Field,
Dayton, Ohio, dated July 5, 1942).
- (3) Redesignated 1034th Signal Company, Service Group.
(G.O. No. 110, Par 1, Hq, USAFISPA, APO 502, dated
May 3, 1943).

c. Strength.

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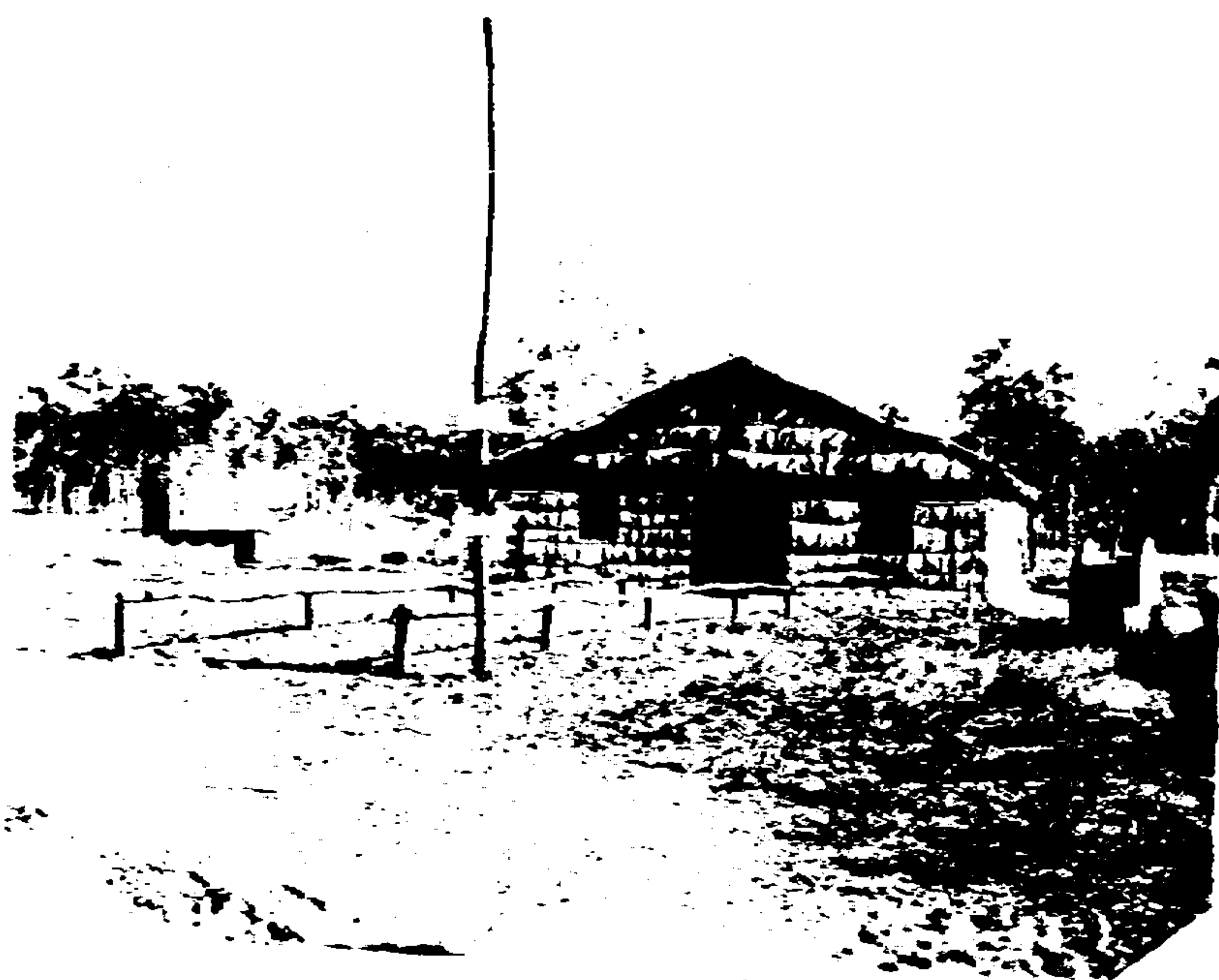
- (1) McDill Field, Florida - Original Unit.

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- (a) Date of Arrival - Activated February 15, 1941.
- (b) Date of Departure - Not known.
- (2) Orlando, Florida.
 - (a) Date of Arrival - March 20, 1941 (approximate)
 - (b) Date of Departure - February 15, 1942. (approximate)
- (3) Barksdale Field, Louisiana.
 - (a) Date of Arrival - February 17, 1942. (approximate)
 - (b) Date of Departure - September 27, 1942.
- (4) Camp Stoneman, California.
 - (a) Date of Arrival - October 2, 1942.
 - (b) Date of Departure - November 1, 1942.
- (5) New Caledonia.
 - (a) Date of Arrival - November 26, 1942.
 - (b) Date of Departure - None.
- e. Marches - None on record.
- f. Campaigns - None.
- g. Battles - No important engagements.
- h. Commanding Officers in important engagements - No important engagements.
- i. Losses in action; officers and men - None.
- j. Former and Present Members who have distinguished themselves in action - None.
- k. Photographs - Exhibit "A"

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6th Service Group (Air)

1. a. Original Unit.

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c. Strength.

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| 1 October 1943 | | | 73 |
| 31 October 1943 | | 1 | 72 |
| 30 November 1943 | 4 | | 76 |
| 31 December 1943 | | 2 | 74 |

c. Stations.

- (1) McDill Field, Florida - Original Unit.

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(1) Date of arrival - September 17, 1942.

(2) Date of departure - September 27, 1942.

(3) Camp Stoneman, California.

(a) Date of arrival - October 2, 1942.

(b) Date of departure - November 1, 1942.

(4) Camp Stoneman, California.

(a) Date of arrival - September 17, 1942. (approximate)

(b) Date of departure - September 27, 1942.

(5) Camp Stoneman, California.

(a) Date of arrival - October 2, 1942.

(b) Date of departure - November 1, 1942.

(6) Camp Stoneman, California.

(a) Date of arrival - November 26, 1942.

(b) Date of departure - October 31, 1943.

(7) Russell Islands.

(a) Date of arrival - October 30, 1943.

(b) Date of departure - None.

e. Marches - None.

f. Campaigns - None.

g. Battles - None.

h. Commanding officers in important engagements - None.

i. Losses in action; officers and men - None.

j. Porter and present leaders who have distinguished themselves in action - None.

k. Photographs - Exhibit "A".

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6th Service Group (Air)

UNIT HISTORICAL REPORT

The following is a report of the Sectional Operation of this unit, and inclosed herewith is the Unit Historical Report for the months of January and February, 1944:

Headquarters Section:

Captain EVERETT S. BEACHLER - Commanding Officer
First Sergeant Jerome M. Reynolds - First Sergeant
Staff Sergeant John W. Leaver - Mess Sergeant
Sergeant John C. Sumner - Supply Sergeant
Sergeant James D. Quirk - Motor M.C.O.

Operations Platoon: 2nd Lt. HAROLD E. LOHN

Telephone and Telegraph Section:

Technical Sergeant Norman H. Lawler - Radio Repairman, WHF, Wire Chief
Staff Sergeant Ernest C. Mills - Wire Chief
Sergeant Constantine N. Konakis - Chief Switchboard Operator
Technician Fourth Grade William G. Hutchinson - Radio Repairman, WHF,
Ass't Wire Chief

Radio Section (Absorbed into various other sections within unit):

Technical Sergeant Paul E. De Felice - Storage and Issue Section
Staff Sergeant Constance G. Catania - Telephone and Telegraph Section
Technician Fourth Grade William J. Clavin - Message Center Section
Technician Fourth Grade Irving H. Diamond - Headquarters Section

Message Center Section:

Sergeant Louis R. Hughes - Message Center Chief
Staff Sergeant Carl L. Clarke - Message Center Clerk
Staff Sergeant Gwilym A. Jones - Message Center Clerk
Technician Fifth Grade Bernard G. Westerman - Ass't Message Center Chief

Supply and Repair Platoon: 2nd Lt. HARRY F. CLUSSE

Storage and Issue Section:

Technical Sergeant Forrest D. Wood - Warehouse Foreman
Staff Sergeant William F. Burns, Jr. - Ass't Warehouse Foreman

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Radio Repair Section (Fixed):

Technical Sergeant Lionel Wright - Radio Repairman, Airborne Equipment, Chief
Technician Fourth Grade Orville A. Carlson - Radio Repairman, Airborne Equip-
ment

Radio Repair Section (Mobile):

Technician Fourth Grade Anthony P. Ferris - Radio Repairman, WFF Radio, Chief
Technician Fourth Grade Edward A. Teranski - Radio Repairman, WFF Radio

Radio Repair Section (Mobile):

Technician Third Grade Maynard E. Miller - Radio Repairman, Search, Chief
Technician Fourth Grade Douglas E. MacDonald - Radio Repairman, Search
Technician Fourth Grade Leon E. Henning - Radio Repairman, Search

Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section:

Absorbed into Telephone and Telegraph Section.

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ELLIOTT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig Corps,
Unit Histories Officer.

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HISTORICAL DATA
1034th Signal Company Service Group
6th Service Group (Air)

1. a. Changes in Organization for months of January and February 1944.
- (1) There have been no changes in designation of unit.
 - (2) There has been no alteration of the general mission of this unit.
 - (3) No units have been transferred to another organization of higher or lower echelon.
 - (4) No units have been assigned or attached.
 - (5) No changes have been caused by P/C etc.
 - (6) Strength:

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| DATE | NET INCREASE | NET DECREASE | TOTAL STRENGTH |
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| 1 January 1944 | | | 4 |
| 31 January 1944 | | | 4 |
| 29 February 1944 | | 1 | 3 |

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| DATE | NET INCREASE | NET DECREASE | TOTAL STRENGTH |
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| 1 January 1944 | | | 61 |
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| 29 February 1944 | 12 | | 72 |

- (7) No significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand.

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1 May 1944.

NARRATIVE HISTORY COVERING PERIOD FROM ACTIVATION (15 FEB 1941)
TO 31 DEC 1943.

Tallahassee Air Base, Fla., after traveling 251 miles by motor convoy. The weather was good and morale of the men excellent.

At 7:00 A.M., 22 August 1941, they left Tallahassee Air Base by motor convoy and arrived at Fort Barrancus, Fla., at 3:30 P.M. the same date. Distance covered was 217 miles. Leaving Fort Barrancus, Fla., at 7:15 A.M., 23 August 1941, the platoon arrived at New Orleans Air Base, La. that afternoon at 4:15 P.M. after traveling 200 miles.

The following morning they left New Orleans Air Base, La., at 6:00 A.M. C.S.T., and reached the maneuvers area at Beaumont, Texas, at 6:20 P.M. Distance covered this day was 295 miles. The bivouac area was the Beaumont, Texas, Municipal Airport. The morale of the men was excellent and the weather throughout the entire trip was good.

The platoon was placed on Field Ration Status on 27 August 1941 at the bivouac area. From 27 August to 30 August the usual camp duties were performed.

A tropical storm accompanied by high winds and heavy rains struck the bivouac area at 5:30 P.M., 22 Sept 1941, and in a few hours the entire camp was covered with six inches of water. The platoon, with the exception of six men who remained to guard tentage and equipment, were evacuated at midnight.

The storm subsided at 8:00 A.M., 24 September 1941, and the men dug drainage ditches, finally removing all of the water from the bivouac area. The same day the platoon moved back into the camp. The morale of the men was excellent during the whole period of the storm. Two days later the bivouac area was entirely dry for the first time since the unit's arrival at Beaumont.

On 8 October 1941 the platoon departed Beaumont, Texas at 6:00 A.M. by motor convoy enroute to Greenville, S.C., arriving at New Orleans, La. at 7:00 P.M. where they were quartered in barracks provided by the C.O. of New Orleans Air Base. Distance covered this day was 310 miles.

They remained at New Orleans on 9 October 1941, leaving on the following day for Mobile, Alabama, at 6:30 A.M., reaching the Mobile Army Recreation Center at 1:30 P.M., covering 153 miles.

Leaving Mobile at 6:15 A.M., 11 Oct 1941, the platoon arrived at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala. at 3:45 P.M. after driving 210 miles. The next day the unit reached Fort McPherson, Ga., at 3:00 P.M., 171 miles from Maxwell Field, Ala.

They left Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga., at 6:15 A.M., 13 October 1941, on the final stage of the trip to Greenville S.C., arriving there at 2:30 P.M. that afternoon, traveling 165 miles. The bivouac area was 1/4 mile from Greenville Municipal Airport. Weather was good and morale excellent during the entire trip.

The platoon departed Greenville, S.C. at 7:00 A.M., 27 October 1941, by

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**NARRATIVE HISTORY COVERING PERIOD FROM ACTIVATION (15 FEB 1941)
TO 31 DEC 1943.**

motor convoy, for Raleigh, N.C. after traveling through a heavy fog over wet and slippery roads, they arrived at Charlotte, N.C. at 12:00 noon, covering 100 miles. Quarters were arranged in the Charlotte Armory.

Leaving Charlotte at 7:00 A.M., 28 October 1941, the platoon reached its destination at Raleigh, N.C., a distance of 157 miles at 1:00 P.M. that day. Bivouac area was 1/4 mile from Raleigh Municipal Airport. The platoon performed the usual garrison duties until 29 November 1941, when the unit moved again, enroute to their home field at Orlando Fla.

Leaving Raleigh, N.C. at 7:00 A.M., 29 November 1941 by motor convoy, the platoon arrived at Sumpter, S.C., after covering a distance of 205 miles. Reaching Sumpter at 3:00 P.M. they were bivouaced in the National Guard Armory.

After leaving Sumpter on 30 November 1941 at 6:30 A.M. they reached Brunswick, Ga. at 3:30 P.M. the same day, traveling 243 miles. Camp was made on the city outskirts.

Departing Brunswick at 6:45 A.M. the next day, the convoy reached its destination at Orlando Air Base, Fla at 4:00 P.M. after a trip of 227 miles. Weather was rainy, thus last day. Morale of men excellent during the trip.

The platoon remained alerted for the remainder of the month, pending movement. Five enlisted men who remained on Detached Service at Orlando Air Base with the 26th Air Base Squadron were relieved and returned to duty with the platoon on 2 December 1941.

The 34th Signal Platoon (AB) was released from attached to the Orlando Air Base Station Complement and attached to the 26th Air Base Squadron, 3rd Air Force, Base Command, for administration on 29 December 1941. From 1 December 1941 to 31 December 1941 usual camp duties were performed.

1st Lt. Browning was assigned and joined the platoon on 14 January 1942, assuming command with additional duty as Ass't Post Signal Officer. Lt. Banks was relieved from assigned and transferred to the 26th Air Base Squadron the same date.

The platoon performed the usual garrison duty for the month of January, 1942.

On 7 February 1942 an advanced echelon of ten enlisted men departed for Barksdale Field, La, by motor convoy, to prepare for a permanent change of station.

The platoon left Orlando Air Base, Fla. at 4:28 P.M., 8 February 1942, by rail, for a permanent change of station at Barksdale Field, La, arriving there at 10:00 A.M. 10 February 1942, occupying barracks and performing the necessary duty. The enlisted men were attached to the Base Rct Det for rations upon arrival at the new station.

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MONTHLY REPORT OF THE 1024TH SIGNAL COMPANY, AIR FORCE, 1944
THE MONTH OF JANUARY AND FEBRUARY, 1944

The start of the year 1944 was also the start of our fourteenth month of foreign service. The morale of the Enlisted Men and Officers is excellent; our job is being accomplished in an efficient and military manner. Since we have come overseas, our strength has changed constantly. WO(100) CLYDE E. HENDERSON left us for duty with the 361st Air Base Squadron at New Hebrides, and he was replaced by 2nd Lt. HAROLD E. JOY. He also acquired citizenship from the United States.

The night of January 1st brought on air raid. A few bombs were dropped about a mile from camp. Damage was negligible and no one was injured. We have an individual siren to warn our outfit and the adjacent organizations in the event of future air raids. This is a hand-operated siren that can attain sufficient volume so no doubt will be left in the minds of anyone in this immediate vicinity as to whether or not a siren was sounded. A Charge of Quarters is on duty in the Orderly Room all night and is awakened by the switchboard operator to give the alarm.

The Dickey switchboard was closed and the men were put on duty at the Copper switchboard, one of the central boards in the island telephone communication system. The telephone repairmen and the line crew completed a 36-pair cable across Rend's Sound. They also built a 36 pair remote control cable from Base Radio, to 1st Air Operations, and to the Officer's Den. The line crew maintains the telephone lines in constant working order and installs phones where needed.

The radio repairmen maintain and service all Signal Equipment on B-25, B-26, and B-27 planes; keep all Special Service communication equipment in good working condition, repair amplifiers, and projectors, and run the movies at the 6th Service Group theatre. Other men install and operate teletype equipment, and maintain a signal warehouse for the distribution of signal equipment to Air Corps Units on the Island.

The AIRCRAFTS MESSAGE center consists of an Intelligence Officer, and from our outfit, a message center chief, eight clerks, and a motor messenger.

Improvements are always being made around the company area for the welfare and well-being of the company. We established a Company Laundry, operated by the men, for the men of this unit. A small shack was built for this purpose, and a home-type electric washing machine turns out an amazing amount of clean laundry in a short time. Clothing is returned damp and the men hang their own wash on the line to dry. We also acquired a refrigerator, in poor condition, but with a little work by the motor mechanics it was soon put in tip-top condition. The cooks are able to keep

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their meat fresh, fix cold drinks for the men, and make entire fancy dishes for the men that can be chilled to add zest to its flavor. When beer and Coca Cola are distributed as a beverage with the evening meal, they are kept in the refrigerator overnight so that the men can have their drinks cold.

When new men come into the company, the "old timers" lend them a hand and give them valuable hints and pointers on this and that, pointers they themselves have learned through experience.

The original strength of seventy men, two officers, and one warrant officer, has been increased to ninety-two enlisted men and three officers.

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5 a. Organization of unit

- (1) Original designation of unit
- (2) Mission
- (3) Date and place of activation of unit
- (4) Sources from which personnel were drawn
- (5) Strength, com. and EM, at time of act.
- (6) Names of key personnel
- (7) Material and facilities

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b. Command relation with:

- (1) Next higher headquarters
- (2) Subordinate units
- (3) Other services

6 a. Changes in organization

- (1) Changes in designation of unit and date
- (2) Alteration of the general mission
- (3) Transfer of units to another organization
- (4) Units assigned or attached
- (5) Changes caused by T/O
- (6) Changes in strength, Com and EM
- (7) Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand.

b. Changes in relations with other org.

- (1) Next superior headquarters
- (2) Units under direct command

c. Resume of movements

- (1) Date of arrival at and departure from each station
- (2) Changes of station, and purpose therefor

d. Name of campaign (or battle) participated in

e. Chief military missions, engagements, sorties

f. Losses in action

g. Awards to and decorations of members

Remarks: **Good as far as you had gone. Can you elaborate more. More detail if possible on activities and achievements. Approximately how many calls clear your board in a month? What kind of repairs do you make? Give examples. Refer to par 7c and 11, Historical Officers Circular, Date 14 April 1944.**

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Gp (Air)
APO 292.

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DATE 7 APRIL 1944

INITIALS L.F.D.

UNIT HISTORY

MARCH 1944

1. Changes in organization.

- a. Changes in designation of unit - None.
- b. Alteration of the general mission - None.
- c. Transfer of unit to another organization - None.
- d. Units assigned or attached - None.
- e. Changes caused by Tables of Organization - None.
- f. Change in strength, commissioned and enlisted.

| | 1 March 1944 | 31 March 1944 | Net Increase | Net Decrease |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Officers | 3 | 3 | | |
| Enlisted men | 92 | 93 | 1 | |

g. Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand - None.

2. Changes in relations with other organizations.

- a. Next superior headquarters - None.
- b. Units under direct command - None.

3. Resume of movements.

a. Date of arrival and departure from each station. Detachment of six (6) enlisted men departed 12 March 1944 on DS with 13th Air-drome Sqdn Det #1, APO 292, date of arrival unknown.

b. Changes of station and purpose therefor - None.

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4. Names of campaigns or battles in which unit has participated - None.
5. Chief military missions, engagements, sorties - None.
6. Losses in action - None.
7. Awards and decorations - None.
8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of March 1944:

The activities of this organization during the month of March were routine. There were two B-25 squadrons and one Fighter squadron based here. Their mission was largely training and rest leaves for the combat pilots. As a result the amount of second and third echelon maintenance work was low.

HEADQUARTERS SECTION

The Headquarters Section of the 1034th Signal Company continued their usual duties. A table-tennis table was built and set up in the Company Recreation tent. Soft ball, volley ball, and table tennis are creating increased interest among the men in their off hours. The Soft ball team is outstanding, having won all but one of the games played. The volley ball team is only average. The group exchange has installed a coca cola machine and has issued beer several times during the month. This has helped to keep the morale of the men at a high level during the month.

OPERATIONS PLATOON

The work of the Operations Platoon was mostly routine. The Telephone & Telegraph section's work consisted largely of maintenance work. A large amount of dead wire (W 110 B) was removed and serviced.

The Message Center Section continued the operation of the Message Center for the Island Air Command.

The Radio Section has been used in the other sections, as we have never set up a Radio transmitter at this base.

SUPPLY & REPAIR PLATOON

A detachment of six men from this unit were sent to Green Island. A shop truck, weapons carrier, plus the necessary test equipment for high frequency (VEF) radio and radar (IFF) equipment was taken along. The balance of the platoon's work continued to be routine.

Everett S. Beachler
EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig Corps,
Unit Historical Officer.

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Describe difficulties encountered - physical, administrative, operational - training, lessons learned, new techniques evolved (see par 7, Circulars #1 and par 8, Circular #3).(over)

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Remarks:

In narrative, deal only with key personnel, outstanding individual achievements (see par 7, Circular #1).

Furnish photographs, maps, mission reports (see par 5, Circular #2).

Identify properly photographs, maps, charts (see par 8 i, Circular #1).

Cite authority, in parenthesis, for basic facts, such as change of station, awards, etc. (see par 3 c, Circular #2).

Include supporting documents, 2 copies, for establishment of basic facts (see par 4, Circular #2).

Include biographies of key personnel (see par 8 h, Circular #1).

Mark history secret, official designation of unit, period covered, on each page (see par 4, Circular #1 and par 11, Circular #3).

Benjamin E. Lippincott

BENJAMIN E. LIPPINCOTT
Capt, A.C.
Historical Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Gp (Air)
APO 292.

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DATE 8 MAY 1944
INITIALS L. J. D.

UNIT HISTORY

APRIL 1944

1. Changes in organization.

- a. Changes in designation of unit - None.
- b. Alteration of the general mission - None.
- c. Transfer of unit to another organization - None.
- d. Units assigned or attached - None.
- e. Changes caused by Tables of Organization - None.
- f. Change in strength, commissioned and enlisted.

| | 1 April 1944 | 30 April 1944 | Net Increase | Net Decrease |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Officers | 3 | 3 | | |
| Enlisted men | 93 | 90 | | 3 |

g. Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand - None.

2. Changes in relations with other organizations.

- a. Next superior headquarters - None.
- b. Units under direct command - None.

3. Resume of movements.

- a. Date of arrival and departure from each station - None.
- b. Changes of station and purpose therefor - None.

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4. Names of campaigns or battles in which unit has participated - None.
5. Chief military missions, engagements, sorties - None.
6. Losses in action - None.
7. Awards and decorations - Sixty-eight enlisted men awarded Good Conduct Medal 29 April 1944.
8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of April 1944:

HEADQUARTERS SECTION

The Headquarters Section continued their usual duties. The Softball team won the Sixth Service Group League Championship. The Group Exchange has installed an ice cream machine and ice cream is sold to various organizations. We have had ice cream only a few times in our eighteen months overseas.

OPERATIONS PLATOON

The Island Air Command Message Center moved. This necessitated the stringing of six miles of wire (W 110 B) in the form of a six pair cable.

Lt. Lown and five men dismantled and reassembled a Quonset Hut which is now being used as a Sixth Service Group Officer's Mess.

The rest of the duties were the usual maintenance of the Group Communication System around Strip Number 1 Area.

SUPPLY & REPAIR PLATOON

The Radio Repair Section completed 244 jobs during the month. Two Squadrons of B 25's plus one Squadron of P 39's are being given third echelon maintenance by this section.

Storage and Issue Section issued 238 items on form 81, and 157 on shipping tickets.

The detachment of six men at Green Island makes no report to this organization and little is known of their activities.

9. Photographs - Exhibits "A", and "B".

Everett S. Beachler
EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig Corps,
Commanding.

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1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Gp (Air)
APO 292.

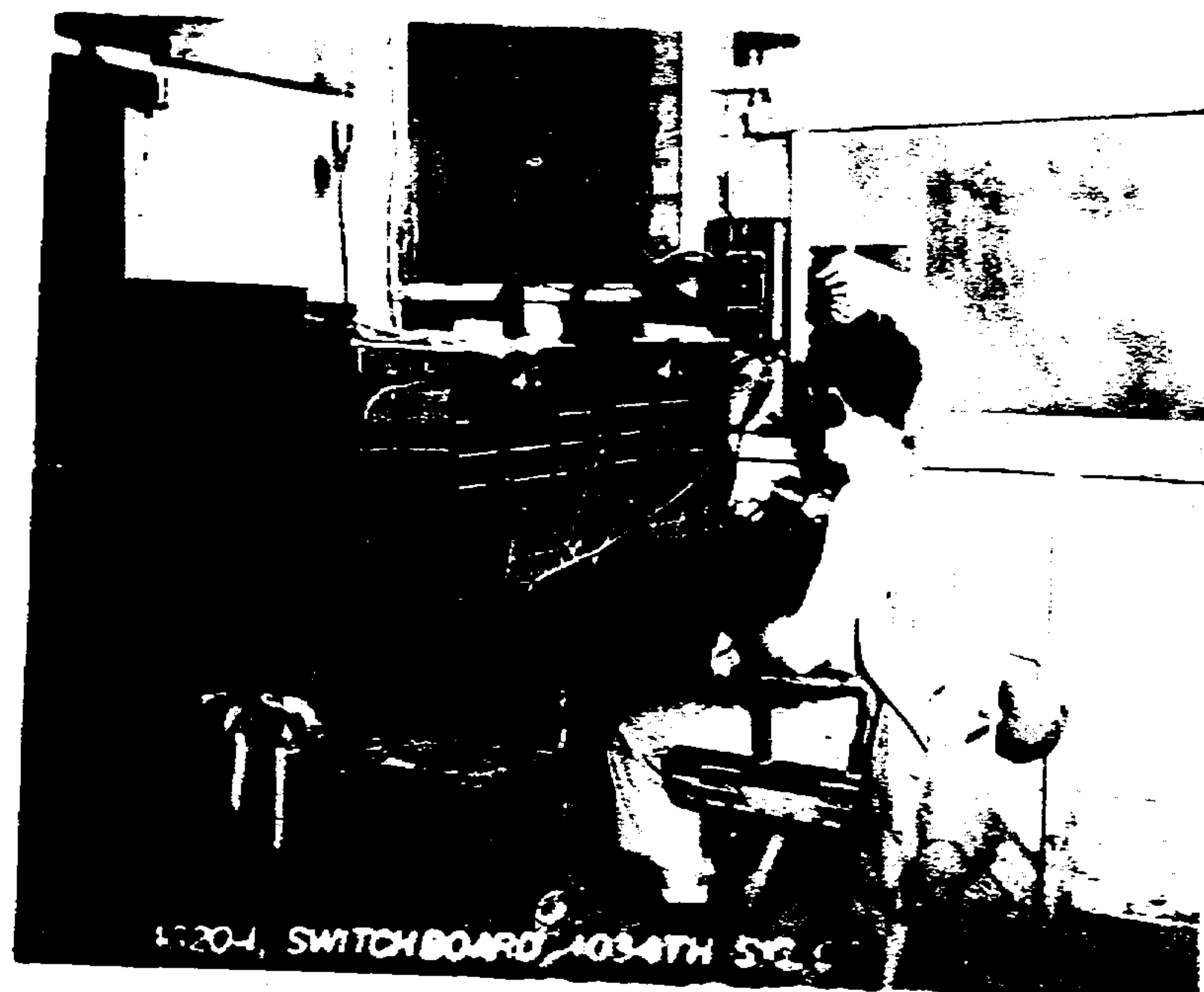


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UNIT HISTORY

MAY 1944

1. Changes in organization.

- a. Changes in designation of unit - None.
- b. Alteration of the general mission - None.
- c. Transfer of unit to another organization - None.
- d. Units assigned or attached - None.
- e. Changes caused by Tables of Organization - None.
- f. Change in strength, commissioned and enlisted.

| | 1 May 1944 | 31 May 1944 | Net Increase | Net Decrease |
|--------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Officers | 3 | 2 | | 1 |
| Enlisted Men | 90 | 90 | | |

- g. Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand - None.

2. Changes in relations with other organizations.

- a. Next superior headquarters - None.
- b. Units under direct command - None.

3. Resume of movements.

- a. Date of arrival and departure from each station - None.
- b. Changes of station and purpose therefor - None.

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4. Names of campaigns or battles in which unit has participated - None.
5. Chief military missions, engagements, sorties - None.
6. Losses in action - None.
7. Awards and decorations - None.
8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of May 1944:

HEADQUARTERS SECTION

The Headquarters Section continued their usual duties. A Basketball Team was organized and entered into the Sixth Service Group League. We also entered the Sixth Service Group Table Tennis Tournament. We won the second prize.

OPERATIONS PLATOON

In addition to performing their routine duties, the Operations Platoon rearranged the lines coming into the Copper switchboard exchange, and cut down existing dead cables.

The Island Command cable was moved on a road widening project. Eight teletypewriter machines were given a major overhaul.

SUPPLY & REPAIR PLATOON

The Radio Repair Section completed 233 jobs during the month. Two Squadrons of B-25's plus one Squadron of P-39's are being given third echelon maintenance by this section.

Storage and Issue Section issued 250 items on form 81, and 52 items on shipping tickets.

The detachment of six men at Green Island makes no report to this organization.

9. Photographs - Exhibits "A", and "B".

Everett S. Beachler
EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig Corps,
Commanding.

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HEAD QUARTERS
1034TH SIGNAL BATTALION
6th Service Group (Air)
APO 192.



MESS HALL - 1034th Sig Bn Serv Gp. Photograph taken by 6th Serv Gp Photo Section
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SUPPLY LIBRARY - 1034th Sig Bn Serv Gp. Photograph taken by
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6th Service Group (Air)
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WOMEN'S BALL COURT - 103rd Sig Co Serv Gp. Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp Photo Section. 1 June 1944.



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WOMEN'S BALL COURT - 103rd Sig Co Serv Gp. Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp Photo Section, 1 June 1944.

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Not necessary to comply with par 5, Circular #1 (par 5 for initial installment only).

Not necessary to give individual changes in strength (see par 6 a. (6) Circular #1).

Narrative missing (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Expand narrative (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Describe briefly background of operations (see par 6, Circular #3).

Describe your activities and achievements, as much as possible in quantitative terms (see par 7, Circular #3).

Summarize your activities and achievements, present an over-all view (see par 7, Circulars Nos. 1 and 3).

Furnish information on station life, living conditions, morale (see par 7, Circular #1).

Describe difficulties encountered - physical, administrative, operational - training, lessons learned, new techniques evolved (see par 7, Circulars #1 and par 8, Circular #3). (over)

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Include supporting documents, 2 copies, for establishment of basic facts (see par 4, Circular #2).

Include biographies of key personnel (see par 8 h, Circular #1).

Mark history secret, official designation of unit, period covered, on each page (see par 4, Circular #1 and par 11, Circular #3).

Remarks:

Excellent photos.

Benj. E. Lippincott

BENJAMIN E. LIPPINCOTT
Capt, A.C.
Historical Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)
APO 292

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UNIT HISTORY

JUNE 1944

1. Changes in Organization:

- a. Changes in designation of unit - None.
- b. Alteration of the general mission - None.
- c. Transfer of unit to another organization - None.
- d. Units assigned or attached - None.
- e. Changes caused by Tables of Organization - None.
- f. Change in strength, commissioned and enlisted:

| | 1 June 1944 | 30 June 1944 | Net Increase | Net Decrease |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Officers | 2 | 2 | | |
| Enlisted Men | 90 | 100 | 10 | |

g. Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand - None.

2. Changes in relations with other organizations:

- a. Next superior headquarters - None.
- b. Units under direct command - None.

3. Resume of movements:

- a. Date of arrival and departure from each station - None.
- b. Changes of station and purpose therefor - None.

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)
APO 292

UNIT HISTORY

JUNE 1944

4. Names of campaigns or battles in which unit has participated - None.
5. Chief military missions, engagements, sorties - None.
6. Losses in action - None.
7. Awards and decorations - None.
8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of June 1944:

HEADQUARTERS SECTION

The Headquarters section continued their usual duties. Fourteen (14) enlisted men, fresh from the States, joined the company, and four (4) enlisted men were transferred to other organizations, leaving a total strength of one-hundred (100) enlisted men. Eight (8) more men were sent on Detached Service; seven (7) to Signal School at Guadalcanal, and one (1) to Supply School at Oro Bay, New Guinea, making a total of Fifteen (15) enlisted men on Detached Service from this organization.

A letter (Incl 1.) was received from the Commanding General of the Thirteenth Air Force, commending the men of the unit, especially the motor section, on the excellent condition of this unit's motor vehicle equipment.

The unit's Decontaminating Crew and Gas NCO's attended a Chemical Warfare Decontaminating School sponsored by the Chemical Warfare Section of the 6th Service Group on 17 June 1944.

A work party loaded a forced issue of fresh meat and perishables onto our trucks and hauled it to the Unit Mess Hall, finally finishing work at 0400. The entire Mess Hall Personnel worked extra time preparing excellent meals and using the perishables in such a manner as to provide a pleasant variety in meals during the month.

The company basketball team is now in third place in the 6th Service Group League.

A Fourteen foot plywood boat has been completed, and now offers added recreational facilities to the men of the company on their day off.

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)
APO 292

UNIT HISTORY

JUNE 1944

8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of June 1944: (Cont'd).

OPERATIONS PLATOON

The Operations Platoon rebuilt the existing cable along Kentucky Avenue, and twenty additional pairs of wire were added.

Dead wire was removed from the area.

Eight spans of cable were moved on a road widening project.

Routine duties were performed.

SUPPLY & REPAIR PLATOON

The Radio Repair Section completed 137 jobs during the month. Two Squadrons of B-25's plus one Squadron of P-38's are being given third echelon maintenance by this section.

Storage and Issue Section issued 339 items on form 81, and 137 items on shipping tickets.

9. Photographs - Exhibits "A", and "B".

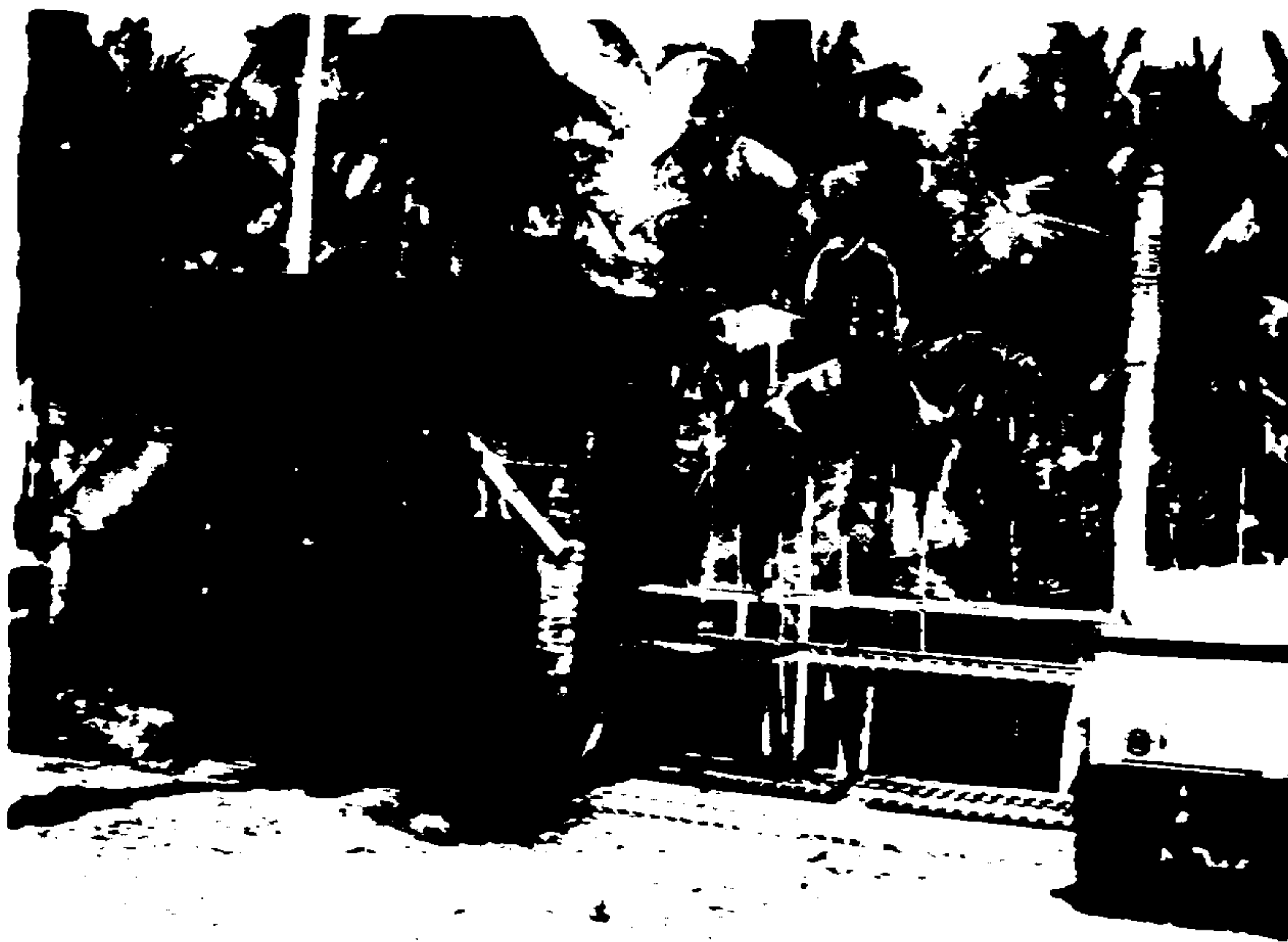
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EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig Corps,
Commanding

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1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)
APO 292

UNIT HISTORY
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SHOWERS - 1034th Sig Co Serv Gp - Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp Photo Section.



COMPANY SUPPLY - 1034th Sig Co Serv Gp - Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp Photo Section.

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**HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)**

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KITCHEN, UNIT MESS HALL - 1034th Sig Co Serv Gp - Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp



MOTOR POOL - 1034th Sig Co Serv Gp - Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp Photo Section.

EXHIBIT "B"

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Basic: Ltr, Hq Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719, dtd 9 June 1944, AG 201.22,
Subject: "Commendation."

AG 201.22 3rd Ind.
Hq, 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air), APO 292, 23 June 1944.

To: All Members of This Command.

1. It is with great pleasure that I, your Commanding Officer, personally compliment each and every member for his hearty cooperation and efforts in making possible the outstanding maintenance record of this unit's equipment.
2. The splendid teamwork and efficiency shown by you members have reflected greatly upon the achievements and overseas record of our unit. With an unbeatable combination, I am sure we will meet the requirements of any situation, in the best traditions of the service.
3. I personally commend the Motor Maintenance personnel and vehicle drivers for a superb record and a job well done.

EVERETT S. BEACHLER
Captain, Sig. Corps
Commanding

Basic: Ltr, HQ Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719, dat 9 June 1944, AG 201.22,
Subject: "Commendation."

AG 201.22

1st Ind.

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HEADQUARTERS XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE CENTER, APO 719, 14 June 1944.

To: Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Company Service Group (Avn), APO
292. (IRM: Commanding Officer, Service Center (Air), APO 292)

1. I have noted with particular pleasure and gratification this evidence of duty well performed. Such observance of responsibilities is indicative of the splendid soldierly qualities and spirit enjoyed throughout the 1034th Signal Company Service Group (Avn).

2. Please accept my personal appreciation and congratulations together with that of the Air Force Commander.

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GEORGE MOODY, JR.,
Brigadier General, USA,
Commanding.

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Hq, Service Center (Air), APO 292, 21 June 1944.

To: Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co, 6th Serv Gp (Air), APO 292.

1. It is with great pleasure I forward this commendation of work well done to you the officers and enlisted men of the 1034th Signal Company.

2. The equipment of your unit is the backbone of your unit, without it you are helpless. This evidence of outstanding maintenance and care is most gratifying.

3. Keep up your splendid spirit and excellent work.

LESLIE B. MULLINS,
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps,
Commanding.

HEADQUARTERS
THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE
APO 719

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In reply
refer to:
AS 201.22

9 June 1944.

Subject: Commendation.

To : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Company Service Group (Avn),
APO 298,
(Thru Commanding General, XIII Air Force Service Command,
APO 719)

1. The motor vehicle inspection of your unit, which was conducted by the Office of the Air Inspector, this headquarters, on 17 May 1944, indicates that the condition of motor vehicles, related records, and facilities is outstanding.

2. It is evident that such outstanding results could not have been achieved except thru continued close supervision and special effort by you, the motor officer, and the enlisted personnel connected with the operation of this activity.

3. It is, therefore, with pleasure, that I commend you and the motor personnel for a job well done.

G. L. USHER,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Commanding.

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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date **21 Sept 44**

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Name of unit: **1034th Signal Co Sv Gp**

APO: **159**

Period: **July 1944**

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of subsequent historical reports.

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| Comply with par 9 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Omissions and/or errors exist in outline | | (over) |
| Narrative is missing: comply with par 10, 13 AF
Reg 80-15 | | |
| Lacks background of operations: see par 10 a,
13 AF Reg 80-15 | | X |
| Summary of achievements lacking or insufficient.
See par 10 b 2, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Lacks information on policies & decisions. See
par 10 e & f, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Facts on station life, morale, health, etc.,
lacking or insufficient. See par 10 i, 13
AF Reg 80-15 | | X |
| Lacks supporting documents to establish basic
facts. See par 11, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Quote authority in parens to establish basic
facts. See par 12 c, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Include photographs. See par 12 f, 13 AF
Reg 80-15 | | |
| Identify photographs properly. See par 12 f,
13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Attention to paper size, captions, signatures,
etc. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Attention to proper classification of text,
supporting documents, photographs. See par
12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |

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REMARKS:

All subsequent reports to comply with par 9, Thirteenth Air Force Reg 80 - 15 dtd 14 Aug '44 with regard to the outline. Your report might have contained a little more on the problems encountered in movement etc.

AUSTIN E. FIFE,
1st Lt., AC,
Historical Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)
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11 Sept 1944

INITIALS: X. G. D.

UNIT HISTORY

JULY 1944

1. Changes in Organization:

- a. Changes in designation of unit - None.
- b. Alteration of the general mission - None.
- c. Transfer of unit to another organization - None.
- d. Units assigned or attached - None.
- e. Changes caused by Tables of Organization - None.
- f. Changes in strength, commissioned and enlisted:

| | 1 July 1944 | 31 July 1944 | Net Increase | Net Decrease |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Officers | 2 | 3 | 1 | |
| Enlisted Men | 100 | 100 | | |

- g. Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand - None.

2. Changes in relations with other organizations:

- a. Next superior headquarters - None.
- b. Units under direct command - None.

3. Resume of movements:

- a. Date of arrival and departure from each station - Departed Banika, Russell Islands, Solomons, on 16 July 1944. Arrived Sterling, Treasury Islands, Solomons on 17 July 1944. Departed Sterling on 18 July 1944.

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HEADQUARTERS
1024th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)
APO 159

UNIT HISTORY

JULY 1944

Arrived Guadalcanal, Solomons on 19 July 1944. Departed Guadalcanal on 20 July 1944. Arrived Morobe Bay, New Guinea on 22 July 1944. Left Morobe Bay, New Guinea on 24 July 1944. Arrived Humbolt Bay, New Guinea on 27 July 1944. Departed Humbolt Bay, New Guinea on 27 July 1944. Arrived Maffin Bay, Dutch New Guinea on 28 July 1944.

b. Changes of station and purpose therefor - Departed station at Banika, Russell Islands, Solomon Islands for new station. Purpose of change of station is to accompany Thirteenth Air Task Force to new scene of operations.

4. Names of campaigns or battles in which unit has participated - None.
5. Chief military missions, engagements, sorties - None.
6. Losses in action - None.
7. Awards and decorations - None.
8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of June 1944:

HEADQUARTERS SECTION

From the period 1 July to 15 July, the unit was engaged in packing and crating equipment and supplies in preparation for a permanent change of station. Six men returned from Detached Service at Green Island, and Three men returned to the unit from Radio School at Guadalcanal.

At 1500 on 15 July 1944, the men boarded the S.S. Brastagi. The ship pulled out into the harbor where it dropped anchor until the following morning. The ship sailed from Banika on the morning of the 16th of July, and headed up the Solomons. At 1000, 17 July 1944 the ship docked at Sterling, Treasury Islands, Solomon Islands. Several more units loaded their equipment and troops aboard the ship, and we departed at 1700, 18 July. At 1400, 19 July, the Brastagi anchored at Guadalcanal. Departing Guadalcanal on 20 July the ship arrived and anchored at Morobe Bay, New Guinea. Remaining in the harbor for two days, we departed on 24 July for Humbolt Bay, New Guinea. Arriving there on 27 July, anchoring for only a few hours, before sailing again for Maffin Bay, Dutch New Guinea, where we anchored on 28 July, 1944. The unit was still aboard the ship as the month of July ended, awaiting debarkation.

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JULY 1944

OPERATIONS PLATOON

The Operations Platoon spent the period from 1 July to 15 July 1944 packing and crating equipment in preparation for movement with the unit.

SUPPLY & REPAIR PLATOON

The Radio Repair Section and the Storage and Issue Section also spent the period from 1 July to 15 July in packing and crating equipment in preparation for a permanent change in station.

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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 21 July 1944

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Name of unit: **Hq 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp**

APO: 159

Period: **Aug 1944**

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UNIT HISTORY

AUGUST 1944

1. Changes in Organization:

- a. Changes in designation of unit - None.
- b. Alteration of the general mission - None.
- c. Transfer of unit to another organization - None.
- d. Units assigned or attached - None.
- e. Changes caused by Tables of Organization - None.
- f. Changes in strength, commissioned and enlisted:

| | 1 August 1944 | 31 August 1944 | Net Increase | Net Decrease |
|--------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Officers | 3 | 3 | | |
| Enlisted Men | 100 | 100 | | |

g. Significant increase or decrease in material and facilities on hand - None.

2. Changes in relations with other organizations:

- a. Next superior headquarters - None.
- b. Units under direct command - None.

3. Resume of movements:

- a. Departed Maffin Bay, Dutch New Guinea, 16 August, and arrived at Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea on 19 August.

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b. Changes of station and purpose therefor - Departed Staging Area at Maffin Bay, Dutch New Guinea, 16 August, and arrived at Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea, 19 August. Purpose of change is to supply and give Third Echelon maintenance and ground communication to all Air Force units under the Service Center at Sansapor.

4. Names of campaigns or battles in which unit has participated - New Guinea Campaign, Thirteenth Air Task Force.

5. Chief military missions, engagements, sorties - None.

6. Losses in action - None.

7. Awards and decorations - None.

8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of August 1944:

HEADQUARTERS SECTION

The unit debarked from the S.S.Brastagi on 8 August 1944, and proceeded to their bivouac area at Maffin Bay, Dutch New Guinea. This was a temporary stop for staging prior to moving to a new permanent station. The period from 8 August to 16 August was spent in unloading our equipment and supplies from the S.S.Brastagi and stacking it on the beach so that it would be easily available to load aboard L.S.T.'s which are to transport us to the final destination.

The area around Maffin Bay proved of great interest to the men of this unit because of the scattered fighting against the enemy that was in progress around our perimeter. As many of the men asserted, it was our "first beach head". Several of the men collected souvenirs in the form of Japanese invasion money and steel helmets. A few of the men visited Rocky Point where units of the 6th Infantry Division had participated in a sharp engagement against the enemy.

On 16 August we loaded our equipment and boarded the LST 204, sailing at 2300 the same day for Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea, arriving there, after a rainy voyage, on 19 August. This was to be our permanent station and the men began debarking immediately.

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8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of August 1944:
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The air strip was still under construction and the area allotted to the various organizations had yet to be cleared from dense jungle terrain. One detail of men was left to unload the LST and the remainder proceeded to the bivouac area to set up a temporary camp. Using axes, knives, and machetes, a small space was cleared after much hard labor against the trees and tangled vines. Enough tents were erected to cover our men for the night.

The next morning the work of clearing the jungle began in earnest. As soon as space enough had been cleared, construction began upon the permanent company supply building and the mess hall.

All men were instructed to have their clothing impregnated against Scrub Typhus, which was very prevalent in the area, and the order was complied with immediately as the men were working in thick brush and foliage. A well, 17 feet deep, was dug to furnish water for a shower. As the soil was very sandy, the well was completed in three days.

Around 25 August the enemy began nightly air raids upon this area, so all duties were stopped until adequate bomb shelters were completed for each man. These raids continued for seven consecutive nights, then became intermittent.

As the cleared area gradually became larger, the men set up permanent tents as the space became available. The company supply building was completed and the mess hall was nearing completion, the men already being served their meals there.

The month of August closed with the work of clearing the bivouac area and setting up permanent tents still in progress.

OPERATIONS PLATOON

The operations platoon spent the period from 8 August to 16 August assisting the unit in unloading the S.S.Brastagi and loading on to the LST. After their arrival at Sansapor they began immediately setting up a temporary telephone communication system for the Group. This setup was still in use at the end of the month, but work had begun on a bomb-proof shelter that is to house a larger and permanent switchboard.

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8. Narrative account of activities of unit for month of August 1944:

SUPPLY AND REPAIR PLATOON

This section also spent the period from 8 August to 16 August assisting in loading and unloading the ships at Maffin Bay. On August 30, six enlisted men of the Radio Repair Section were sent on Temporary Duty to Middleburg Island, where a fighter strip is located, to maintain various aircraft radio equipment. The month closed with this section preparing erection of a prefabricated Signal Supply building, and checking the condition of crated equipment.

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Date 15 Oct 44

Checked by A. E. F. Name of unit: 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp

APO: 159

Period: Sept '44

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REMARKS:

1. Now that you have given an excellent complete outline, your subsequent outlines may report simply, "as previously reported," except where there are changes.

2. This is an excellent report, however, you are invited to consider the following possible means of improving subsequent reports:

a. Request each section give you a Statistical Table in quintuplicate on work accomplished.

b. Inclose these tables as supporting documents.

c. This done, the narrative could merely refer to these tables and call attention to important problems, achievements, etc.

d. Turn your narrative into a more informal, continuous story by omitting paragraph numbers and sub-paragraphs, etc. It should read continuously and smoothly like a chapter in a book.

e. Excellent photos.

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1st Lt, Air Corps
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UNIT HISTORY
SEPTEMBER 1944

1. OUTLINE FACTS.

a. Organization of unit:

(1) Original designation, or change in designation:

Original designation - 34th Signal Platoon (AB).

(2) Mission, or alteration of mission:

Mission - (a) 3d Echelon Maintenance on Airborne Radio and Ground Radio in the Service Group area.

(b) Install and maintain wire lines of communication for the Service Group.

(c) Receive, store, and issue all classes of signal supplies in Service Group area.

(d) Operate Service Group wire, radio, and telephone systems. (Service Group area is defined as covering 8 combat squadrons)

(3) Date and place of activation of unit:

Activated 15 Feb 1941 at MacDill Field, Fla. (GO 43, GHQ, AF, Langley Field, Va, dtd 8 Feb 1941)

(4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers:

Original cadre drawn from 312 Sig Co (Avn), MacDill Fld, Fla.

(5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of units, changes as caused by T/O, etc:

Activated on 15 Feb 1941 at MacDill Fld, Fla. as 34th Sig Plat (AB)(Per GO 43, GHQ, AF, Langley Field, Va.) Unit

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transferred to Orlando Air Base, Orlando, Fla. (SO 67, AB Hq, MacDill Fld, Fla, dtd 15 March 1941). Platoon attached to 26th AB Sq, 3d Air Force, Base Command from 29 Dec 1941 to 8 Feb 1942, when it was transferred to Barksdale Fld, La.

The 34th Sig Plat (AB) was redesignated 34th Sig Co Serv Gp on 22 July 1942 (GO 15, Hq, AAB, Barksdale Fld, La, dated 22 July 1942) with a T/O strength of 2 officers, 1 Warrant Officer, and 70 enlisted men.

On 27 Sept 1942 the Company departed Barksdale Fld, La. for Camp Stoneman, Calif. Nov 1, 1942 the unit embarked for overseas, arriving in New Caledonia 22 Nov 1942.

Designation of Company again changed 5 May 1943 to 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp without change of station. (per GO 110, Hq, USAFISPA, dtd 3 May 1943). Authorized T/O strength was raised to 3 officers and 97 enlisted men.

21 Oct 1943 the company departed New Caledonia for a permanent change of station at Banika, Russell Islands, Solomon Islands, arriving there 31 Oct 1943. The Company was transferred from the Russell Islands on 16 July 1944 for new assignment with the Thirteenth Air Task Force at Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea, arriving there 19 Aug 1944.

(6) Strength, Personnel:

| | <u>Flying</u> | | <u>Ground</u> | |
|----------------------------|---------------|---|---------------|---|
| | EM | O | EM | O |
| (a) At beginning of period | 0 | 0 | 100 | 3 |
| (b) Net increase | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| (c) At end of period | 0 | 0 | 105 | 3 |
| (d) Total (EM and O) | 0 | | 108 | |

(7) Strength, airplanes: Not applicable.

(8) Names of key personnel, and changes during period:

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|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Capt EVERETT S. BEACHLER | 0466937 | Commanding Officer |
| 2d Lt LOUIS C. CRISCI | 0509851 | Radio Repair Officer |
| 2d Lt HAROLD E. LOWE | 01642334 | Signal Supply Officer |

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| 1st Sgt | Jerome K. Reynolds | 6895261 | First Sergeant |
| E/Sgt | Lionel Wright | 34291321 | Chief Radio Repairman |
| T/Sgt | Paul E. DeFelice | 6909587 | Chief Radio Operator |
| T/Sgt | Norman H. Lawler | 36312706 | Wire Chief |
| T/Sgt | Forrest D. Wood | 37139441 | Warehouse Foreman
Signal Supply Section |
| S/Sgt | William F. Burns | 36170786 | Warehouse Foreman
Signal Supply Section |
| S/Sgt | Gwilym A. Jones | 39232783 | Chief Teletype Optr |
| S/Sgt | John W. Leaver | 35036618 | Mess Sergeant |
| Tec 3 | Maynard G. Miller | 16062044 | Chief IFF Repairman |
| Sgt | Louis R. Hughes | 35032754 | Message Center Chief |
| Sgt | C.H. Kanakis | 16035676 | Chief Switchboard
Operator |
| Sgt | John C. Sumner | 38072576 | Company Supply Sgt |

b. Command relationships, including changes, with:

- (1) Next higher headquarters - 6th Service Group (Air)
- (2) Subordinate units - None.
- (3) Other services, such as Navy or Marine Corps. - None.

c. Resume of movements:

- (1) Date of arrival and departure from each station - None.
- (2) Changes of station, and purpose therefore - None

d. Name of Campaign (or battle) participated in, with dates:

New Guinea Campaign, 1 Sept to 30 Sept 1944.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places, and name of commander participating - None.

f. Losses in action (killed, wounded, missing, prisoner) giving names of personnel, with identification of place, circumstances, and date.

None.

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g. Awards to and decorations of members of this unit - None.

2. NARRATIVE ACCOUNT.

a. Headquarters Section:

This month sees the company quickly getting into shape to perform its primary mission of repairing airborne radio equipment, signal supply, and ground communications installations and maintenance.

A small detail of men began putting wooden floors in the enlisted men's tents, adding greatly to the comfort and living conditions of the men.

The unit mess hall was completed and water piped in from Headquarters Squadron, 6th Service Group for use in the kitchen. A few days later new showers were erected and drew water from the same source.

The Company Motor Pool completed their building and grease-rack and began repair work on all vehicles, which needed immediate attention due to deterioration from sand and salt water.

Then, on 10 Sept, came the "Big" day. Beer was issued for the first time since leaving our former station in the Solomon Islands. The beer was placed in the mess hall refrigerator and served to the men ice cold, a real treat.

Work continued each day on the task of cleaning roots, stumps, undergrowth, and dead trees, which constituted a dangerous menace by their tendency to suddenly fall over. Several tents in the adjoining areas were smashed by trees falling on them, although luckily no one was injured. Details were furnished daily to malaria and typhus control, and to gasoline unloading areas.

The Group theatre was completed about the middle of September and adopted the policy of showing a picture four times a week. This has done more than anything else to break the monotony and aid the morale of the men.

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This unit's laundry has now been set up permanently, impregnating clothing against Typhus as well as laundering them.

The men are well pleased with the camp site, having the mess hall, showers, theatre, and library all set up and operating. Many of the men regret the fact that we don't have any photographs of the bivouac area as it was when we first arrived here, so that they could be compared with the almost unbelievable change that one short month has brought.

Five newly assigned men fresh from the States could hardly believe that we had only been here a little over a month and had set up such a comfortable camp.

Enemy air attacks continued during the first two weeks of September, then ceased abruptly until the last day of the month, when enemy planes again raided this base. Although bombs were dropped in neighboring areas, no harm was done to personnel or equipment in this area.

The men are in fine spirits, especially the older men, who now have completed 23 months overseas and are "sweating out" rotation. The rotation policy appears to be functioning much better in this area than it was in the Solomons, and has raised the hopes of returning home immensely. There was a sharp drop in the morale of the older men when "Time" magazine came out with the statement that rotation had been cancelled and furloughs given in lieu of reassignment in the States. This, however, soon blew over after inquiries were made to the next higher headquarters and a statement was issued that it was entirely unofficial.

Fresh meat was issued by the Quartermaster, and the cooks made some ice cream with the use of a borrowed hand freezer, adding variety to the "chow".

September drew to a close with working and living conditions 100 percent better than they were on the first of the month. The area had been cleared, supply buildings, messhall, showers, floored tents, and a theatre set up. The amount and variety of food

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had greatly improved, and with the issue of beer and ice cream, the men are well satisfied with both living and working conditions. The Radio Repair Section and the Signal Supply Section are handling a greater amount of work than they have at any time since leaving the States in November of 1942.

b. Operations Platoon

This section was kept very busy during the entire month of September, due to the arrival of new organizations which relied on this unit for ground communications.

To give some idea of the work involved, this section installed 44 telephones requiring 5000 feet of wire, 2 trunk lines from our switch-board to Mar switch-board requiring 3 miles of wire, a quarter mile of seven pair cable for Air Corps supply using 9360 feet of wire, 5 miles of wire to 6th Service Group Headquarters in 25 pair cables, 3 spans of 14 pair cable installed to serve units adjoining ours, and all temporary wire was replaced by a permanent wire system. In addition to the above repairs were made on a BD 97 Switch-board and 15 EE 8A phones. Many lines were broken by falling trees and had to be either repaired or replaced.

The bomb proof shelter for the Altoona exchange, which is operated by this unit, was completed and a TC 4 Switch-board installed and is now being operated.

c. Supply and Repair Platoon.

This section completed the erection of a pre-fabricated building early in September which had been intended for use by both the radio repair section and the Signal supply. It was soon found that due to the volume of work in both these sections more building space was needed. It was decided that the radio section would use the pre-fabricated building and Signal supply would erect their own warehouse.

Work was started on this building about the middle of September and as the month drew to a close was completed, all but finishing shelves and cabinets.

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The radio repair section was swamped with work, and greatly handicapped by having only one scope for checking IFF equipment, which had to be alternately shared between the men here and our repair detachment on Middleburg Island. This section, which services 20 squadrons, repaired 375 radio sets of various types during September.

The Storage and Issue section filled 145 AAF form 81's, and 49 QMC form 400's, supplying 25 squadrons.

The supply situation on airborne radio equipment has been critical. Although a great number of requisitions have been submitted, only one shipment of equipment has arrived.

3. Photographs.

See Exhibits "A" and "B".

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Unit Historical Officer

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Telephone Exchange (ALTOONA)
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
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Telephone Switchboard (ALTOONA)
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
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Company Mess Hall
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
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Name of Unit: 1034th Signal Co, Sv Gp, 6th Sv Gp (Air)

APO: 159

Period: October 1944

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REMARKS:

Outstanding report! Statistical reports on achievements very good. Suggest you show present month accomplishments (increase and/or decrease) over previous month in each subsequent monthly statistical table.

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UNIT HISTORY
OCTOBER 1944

1. **OUTLINE FACTS.**

a. Organization of units:

(1) Original designation, or change in designation:

As previously reported.

(2) Mission, or alteration of mission:

As previously reported.

(3) Date and place of activation of unit:

As previously reported.

(4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers:

As previously reported.

(5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of units, changes as caused by T/O, etc:

As previously reported.

(6) Strength, Personnel:

| | <u>FLYING</u> | | <u>GROUND</u> | |
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| | EM | O | EM | O |
| (a) At beginning of period | | | 105 | 3 |
| (b) Net increase | | | 5 | 1 |
| (c) At end of period | | | 110 | 4 |
| (d) TOTAL (EM and O) | | | 114 | |

(7) Strength, Airplanes:

Not applicable.

(8) Names of key personnel, and changes during period:

As previously reported.

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APO 159

UNIT HISTORY
OCTOBER 1944 (Cont'd)

b. Command relationships, including changes:

As previously reported.

c. Resume of movements:

(1) Date of arrival and departure from each station - None.

(2) Changes of station, and purpose therefore - None.

d. Name of Campaign (or battle) participated in, with dates:

New Guinea Campaign - 28 July to Present.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places, and name of commander participating - None.

f. Losses in action (killed, wounded, missing, prisoner) giving names of personnel, with identification of place, circumstances, and date.

None.

g. Awards to and decorations of members of this unit:

Thirteen (13) enlisted men awarded Good Conduct Medal per GO 10, Hq, 6th Service Group (Air), dated 31 October 1944. (See Supporting Document Number 4)

2. NARRATIVE ACCOUNT.

The month of October opened with the various sections of the company, with the exception of the Telephone Repair Section, up to their necks in work. Although the unit is a little over strength, the volume of work was so great that there actually seemed to be a shortage of personnel. Ten (10) of our radio operators were placed on Detached Service with Thirteenth Air Force Headquarters, Five (5) men were on Detached Service in Guadalcanal, and three (3) men at Nadzab, leaving us eighty (80) men to perform the remaining duties of the company. Men were furnished for Typhus and Malaria control, stacking of gasoline drums, Air Corps Supply, and, occasionally, guard duty at the 6th Service Group prefabricated building dump.

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As has been stated in the September 1944 unit history, never at any time in two years of duty overseas, has the amount of radio repair work and the issue of signal equipment been as great as it is now. Both of these sections are working at top speed making full use of every available man. For statistics of the amount of work accomplished in the Radio Repair, Signal Supply, and Telephone Repair Sections, see Supporting Documents 1, 2, and 3. The greatest drawback in signal supply is still the lack of air transportation for flying in equipment requisitioned by the unit, and urgently needed.

The rations this month have been unusually poor. Very little fresh meat, fruit, and vegetables were issued, and the combat rations consisting of cigarets, candy, soap, toothpowder, etc, seem to be non-existent. The "pet peeve" of the men is the very small ration of cigarets, and only nine bottles of beer for the entire month. It has also been impossible to procure Air Mail envelopes and stamps.

This situation, which has had an adverse effect on the morale of the unit, was alleviated somewhat by the granting of furloughs in Australia to three men, and the promise that more will be granted later. This is the first furlough of any kind given to our personnel in two years of overseas service. Of course the old subject "Rotation" is still the main topic of conversation among the eligible men.

The invasion of the Philippines caused a great deal of excitement and speculation in the company. All the men seem to want to go there, and the rumors, debates, and predictions are flying thick and fast as to the time and destination of our next move. The news of the Philippine invasion is followed more closely by our personnel than even the invasion of Europe. After all, this is our war down here.

One thing that is greatly appreciated by all members of the unit, is the absence of interrupted sleep by "Bed-check Charlie." After a few scattered alerts during the first week of October, in which no bombs were dropped, the Japs have ceased to bother us.

October drew to a close with the various company sections preparing for the annual visit of the Inspector General.

Trouble had again started with our water system, which has become contaminated. Work was begun at the Group Motor Pool, from which we draw our water, on the digging of a new well. Meanwhile we are obtaining our drinking water by hauling it in a trailer from one of the local Engineer Water Points.

So the month of October ended with all the sections working at full capacity, and all men not assigned to a particular section working daily at the various details called for by Group Headquarters.

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UNIT HISTORY
OCTOBER 1944 (Cont'd)

PREPARED BY *Everett S. Beachler*
EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig Corps,
Unit Historical Officer

Everett S. Beachler
EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig Corps,
Commanding.

- 6 Incls:
- Incl 1 - Exhibit "A", Photographs
 - Incl 2 - Exhibit "B", Photographs
 - Incl 3 - Supporting Document No. 1,
Statistical Report of work done
in Radio Repair Section.
 - Incl 4 - Supporting Document No. 2,
Statistical Report of work done
in Storage and Issue Warehouse.
 - Incl 5 - Supporting Document No. 3,
Statistical Report of work done
in Telephone Repair Section.
 - Incl 6 - Supporting Document No. 4,
General Order No. 10, Hq, 6th Serv
Gp (Air), Award of Good Conduct Medals.

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UNIT HISTORY
OCTOBER 1944



RADIO REPAIR
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp (Air) Photo Section
3 November 1944



SIGNAL SUPPLY
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp (Air) Photo Section
3 November 1944

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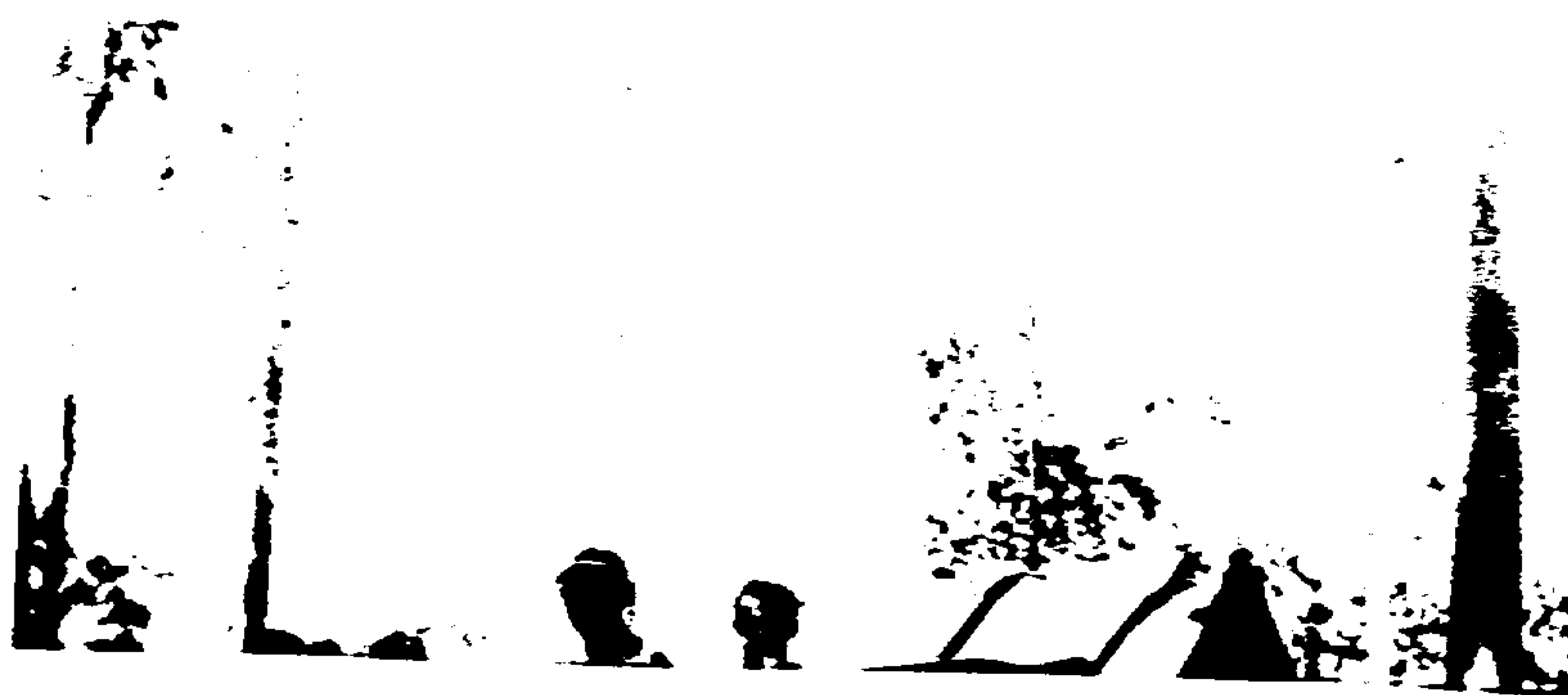
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COMPANY MOTOR POOL
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
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S E C R E T

Headquarters
1034th Signal Co Service Gp
6th Service Gp (Air)

APC 159
8 November 1944

SUBJECT: Statistical Table on Work Accomplished by Radio Repair Section.

TO : Commanding Officer (Attention: Unit Historical Officer), 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air), APC 159.

The following is a report of work accomplished by the Radio Repair Section of 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, for the period from 1 October 1944, to 31 October 1944, inclusive:

Radio Sets repaired and placed in service:

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| SCR 695 ----- | 370 |
| SCR 595 ----- | 25 |
| SCR 522 ----- | 297 |
| SCR 269-G ----- | 32 |
| SCR 188 ----- | 16 |
| SCR 274 ----- | 67 |
| SCR 287 ----- | 26 |
| BC 1206 ----- | 6 |

Interphone Systems repaired and placed in service.

| | |
|-------------|----|
| RC 36 ----- | 10 |
|-------------|----|

Meters repaired and placed in service.

| | |
|---------------|----|
| IE-19 ----- | 2 |
| I-771-B ----- | 14 |
| BC 221 ----- | 1 |
| ZB-1 ----- | 1 |

Headsets repaired and placed in Service.

| | |
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| HS 33 ----- | 5 |
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Altimeters repaired and placed in service.

| | |
|----------------|----|
| AN/APN-1 ----- | 13 |
| AN/APN-4 ----- | 1 |

Installed SCR 522 Command Set in C-64 for Group Engineering.

Two Test Flights taken to determine faulty operation of AN/APN-1 and to determine why Command Set SCR 522 interfered with proper operation of other signal equipment in the B-25J recently assigned to 70th Bomb Sqdn.

Louis C Crisci
LOUIS C. CRISCI
2nd Lt. Signal Corps
Radio Repair Section

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HEADQUARTERS
1034TH SIGNAL COMPANY
6TH SERVICE GROUP (AIR)
SIGNAL SUPPLY

APC 159
7 November 1944

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Accomplished in Storage & Issue Warehouse.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co, 6th Serv Gp (Air), APC 159.
Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

1. Following is a statistical report of business handled by this warehouse during the month of October 1944:

A. Issues of Signal Corps expendable items to Air Force units on Air Corps Form No. 81 - 446

B. Issues of Signal Corps non-expendable items to Air Force units on Form 104-A, shipping tickets - 75

C. Requisitions for stock replenishment and requisitions extracted for Air Force units to FLASC Depot No. 1, APO 322, Unit 1, and to USASCS, Base H, APO 920 - 75

D. Vouchers covering equipment repaired and returned to various organizations - 14

E. Vouchers covering unserviceable equipment turned in to this warehouse by various units for repair - 12

F. Vouchers covering unserviceable equipment sent to Depot No. 1, APO 322, Unit 1, for repair and return - 11

G. Exchange issues of Signal Corps non-expendable items on Air Corps Form No. 81 - 219

Harold H. Lown
HAROLD H. LOWN
2nd Lt, Sig C
Signal Supply Officer

Incl No. 4
Supporting Document No. 2

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)

APC 159
6 November 1944

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Done by Telephone Repair Section
During the Month of October 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, (Attention: Unit Historical Officer),
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Service Group (Air), APC 159.

The following is a report of the work accomplished by the
Telephone Repair Section of the 1034th Signal Company Service Group
during the month of October 1944:

TELETYPE:

Machines Serviced 5
Machines Repaired 1
Machines Received for Salvage 3
One Teletype Circuit cut over from Field Wire to Cable Pair.

TELEPHONE:

Telephones Repaired 7
Handsets Repaired 15
Tele-Ring Repaired. 1
Meters for EE65 Test Set Repaired 4
ED71 Switchboard Repaired 1
ED 72 Switchboard Repaired. 2
Switchboard Cords Rebutted. 18
Volt-Ohm Meter Repaired 1
Converted TD3 for probable gas attack.
Installed eight (8) EE8A Telephones (Using one mile of wire)
Recovered two miles of wire.
Cleared thirty-five cases of line trouble.
Replaced one and one-half miles of wire.
Four Trunk lines cut from open wire to cable pair.
Added one Metallic Circuit and one Phantom Circuit.

Harold K. Lohn
HAROLD K. LOHN,
2d Lt, Sig Corps,
Telephone Officer.

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Supporting Document No. 3

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HEADQUARTERS
6TH SERVICE GROUP (AIR)

APO 159
31 October 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 10)

1. The following named EM 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp are Awarded the Good Conduct Medal. Auth AR 600-68.

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|----------|
| T Sgt Charles Bird | 12160378 | Tec 5 John E Diger | 17107635 |
| S Sgt Edward W Jagosz | 36612375 | Tec 5 Kenneth T Du Fon | 16146036 |
| Tec 4 Robert J Geiger | 14175548 | Tec 5 Sam Fish | 17128277 |
| Tec 4 Clifford H Lichtenberger | 32632987 | Tec 5 Ronald G Kittlestadt | 36815531 |
| Tec 4 Albert J Marchesa | 13127349 | Pfc William J Miller | 12153646 |
| Tec 4 Melvin P Pink | 37284522 | Pvt Ira L Mayfield | 38423455 |
| Pvt Leonard E Welage 35141425 | | | |

2. So much of par #1 GO #9 this Hq cs dtd 26 Oct 1944 as reads Pvt Alfred A Spina 33782839 is amended to read Pvt Alfred F Spina 33782839.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel MULLINS:

HENRY J GRIEGER
1ST LT AC
ADJ

OFFICIAL:

Henry J Grieger

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1ST LT AC
ADJ

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XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
APO 709

Rating **A**

UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date **26 Dec 44**

Checked by **ast**

Name of Unit: **1034th Signal Company, Service Group**

APO: **159**

Period: **November 1944**

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of the subsequent historical reports.

REFERENCE

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

Forward Correct in
Supp. next report

Comply with par 9, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Omissions and/or errors exist in outline
Narrative is missing; comply with par 10,
13 AF Reg 80-15

Lacks background of operations; see par 10 a,
13 AF Reg 80-15

Summary of achievements lacking or insufficient
See par 10 b 2, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Lacks information on policies and decisions. See
par 10 e & f, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Facts on station life, morale, health, etc., lack-
ing or insufficient. See par 10 i, 13 AF Reg
80-15

Lacks supporting documents to establish basic
facts. See par 11, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Quote authority in parens to establish basic
facts. See par 12 c, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Include photographs. See par 12 f, 13 AF
Reg 80-15

Identify photographs properly. See par 12 f
13 AF Reg 80-15

Attention to paper size, captions, signatures,
etc. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15

Attention to proper classification of text,
supporting documents, photographs. See par
12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15

REMARKS:

Excellent Report!

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1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)

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8 Dec 1944

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APO 159.

UNIT HISTORY

1 NOVEMBER 1944 - 30 NOVEMBER 1944

1. Organization of unit:

- a. Designation of unit - No change.
- b. Mission - No change.
- c. Date and place of activation of unit - No change.
- d. Sources of replacement personnel - 266th Replacement Company AAF,
APO 322, Unit 1.
- e. Changes in unit caused by T/O, etc. - No change.
- f. Strength, personnel

| | Flying
EM 0 | Ground
EM 0 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| (1) 1 November 1944 | None | 110 4 |
| (2) Net increase or decrease
during period | | -3 1 |
| (3) 30 November 1944 | None | 107 5 |
| | | 112 |

g. Strength, airplanes - Not applicable.

h. Key personnel, and changes thereto:

- (1) 2d Lt Louis Levine, Signal Corps, Assigned and joined from Headquarters, THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE, APO 719, by Special Order 319, Hq, THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE, dated 14 November 1944.

2. Command relationships:

- a. Next higher headquarters - No change.
- b. Subordinate units - Not applicable.
- c. Other services - No change.

3. Resume of movements - No change.

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Sv Gp (Air).
1 Nov 1944 - 30 Nov 1944.

4. Name of campaign in which unit has participated - No change.
5. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, etc - No change.
6. Losses in action - No change.
7. Awards and decorations - Two (2) enlisted men awarded Motor Vehicle Driver Qualification Badge, and one (1) enlisted man awarded Motor Vehicle Mechanic Qualification Badge. (See Supporting Document No. 1)

NARRATIVE ACCOUNT:

The 1034th began its third November overseas by having a twice delayed stage show, put on by members of the 6th Infantry Division, in celebration of our 2d anniversary overseas.

On the 4th of November three more enlisted men received rest leaves to Mackay, Australia. Nearly all of the men who are eligible for rest leave to Mackay are very eager to go, as the fellows returning from their leave have really enjoyed themselves, eating the very best of foods, and seeing "civilization" after being away from it for two years.

Several of the men have also been able to break the monotony of the daily routine by flying to various nearby bases, acting as safe-hand couriers for signal equipment being sent out by the storage and issue section of the company.

Two enlisted men received promotions on the 13th of November (See Supporting Document No. 2), and two enlisted men were awarded the Motor Vehicle Driver Qualification Badge. One enlisted man was awarded the Motor Vehicle Mechanic Qualification Badge. (See Supporting Document No. 1).

Radio Repair work diminished somewhat by the departure from this base of the planes of the 13th Fighter Group, leaving just the Bomb Squadrons and one Fighter Group here for us to service. Four more men of the Radio Repair section were sent to school at Nadzab, New Guinea.

Signal Supply work was heavy during the first part of November, and was greatly increased towards the end of the month by taking over the issuing of some signal equipment that was formerly handled by the 6th Infantry Division Signal Company, as that organization was preparing to leave this base. The procurement of requisitioned signal supplies and equipment has been improving steadily as transportation has become available to fly it in.

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Sv Gp (Air).
1 Nov 1944 - 30 Nov 1944.

Rations during November were still very poor, with the exception turkey, pumpkin, etc, that was issued for the Thanksgiving dinner. This meal was excellently prepared, and completely enjoyed by the men.

The main topic of discussion is still "Rotation", with many arguments added by the letter from the 13th AF concerning Temporary Duty in the United States. Many of the newer men have requested Temporary Duty, but there is still quite a bit of indecision due to the constant changing of the furlough requirements and regulations. Most of the men are going to wait until they see "what happens" before deciding whether to put in for the Temporary Duty or not. As things stand now, about 33 percent of the unit are willing to take the furlough in lieu of rotation.

We hear often from our men on Morotai who tell us that things are "pretty rough", in reference to enemy bombings, and how much they wish they were back here in "Typhusville".

The motion picture shows haven't improved very much, although we do have promise that better pictures will soon arrive. Still, the rather poor quality of the pictures doesn't seem to cut down attendance any.

On the 18th of November 2d Lt Louis Levine joined the company, and was assigned duty as Radio Officer.

The amount of work accomplished by the various sections of the company is shown in Supporting documents Nos. 3, 4, and 5.

The month closed with the Inspector General's inspection of the unit with the following ratings received by the various sections of the unit: Administration - Satisfactory; General Purpose Vehicles - Excellent; Second Echelon Shop - Excellent; Vehicle Maintenance Records - Superior; Communications Maintenance - Excellent; and Communications Administration - Excellent.

Just before the month ended two more enlisted men departed for Mackay on rest leave.

Everett S. Beachler
EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig C
Commanding.

Prepared by:

Everett S. Beachler
EVERETT S. BEACHLER,
Captain, Sig C
Historical Officer.

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ASIC: Unit History, 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air).
1 Nov 1944 - 30 Nov 1944.



KITCHEN
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp (Air) Photo Section
29 November 1944



TELEPHONE REPAIR
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
Photo taken by 6th Serv Gp (Air) Photo Section
29 November 1944

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Exhibit "A".

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INFO: Unit History, 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air).
1 Nov 1944 - 30 Nov 1944.



TELETYPE REPAIR
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
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29 November 1944

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Exhibit 1

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HEADQUARTERS
6TH SERVICE GROUP (AIR)

APO 159
29 November 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 12)

1. The following named EM orgns indicated are Awarded the Good Conduct Medal. Auth AR 600-68.

1154th QM Co Sv Gp (Avn)

| | | | |
|----------------------------|----------|----------------------------|----------|
| Pfc David M Brandenburg Jr | 34513954 | Pfc Sebastian J Ferla | 31331239 |
| Pfc Francis J Panasci | 32717158 | Pfc Thurmon Robison | 39168178 |
| Pfc Charley R Wilson | 15040933 | Pvt John T Balsamo | 32985352 |
| Pvt James W Carroll | 31220209 | Pvt Robert V Kirby | 14126321 |
| Pvt Edmund V Kunkoski | 36451129 | Pvt John J Ryan | 31406928 |
| Pvt John J Schlitt | 36693426 | Pvt Robert C Seat | 33541099 |
| Pvt Ray A Shaver | 34891442 | Pvt Russell L Shedd | 36875269 |
| Pvt Lou Solomon | 32179041 | Pvt Benjamin E Stefanavage | 33014627 |
| Pfc Richard F Timmann | 32595535 | | |

1943rd QM Co Trk (Avn)

| | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| S Sgt John Henry | 34133641 | Pfc Maxie L Harris | 34383680 |
| Pfc Calvin H Ward | 33380755 | Pvt Nathaniel B Dobbins | 35224917 |
| Pvt A C Fuller | 34057196 | Pvt Edward O Gailles | 34075386 |
| Pvt Norman Henley | 34064708 | Pvt Clarence C Higgins | 36791788 |
| Pvt James Johnson | 34170979 | Pvt Wesley Lewis | 38542108 |
| Pvt Johnnie W Logan | 34383677 | Pvt Nathaniel A Lynch | 33746907 |
| Pvt Samuel E Mayack | 34097271 | Pvt Benjamin McBride | 34091575 |
| Pvt Charlie B McKittrick | 35691188 | Pvt James C Peoples | 34471745 |
| Pvt Charlie L Reed | 34164887 | | |

1619th Ord S & M Co Avn

| | | | |
|---------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Tec 5 Ralph W Smith | 38093639 | Pfc Robert B Thomasson | 38292230 |
|---------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|

11th Airdrome Sq (Sp)

| | | | |
|----------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| S Sgt Dewey J Sharpe | 15041436 | Sgt Charles Lytle | 33320552 |
| Pfc Donald H Brooks | 32635952 | | |

2. The following named EM orgns indicated are awarded the Motor Vehicle Driver Qualification Badge. Auth Sec II WD Cir 248, 1942 as amended by Sec I WD Cir 119, 1943.

Hq & Hq Sq

| | | | |
|----------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| T Sgt John Karasik | 6979071 | Cpl Okey A Beckner | 35271114 |
| Cpl Clifford L Brown | 14025982 | Cpl Jack H Epton | 34210204 |
| Cpl Delmar L Laude | 37160450 | Cpl Howard M McPeak | 39679683 |

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Par 2 GO 12 Hq 6th Sv Gp (Air) APO 159 29 Nov 44 Cont'd.

Hq & Hq Sq

| | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| Cpl James V Nichols | 35254422 | Cpl Elmer O Wojahn | 19070689 |
| Pfc Louis Brock | 34199904 | Pfc Gerald S Choate | 16068417 |
| Pfc George W Knoblock | 35043463 | Pfc Wilfred A Luneau | 34232472 |
| Pfc Frank C Kadsiras | 39090117 | Pfc Leonard M Meisner | 19060192 |
| Pvt Homer L Leathers | 34706536 | Pvt Leonard Wirka | 17038692 |
| Pvt James E Zumwalt | 18044961 | | |

1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

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|-------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Pfc Henry P Janik | 36309595 | Pvt Albert R Washner | 33144478 |
|-------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|

11th Airdrome Sq (Sp)

| | | | |
|---------------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| S Sgt Edward R Carneal Jr | 33097084 | Sgt George E Armstrong | 33080492 |
| Sgt Gerhard G Barnett | 32110731 | Sgt James R Clary | 34164319 |
| Sgt Howard R Cox | 34421381 | Sgt Charles W Siders | 15080852 |
| Cpl Quinton H Bell | 34168090 | Cpl Clarence R Book | 37668044 |
| Cpl William J Maider | 31159989 | Cpl Joseph C Mattson | 32269835 |
| Cpl Jerome E Shell | 32279437 | Cpl Harry C Wilkinson | 34581228 |
| Pfc Guy C Beasley | 15337648 | Pfc Emmett D Berry | 6971034 |
| Pfc Fred Bolf | 37166411 | Pfc Henry Brown | 38456230 |
| Pfc Donald J Lawler | 31125831 | Pfc Philemon F Phillips | 35375145 |
| Pfc John M Quick | 34168663 | Pfc William J Reynolds | 32556778 |
| Pfc Fred D Rollins | 19039752 | Pfc Ceryal G Ricks | 34263418 |
| Pfc Gerard G Wardell | 32311984 | Pfc Clarence C Weldon | 14150333 |
| Pfc Frank L Zabawski | 33322542 | Pvt Carl Q Coleman | 39849710 |
| Pvt James A Higgins | 32497928 | Pvt Joe O Kerley | 38121211 |
| Pvt William T Martin Jr | 34764589 | Pvt James C McGuire Jr | 12128832 |

3. The following named PM orgns indicated are awarded the Motor Vehicle Mechanic Qualification Badge. Auth Sec II WD Cir 248, 1942 as amended by Sec I WD Cir 119, 1943.

Hq & Hq Sq

| | | | |
|----------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| Sgt Ignatius Dipippo | 32237886 | Pfc Robert C Gordon | 31116379 |
|----------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|

1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

See 4 Louis Kassaro 32195119

11th Airdrome Sq (Sp)

| | | | |
|---------------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| S Sgt Edward R Carneal Jr | 33097084 | Sgt George E Armstrong | 33080492 |
| Sgt Gerhard G Barnett | 32110731 | Cpl Harry C Wilkinson | 34581228 |
| Pfc Emmett D Berry | 6971034 | | |

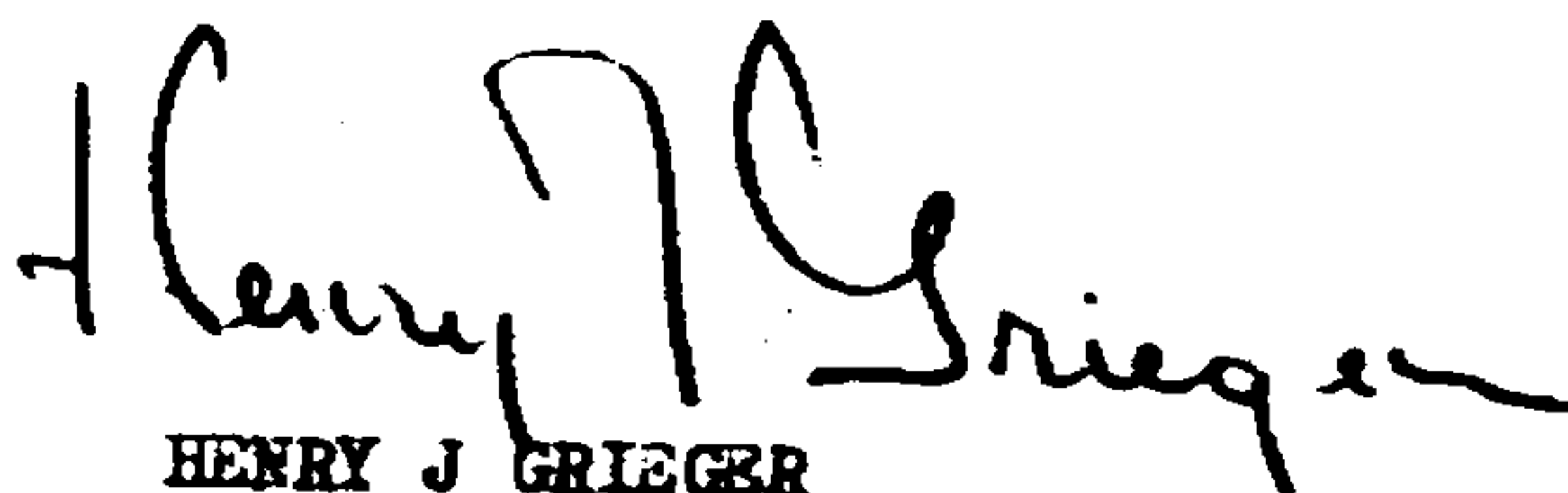
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GO 12 Hq 6th Sv Gp (Air) APO 150 29 Nov 44 Cont'd.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel MULLINS:

HENRY J GRIEGER
Capt AC
Adj

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HENRY J GRIEGER
Capt AC
Adj

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HEADQUARTERS
6TH SERVICE GROUP (AIR)

APO 159
12 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 124)

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1. The following travel is directed. WP. TDN.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Auth</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> | <u>T via</u> |
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| CAPT JOHN F MCCOY
01574484
(1154th CM Co Sv Gp) (Avn) |) VOCC XIII
) AFSC | APO 159 | APO 920, 565, 322
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nection w/CMC act-
ivities) | MOCA |
| S Sgt Irving Rothman
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(Eq & Eq Sq 6th Sv Gp (Air)) |) VOCC XIII
) AFSC | APO 159 | APO 920 & ret (con-
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ivities) | MOCA |
| Cpl Oscar W Anderson
36317667
(Eq & Eq Sq 6th Sv Gp (Air)) |) VOCC XIII
) AFSC | APO 159 | APO 920 & ret (con-
nection w/Med act-
ivities) | MOCA |

2. The following asgmt is directed. WP.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Auth</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> |
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| CAPT JULIEN M BURNLESS
0559466 AC |) Par 2 SC #278 Eq XIII
) AFSC APO 709 dtd 5 Nov
44 | Eq & Eq Sq 6th
Sv Gp (Air)
Prim dy: Gp AAF
Supply O (4902) |

3. The following C in asgmt and dy are directed. WP. TDN.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Rel'd fr</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> | <u>T via</u> |
|--|----------------------------------|---|--------------|
| 1ST LT HERMAN D HOFFMAN
01591805 C.O. |) 1943rd CM Co
) Trk (Avn) | Eq & Eq Sq 6th Sv
Gp (Air) Prim dy:
Asst Gp CM O (4015)
(remain on DS w/38th
Sv Sq) | No T |
| Pfc John P Bellamy
37370642
(1913th CM Trk Co (Avn)) |) - - - - | DS w/12th Airborne Sq | |
| Tec 5 Paul E Mishler
35895165
(1913th CM Trk Co (Avn)) |) SD w/12th 6th
) Sv Gp (Air) | - - - - | |

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Par 3 SO #124 Hq 6th Sv Gp (Air) APO 159 12 Nov 44 Cont'd.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Reid from</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> | <u>T via</u> |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Sgt William A Argento
32433166 |) DS w/1913th
) CM Trk Co (Avn) | - - - - | No T |
| Cpl Autry B Benson
17013050 |) | | |
| Pfc Daniel W D Lindsey
34547308 |) | | |
| Pvt Willie E Nicholas
58467397
(12th Airdrome Sq) |) | | |

4. The following E1 orgns indicated are temp promoted and reduced to gr indicated. Auth. AR 615-5.

1034th Signal Co Sv Gp

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|-----------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| Pfc James F May | 15373494 | Pfc Joseph J Stavis | 32605322 |
|-----------------|----------|---------------------|----------|

82nd Service Squadron

TO BE PVT

(without prejudice)

Cpl Lloyd J Sluder 37108764

5. The following asgts are directed.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Auth</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> |
|---|---|----------------|
| E Sgt Leslie E Taylor
6934078 (750) |) Par 10 SO #115 Hq 268th
) Repl Co APC 565 dtd
) 19 Oct 44 | 65th Sv Sq |
| S Sgt Robert E Swindall
15067331 (750) |) | |
| S Sgt John P Breslin
84194072 (633) |) | |
| Cpl Chester E Davidson
34260812 (050) |) | |
| Cpl Raymond F Skinner
37063797 (931) |) | |
| Cpl John W Stilts
35105868 (931) |) | |
| Pvt Ralph Stillman
16146118 (590) |) | |

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Par 5 SO #124 Hq 6th Sv Gp (Air) APO 159 12 Nov 44 Cont'd.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Auth</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> |
|---|--|-------------------------------|
| Sgt Lloyd J Fisher
35034399 (050) | Par 1 SO #115 Hq 268th
Repl Co APO 565 dtd
19 Oct 44 | 1655th Ord S &
M Co Avn |
| Sgt Armando Turchetta
31172360 (014) | | |
| Cpl Irving Progebin
32181193 (809) | | |
| S Sgt Nicholas Malinics
13025316 (826) | | |
| Cpl Estice E McKinney
35427267 (055) | | Hq & Hq Sq
6th Sv Gp (Air) |
| S Sgt Kelly E White
33096417 (014) | | 38th Sv Sq |
| Sgt Joseph C Ledoux
31190791 (809) | | |
| Pvt John R Hatcher
37470932 (590) | | 1154th QM Co
Sv Gp (Avn) |

By order of Lieutenant Colonel MULLINS:

HENRY J GRIEGER
1ST LT AC
ADJ

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Service Gp
6th Service Gp (Air)

APO 159
5 December 1944

SUBJECT: Statistical Table on Work Accomplished by Radio Repair Section.

TO : Commanding Officer (Attention: Unit Historical Officer), 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air), APO 159.

The following is a report of work accomplished by the Radio Repair Section of 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp for the period from 1 November 1944 to 31 November 1944, inclusive:

Radio Sets repaired and placed in service.

| | |
|---------|-----|
| SCR 695 | 244 |
| 595 | 30 |
| 522 | 178 |
| 269 | 38 |
| 188 | 6 |
| 274 | 24 |
| 287 | 37 |
| 624 | 3 |
| BC 1206 | 2 |
| RC 32 | 11 |

Interphone Systems repaired and placed in service.

| | |
|--------|----|
| RC 36 | 21 |
| MC 299 | 3 |
| T-30 | 2 |
| CD 508 | 2 |

Meters and Test Sets repaired and placed in service.

| | |
|---------|----|
| I-77 | 12 |
| BC 221 | 17 |
| IE-46 | 4 |
| I-56 | 21 |
| BC 1052 | 1 |
| BC 906 | 8 |

Altimeters repaired and placed in service.

| | |
|----------|----|
| AN/APN-1 | 26 |
| AN/APN-1 | 6 |

Navigational Equipment repaired and placed in service.

| | |
|----------|---|
| AN/APN-4 | 2 |
|----------|---|

Installed SCR 595 in one UC-43 aircraft. This organization has been authorized to make preliminary installations of AN/APN-4, three centimeter ASV and Intercept Radar, which will eventually be installed in B-25 and P-38 aircraft. Installation is still in experimental stage.

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Louis C. Crisci
LOUIS C. CRISCI
2d Lt. Signal Corps
Radio Repair Section

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)
Signal Supply Section

AFO 159
5 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Accomplished in Storage & Issue Warehouse.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
AFO 159. Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

1. Following is a statistical report of business handled by this warehouse during the month of October 1944:

A. Issues of Signal Corps expendable items to Air Force units on Air Corps Form No. 81 - 363

B. Issues of Signal Corps non-expendable items to Air Force units on Form 104-A (Shipping Tickets) - 238

C. Requisitions for stock replenishment and requisitions extracted for Air Force units to FEASC Depot No. 1, AFO 322, Unit 1, and to USASOC, Base H, AFO 920 - 24

D. Vouchers covering equipment repaired and returned to various organizations - 48

E. Vouchers covering unserviceable equipment turned in to this warehouse by various units for repair - 70.

F. Vouchers covering unserviceable equipment sent to Depot No. 1, AFO 322, Unit 1, for repair and return - 15.

G. Exchange issues of Signal Corps non-expendable items on Air Corps Form No. 81 - 266.

Harold K. Low
HAROLD K. LOW
2d Lt, Sig C
Signal Supply Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)
Telephone Repair Section

APC 159
5 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Done by Telephone Repair Section
During the Month of November 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Service Group
(Air), APC 159. Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

The following is a report of the work accomplished by the Telephone
Repair section of the 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp during the month of November
1944:

TELETYPE:

Machines Repaired..... 2
Machines Cleaned..... 5

TELEPHONE:

Installed seven (7) E28A Telephones
Telephones Moved..... 3
Outside Installations Repaired..... 24
Telephones Repaired..... 19
Handsets Repaired..... 5
Test Sets Repaired..... 1
ED 71 Switchboard Repaired..... 1
ED 72 Switchboard Repaired..... 1
ED 91 Switchboard Repaired..... 1
Switchboard Cords Rebutted..... 6
RM 12 A Remote Control Unit Repaired..... 1
Stamp Time Clocks Repaired..... 3
Portable Typewriter Repaired..... 1

Harold K. Lown
HAROLD K. LOWN,
2d Lt, Sig C
Telephone Officer.

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BASIC: Unit History, 1094th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air)
1 Nov 1944 - 30 Nov 1944.

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- Incl 1 - Exhibit "A", Photographs
- Incl 2 - Exhibit "B", Photographs
- Incl 3 - Supporting Document No. 1
GO no. 12, Hq, 6th Service Group (Air).
- Incl 4 - Supporting Document No. 2
SC No. 124, Hq, 6th Service Group (Air)
- Incl 5 - Supporting Document No. 3
Statistical Report of Work Done in
Radio Repair Section.
- Incl 6 - Supporting Document No. 4
Statistical Report of Work Done in
Storage and Issue Section.
- Incl 7 - Supporting Document No. 5
Statistical Report of Work Done in
Telephone Section.

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Date 13 Jan 45

Period: October

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REMARKS: Superior report.

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Sv Gp
6th Service Group (Air)

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APO 159.

UNIT HISTORY

1 DECEMBER 1944 - 31 DECEMBER 1944

1. Organization of unit:

- a. Designation of unit - No change.
- b. Mission - No change.
- c. Date and place of activation of unit - No change.
- d. Sources of replacement personnel - No change.
- e. Changes in unit caused by T/O, etc. - No change.

f. Strength, personnel

| | <u>Flying</u> | <u>Ground</u> |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|
| | EM | EM |
| (1) 1 December 1944 | 0 | 0 |
| (2) Net increase or decrease
during period | None | 107 5 |
| (3) 31 December 1944 | None | <u>107</u> <u>5</u>
112 |

g. Strength, airplanes - Not applicable.

h. Key personnel, and changes thereto:

- (1) 1st Lt Edwin J. Freedman, Signal Corps, Assigned and joined from Headquarters, Thirteenth Air Force Service Command, APO 709, by Par 2, Special Order 304, Headquarters, Thirteenth Air Force Service Command, dated 10 December 1944.
- (2) Captain Everett S. Beachler, Signal Corps, Transferred to Hq & Hq Sq, 6th Service Group (Air), per Par 2, Special Order 155, Headquarters, 6th Service Group (Air) dated 18 December 1944.
- (3) 1st Lt Edwin J. Freedman, Signal Corps, Assumed Command 18 December 1944, per Orders Number 22, Headquarters, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, dated 18 December 1944.

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1 Dec 1944 - 31 Dec 1944.

2. Command Relationships:

a. Next higher headquarters - No change.

b. Subordinate units - Not applicable.

c. Other services - No change.

3. Resume of movements - No change.

4. Name of campaign in which unit has participated - No change.

5. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, etc - No change.

6. Losses in action - No change.

7. Awards and decorations - No change.

NARRATIVE ACCOUNT

In December, 1944, the Japanese Empire closed its third year of Pacific warfare; the 1034th Signal Company entered its third year of Pacific service. As the Japanese forces fought its series of "strategic withdrawals," leading inexorably to Tokyo, this organization has kept pace with the little supermen's inverted advance. New Caledonia in 1943, the Solomon Islands, Maffin Bay and Cape Opmarai on New Guinea in 1944; and a fervent desire for the United States via Yokahama and Tokyo in 1945.

Despite two years of personal hardships and discomfort, despite the shortages of necessary equipment and parts, despite the lack of technicians for the technical work required, this organization is justifiably proud that every mission assigned has been carried out in the best possible way.

The quantity of repair and supply activities dropped considerably during December. (See Supporting Documents, 1, 2, and 3) With the departure of the 18th Fighter Group in November, the organization's primary responsibility in December was servicing planes of the 42d Bombardment Group. The Radio Repair Section has been obliged to service new types of airborne Radar equipment, the SCR 521, 720, 729, AN/APN-1, AN/APS-4, AN/APN-4, and the problems of training personnel in these new sets, and obtaining supplies of spare parts were being satisfactorily overcome by Lt Harold K. Lown, Supply Officer, and Lt Louis C. Crisci, Radio and Radar Officer.

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FASIC: Unit History, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Sv Gp (Air)
1 Dec 1944 - 31 Dec 1944.

Construction began on a new building to house the bench and test equipment for new Radar sets, and despite a scarcity of lumber and an absence of nails, with the use of logs and scrap, and salvaged nails, the building approached completion at the month's end.

The safe handling of Signal Corps Supplies to FEASC Depot No. 3 at Risk created a personnel shortage, at times acute. With the departure of the Sixth Division, increased details for boat loading, and Air Cargo resulted in a further drain on our available manpower. All trained radio operators are on detached service to the 410th Signal Company Wing at Morotai, and some personnel are detailed to essential Group activities. All personnel, regardless of specialty, have cheerfully undertaken their share of the added labor details necessitated by the changed conditions, without affecting our operational efficiency.

On 18 December, Captain Everett S. Beachler, Commanding Officer since July 1942, was transferred to Hq and Hq Sq, 6th Service Group (Air) per paragraph 2, Special Order 155, Hq, 6th Service Group (Air), dated 18 December 1944, and 1st Lieutenant Edwin J. Freedman was assigned to this unit by Paragraph 2, Special Order 304, Hq, Thirteenth Air Force Service Command, dated 10 December 1944, assuming command. Captain Beachler's departure was a source of genuine regret to the organization which over the course of two and one half years, had come to admire and respect him. Sorrow at his leaving was tempered with joy in his well earned good fortune, return in the near future to the States after twenty six months of conscientious devoted service to this organization and the Thirteenth Air Force. The new Commanding Officer was received, as was expected, with an attitude of "What changes is he going to make?"

Christmas on Sansapor, the third yuletide overseas for the organization and sixty percent of its personnel, was far different from Christmas at home, but despite the normal longing for home and loved ones at this sentimental season, the morale of the organization did not suffer. "One less Christmas away" was the attitude. Packages from home arrived in a steady stream, and even the fact that many were watersoaked and ruined could not detract from the individual bit of love and affection each package represented.

A two can beer ration, the first since October, was received, with promises of more to follow. Turkey dinners on Christmas Day and December 31st, the first break in four months from the usual C ration diet, were welcome, and the influx of new magazines, books, and better moving pictures were all gratefully received by men whose life for two years have made them grateful for small favors.

No matter where Christmas day may find the American soldier, and may it never again find Americans on another such desecration of God's green earth as our beloved "Sansapor", it cannot dull his natural desire for

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Sv Gp (Air)
1 Dec 1944 - 31 Dec 1944.

that feeling of good fellowship and cheer, that overwhelming feeling of good will towards men, so reminiscent of happier yuletide seasons, and so promising for the future. Our men are representative of the best in American tradition.

With surprising suddenness, we were brought back to reality. On the nights of 23 December and 30 December 1944, our little yellow friends paid us visits, the first in nearly two months. They dropped their kind of Christmas cheer causing no damage or casualties to our company. We, for the first time, saw our anti-aircraft fire send a Japanese plane and its crew to their Imperial Heaven.

Four men left for rest leave at Mackay, Australia, and the promise of more to follow was a helpful morale factor. To return to civilization, if only for ten days, is an eagerly sought change. Rotation and Temporary Duty to the States is a source of much discussion, and is still a harmful morale factor. No men from this organization have been returned, and the prospects are still dim.

Speculation on movement continues. As Sansapor becomes more and more deserted, the prospects of an organizational movement increase.

1944 closed with no one regretting its passing. It has been a year of hard work, a year away from civilization, a year of progress through the jungle areas of the Pacific in our move forward.

1945 opened on a hopeful key. For many it will mean home; for others more moves forward on the ever shortening road to Tokyo, and Victory. And always the hope burns in each man's heart--"This year - maybe - this is it!"

Prepared by:

Edwin J. Freedman
EDWIN J. FREEDMAN,
1st Lt, Sig C
Unit Historical Officer

John E. Carrington
Sgt John E. Carrington
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

Ronald G. Mittlestadt
Tec 5 Ronald G. Mittlestadt
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

Edwin J. Freedman
EDWIN J. FREEDMAN,
1st Lt, Sig C
Commanding.

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1 December 1944 - 31 December 1944

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- Incl 1 - Exhibit "A", Photographs
- Incl 2 - Exhibit "B", Photographs
- Incl 3 - Supporting Document No. 1
Statistical Report of Work Done in
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- Incl 4 - Supporting Document No. 2
Statistical Report of Work Done in
Telephone Repair Section.
- Incl 5 - Supporting Document No. 3
Statistical Report of Work Done in
Radio Repair Section.

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1 December 1944 - 31 December 1944.



Auto Mechanics Putting in New Bed in Truck
1024th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Service Group (Air)
Photo taken by 6th Sv Gp (Air) Photo Section
30 December 1944.



Radar Repair Building Under Construction
1024th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Service Group (Air)
Photo taken by 6th Sv Gp (Air) Photo Section
30 December 1944

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**RAID: Unit History, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Sv Gp (Air),
1 December 1944 - 31 December 1944.**



**Radio Equipment Damaged in Air Raid of
22 December 1944. Turned in to Storage
and Issue Section for Salvage.
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Sv Gp (Air)
Photo taken by 6th Sv Gp (Air) Photo Section
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1034TH SIGNAL COMPANY
6TH SERVICE GROUP (AIR)
SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION

APO 159
1 January 1944

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Accomplished in Storage & Issue Warehouse.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co, 6th Sv Gp (Air), APO 159.
Attention: Unit Historical Officer

1. Following is a statistical report of business handled by this warehouse during the month of December 1944, together with that of November to show comparative figures:

| | <u>DECEMBER</u> | <u>NOVEMBER</u> |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| A. Issues of Signal Corps items (expendable)
to Air Force units on Air Corps Form No. 81 | 323 | 363 |
| B. Issues of Signal Corps items (non-expendable)
to Air Force units on Form 104-A (Shipping Tickets) | 121 | 238 |
| C. Requisitions for stock replenishment and
requisitions extracted for Air Force units to FEASC Depot
No. 3, APO 920 and to USASOS Base "H", APO 920 | 50 | 24 |
| D. Vouchers covering equipment repaired and re-
turned to various organizations | 19 | 48 |
| E. Vouchers covering unserviceable equipment
turned in to this warehouse by various units for repair | 40 | 70 |
| F. Exchange issues of Signal Corps items (non-
expendable) on WDAGO Form 447 | 293 | 266 |

2. The procedure for shipping unserviceable equipment to the Depot for repair has been altered insofar as a requisition instead of repair voucher must now accompany the equipment. These requisitions are included in paragraph 1C.

Harold K. Lown
HAROLD K. LOWN
2d Lt, Signal Corps
Signal Supply Officer

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1034TH SIGNAL CO SV GP
6TH SERVICE GROUP (AIR)
TELEPHONE REPAIR SECTION

AP0 159
1 January 1945

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Done by Telephone Repair Section
During the Month of December 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Service Group
(Air), AP0 159. Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

The following is a report of the work accomplished by the
Telephone Repair Section of the 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp during the month
of December 1944:

TELETYPE:

| | <u>DECEMBER</u> | <u>NOVEMBER</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Machines Repaired | 0 | 2. |
| Machines Cleaned | 0 | 5 |
| Cases of Machine Trouble | 4 | 0 |
| Machines Salvaged | 4 | 0 |

NOTE: A chest containing trays and compartments was built to
accomodate all salvaged parts.

TELEPHONE:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|----|
| Telephones (EE8A) Installed | 1 | 7 |
| Telephones Moved | 2 | 3 |
| Outside Installations Repaired | 19 | 24 |
| Telephones Repaired | 14 | 19 |
| Handsets Repaired | 17 | 5 |
| Test Sets Repaired | 1 | 1 |
| BD 71 Switchboard Repaired | 0 | 1 |
| BD 72 Switchboard Repaired | 1 | 1 |
| BD 91 Switchboard Repaired | 0 | 1 |
| Switchboard Cards Rebutted | 0 | 6 |
| RM 12A Remote Control Unit Repaired | 0 | 1 |
| Stamp Time Clocks Repaired | 4 | 3 |
| Portable Typewriter Repaired | 1 | 1 |
| Converter M-209 Repaired | 2 | 0 |
| Cases of Telering Trouble | 2 | 0 |

Harold K. Lohn
HAROLD K. LOHN,
2d Lt, Sig C
Telephone Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Service Gp
6th Service Gp (Air)

APO 159
3 January 1945

SUBJECT: Statistical Table on Work Accomplished by Radio Repair Section.

TO : Commanding Officer (Attention: Unit Historical Officer), 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Serv Gp (Air), APO 159.

1. The following is a report of work accomplished by the Radio Repair Section of 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp for the months of November 1944 and December 1944:

Radio Sets repaired and placed in service.

| | November | December |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| SCR 695 ----- | 244 ----- | 215 ----- |
| 595 ----- | 30 ----- | 26 ----- |
| 522 ----- | 178 ----- | 113 ----- |
| 269 ----- | 38 ----- | 24 ----- |
| 188 ----- | 6 ----- | 7 ----- |
| 274 ----- | 24 ----- | 12 ----- |
| 287 ----- | 37 ----- | 14 ----- |
| MH 26C ----- | 0 ----- | 2 ----- |
| Interphone Systems. | | |
| RC 36 ----- | 21 ----- | 18 ----- |
| T-30 ----- | 2 ----- | 8 ----- |
| HS 33 ----- | 0 ----- | 3 ----- |
| Meters and Test Sets. | | |
| I-77 ----- | 12 ----- | 11 ----- |
| BC 221 ----- | 17 ----- | 7 ----- |
| IE 46 ----- | 4 ----- | 3 ----- |
| I-56 ----- | 21 ----- | 12 ----- |
| Altimeters. | | |
| AN/APN-1 ----- | 26 ----- | 21 ----- |
| AI Radar Equipment. | | |
| SCR 720 ----- | 0 ----- | 40 ----- |
| Navigation Equipment. | | |
| AN/APN-4 ----- | 2 ----- | 1 ----- |
| Miscellaneous Equipment repaired. | | |
| BC 802, ANA receiver, V-O Meter T-351, Sig Gen 101, Rectifier | | |
| RA-34, 438 Receiver. | | |

2. Instructions are now being given on various new Radio Sets to be serviced in the future by this Section.

Louis C. Crisci
LOUIS C. CRISCI
2d Lt. Signal Corps
Radio Repair Section

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HEADQUARTERS
XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
APO 709

Rating A - UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 13 Febr 45.

Checked by A.E.F. Name of Unit: 1034th Signal Company, Service Group

APO: 159

Period: January 45

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of the subsequent historical reports.

REFERENCE

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

| | Forward
Supp. | Correct in
next report |
|--|------------------|---------------------------|
| Comply with par 9, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Omissions and/or errors exist in outline | | |
| Narrative is missing; comply with par 10,
13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Lacks background of operations; see par 10 a,
13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Summary of achievements lacking or insufficient
See par 10 b 2, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | Superior on
this point |
| Lacks information on policies and decisions. See
par 10 e & f, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Facts on station life, morale, health, etc., lack-
ing or insufficient. See par 10 i, 13 AF Reg
80-15 | | |
| Lacks supporting documents to establish basic
facts. See par 11, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Quote authority in parens to establish basic
facts. See par 12 c, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Include photographs. See par 12 f, 13 AF
Reg 80-15 | | Excellent
photos |
| Identify photographs properly. See par 12 f
13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Attention to paper size, captions, signatures,
etc. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Attention to proper classification of text,
supporting documents, photographs. See par
12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |

REMARKS: Subsequent reports to comply with letter, this Headquarters, dated 27 Jan 45, subject: "Clarification for Outline Section of Unit History".

Personally I like the bit of life you give to your style but Air Force Historian wants it a bit more factual.

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1 Jan 1945 - 31 Jan 1945

6. Losses in action - No change.

7. Awards and decorations - Sixteen (16) enlisted men awarded Good Conduct Medal, per GO 5, Hq, 6th Air Sv Gp, dtd 30 Jan 1945.

NARRATIVE ACCOUNT

"Asia Marches On", the vaseline throated Radio Tokyo announces. "Japanese Forces Destroy Mac Arthur's Armies", blares the puppet Java Radio. And were the Imperial Special Service Division to deliberately arrange programs of fun and humour for units like ours, isolated from Red Cross and dances and civilization, it could not be more successful. For the end of January found our men coiling their middle fingers over their index fingers and praying "Be good to us, take us out of this jungle, and make our next station -- Manila!"

But hopes and dreams were secondary. All month our unit has operated at peak efficiency in the performance of its mission. If God helps those who help themselves, we will reach Manila.

Our Radio and Radar Shops continued to repair sets as quickly as received. Our Storage and Issue Section continued to furnish parts as fast as required, and also performed sub-depot functions for Signal units at the base. Our Telephone and Teletype Repair Section, with little work to do, nevertheless installed and repaired equipment as fast as needed.

Far East Air Forces selected this organization to perform an experimental installation of an AN/APN-4 radar set in a B-25 of the 42d Bomb Group, and 2d Lt. GEORGE H. MILLMAN and three (3) enlisted men, Headquarters, FEASC, reported on 18 January to begin the work. Initial fabrication and installation was quickly completed, but meantime a supply situation developed and at month's end we were still awaiting receipt of the sets. A dolly for test purposes was constructed, training in the theory and maintenance of the equipment was conducted, swagging tools were fabricated, but the delay in releasing the equipment has caused all our energies to be dissipated. Radiograms, trips to Morotai and Biak were unavailing.

Training continued in AN/APN-4 maintenance. One (1) set was received from the 1069th Signal Company Service Group, and our personnel were handling repairs of this equipment in short order.

Twenty-two (22) SCR 522 VHF sets, which had been deadlined for lack of small parts, were returned to the Depot, which shipped us twenty (20) complete new sets as replacements. This is an indication of the supply situation in the Theater.

Under 2d Lt. LOUIS C. CRISCI's supervision, our six man detachment on Middleburg Island continued to perform third echelon repair work with the 38th Air Service Squadron, and our three man detachment on the same island continued to service the SCR 720 and SCR 729 sets. Although the 419th Night Fighter Squadron had moved, the 550th required the same services. 1st Lt. HERBERT D. SMITH, formerly with the second detachment, returned to his parent organization, increasing our responsibility for its operations.

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Air Service Group

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AUTH CGXII DFC
DATE 8 Feb 1945
INITIALS Y.T.D.

APC 159

UNIT HISTORY

1 JANUARY 1945 - 31 JANUARY 1945

1. Organization of unit:

- a. Designation of unit - No change.
- b. Mission - No change.
- c. Date and place of activation - No change.
- d. Sources of replacement personnel - Hq & Hq Sq, 6th Air Service Group, APC 159.
- e. Changes in unit caused by T/O, etc. - Three (3) enlisted assigned per par 3, SO 23, Hq 6th Air Sv Gp, APC 159, dtd 27 Jan 45.

f. Strength, personnel

| | <u>Flying</u> | <u>Ground</u> |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| (1) 1 January 1945 | EN 0 | EN 0 |
| (2) Net increase or decrease during period | None | 107 5
1 1 |
| (3) 31 January 1945 | | 108 4 |
| | None | 112 |

- g. Strength, airplanes - Not applicable.
- h. Key personnel, and changes thereto: No change.

2. Command Relationship:

- a. Next higher headquarters - No change.
- b. Subordinate units - Not applicable.
- c. Other services - No change.

3. Resume of movements - No change.

4. Name of campaign in which unit has participated - No change.

5. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, etc - No change.

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1 Jan 1945 - 31 Jan 1945

The switchboard continued to operate the Altoona Exchange, and we operated the teletype machine in the message center to furnish our parent Group, with necessary and vital communications. New men were trained in these specialties, providing a reservoir of skilled replacements and insure against any contingency.

A thorough survey was completed of Service Records and Soldiers Qualification Cards, and over forty (40) changes were made to accurately reflect the highest skills of our personnel and insure accurate reporting to Service Command. Several men with skills higher than those required by their primary duty assignments were transferred within the unit to new and higher duty assignments.

Three (3) men were received from Headquarters Squadron, 6th Air Service Group, trained in specialties required by this unit.

All personnel received notice of the award of the Battle Participation Star for the New Guinea Campaign. Awards of Good Conduct Medals were made, as well as promotions of deserving personnel to the rank of Private First Class. Notice was received that the recommendations for the award of Army Air Forces Technician Badges as Radio Operators, Teletype Mechanics, and Radio Repairmen had been approved.

Seventeen (17) volunteers were given a course of instruction and familiarization firing of the Browning 50 calibre machine gun. Weekly Information and Education Lectures were conducted, and one outstanding lecture was given by Mr. Savina, Counter Intelligence Corps, on Intelligence problems in the Philippines.

Routine inspections of Company Supply and automotive equipment were held. An inspection by representatives of United States Armed Forces in the Far East of our vehicles earned our personnel and equipment a high rating.

Enough white paint was obtained to letter our vehicles as required, but the shortage of mimeograph ink caused the temporary discontinuance of our unit newspaper. The critical shortage of light bulbs caused our radio and radar repairmen many headaches due to eyestrain, but did not result in deadlining any equipment.

Our Diesel generator, after many months of faithful service, became damaged beyond repair, and another generator held by our Storage and Issue Section as surplus was pressed into service. We are now attempting to obtain authorization to keep this substitute power supply.

Rumors of movement grow, and the month's end found all the officers and men of the organization anxiously hoping that February could find us on our way to the Philippines.

For authorization of awards and promotions, and the statistical tables of work accomplished in the various sections, see the attached supporting documents.

Prepared by:

EDWIN J. FREEDMAN,
1st Lt, Sig C
Unit Historical Officer.

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EDWIN J. FREEDMAN,
1st Lt, Sig C
Commanding.

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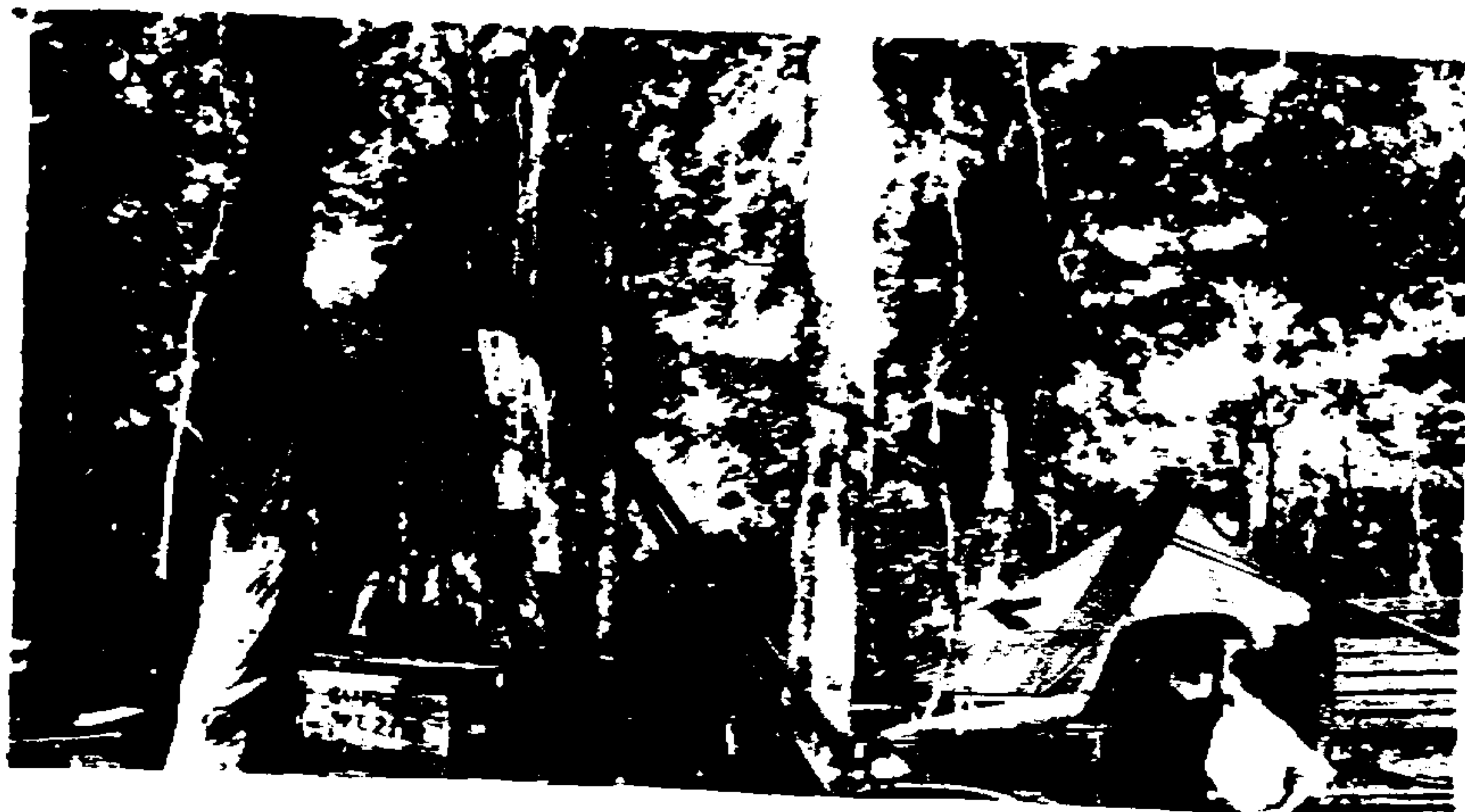
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1 Jan 1945 - 31 Jan 1945

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- Incl 1 - Exhibit "A", Photographs
- Incl 2 - Exhibit "B", Photographs
- Incl 3 - Supporting Document No. 1
Statistical Report of Work Done in
Storage & Issue Section.
- Incl 4 - Supporting Document No. 2
Statistical Report of Work Done in
Telephone Repair Section.
- Incl 5 - Supporting Document No. 3
Statistical Report of Work Done in
Radio Repair Section.
- Incl 6 - Supporting Document No. 4
GO 5, 6th Air Service Group.

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Subject: 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service Group
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Loading Crane Used in Signal Supply Section
1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service Group
Photo taken by 6th Air Sv Gp Photo Section
29 January 1945



Loading Dock at Signal Supply Warehouse
1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service Group
Photo taken by 6th Air Sv Gp Photo Section
29 January 1945

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Orderly Room
1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp
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1034TH SIGNAL COMPANY
6TH AIR SERVICE GROUP
SIGNAL SUPPLY SECTION

AP0 159
5 February 1945

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Accomplished in Storage and Issue Section.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co, 6th Air Sv Gp, APO 159.
Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

1. Following is a statistical report of business handled by this warehouse during the month of January 1945, together with that of December 1944, to show comparative figures:

| | <u>DECEMBER</u> | <u>JANUARY</u> |
|--|-----------------|----------------|
| A. Issues of Signal Corps items (expendable)
to Air Force units on Air Corps Form No. 81 | 323 | 343 |
| B. Issues of Signal Corps items (non-expendable)
to Air Force units on Form 104-A (Shipping Tickets) | 121 | 114 |
| C. Requisitions for stock replenishment and
requisitions extracted for Air Force units to FEASC Depot
No. 3, APO 920 and to USASOS Base "H", APO 920 | 50 | 48 |
| D. Vouchers covering equipment repaired and
returned to various organizations | 19 | 27 |
| E. Vouchers covering unserviceable equipment
turned in to this warehouse by various units for repair | 40 | 48 |
| F. Exchange issues of Signal Corps items
(non-expendable) on WD AGO Form 447 | 293 | 163 |

Harold K. Lown
HAROLD K. LOWN,
2d Lt, Sig C
Signal Supply Officer

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1034th Signal Co Serv Gp
6th Air Service Group
TELEPHONE REPAIR SECTION

APC 159
1 February 1945

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Done by Telephone Repair Section
During the Month of January 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service
Group, APC 159. Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

The following is a report of the work accomplished by the Telephone
Repair Section of the 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp during the month of January
1945.

| | <u>JANUARY</u> | <u>DECEMBER</u> |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| TELETYPE: | | |
| Machines repaired | 5 | 0 |
| Machines cleaned | 6 | 0 |
| Cases of machine trouble | 4 | 4 |
| Machines salvaged | 0 | 4 |
| Portable typewriter | 1 | 0 |
| TELEPHONE: | | |
| Telephones (EESA) Installed | 3 | 1 |
| Telephones moved | 0 | 2 |
| Outside installations repaired | 28 | 19 |
| Telephones repaired | 13 | 17 |
| Handsets repaired | 7 | 14 |
| Test Sets repaired | 0 | 1 |
| ED 71 Switchboard repaired | 0 | 0 |
| ED 72 Switchboard repaired | 0 | 1 |
| ED 91 Switchboard repaired | 0 | 0 |
| Switchboard cords rebutted | 0 | 0 |
| RV 12A Remote Control Units | 0 | 0 |
| Stamp time clocks repaired | 5 | 4 |
| Converter M-209 repaired | 0 | 2 |
| Cases of Telering trouble | 1 | 2 |

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HAROLD K. LOUN,
2d Lt, Sig C
Telephone Officer.

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1034th Signal Co Service Gp
6th Air Service Gp

APO 159
5 February 1945

SUBJECT: Statistical Table on Work Accomplished by Radio Repair Section.

TO : Commanding Officer (Attention: Unit Historical Officer), 1034th
Signal Co Serv Gp, 6th Air Serv Gp, APO 159.

1. The following is a report of work accomplished by the Radio Repair
Section of 1034th Signal Co Serv Gp for the months of December 1944 and
January 1945:

Radio Sets repaired and placed in service

| | December | January |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|
| SCR 695 ----- | 215 ----- | 217 |
| 595 ----- | 26 ----- | 51 |
| 522 ----- | 113 ----- | 229 |
| 269 ----- | 24 ----- | 46 |
| 188 ----- | 7 ----- | 3 |
| 274 ----- | 12 ----- | 31 |
| 287 ----- | 14 ----- | 50 |
| 299 ----- | 0 ----- | 1 |
| 211 ----- | 0 ----- | 5 |
| 265 ----- | 0 ----- | 1 |
| BC 348 ----- | 0 ----- | 2 |
| ME 260 ----- | 2 ----- | 0 |
| Interphone Systems | | |
| EC 36 ----- | 18 ----- | 12 |
| T -30 ----- | 8 ----- | 0 |
| ES 33 ----- | 3 ----- | 11 |
| CD307 ----- | 0 ----- | 1 |
| CD318 ----- | 0 ----- | 1 |
| CD508 ----- | 0 ----- | 1 |
| Meters and Test Sets | | |
| I-77 ----- | 11 ----- | 2 |
| BC 221 ----- | 7 ----- | 0 |
| IE 46, 45 ----- | 3 ----- | 2 |
| I-56 ----- | 12 ----- | 1 |
| I-122 ----- | 0 ----- | 1 |
| Signal Generators ----- | 0 ----- | 3 |
| Altimeters | | |
| AN/APN-1 ----- | 21 ----- | 26 |
| AN/ARN-1 ----- | 0 ----- | 6 |
| AI Radar Equipment | | |
| SCR 720 ----- | 40 ----- | 11 |
| 729 ----- | 0 ----- | 1 |
| Navigational Equipment | | |
| AN/APN-4 ----- | 1 ----- | 2 |

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Basic: Statistical Table on Work Accomplished by Radio Repair Section, 1034th
Signal Co Serv Gp, December 1944 - January 1945.

2. Experimental installation of AN/APS-4, AI and ASV Radar in B-25
aircraft is now in progress.

Louis C. Crisci

LOUIS C. CRISCI
2d Lt. Signal Corps
Radio Repair Section

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6TH AIR SERVICE GROUP

APD 15-
30 January 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 5)

1. The following EM orgns indicated are Awarded the Good Conduct Medal. Auth AR 600-68.

12th Airdrome Sq (Sp)

| | | | |
|------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| Sgt Melvin E Buck | 36053684 | Sgt Walter L Gore | 53428828 |
| Sgt Luther G Barrer | 35313771 | Cpl Autry B Benson | 17013050 |
| Cpl Harold J Colling | 37336401 | Cpl George R Layton | 37517131 |
| Cpl Ralph E Perkins | 32854101 | Cpl Michael T Serafin | 31166907 |
| Pfc Sidney Bloom | 32873278 | Pfc William H Champion | 34580301 |
| Pfc Louis Gierczic | 36213135 | Pfc Daniel W D Lindsey | 34547808 |
| Pfc Charles L Pierce | 34729939 | Pfc John Rainey Jr | 35684263 |
| Pvt Anthony J Addoo Jr | 32874191 | Pvt Donald K Bailey | 32839131 |
| Pvt Leo F Bennett | 19151127 | Pvt Arthur F Berard | 31286137 |
| Pvt Sanford M Harris | 12130811 | Pvt Gale O Humphreys | 34623726 |
| Pvt Harold F Klug | 36291729 | Pvt Robert L Larimore Jr | 39332966 |
| Pvt Isadore J Libson | 37570766 | Pvt William J Magdalenski | 31284462 |
| Pvt Philip Malara | 42091854 | Pvt Willie H Nicholas | 38467397 |
| Pvt Ted J Onesto | 36667948 | Pvt Walter Perry | 34185950 |
| Pvt Charles E Waldrop | 14125421 | Pvt Henry C Ostun | 35330252 |

1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

| | | | |
|------------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| T Sgt Louis J Bors | 15041252 | Cpl Preston L Brouwer | 36658492 |
| Cpl Bruce C Clair | 32753608 | Cpl Dwight L Cross | 37609460 |
| Cpl Esli T Marsh | 12012720 | Cpl Thomas J Robichaux | 38382733 |
| Tec 5 James F May | 15373494 | Pfc Byron O Choice | 39294459 |
| Pfc Willard H Bull | 15372721 | Pfc William T Hall | 16147374 |
| Pfc Ralph V Hammond | 16168376 | Pfc George J Haverkamp | 35792748 |
| Pfc Emanuel J Laverata | 32862568 | Pfc Rudolph C Rasmussen | 17079046 |
| Pfc Francis T Rinke | 17156267 | Pfc Matthew A Robertson | 37559666 |

1619th Ord S & M Co Avn

| | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------|----------|
| Sgt Morris H Andelman | 11024848 | Tec 5 William J Harvison | 37105220 |
| Pfc Charles Bryant | 35788319 | Pfc Gilbert W Mathis | 35163504 |
| Pfc Hubert R White | 14134070 | | |

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Par 1 GO 5 Hq 6th Air Sv Gp 30 Jan 45 Cont'd.


1655th Ord S & M Co Avn

| | | | |
|-------------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| S Sgt Norman Rindahl | 16048957 | Cpl Robert F Hinton | 35371054 |
| Cpl Irving Progo bin | 32181193 | Tec 5 Fred R Schneider | 35307390 |
| Pfc Delmar H Strandburg | 37463972 | Pfc Nicholas Verlinich | 36544149 |
| Pfc Ernest R Zeiter | 36669023 | Pvt Louis F Belolla | 20212916 |
| Pvt Walter S Mirwald | 12126479 | Pvt Harold L Jordan | 34366268 |
| Pvt Jesse R Tremain | 35142923 | Pfc Wallace O Whitaker | 35729693 |

By order of Colonel MULLINS:

HENRY J GRIEGER
Capt AC
adj

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HEADQUARTERS
XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 20 April 45

Checked by A.E.P. Name of Unit: 1034th Signal Company Service Group

APO: 719-1

Period: Febr & Mar 1945

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of the subsequent historical reports.

REFERENCE

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

| | Forward
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next report |
|--|------------------|---------------------------|
| Comply with par 9, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Omissions and/or errors exist in outline | | |
| Narrative is missing; comply with par 10, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Lacks background of operations; see par 10 a, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Summary of achievements lacking or insufficient | | |
| See par 10 b 2, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Lacks information on policies and decisions. See par 10 e & f, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Facts on station life, morale, health, etc., lacking or insufficient. See par 10 i, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Lacks supporting documents to establish basic facts. See par 11, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | Below |
| Quote authority in parens to establish basic facts. See par 12 c, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Include photographs. See par 12 f, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Identify photographs properly. See par 12 f 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Attention to paper size, captions, signatures, etc. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Attention to proper classification of text, supporting documents, photographs. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |

REMARKS: Special orders on promotions, etc., are generally not of sufficient importance to warrant inclusion as supporting documents.

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6th Air Service Group

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AUTH. C & D, XIII AFSC

DATE 8 April 1945

INITIALS H. J. D.

AP0 719

UNIT HISTORY

1 February 1945 - 31 March 1945

1. Organization of unit:

- a. Designation of unit - No change.
- b. Mission - No change.
- c. Date and place of activation - No change.
- d. Sources of replacement personnel - Hq & Hqs Sq, 6th Air Sv Gp, AP0 719.
69th Bomb Sq (M), AP0 705.
91st Repl Bn AAF, AP0 714.
- e. Changes in unit caused by T/O, etc. - Two (2) officers promoted. (See supporting document #1). Seven (7) enlisted men transferred out. (See supporting document #2) Five (5) enlisted men transferred in. (See supporting document #3) Three (3) enlisted men to furloughs in the United States. (See supporting document #4).

f. Strength, personnel

| | <u>Flying</u> | <u>Ground</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| (1) At beginning of period | EM 0 | EM 0 |
| (2) Net increase or decrease | None | 105 4 |
| (3) At end of period | | 2 |
| (4) Total | None | 103 4 |
| | | 103 4 |

G. Disposition of personnel, end of month:

4 Off & 84 EM at Puerto Princessa, Palawan Island, P.I.
0 Off & 10 EM (Rad Ops) at Leyte Island, P.I.
0 Off & 4EM (Rear ech) at Sansapor, New Guinea.
0 Off & 2 EM enroute to join from Hollandia
0 Off & 3 EM T/D to U.S.A.

H. Strength, airplanes - Not applicable.

- i. Key personnel, and changes thereto: Two (2) officers promoted.

2. Command Relationship:

- a. Next higher headquarters - No change.

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2. b. Subordinate units - Not applicable.

c. Other services - No change.

3. Resume of movements:

| <u>Det.</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Former Station</u> | <u>Departure Date</u> | <u>New Station</u> | <u>Arrival Date</u> | <u>Travel Via</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Adv Ech | 90 | Sansapor | 13 Feb 45 | Palawan, P.I. | 6 Mar 45 | IST 619 & 722 |
| TD Pers | 5 | do | 28 Feb 45 | do | 15 Mar 45 | Lst |

4. Name of campaign in which unit has participated: Philippine Campaign,
20 Feb 45 to present.

5. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, etc - No change.

6. Losses in action - No change.

7. Awards and decorations - No change.

NARRATIVE ACCOUNT

"WE HAVE RETURNED". It was a painfully long journey, all twenty-seven months of it. But as we stood at the rail of our good ship LST 619 on February 20th and gazed for the first time at the coastline of Leyte, Philippine Islands, our thoughts returned to that distant day in November 1942 and memories of the Golden Gate disappearing below the horizon. Forgotten now were French New Caledonia, the British Solomons, Dutch New Guinea. Here are the American Philippines! WE HAVE RETURNED!

February began in a routine manner at Sansapor. Aside from usual supply and maintenance activities, the experimental installation of an AN/APS - 4 radar set in a 42d Bomb Group B-25 was at a standstill due to the impossibility of obtaining the release of necessary equipment from the Depot. Lt George Hillman and his three enlisted men, on TD with us for purposes of the installation, completed as much as materials permitted, and then were stymied.

Five of our men returned from rest leave at Mackay, Australia, and the safehandling of Signal Corps equipment to Biak by our men continued.

On February 10th the orders we had awaited so long were received, operations ceased and packing and crating began. Three frenzied days followed as buildings were dismantled, our two repair trucks cram packed with delicate test equipment, final reports hurriedly sent in, warehouse stocks boxed and all the infinite details of movement attended to. Our five man radio detachment on DS to the 38th Air Sv Sq on Middleburg Island rejoined us, as did our three man radar detachment with the 419th Night Ftr Sq.

We left a four man supply and maintenance detachment with the 82d Air Sv Sq to service transient aircraft on Mar Field, and on the morning of February 14th at six oclock, after a dark, rainy twelve hours loading, we were aboard LST 619.

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1 Feb 45 - 31 Mar 45

We lay off shore a day and a half until the rest of our ten ship convoy were loaded, and at five O'clock, the afternoon of the 15th, we waved a fond farewell to Sansapor, hoping and praying never to return again.

Followed seven days of ocean travel and on February 20th we anchored in San Pedro Bay off Leyte and Samar. The day following our convoy, now increased to approximately sixty craft set sail for Mindoro. Enroute, winding our way through the Surigao Straits in sight of enemy held shores on both sides, a destroyer escort guarding our convoy was torpedoed.

On February 22d we reached Mindoro Island, near San Jose, and disembarked for staging. We set up temporary camp, and for over a week with no duties except necessary camp details, we were able to see and visit our Filipino friends.

On March 3rd we again loaded aboard LST 722, another all night movement and the following day we departed enroute Palawan Island.

March 6th was spent unloading at Puerto Princesa on Palawan, and moving to our newly assigned camp area.

The following day work began on the construction of our camp. For several days salvage lumber was available, poles and logs plentiful, and in four days eighteen tent floors were in and tents occupied. Meanwhile mess hall, latrine, company supply, orderly room all were in the process of construction.

On March 13th requests for crash boat radio repairs were received and these were completed in our Radio Truck. On March 15th we installed the SCR 729 Interrogator in the Tower. Requests for incidental supplies of Signal equipment primarily for camp construction purposes were handled during this period.

On March 16th we moved all our supplies from the camp area to a temporary area on the Strip and set up in two squad tents. The following day a requisition was accepted for building materials.

March 20th lumber for our Radar Night Fighter Shop was received, work began on this building on the edge of the strip near the beach, and on March 25th this shop was in full operation. The location was selected because of the ideal targets the mountains afforded at 40 and 60 mile distances, and in operation has proven ideal. The Shop has handled every request for service received from the 419th Night Fighter Squadron to the complete satisfaction of its Radar Officer.

March 23rd our area was assigned, lumber was received and construction began on our Radio Shop and Storage and Issue warehouse. At the end of the month both were 95% complete.

Since our arrival, working primarily from our Truck, we have completed 6 crash boat repairs, 70 IFF, 30 SCR 522 and 6 miscellaneous jobs. The Night Fighter Radar Shop completed 70 repairs. Storage and Issue made 13 issues on Form 81, processed 22 requisitions and sent two priority radios for equipment. Our Telephone Section had a board installed March 8th when requested by Group, and since then have been engaged in setting in temporary lines first, and now permanent cables to all Group activities. We are using a ED-96 switchboard.

Lt Harold K. Lown, our Supply Officer, was promoted from 2d Lt to 1st Lt by SO #319, par 1 Hq. USAFFE.

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp, APO 719.
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Lt Louis C. Crisci, our Radar Officer, was promoted from 2d Lt to 1st Lt by SO #51 par 8, Hq. USAFFE.

Pfc William T. Hall was promoted to Tec 5 by SO #36, par 4, Hq. 6th Air Sv Gp.

Seven of our original men were transferred to other units where their highest military occupational specialties may be utilized. Six enlisted men were transferred in, in some cases with MOS not required by this organization.

Three men, who elected Temporary Duty in the States, left during March.

The morale of the outfit is generally excellent, considering that we have been working seven days a week since February 10th except for rest intervals aboard ship and at Mindoro. There is real work to be done and none of the men resent doing it. Furthermore beer, PX supplies and now the food are all more plentiful than in New Guinea, the island is cleaner and more pleasant, and no one feels worse for the change.

The end of the month found us all a bit tired but set up and ready to give this base the best Signal Supply and Maintenance facilities within our power.

Due to the fact that nearly the entire two month period was spent in moving, no statistical reports will be submitted this month.

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1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

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1st Lt., Sig C,
Commanding.

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- Incl 1 - Exhibit "A" Photographs
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Orders promoting Officers
- Incl 4 - Supporting document No. 2
Orders transferring seven EM out
of Unit.
- Incl 5 - Supporting document No. 3
Orders transferring five EM into Unit.
- Incl 6 - Supporting document No. 4
Orders placing three EM TDY to US.

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Construction of Radio & Signal Supply
Shops.
1034th Sig Co Sv, 6th Air Sv Gp
Photo taken by 6th Air Sv Gp Photo
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Orderly Room
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp
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Night Fighter Radar Repair Shop
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IV - OFFICER PROMOTIONS

7. Announcement is made of the temporary promotion of the following named officers to the grades indicated in the AUS by par 1, SO 319, Hq USAFFE, 17 Nov 44, with rank from date of that order:

* * * * *

2ND LT TO 1ST LT

**HAROLD K. LOWN, 01642334, SC,
1034th Sig Co, Sv Gp**

* * * * *

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL STREETT:

**JOHN M. STERLING
Colonel, GSC
Chief of Staff**

OFFICIAL:

**PEYTON G. NEVITT
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General**

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6. Announcement is made of the temporary promotion of the following named officers to the grade indicated in the Army of the United States by par. 8, SO#51, Hq USAFFE, 20 Feb 45, with rank from date of that order:

2D LT TO 1ST LT

* * * * *

LOUIS C. CRISCI, 0509851, SC
1034th Sig Co .

* * * * *

By command of Brigadier General WURTSMITH:

OFFICIAL:

JOHN M. STERLING
Colonel ,GSC
Chief of Staff

PEYTON G. NEVITT
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Adjutant General

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APO 719 Unit 3
10 February 1945

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NUMBER 27)

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1. The fol C in asgmt & tvl are dir. WP. TDN

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Reid from</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> | <u>Tvl via</u> |
|--|--------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Pfc Albert R Washner)
(238) 33144478) | 1034th Sig Co
Sv Gp APO 159 | 11th Airdrome
Sp (Sp) APO 159
EDCMR 11 Feb 45 | No tvl |
| Pfc William W Wolfe)
(667) 36163394) | 1034th Sig Co
Sv Gp APO 159 | 1027th Sig Co
Sv Gp APO 719
EDCMR 13 Feb 45 | TDMCC |
| Pfc Thomas J Switalski)
(667) 33145397) | | | |

By order of Colonel BAIRD:

OFFICIAL:

LYLE J. ROBERTSON
Lieutenant Colonel, AGD
Chief of Staff

/s/David B. Miller
/t/DAVID B. MILLER
Captain, Infantry
Actg Asst Adj Gen

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13 February 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 44)

E X T R A C T

2. Fol C in asgmts and tvl dir. WP. TDN.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Rel'd From</u> | <u>Ass'd To</u> | <u>Tvl Via</u> |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| Pfc Gene J. Canova,
MOS (835) 32859920 |)69th Bomb Sq
) (M), APO 159. | 1034th Sig Co, Sv
Gp, APO 159. EDCMR
15 Feb 45 | No tvl |
| Tec 5 John H. Hunter
MOS (766) 13039108 |)1034th Sig Co,
) Sv Gp, APO 159 | 410th Sig Co, Avn,
APO 719. EDCMR 15
Feb 45. | TDMCC
APR #3. |
| Pfc Ivan M. Wilkins,
MOS (766) 16051947 |)
) | | |

By command of MAJOR GENERAL STREETT:

OFFICIAL:

JOHN M. STERLING,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff

/s/Ira E. Snider
/t/IRA E. SNIDER
WOJG USA
Asst. Adj.Gen.

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**AP0 719 Unit 3
13 February 1945**

1. The fol tvl is dir. WP. TDN.

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2. The fol C in asgmt & tvl are dir. WP. TDN.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Rel'd from</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> | <u>Tvl via</u> |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|
| *
Pfc George J Haverkamp
(239) 35793748 | *
1034th Sig Co
Sv Gp AP0 719 | *
1027th Sig Co
Sv Gp AP0 719
EDCMR 16 Feb 45 | *
TDMCC |
| * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * |

BY ORDER OF COLONEL KENDALL:

**LYLE J. ROBERTSON
Lieutenant Colonel, AGD
Chief of Staff**

OFFICIAL:

**DAVID B. MILLER
Captain AGD
Actg Asst Adj Gen**

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3. Fol C in asgmts and tvl dir. WP. TDH.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Rel'd from</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> | <u>Tvl via</u> |
|--|---|--|-----------------------|
| Pfc Gene J Canova 32859920)
NOS (835) | 1034th S&g Co
Sv Gp, APO 705 | 69th Bomb Sq (M)
APO 705. EDCMR
27 Mar 45 | No Tvl. |

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By command of Brigadier General WURTSMITH:

**JOHN M. STERLING,
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief of Staff**

OFFICIAL:

**L.A. GILLITZER,
Captain, A.G.D.
Asst. Adj. Gen.**

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2. The following C in asgmt and dy are directed. WP. No T.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Rel'd fr</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> |
|--|--|---------------------|
| Pvt Walter L Schneider
38554984 (590) |) Hq & Hq Sq (atchd 6th
) Air Sv Gp Transient Camp
) for rats & qrs) | 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp |
| * * * | * * * | * * * |

BY ORDER OF COLONEL MULLINS:

**HENRY J GRIEGER
Capt AC
Adj**

OFFICIAL:

**HENRY J GRIEGER
Capt AC
Adj**

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6TH AIR SERVICE GROUP

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5. The following trf are directed.

| <u>Name</u> | | <u>Rel'd fr</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> |
|--------------------------------------|--------|-----------------|--|
| Pfc Joseph M Campo
12159653 (050) |)
) | Hq & Hq Sq | 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp
(EDCMR 28 Mar 45) |
| * | | * | * |

BY ORDER OF COLONEL MULLINS:

HENRY J GRIEGER
Capt AC
ADJ

OFFICIAL:

HENRY J GRIGER
Capt AC
Adj

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6. The following asgnts are directed. WP.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Auth</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> |
|--|---|----------------------------|
| Sgt William A Wiltfang
36593728 (647) |) Par 12 SO 20 91st
) Repl Bn AAF 21 | 1034th Ssg Co Sv Gp |
| Pvt Alfred M Morris
31272677 (955) |) Feb 45
) | |

BY ORDER OF COLONEL MULLINS:

**HENRY J. GRIEGER
Capt AC
Adj**

OFFICIAL :

**HENRY J GRIEGER
Capt AC
Adj**

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2. UP Sec III WD Cir #8, 6 Jan 45 and pursuant to auth contained in FRAP Rads A34297, 24 Jan 45 and AI 34984, 1 Feb 45, each of the fbl Os and EM (Male) Feb ~~every~~ 1945 Temporary Duty Quota of this comm, orgn, br, color and fur addresses as indicated are placed on TDY w/92d Repl Bn, APO 565 for processing, upon completion of which they will be placed on further TDY w/Rotation Det, Base G, APO 565, EDD, there to await further orders for tvl to continental US for purpose of rest and recuperation. Upon completion of thirty (30) day rest period, Os and EM will be returned to present overseas asgts. TDY pers will not be released to Repl Bn until all pnts, inoculations, clothing accts and other adm requirements have been completed. Complete and accurate records in accordance w/Par 22, Sec VII, USAFFE Cir #81, 21 Sep 44 will accompany each O and EM. Comdrs will insure that EM have sufficient clothing, blankets and mess gear before departure from unit. Provisions of Par 26, Sec VII, USAFFE Cir #81, 21 Sep 44 will be complied with. WP TDMCC to APO 565. TDM.

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BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL STREETT:

JOHN M. STERLING,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

IRA E. SNIDER
WOJG USA
Asst. Adj. Gen.

1034th Sig Co, Sv Gp, APO 159

| | | | | | |
|-------|--------------------|----------|----|---|---|
| Tec 4 | Campbell, David B. | 12034323 | SC | W | 2 |
| | Princeton, N.J. | | | | |
| Tec 5 | Bell, Charles H. | 11016850 | SC | W | 1 |
| | Thomaston, Maine. | | | | |

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3. UP Sec III WD Cir #8, 6 Jan 45 and pursuant to auth contained in FEAF Rad A34913 and AX 39607, fol Officers and EM (Male), March 1945 Temporary Duty Quota are placed on TDY w/92d Repl Bn, APO 714 for processing upon completion of which they will be placed on further TDY w/Rotation Det, Base "G", APO 565, EDD, there to await further orders for tvl to continental US for purpose of rest and recuperation. Upon completion of thirty (30) day rest period Officers and EM will be returned to present overseas asgmt. TDY pers will not be released to Repl Bn until all pmts, inoculations, clothing accts and other adm requirements have been completed. Complete and accurate records in accordance w/Par 25, Sec VIII, USAFFE Cir #21, 5 Mar 45, will accompany each Off and EM. Comdrs will insure that EM have sufficient clothing, blankets (2) and mess gear before departing from unit. Provisions of Par 29, Sec VIII, USAFFE Cir #21, 5 Mar 45, will be complied with. TBMAA to APO 714. WP. TDN.

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By command of Brigadier General WURTSMITH:

OFFICIAL:

L.A. GILLITZER,
Captain, A.G.D.
Asst. Adj. Gen.

JOHN M. STERLING,
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief of Staff

| Grade | Name | ASN | Arm or Service | Race |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|----------------|------|
| <u>1034th Sig Co. APO 159</u> | | | | |
| Tec 5 | Ferguson, Clinton
Baton Rouge, La. | 34291313 | Sig C | W |

L.A. GILLITZER,
Captain, A.G.D.
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
APO 709

Rating A

UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 30 May 45

Checked by A.E.F. Name of Unit: 1034th Signal Company Service Group

APO: 719 Unit 1

Period: April 45

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of the subsequent historical reports.

REFERENCE

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

Forward Correct in
Supp. next report

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| Comply with par 9, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Omissions and/or errors exist in outline | |
| Narrative is missing; comply with par 10, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Lacks background of operations; see par 10 a, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Summary of achievements lacking or insufficient | |
| See par 10 b 2, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Lacks information on policies and decisions. See par 10 e & f, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Facts on station life, morale, health, etc., lacking or insufficient. See par 10 i, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Lacks supporting documents to establish basic facts. See par 11, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Quote authority in parens to establish basic facts. See par 12 c, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Include photographs. See par 12 f, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Identify photographs properly. See par 12 f, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Attention to paper size, captions, signatures, etc. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |
| Attention to proper classification of text, supporting documents, photographs. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | |

REMARKS: Request amplification on services rendered other branches of the service, e.g. teletypewriter repairs service for the Navy. Excellent report.

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1034th Sig Co Sv Gp
6th Air Service Group

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ATO 719 UNIT 1 *Hyb*

UNIT HISTORY

1 APRIL 1945 - 30 APRIL 1945

1. Organization of unit:

- a. Designation of unit - No change.
- b. Mission - No change.
- c. Date and place of activation - No change.
- d. Sources of replacement personnel - Hq & Hqs Sq, 6th Air Sv Gp, APO 719 Unit 1.
1721st Sig Sv Bn, Avn, APO 719.
- e. Changes in unit caused by T/O, etc. - One (1) officer transferred out.
Four (4) enlisted men transferred in. One (1) enlisted man to furnish in the United States.

| f. Strength, personnel | <u>Flying</u> | <u>Ground</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | EM | EM |
| (1) At beginning of period | None | 103 |
| (2) Net Increase or decrease | | 4 |
| (3) At end of period | | 107 |
| (4) Total | None | 107 |

g. Disposition of personnel, end of month:

3 Off & 36 EM At Puerto Princessa, Palawan Island, P.I.
0 Off & 10 EM(Rad Ops) At Leyte Island, P.I.
0 Off & 4 EM(Rear ech) At Sansapor, New Guinea.
0 Off & 3 EM Enroute to join from Leyte.
0 Off & 4 EM T/D to U.S.A.

h. Strength, airplanes - Not applicable.

- i. Key personnel, and changes thereto: 1st Lt. Harold K. Lown trfd off
7 Apr 1945 to 1069th Sig Co Sv
Gp, APO 719 per par 2, SO 65,
Hq, XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE
COMMAND.
2d Lt. Louis Levine EBY changed
from Maintenance & Repair Officer,
Airborne Signal Equipment(4402)
to Signal Supply O (4400) per
Order #5 this headquarters.

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service Group, APO 719
Unit 1, 1 April 1945 - 30 April 1945.

2. Command Relationship:

- a. Next higher headquarters - No change.
- b. Subordinate units - Not applicable.
- c. Other services - No change.

3. Resume of movements: - Not applicable.

4. Name of campaign in which unit has participated: Philippine Campaign,
20 Feb 45 to present.

5. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, etc - No change.

6. Losses in action - No change.

7. Awards and decorations - All members of this unit awarded the Philippine Liberation Medal and bronze star attached to Philippine Liberation Medal. (See Supporting Document #4.) Two EM (2) awarded the Good Conduct medal. (See supporting Document #5.) Three (3) EM awarded the Motor Vehicle Driver Qualification Badge. (See Supporting Document #5.) One (1) EM awarded the Motor Vehicle Mechanic Qualification Badge. (See Supporting Document #5).

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Co, APO 719 Unit 1.
1 April - 30 April 1945.

NARRATIVE ACCOUNT

Camp area completed, shops and warehouses set up, the company dug in at the beginning of the month. After an operational layoff of almost two months, April became the most productive month in the company's history.

The Motor Pool, built in the camp area, and complete with concrete work floor and the strongest grease rack on the island, did gremlin's work. Vehicles, used to capacity on movement, were thoroughly checked, greased, and repaired. Attempts to salvage two jeeps were unsuccessful. Despite thirty months of continuous service and 35,000 miles of travel, so perfect has been their first and second echelon maintenance, the vehicles were not considered salvageable.

Company Supply, a building sixteen feet by sixty four feet, was set up in the Camp area. Storage of all Company property, for maximum protection and efficiency, was completed, in addition to the usual supply activities of salvage, laundry, receiving and issuing.

All month our teletype operators have maintained the flow of messages to and from XIII Fighter Command, and our switchboard operators have given their usual high quality of telephone service. A new Altoona Directory was issued at month's end.

Telephone and Telegraph Repair Section, established in a camp area building, have contributed to our productive output. A three man telephone installation crew was hard at work completing forty-two lines, half of which are parties. Third echelon repairs of switchboards and other telephone equipment are being handled by this section.

The responsibility of the Teletype repairmen, heretofore confined to the one machine operated by the company, has been expanded to include third echelon maintenance of all teletypewriters at this station, and second echelon maintenance of teletypewriters operated by AACCS, Base Operations and various Navy units. This was required because of inadequate repair in the using units. Our organization now operates a mobile teletypewriter second echelon repair team for regular thirty day servicing and emergency repairs.

Storage and Issue, its buildings complete with fully shelved Small Parts Section, cement office floor, and floored and shelved warehouse, had its busiest month. Located at the air field in the 6th Air Service Group Engineering and Supply areas, and under the same roof as our Radio Repair Shop, this activity is now able to give faster and better service to our own shops and tactical units.

Supplies from both FEASC Depot 2 and USASCS Base K at Leyte have been slow in arriving, and in most cases action copies of our requisitions disclose their extraction to other depots. Due to the reasonably complete stock brought from New Guinea, the supply situation is not critical, but threatens to become so. Several items, Batteries BA-42, BA-53 and maintenance parts for SCR 522 are sorely required. Aircraft wire is another serious shortage.

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Co, 6th Air Sv Co, APO 719 Unit 1.
1 April 1945 - 30 April 1945.

Task Force Signal Dump has generously supplied us with needed common items, and operations have not been affected.

Radio Repair, due to its location at the Field, has been able to give better service than heretofore, and has completed the most productive month of its history. The shop bench tested and repaired all equipment in Storage and Issue to correct possible damage in movement.

Radar Repair, located on the beach at the foot of the strip, to facilitate alignment of SCR 720 by the unobstructed use of 60 mile targets, has had its problems complicated by the removal of sand for engineering purposes from the entire area surrounding the building. It now sits alone on a five foot mound in an ocean of sand.

The shops have been servicing radio and radar equipment for the 42nd Bombardment Group (M), the 347th Fighter Group, the 419th Night Fighter Squadron, the 17th Photo Reconnaissance Squadron, the 2d Emergency Rescue Squadron, and various other outfits operating an approximate total of 250 planes.

Installations of eighty five AN/APN-4 sets, begun by the organization, has been deadlined due to required modifications. Higher headquarters now has this problem for decision. Modifications of crash boats is held up due to non availability of aircraft wire. A five man radar team, attached to this organization to complete both above installations, are unable to proceed until these matters are adjusted.

To prepare for expected installations of AN/APS-13, a tail warning radar device, Master Sergeant Donald W. Cottle was sent to the unit from XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND. His program, to train service unit personnel in third echelon maintenance and, tactical unit personnel in first and second echelon maintenance, is progressing favorably.

One unusual job completed by our radio men this month was the installation of an IFF and SCR 522 in a captured Japanese plane.

With the transfer of 1st Lt. Harold K. Lown to the 1069th Signal Co. Service Group, 2d Lt. Louis Levine was detailed as Signal Supply Officer, and Telephone and Telegraph Officer. The addition of several new Radar Repairmen was welcome.

During April the unit was inspected by the Inspector General, XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND, for administration and operations, and by a medical representative of the THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE for sanitation.

Towards the close of the month several air raids were experienced. In one, a strafing raider managed to put a hole in our mess hall rafter and coconut tree, but dinner was served at the usual hour.

Morale in the organization, somewhat dampened at the start of the month due to the mail situation, has improved considerably and is excellent. Our APO number was finally selected and mail delivery is quite good. Fresh meat, butter and eggs, received frequently was appreciated by this outfit which has been weaned on C rations.

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The comforts in the camp area, eight shower heads in an enclosed shower, four water taps in the area, enclosed and floored tents, adequate lights, a theatre immediately adjacent to the area showing late films, all make this location ideal compared to former stations.

Lack of social activity, and thirty months overseas are ever present factors, but if it is possible to become inured to these conditions, this organization is.

In all respects the company is performing its full mission with a maximum of efficiency, all personnel are assigned to duties most commensurate with their skills, and a continuing effort is made to dispense with all details and work not directly concerned with maximum production.

Prepared by:

Edwin J. Freedman
EDWIN J. FREEDMAN,
1st Lt., Sig C,
Unit Historical Officer

John E. Lang
Tsg 5 John E. Lang
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

Edwin J. Freedman
EDWIN J. FREEDMAN,
1st Lt., Sig C,
Commanding.

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp, AFO 719 Unit 1.
1 April 1945 - 30 April 1945.

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Statistical report of work done
in Storage & Issue Section for
months of Feb, March, Apr.
- Incl 4 - Supporting Document No. 2
Statistical report of work done
in Telephone Repair Section for
Feb, March, Apr.
- Incl 5 - Supporting Document No. 3
Statistical report of work done
in Radio Repair Section for
Feb, March, Apr.
- Incl 6 - Supporting Document No. 4
GO 23, Hq, USAFFE.
- Incl 7 - Supporting Document No. 5
GO 10, Hq, 6th Air Sv Gp.

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1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service Group
28 April 1945 - 30 April 1945.



RADIO REPAIR SHOP
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service Group
Photo taken by 6th Air Sv Gp Photo Section-
28 April 1945.



STORAGE & HOUSE, Small Parts Section
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service Group
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Section - 28 April 1945.

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Section - 28 April 1945.



TELEPHONE REPAIR SECTION
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service Group
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Headquarters
100th Signal Company
Signal Group
Office of the Signal Supply Officer

APO 91, Unit 1
3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Work Accomplished in Storage and Issue Section.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 100th Signal Company, APO 91 Unit 1,
Attention: Unit Historic Officer.

1. The following is a report of the work accomplished in the Storage and Issue Section of the 100th Signal Company, Signal Group, during the period 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945:

| | |
|--|-----|
| Number of Signal Corps items lost on exchanges | 637 |
| Number of Signal Corps items lost in repair | 173 |
| Number of Signal Corps items repaired and returned | 64 |
| Number of Signal Corps items lost on shipping tickets | 509 |
| Number of requisitions submitted by this organization
to MACS and USASCS for (Extra stock and stock
replenishment) | 87 |

Louis Kune
Lt. Col.,
Lt. Col.,
Signal Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
1034TH SIGNAL CO SV GP
6TH AIR DIVISION GROUP
Office of the Signal Supply Officer

APC 71- Unit 1
3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Work Accomplished in Storage And Issue Section.

TO : COMBINE OFFICE, 1034th Signal Co Sv gp, APC 71- Unit 1,
Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

1. The following is a report of the work accomplished in the Storage and Issue section of the 1034th Signal Company, Service Group, during the period 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945:

| | |
|---|-----|
| Number of Signal Corps Items Issued on Litter, etc. | 467 |
| Number of Signal Corps Items Taken in for Repair. | 173 |
| Number of Signal Corps Items Repaired and Returned. | 64 |
| Number of Signal Corps Items Issued on Shipping Tickets | 509 |
| Number of Requisitions submitted by this organization
to MACS and USASCS Depots (Extractions and Stock
Replenishment) | 87 |

Louis Lunn
LOUIS LUNN,
Ed Lt, Sig C
Signal Supply Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp
6th Air Service Group
TELEPHONE REPAIR SECTION

APO 719 Unit 1
1 May 1945.

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Done by Telephone Repair Section
During the Month of February, March and April, 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service
Group, APO 719 Unit 1. Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

The following is a report of the work accomplished by the Telephone
Repair Section of the 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp during the months of February,
March and April, 1945.

| TELETYPE: | JANUARY | FEBRUARY | MARCH | APRIL |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| Machines repaired | 5 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| Machines cleaned | 6 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Cases of machine trouble | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Machines salvaged | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Typewriter repaired | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Stamp time clocks repaired | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Converter M-209 repaired | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Line Units repaired | | | | 2 |
| Rectifiers repaired | | | | 2 |

| TELEPHONE: | JANUARY | FEBRUARY | MARCH | APRIL |
|--|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| Telephones installed | 3 | 0 | 38 | 35 |
| Telephones moved | 0 | 0 | 7 | 10 |
| Outside installations repair. | 28 | 2 | 20 | 27 |
| Telephones repaired | 13 | 5 | 7 | 32 |
| Handsets repaired | 7 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Test sets repaired | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FD-71 switchboard repaired | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| FD-72 switchboard repaired | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| FD-96 switchboard repaired | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| FD-97 switchboard repaired | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FD-91 switchboard repaired | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Switchboard cords retapped | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Handset cords retapped | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Cases of telering trouble | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Number of miles W-110-F field
wire serviced | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |

REMARKS: Three different field wire cables were put up. One was 16 pr.
1 mile long. Another was 5 pr., also 1 mile in length. The
third was 1/3 mile long. This was done in month of March.

Louis Levine
LOUIS LEVINE,
2d Lt., Sig C,
Telephone Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Signal Co. Service Grp.
6th Air Service Grp.

APO 714-1
11 May 1945

Subject: Statistical Table on Work Accomplished by Radio Repair Section.

To : Commanding Officer (attention: Unit Historical Officer) 1034th Signal Co. Service Grp., 6th Air Service Grp., APO 714-1.

1. The following is a report of work accomplished by the Radio Repair Section of the 1034th Signal Co. Service Grp. for the months of January, February, March, and April 1945.

Radio Sets Repaired and placed in service:

| | January | February | March | April |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| SCR-508 | 377 | 30 | 100 | 269 |
| 504 | 51 | 0 | 15 | 66 |
| 522 | 239 | 49 | 72 | 353 |
| 269 | 46 | 13 | 15 | 135 |
| 100 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| 274 | 31 | 2 | 0 | 124 |
| 257 | 30 | 12 | 0 | 39 |
| 291 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 21 |
| 211 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| 205 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 578 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Inter Com. Systems: | | | | |
| IC-36 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 35 |
| IC-30 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Meters and Test Sets: | | | | |
| Test sets | 00 | 1 | 0 | 26 |
| I-77 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| II-46 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 40 |
| II-19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| II-36 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 198-Sig. Gen. | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Range Receivers: | | | | |
| RR-1206 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Loran Navigational Sets: | | | | |
| AN/APN-4 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 120 |
| Altimeters: | | | | |
| AN/AP-1 | 06 | 0 | 10 | 53 |
| A/APN-1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SCR-716 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| AI Radar Equipment: | | | | |
| SCR-723 | 11 | 5 | 52 | 89 |
| 729 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 34 |

Basic: Statistical Table on Work Accomplished by Radio Repair Section, 1034th Signal Co. Service Grp. for January, February, March, and April of 1945

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5 February 1945

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b. Philippine Liberation Ribbon.

(1) All members of the Philippine Army, including the Philippine Constabulary, on active duty and all members of the armed forces of the United States and of nations allied or associated with the United States in the war against the Japanese Empire, are eligible if:

- (a) They participated in the initial landing operations on Leyte and adjoining islands from 17 October to 20 October 1944. An individual will be considered as having participated in such operations if he landed on Leyte or adjoining islands, was on a ship in Philippine waters, or was a crew member of an airplane which flew over Philippine territory during such period.
- (b) They participated in any engagement against the enemy during the campaign. An individual will be considered as having participated in combat under the conditions set forth in paragraph 2a (3) (b), (c) or (d).
- (c) They served in the Philippine Islands or on ships in Philippine waters for not less than 30 days during the period from 17 October 1944 to a terminal date to be announced.

- (2) (a) Individuals eligible under any two of the provisions stated in the foregoing paragraphs are authorized to wear a bronze star on the ribbon.
- (b) Individuals eligible under all three of the provisions are authorized to wear two bronze stars on the ribbon.

3. The bronze star authorized for wear on the ribbons shall be a five pointed star 4.75 millimeters (3/16 inch) in diameter.

4. Philippine waters are defined, in so far as these awards are concerned, as those waters within fifty (50) miles of any of the islands constituting the Commonwealth of the Philippines.

5. With the approval of the War Department, acceptance of the aforementioned ribbons and the wearing of them by all eligible military personnel of the Army of the United States is authorized.

6. Commanders concerned will make appropriate entries in Service Records (WD., AGO Form 24), Soldier's Qualification Card (WD., AGO Form 20) and on Officer's Qualification Card (WD., AGO Form 66-1 or 66-2), referring to the service rendered by the individual and to this order as specific authority for the award. Separate entries should be made for the Philippine Defense Ribbon and the Philippine Liberation Ribbon. No other authority than proper

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entries in the Service Records and Qualification Cards is required for wearing these service ribbons.

7. The authorized ribbons will be worn as prescribed in paragraph 71 b, AR 600-40. The Philippine Defense Ribbon will take precedence over the Philippine Liberation Ribbon.

8. Procedure for procurement and issue of the ribbons will be announced at a later date. FECA 200.6

By command of General MacARTHUR:

RICHARD J. MARSHALL,
Major General, General Staff Corps,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ R.E. Fraile
/t/ R.E. FRAILE,
Colonel, A.G.D.

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HEADQUARTERS
6TH AIR SERVICE GROUP

APD 719-1
8 April 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 10)

1. The following EM 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp are Awarded the Good Conduct Medal. Auth AR 600-68.

| | | | |
|--------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| S Sgt John R Myers | 35411643 | Tec 5 Joseph J Stavis | 32605322 |
|--------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|

2. The following EM orgns indicated are Awarded the Motor Vehicle Driver Qualification Badge. Auth AR 600-81.

1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

| | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Tec 4 John J Nowalski | 33145237 | Tec 5 Roy W Bigby | 34098580 |
| Pfc William P Carroll | 12043212 | | |

1619th Ord S & M Co Avn

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Tec 5 Mark K Williams | 33115554 |
|-----------------------|----------|

3. The following EM orgns indicated are Awarded the Motor Vehicle Mechanic Qualification Badge. Auth AR 600-81.

1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Pfc Willie M Bordeaux | 34177002 |
|-----------------------|----------|

1619th Ord S & M Co Avn

| | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| S Sgt Charles W Anderson | 37122425 | Sgt Barney A Saxon | 38395829 |
| Tec 5 Bruce H Netwiska | 18054344 | Tec 5 Robert W Bennett | 15046692 |
| Cpl Linwood A Bearce | 31100503 | | |

BY ORDER OF COLONEL MULLINS:

HENRY J GRIEGER
Capt AC
Adj

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HEADQUARTERS
XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
APO 709

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UNIT HISTORY RATING SHEET

Date 28 July 45

Checked by A.E.P. Name of Unit: 1034th Signal Company, Service Group

APO: 719-1

Period: May 1945

The purpose of this RATING SHEET is to give the unit historical officer an informal report on the evaluation of his monthly unit history and to make suggestions for the improvement of the subsequent historical reports.

REFERENCE

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

| | Forward
Supp. | Correct in
next report |
|--|------------------|---------------------------|
| Comply with par 9, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Omissions and/or errors exist in outline
Narrative is missing; comply with par 10,
13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Lacks background of operations; see par 10 a,
13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Summary of achievements lacking or insufficient
See par 10 b 2, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Lacks information on policies and decisions. See
par 10 e & f, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Facts on station life, morale, health, etc., lack-
ing or insufficient. See par 10 i, 13 AF Reg
80-15 | | |
| Lacks supporting documents to establish basic
facts. See par 11, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | (below) |
| Quote authority in parens to establish basic
facts. See par 12 c, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Include photographs. See par 12 f, 13 AF
Reg 80-15 | | |
| Identify photographs properly. See par 12 f
13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Attention to paper size, captions, signatures,
etc. See par 12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |
| Attention to proper classification of text,
supporting documents, photographs. See par
12 g, 13 AF Reg 80-15 | | |

REMARKS: 1. Supporting documents are necessary to establish important or basic facts only. Such things as special orders are not usually of such importance as to be included.

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp
6th Air Service Group

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AUTH: 6 VIIAFS

DATE: 21 June 45

INITIALS: AR

APD 719 Unit 1

UNIT HISTORY

1 May 1945 - 1 June 1945

1. Organization of unit:

- a. Designation of unit - No change.
- b. Mission - No change
- c. Date and place of activation - No change.
- d. Sources of replacement personnel:- Not applicable
- e. Changes in unit caused by T/O, etc. - Sixteen (16) men transferred out prior to unit being disbanded (See supporting document no. 4). Unit disbanded per par 1a, GO 20, Hq, XIII Air Force Service Command eff 1 June 1945. (See Supporting document no. 5). For disposition of units personnel upon disbanding, (See supporting document no. 6).

f. Strength, personnel

| | <u>Flying</u> | <u>Ground</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | EM 0 | EM 0 |
| (1) At beginning of period | None | 107 3 |
| (2) Net Increase or decrease | | -16 |
| (3) At end of period | | 91 3 |
| (4) Total | None | 91 3 |

g. Disposition of personnel, end of month:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| 3 Off & 86 EM | at Puerto Princessa, Palawan Island, P.I. |
| 0 Off & 1 EM | at Madzab New Guinea. |
| 0 Off & 4 EM | T/D to USA. |

h. Strength, airplanes - Not applicable.

- i. Key personnel, and changes thereof: 2d Lt Louis Levine, MOS changed fr Maint. & Repair Officer, Airborne Equipment (4402) to Signal Supply Officer (4400). For disposition of unit personnel upon disbandment, (See Supporting document no. 6).

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp, APO 719 Unit 1
1 May 1945 - 1 June 1945

2. Command Relationships:
 - a. Next higher headquarters - No change.
 - b. Subordinate units - Not applicable.
 - c. Other services - No change.
3. Resume of movements: - Not applicable.
4. Name of campaign in which unit has participated: Philippine Campaign,
20 February 1945 to
present.
5. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, etc - No change.
6. Losses in action - No change.
7. Awards and decorations - One (1) E awarded the Good Conduct Medal (See
supporting document no. 7).

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BASIC: Unit History, 1004th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp, APO 719
Unit 1, 1 May 1945 - 1 June 1945

NARRATIVE ACCOUNT

This month finds our unit performing its mission with peak efficiency.

Our unit motorpool has completed its workshop this month which aides considerably in the maintenance of the units vehicles

The 15th of May, Staff Sergeant Jacobsen and Technician Fifth grade Minor joined the Radar Shop staff and completed the 7th Signal Radio Maintenance Team, T-5, which is attached to this unit. This makes a total of ten men now assigned to the Radar Shop. However, at the present one enlisted man is attending school down below with the expectations of becoming a competent AN/APN-4 technician. We now have trained men installing and repairing seven different units, namely SCR-720A, SCR-729, SCR 713, AN/APN-1, AN/APN-1, AN/APS-13, and AN/APS-4. This month our radar shop installed four units; SCR-729 in a P-25J for the 3rd Radar Calibration Unit, an AN/APN-1 in General Farnes' P-25J, and an AN/APS-4 in a P-38 for the 419th Night Fighter Squadron. We have set up another tent in conjunction with our Radar Shop to house our miniature Storage and Issue and bench set-up for the AN/APS-4. Master Sergeant Cottle and Technician Fifth grade Hall designed and constructed four test sets for the AN/APS-13 to be used by the various Fighter Squadrons. Technician Hall also designed and constructed a more complex test set for the AN/APS-13 to be used by the Service Squadrons. To uphold the old army tradition to "give and take", the Engineers, after taking most of the sand from around our shop, gave us a little back and made us a "dry land" road up to the shop. Our shop may now be reached by "non-amphibious" vehicles.

The telephone section's work decreased for the month due to the operations becoming more routine. Trouble reports were close to the same amount as last month, but in many instances nothing was found to be wrong.

The teletype section's work increased not only in shop repair but in second echelon work and trouble calls at night. Tec 5 David was assigned to the section, giving a total of three enlisted men in this section. Our teletype operator's have maintained the flow of messages to and from Fighter Command.

Our Radio Shop continued to do its routine work with maximum efficiency. Work for this month have decreased slightly due to the operations becoming more routine.

Storage and Issue has had the busiest month of its history this month, more work has been done this month than the previous three months. Shipments from some depots have not been received and if we hadn't of brought such a complete line of items from our former station we would not have been able to supply our users.

Our Company Supply this month has called in all carbines and clips, by doing so all weapons will be assured of being in the best of condition. This section continued with its usual supply activities during the month.

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BASIS: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Co, 6th Air Sv Co, APO-719
Unit 1, 1 May 1945 - 1 June 1945

The rations for this month have been unusually poor. Very little fresh meat and eggs were issued this month. Also very little beer has been issued this month. This situation which has had an adverse effect on the morale of the unit was alleviated somewhat by the news of the "point system" method of discharge from the service. One "pet peeve" of the men in our unit is that tactical organizations have been given more credit for battle participation than service units even though service unit personnel do the same type of work.

During May the unit was inspected by the Chemical Warfare Inspector, XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND and an Ordnance Inspection was held by the 6th Air Service Group Ordnance Technical Inspector.

This is the final history of the 1034th Signal Company, Service Group due to its disbandment as of 1 June 1945 per par 1a, General Order No. 20, Headquarters, XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND.

Prepared by:

Edwin J. Friedman
EDWIN J. FRIEDMAN,
1st Lt., Sig C,
Unit Historical Officer

John E. Lang
Tec/5 John E. Lang
1034th Sig Co Sv Co

Edwin J. Friedman
EDWIN J. FRIEDMAN,
1st Lt., Sig C,
Commanding.

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BASIC: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp, APO 719 Unit 1
1 May - 1 June 1945

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- Incl 1 - Exhibit "A" photographs.
- Incl 2 - Exhibit "B" photographs.
- Incl 3 - Supporting Document no. 1
Statistical report of work done in Storage and Issue for May
- Incl 4 - Supporting Document no. 2
Statistical report of work done in Telephone Repair Section for May.
- Incl 5 - Supporting Document no. 3
Statistical report of work done in Radio repair Section for May.
- Incl 6 - Supporting Document no. 4
Special Orders transferring 16 men out of unit previous to being disbanded.
- Incl 7 - Supporting document no. 5
General Order no. 20, Hq, XIII Air Force Service Command.
- Incl 8 - Supporting document no. 6
Special Orders showing disposition of personnel after unit's disbandment.
- Incl 9 - Supporting document no. 7
General Order 14, Hq, 6th Air Sv Gp.

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NOTE: Unit History, 1034th Sig Co Sv Co, 6th Air Service Group
1 May 1945 - 31 May 1945.



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1034th Sig Co Sv Co, 6th Air SV Co
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Section - 25 May 1945



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1034th Sig Co Sv Co, 6th Air SV Co
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Section - 25 May 1945

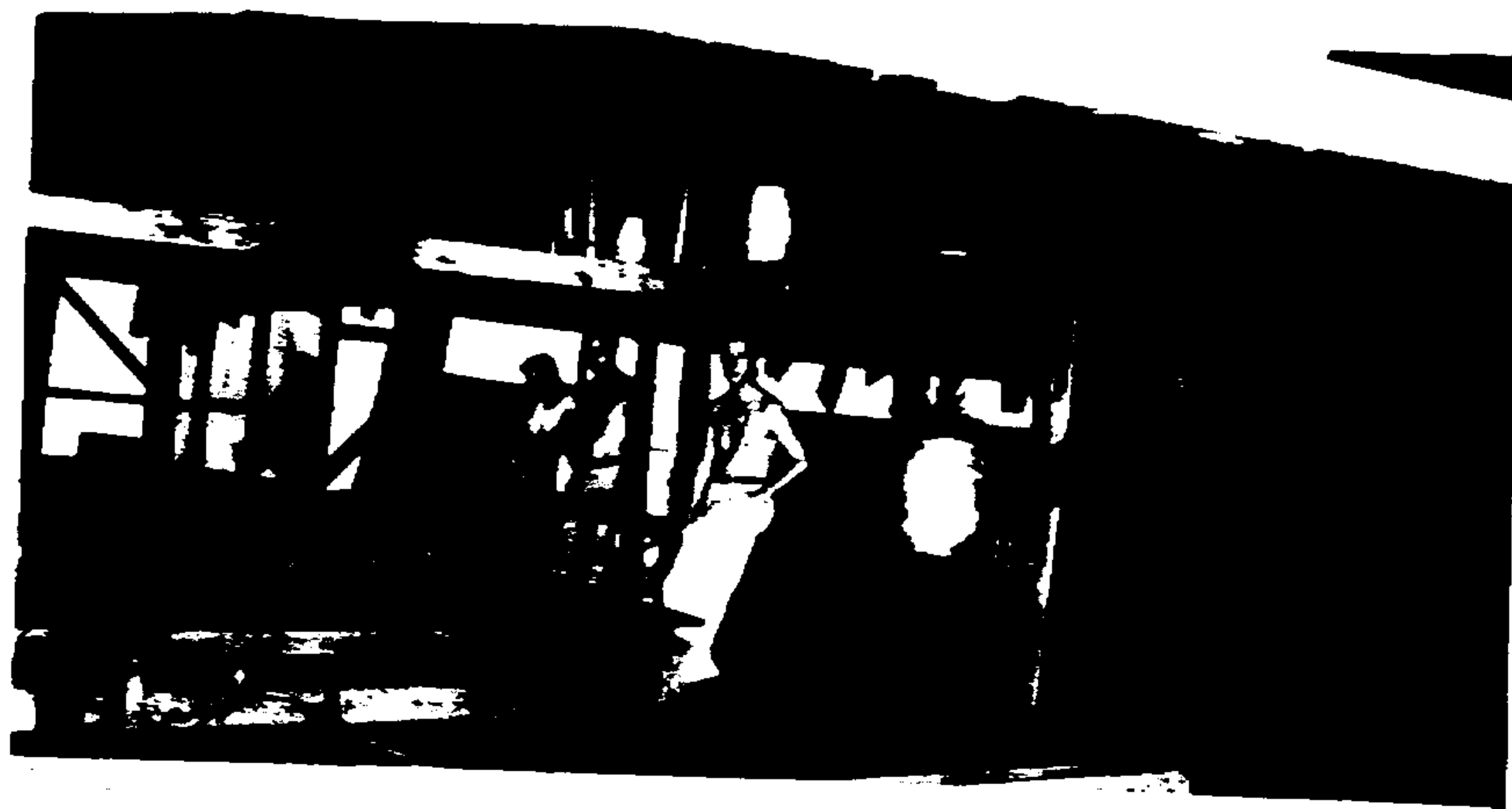
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1 May 1945 - 31 May 1945.



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1004th Sig Co Bn, 6th Air Service Group
1 May 1945 - 31 May 1945
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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp
6th Air Service Group

APC 719 Unit 1
6 May 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Work Accomplished in Storage and Issue Section.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, APC 719 Unit 1,
Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

1. The following is a report of the work accomplished in the Storage and Issue Section of the 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, during the period 1 May 1945 to 1 June 1945:

| | <u>FEB, MAR, APR</u> | <u>MAY</u> |
|--|----------------------|------------|
| Number of Signal Corps Items Issued on Exchanges- | 667 | 1325 |
| Number of Signal Corps Items Taken in for Repair | 173 | 253 |
| Number of Signal Corps Items Repaired and Returned | 84 | 90 |
| Number of Signal Corps Items Issued on Shipping Tickets | 509 | 412 |
| Number of Requisitions submitted by this organization to FEASC and USASOS Depots (Extractions and Stock Replenishment) | 87 | 96 |
| Number of expendibles Signal Corps items issued on form 81 | | 543 |

Louis Levine
LOUIS LEVINE,
2d Lt., Sig C,
Signal Supply Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
1034th Sig Co Sv Gp
6th Air Service Group

APC 719 Unit 1
1 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Statistical Report of Work Done by Telephone Repair Section
During the Month of May 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Service
Group, APC 719 Unit 1. - Attention: Unit Historical Officer.

The following is a report of the work accomplished by the Telephone
Repair Section of the 1034th Signal Co Sv Gp during the month of May 1945.

| TELETYPE: | APRIL | MAY |
|----------------------------|-------|-----|
| Machines Repaired | 9 | 9 |
| Machines Serviced | 12 | 14 |
| Cases of Machine Trouble | 6 | 42 |
| Machines Salvaged | 0 | 0 |
| Typewriter Repaired | 8 | 7 |
| Stamp Time Clocks Repaired | 1 | 0 |
| Convertor M-209 Repaired | 6 | 4 |
| Line Units Repaired | 2 | 5 |
| Rectifiers Repaired | 2 | 3 |

| TELEPHONE: | APRIL | MAY |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----|
| Telephones Installed | 35 | 5 |
| Telephones Moved | 10 | 1 |
| Outside Installations Repaired | 27 | 30 |
| Telephones Repaired | 32 | 15 |
| Handsets Repaired | 5 | 5 |
| Test Sets Repaired | 0 | 1 |
| BD-71 Switchboard Repaired | 2 | 0 |
| BD-72 Switchboard Repaired | 1 | 0 |
| BD-96 Switchboard Repaired | 1 | 0 |
| BD-97 Switchboard Repaired | 0 | 0 |
| BD-91 Switchboard Repaired | 1 | 0 |
| Switchboard Cords Rebutted | 0 | 0 |
| Handset Cords Rebutted | 1 | 3 |
| Cases of Teling Trouble | 0 | 0 |
| Number of miles M-110-B | | |
| Field Wire Serviced | 8 | 0 |

Louis Levine
LOUIS LEVINE,
2d Lt., Sig C,
Telephone Officer.

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Headquarters
1034th Signal Co. Service Gp.
6th Air Service Gp.

APO 719-1
1 June 1945

Subject: Statistical Table on Work Accomplished by Radio Repair Section.

To : Commanding Officer (attention: Unit Historical Officer) 1034th
Signal Co. Service Gp. 6th Air Service Gp. APO 719-1.

1. The following is a report of work accomplished by the Radio Repair
Section of the 1034th Signal Co. Service Gp. for the month of May 1945.

Radio Sets Repaired and placed in service:

| | <u>April</u> | <u>May</u> |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|
| SCR-695 - - - - - | 239 - - - - - | 405 |
| 595 - - - - - | 66 - - - - - | 16 |
| 522 - - - - - | 553 - - - - - | 506 |
| 269 - - - - - | 125 - - - - - | 41 |
| 188 - - - - - | 8 - - - - - | 39 |
| 274 - - - - - | 124 - - - - - | 67 |
| 287 - - - - - | 83 - - - - - | 56 |
| 299 - - - - - | 21 - - - - - | 0 |
| 211 - - - - - | 7 - - - - - | 7 |
| 578 - - - - - | 11 - - - - - | 1 |

Interphone Systems:

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------|----|
| BC-36 - - - - - | 35 - - - - - | 26 |
|-----------------|--------------|----|

Meters and Test Sets:

| | | |
|---------------------|--------------|---|
| Test Sets - - - - - | 26 - - - - - | 6 |
| I-77 - - - - - | 0 - - - - - | 7 |
| IE-46 - - - - - | 46 - - - - - | 1 |
| IE-19 - - - - - | 5 - - - - - | 4 |
| IE-56 - - - - - | 2 - - - - - | 5 |

Range Receivers:

| | | |
|-------------------|-------------|---|
| BC-1206 - - - - - | 8 - - - - - | 0 |
|-------------------|-------------|---|

Loran Navigational Sets:

| | | |
|--------------------|---------------|-----|
| AN/APN-4 - - - - - | 120 - - - - - | 126 |
|--------------------|---------------|-----|

Altimeters:

| | | |
|--------------------|--------------|----|
| AN/APN-1 - - - - - | 53 - - - - - | 22 |
| SCR-718 - - - - - | 1 - - - - - | 9 |

AI Radar Equipment:

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------|----|
| SCR-720 - - - - - | 83 - - - - - | 53 |
| 729 - - - - - | 1 - - - - - | 21 |

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Signal Co. Service Gp. for month of May 1945.

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THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE
APO 719

26 April 1945

Refer to AR 850-150 for abbreviations.

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NUMBER 116)

EXTRACT

6. Pcl EM reld from DS w/1721st Sig Sv Bn, APO 719, asgmt to 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 705 and asgd to 1721st Sig Sv Bn, APO 719: FDCMR 28 Apr 45.

| | | | |
|----------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------|
| T Sgt Louis J. Eers, | 15041252 | Tec 5 Sidney Seidner, | 32242281 |
| MOS (776) | | MOS (776) | |
| T Sgt Paul E. Delolice, | 6909587 | Pfc Frank S. Abate, | 32459331 |
| MOS (766) | | MOS (650) | |
| S Sgt Constance G. Catania | 34132791 | Pfc Michael J. Cavallari, | 12043154 |
| MOS (766) | | MOS (766) | |
| Tec 4 William J. Clavin, | 31041596 | Pfc Jefferson W. Cockerill, | 19067476 |
| MOS (766) | | MOS (766) | |
| Tec 4 Irving H. Diamond, | 32241011 | Pfc Matthew A. Robertson, | 37559665 |
| MOS (766) | | MOS (776) | |

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ARNO E. LUEHMANN
Colonel GSC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Walter Black
/t/ WALTER BLACK,
Captain, A.G.D.,
Assistant Adjutant General.

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BASIC: Ltr, Hq, 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp, Subj: "Tracer",
201 - Knoke, Kenneth V., dated 12 May 1945.

201 - Knoke, Kenneth V. (Enl) 1st Ind. LCM/fjc
FM HQ 1821st SIGNAL SERVICE BATTALION, APO 719 23 May 1945

To: Commanding Officer, 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, 6th Air Sv Gp, APO 719 Unit 1.

1. Tec 4 Kenneth V. Knoke, 16140253 was transferred to 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 705 per par 4, SO # 106, Hq 13th Air Force, dated 16 April 1945.

2. So much of this order as pertained to Tec 4 Knoke was revoked per par 22 SO # 112, Hq 13th Air Force, dated 22 April 1945.

3. Tec 4 Knoke was transferred to the 1003rd Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719 per par 2 SO # 125, Hq 13th Air Force, dated 5 May 1945.

For the Commanding Officer

LOWELL C. MOSLEY
1st Lt. Sig C.
Adjutant

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7 May 1945

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6. Fel EM reld from orgn indicated and asgd to Hq V AF SvC, APO 710:
EDCMR 16 May 45. WP TDMCC AIR #4 to APO 710. TDN. Auth: Ltr, Hq FEAF,
File AG 200.3, Subj: "Reasgmt of EM", 8 Mar 45 and 1st Ind, Hq Fifth AF,
28 Apr 45 to Ltr, Hq Thirteenth AF, Subj: "Reasgmt of EM", 20 Apr 45.

Cpl Bruce C. Clair, 32733608
MOS (950)
(1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719-1)

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Colonel GSC
Chief of Staff

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NUMBER 98

12 May 1945

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2. The fol C in asgny & tvl are dir. WP. TDM.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Reld from</u> | <u>Ascd to</u> | <u>Tvl via</u> |
|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| * * * | * * * | * * * | |
| Pfc James R. Hawkins
(239) 13170952 |) 1034th Sig Co
) Sv Gp APO 719-1
)
)
) | Hq Sq XII AF
SvC APO 719
Unit 3 (Dy w/
AG Sec) EDCMR
20 May 45 | TDMCC
Fr AFO
705 to
AFO 926 |

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LYDE J. ROBERTSON
Lieutensnt Colonel, AGD
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ David R. Miller
/t/ DAVID R. MILLER,
Major AGD
Asst Adj Gen

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7 May 1945

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18. For EM reld from orgn indicated and asgd to 440th Sig Hq Construction Bn, APO 710. EDCAR 16 May 45. WP TDMCC APR #4 to APO 710. TDN. Auth: Ltr, Hq FEAF, File 200.3, Subj: "Reasgmt of EM", 8 Mar 45 and 1st Ind, Hq Fifth AF, 28 Apr 45 to Ltr, Hq Thirteenth AF, Subj: "Reasgmt of EM", 20 Apr 45.

S Sgt Leonard J. Siesener, 37058131
MOS (261)
(1034th Sig Co Sv Gp, APO 719-1)

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20 April 1945

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NUMBER 110)

EXTRACT

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5. So much of Par 4, SO #106, this Hq, cs, as pertains to fel FM is
REVOKED:

Tec 4 Charles L. Roberts, 16097434 Pfc Harvey L. Knight, 18137316

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By command of Brigadier General WHITE:

JOHN M. STERLING
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ L. A. Gillitzer
/t/ L. A. GILLITZER
Captain, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen

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XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
APO 719 Unit 3

GENERAL ORDERS
NUMBER 20

1 June 1945

EXTRACT

REDESIGNATION, REORGANIZATION, DISBANDMENT,
ACTIVATION AND ATTACHMENT OF UNITS

1. Pursuant to authority contained in General Orders Number 915, Headquarters FEAF, 27 May 1945, as modified by letter, Headquarters Thirteenth Air Force, AC 320, subject: "Activation, Organization, Redesignation and Disbandment of Air Service Units, 31 May 1945, the following actions are announced, effective 1 June 1945.

a. The following units are disbanded:

| <u>Unit</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| * * * * * | * * * * * |
| 1034th Signal Company, Service Group | PALAWAN |
| * * * * * | * * * * * |

BY ORDER OF COLONEL KENDALL:

THOMAS M. KELLER
Lieutenant Colonel, AC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Max Hampton
/t/ MAX HAMPTON
Major ACD
Adjutant General

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XIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
APO 719 Unit 3

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NUMBER 115

1 June 1945

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18. The fol named Offs and EM are rel'd from asgmt to 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp APO 705 and are asgd to 6th Air Sv Gp APO 705. EDCAR 1 Jun 45. No tvl involved.

| | |
|---|--|
| 1ST LT EDWIN J. FRIEDMAN (0210) 01627449 | Tec 5 Sam Fish (955) 17122877 |
| 1ST LT LOUIS C. CRISCI (0145) 0509851 | Tec 5 William T Hall (955) 16147374 |
| 1st Sgt Jerome M Reynolds (502) 6395261 | Tec 5 Thomas J Hasler (095) 35122057 |
| M Sgt Lionel Wright (647) 34291321 | Tec 5 John E Lang (805) 36363895 |
| T Sgt Charles Bird (951) 12160378 | Tec 5 Raymond C Lucas (097) 36346274 |
| T Sgt Fernan H Lawler (097) 36312706 | Tec 5 James F May (955) 15373494 |
| S Sgt William F Burns Jr (581) 36170736 | Tec 5 Charles R Page (239) 34649163 |
| S Sgt Carl E Clarke (821) 16019635 | Tec 5 Haskell R Simpson (060) 34186443 |
| S Sgt John W Leaver (824) 35036618 | Tec 5 Joseph J Stavis (955) 32605322 |
| S Sgt Edward W Jagosz (955) 36512375 | Pfc Ira J Austin (238) 16051947 |
| S Sgt Gwilym A Jones (239) 39232783 | Pfc Willie M Berdeaux (014) 34177002 |
| S Sgt John R Myers (824) 35411643 | Pfc Joseph M Campe (050) 12159653 |
| Tec 3 Thomas F O'Brien (835) 39014752 | Pfc William P Carroll (650) 12043212 |
| Tec 3 Edward A Zeranski (647) 31102257 | Pfc Pyren O Choice (647) 39294459 |
| Sgt Frank E Eutner (238) 34177298 | Pfc Paul Cooper (238) 39847582 |
| Sgt Louis R Hughes (667) 35032754 | Pfc Armand J Grenier (097) 36346219 |
| Sgt Constantine N Kanakis (650) 16035676 | Pfc Ralph V Hammond (955) 16163876 |
| Sgt John C Summer (821) 38072576 | Pfc Henry P Janik (238) 36309595 |
| Sgt Chester A Zukowski (951) 36133233 | Pfc Melvin J Krellner (050) 33151752 |
| Tec 4 William O Hutchison (097) 36312640 | Pfc William J Miller (405) 12153646 |
| Tec 4 Clifford E Lichtenberger (955) 32632987 | Pfc Alfred H Norris (955) 31372677 |
| Tec 4 Albert J Marchesa (955) 13127349 | Pfc Rudolph C Rasmussen (835) 17079046 |
| Tec 4 Louis Massaro (014) 32195119 | Pfc Clinton E Reese (650) 32140677 |
| Tec 4 Harold M Miller (647) 34213242 | Pfc Frances T Rinko (955) 17156267 |
| Tec 4 Stanley J Penc (667) 32046030 | Pfc Walter L Schneider (405) 38554984 |
| Tec 4 Melvin P Pink (955) 37284522 | Pfc Joseph J Wagner (055) 36693101 |
| Tec 4 Gerald L Spaulding (951) 32248061 | Pfc Ladd W Weber (097) 35122009 |
| Cpl Preston L Brewer (951) 36658492 | Pfc Leonard E Welage (237) 35141425 |
| Cpl Dwight L Cross (951) 37069460 | Pfc John E Westbrook (835) 38116673 |
| Cpl Esli T Marsh (405) 12102720 | Sgt John E Carrington (502) 13000475 |
| Cpl Robert W Mitchell (835) 36501608 | Tec 4 David P Campbell (951) 12034323 |
| Cpl Thomas J Robichaux (647) 38382733 | Tec 5 Charles H Bell (405) 11016850 |
| Cpl Mack B Short Jr (097) 18082211 | Tec 5 Clinton Ferguson (667) 34291313 |
| Tec 5 Ray W Bigby (511) 34198580 | Tec 3 Leon E Henning (955) 33173554 |
| Tec 5 Jack W David (239) 36542509 | Tec 4 Robert J Gelfer (951) 14175548 |
| Tec 5 John E Diger (955) 17107635 | Tec 5 Kenneth T DuFon (955) 16146035 |
| Tec 5 Lewis W Fellweck (835) 37145028 | |

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THOMAS M. KELLER
Lieutenant Colonel, AC
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OFFICIAL:

/s/ David B. Miller
/t/ DAVID B. MILLER
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1 June 1945

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34. The fol Off and EM are rel'd from asgmt to 1034th Sig Co Sv Gp APO 705 and are asgd to 572d Air Sv Sq APO 705. EDCMR 1 Jun 45. No tvl involved.

| | |
|---|--|
| 2d Lt LOUIS LEVINE (4402) 02037234 | Tec 5 4C McKinney (650) 36175999 |
| T Sgt Maynard G. Miller (955) 16062044 | Tec 5 Ronald G. Mittlestadt (405) 36815531 |
| T Sgt Forrest D. Wood (581) 37139441 | Pfc Clarence E. Faulkner (650) 37177802 |
| S Sgt Ernest C. Mills (261) 18128760 | Pfc William H. Finch (239) 14187709 |
| Tec 3 Orville A. Carlson (647) 36324359 | Pfc Willard H. Hall (955) 15373721 |
| Tec 3 Anthony B. Ferris (951) 32233440 | Pfc Emanuel W. Laverata (650) 32862568 |
| Sgt Bernard C. Westerman (667) 37143229 | Pfc Jack W. Lepzelter (955) 39569968 |
| Sgt William A. Wiltfang (647) 36593728 | Pfc Ira L. Mayfield (237) 38403455 |
| Tec 4 John J. Kowalski (667) 33145837 | Pfc Wash E. Scurlock (835) 34168512 |
| Tec 4 Rufus C. Tanner (237) 34291324 | Pfc Charles E. Stewart (345) 32373017 |

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38. The fol C in asgmt are dir. WP.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Rel'd from</u> | <u>Asgd to</u> | <u>Tvl via</u> |
|---|--|--|----------------|
| Tec 5 Charles Cantale)
(835) 32306035 | 1034th Sig Co
Sv Gp, APO 705
(TDY w/12th
Airdrome Sq(Sp)
APO 705 | 572d Air Sv
Gp APO 705
EDCMR 1 Jun
45 | No tvl |

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6TH AIR SERVICE GROUP

APO 719 Unit 1
1 May 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 14)

1. The following EM organs indicated are Awarded the Good Conduct Medal. Auth AR 600-68.

Hq & Hq Sq

S Sgt Herbert M Larson
Sgt Sidney A Fine
Cpl D W Branson Sr
Cpl Leonard J Gallagher
Cpl Edwin D Priday
Cpl Martin V Tobias Jr
Pfc Bert L Burris
Pfc Albert W Cartier
Pfc James J Hibscher
Pfc Norman Kelly
Pfc Harold Lindaman
Pfc Paul N McClure
Pfc Louis J Saunders
Pfc Sebastian A Wagner
Pvt Glenn L Evans
Pvt Vernon R Scott

37094747
33722238
18214335
31302472
37342865
12129246
37535781
31388573
39613563
34230027
37670538
38039186
37285884
37497614
37502384
18192446

S Sgt Ross M Maholm
Sgt Forrest Pratt
Cpl John DeCicco
Cpl Joseph Ortyl
Cpl Joseph A Rock
Cpl James J West Jr
Pfc Uhland L Carter
Pfc Raeburn K Fisk
Pfc James F Hohn
Pfc Robert H Kirschbaum
Pfc Verle E Linscott
Pfc Willie M Palmer
Pfc Ray R Rieland
Pvt Louis J Bounds
Pvt Justin C Tolley

35309850
35211417
32277360
37406933
17069871
33178120
34828780
35919665
37612874
36255833
39333214
38313707
37169314
38185803
34772007

12th Airdrome Sq (Sp)

T Sgt Walter D Noble
Cpl Calvin W Edmiston Jr
Cpl Peter Roman
Pfc Robert W Boeckel
Pfc Clifford H Gay
Pfc Nicholas Hutsko
Pfc August J Laviolette
Pfc Leonard G Yearick
Pvt Joseph Macaluso

17032968
31280491
R1220404
42020636
15098116
36575094
31309790
33766243
32884224

Sgt Donald M Boblett
Cpl Angelo Galbo
Cpl John J Morrissey
Pfc William L Divins
Pfc Robert T Goodson
Pfc Horace L Jeffcoat
Pfc Lloyd C Sanders
Pvt Larue J Eckenstine

19148096
31277856
32566215
33762777
19077449
39145039
18188076
33873758

1034th Sig Co Sv Gp

Pfc Joseph J Wagner

36693101

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Aug. 43 | | | 1023rd Signal Company | Uncl. | |
| 43 | | Oct. 43 | | | | | |
| 49 | | Nov. 43 | | | | | |
| 55 | | Dec. 43 | | | | | |
| 62 | | Jan. 44 | | | | | |
| 67 | | Feb-Mar. 44 | | | | | |
| 77 | | Apr. 44 | | | | | |
| 86 | | May 44 | | | | | |
| 99 | | June 44 | | | | | |
| 111 | | July 44 | | | | | |
| 125 | | Aug. 44 | | | | | |
| 138 | | Sep. 44 | | | | | |
| 151 | | Oct. 44 | | | | | |
| 168 | | Nov. 44 | | | | | |
| 189 | | Dec. 44 | | | | | |
| 206 | SIG-1023-SU-RE-D | Jan. 44 | | | | | |
| 212 | | Feb. 44 | | | | | |
| 218 | SIG-1024-H1(CO) | Feb. 41-
Feb. 44 | | | 1024th | Uncl. | |

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Dec. 44 | | | 1024th Signal Company | Uncl. | |
| 237 | | Jan. 42-
Sep. 45 | | | | | |
| 241 | | Feb. 44 | | | | | |
| 245 | | Mar. 44 | | | | | |
| 250 | | Apr. 44 | | | | | |
| 254 | | May 44 | | | | | |
| 261 | | June-July 44 | | | | | |
| 266 | | Aug. 44 | | | | | |
| 270 | | Sep. 44 | | | | | |
| 275 | | Oct. 44 | | | | | |
| 280 | | Nov. 44 | | | | | |
| 285 | | Dec. 44 | | | | | |
| 298 | | Jan. 45 | | | | | |
| 313 | | Feb. 45 | | | | | |
| 325 | | Mar. 45 | | | | | |
| 344 | | Apr. 45 | | | | | |
| 368 | | May 45 | | | | | |
| 386 | | June 45 | | | | Uncl. | |

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| 405 | | Aug. 45 | | | | |
| 413 | SIG-1025-Hi(CO) | Apr. 41-
Feb. 44 | | | 1025th Signal Company | |
| 418 | | Apr. 41-
May 45 | | | | |
| 422 | | Feb. 44-
Apr. 45 | | | | |
| 425 | | Mar. 44 | | | | |
| 429 | | Apr. 44 | | | | |
| 433 | | May 44 | | | | |
| 439 | | June 44 | | | | |
| 443 | | Jul-Dec. 44 | | | | |
| 457 | | Jan-Feb. 45 | | | | |
| 462 | | Mar. 45 | | | | |
| 469 | | Apr. 45 | | | | |
| 473 | | May 45 | | | | |
| 481 | | June 45 | | | | |
| 485 | SIG-1026-Hi(CO) | Feb. 41-
Jan. 44 | | | 1026th | |
| 522 | | Feb. 44 | | | | |
| 554 | SIG-1027-Hi(CO) | Feb. 41-
Dec. 43 | | | 1027th | Uncl. |

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June 43 | | | 1027th Signal Company | Uncl. |
| 570 | | Mar. 41-
Sep. 43 | | | | |
| 580 | | Jan-Feb. 44 | | | | |
| 587 | | Mar. 44 | | | | |
| 599 | | Apr. 44 | | | | |
| 609 | | May 44 | | | | |
| 616 | | June 44 | | | | |
| 625 | | July 44 | | | | |
| 638 | | Aug. 44 | | | | |
| 651 | | Sep. 44 | | | | |
| 660 | | Oct. 44 | | | | |
| 669 | | Nov. 44 | | | | |
| 680 | | Dec. 44 | | | | |
| 687 | | Jan. 45 | | | | |
| 732 | | Feb. 45 | | | | |
| 739 | | Mar. 45 | | | | |
| 747 | | Apr. 44 | | | | |
| 752 | | May 44 | | | | Uncl. |

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| 757 | SIG-1028-Hi(CO) | Nov. 44 | | | 1023th Signal Company | Uncl. | |
| 763 | | Dec. 44 | | | | | |
| 768 | | Jan. 45 | | | | | |
| 772 | | Feb. 45 | | | | | |
| 777 | | Mar. 45 | | | | | |
| 782 | | Apr. 45 | | | | | |
| 788 | | May 45 | | | | | |
| 793 | | June 45 | | | | | |
| 799 | SIG-1029-Hi(CO) | Feb. 41-
Apr. 45 | | | 1029th | | |
| 864 | | Oct. 43-
Mar. 45 | | | | | |
| 912 | SIG-1030-Hi(CO) | Jan. 41-
Feb. 45 | | | 1030th | | |
| 931 | | May 43-
Apr. 45 | | | | | |
| 1028 | | Sep-Dec. 44 | | | | | |
| 1048 | | Jan. 45 | | | | | |
| 1057 | | Jan. 45 | | | | | |
| 1063 | | Feb. 45 | | | | | |
| 1067 | | Feb-Apr. 45 | | | | | |
| 1082 | SIG-1031-Hi(CO) | Feb. 41-
Dec. 43 | | | 1031st | Uncl. | |

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| 1090 | | Feb. 44 | | | | |
| 1092 | | Mar. 44 | | | | |
| 1096 | | Apr. 44 | | | | |
| 1100 | | May 44 | | | | |
| 1104 | | June 44 | | | | |
| 1108 | | July 44 | | | | |
| 1113 | | Aug. 44 | | | | |
| 1119 | | Sep. 44 | | | | |
| 1124 | | Oct. 44 | | | | |
| 1128 | SIG-1032-Hi (CO) | Nov. 44 | | | | |
| 1132 | | Feb. 41-
Dec. 43 | | | | |
| 1192 | | Sep. 42-
Jan. 43 | | | | |
| 1200 | | Oct. 43 | | | | |
| 1202 | | Nov. 43 | | | | |
| 1207 | | Dec. 43 | | | | |
| 1215 | | Jan. 44 | | | | |
| 1221 | | Feb. 44 | | | | Uncl. |

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| 1230 | | Apr. 44 | | | | | |
| 1238 | | May 44 | | | | | |
| 1246 | | June 44 | | | | | |
| 1253 | | July 44 | | | | | |
| 1262 | | Aug. 44 | | | | | |
| 1269 | SIG-1032-SU-E-D | Sep-Oct. 43 | | | | | |
| 1275 | | Oct. 43 | | | | | |
| 1280 | SIG-1033-Hi(CO) | Feb. 44-
Oct. 43 | | | 1033rd Signal Company | | |
| 1299 | | Sep. 43-
Feb. 44 | | | | | |
| 1305 | | Jan. 44 | | | | | |
| 1318 | | Feb. 44 | | | | | |
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