

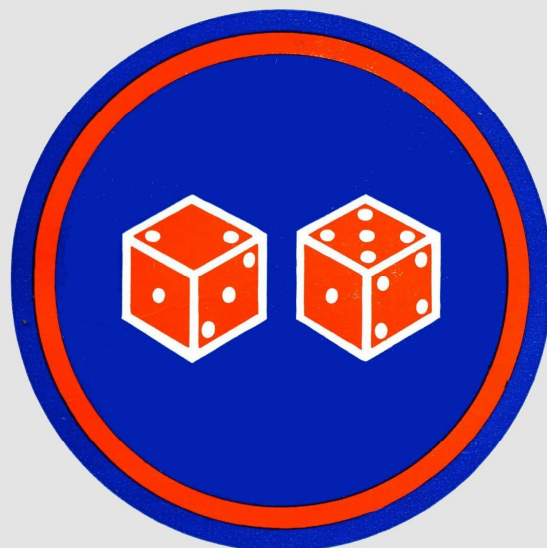
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AFO 321,  
16 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Unit History.

TO : Commanding General, V Bomber Command, AFO 710. Atten: Historical Officer.

1. In accordance with AR 345-105 and AAF Regulation No. 20-3, submit herewith the history of this organization for the month of March 1945, which has been inspected and verified by the undersigned.

2. The material submitted was prepared by Captain Donald Macomber, Jr., O-856200, Air Corps. Facts and observations included in the narrative and not otherwise credited are based on the personal knowledge and opinions of Captain Macomber.

*Stanley D. Kline*  
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Major, Air Corps,  
Commanding.

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HISTORY OF THE 90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON

Period

(1-31 March 1945)

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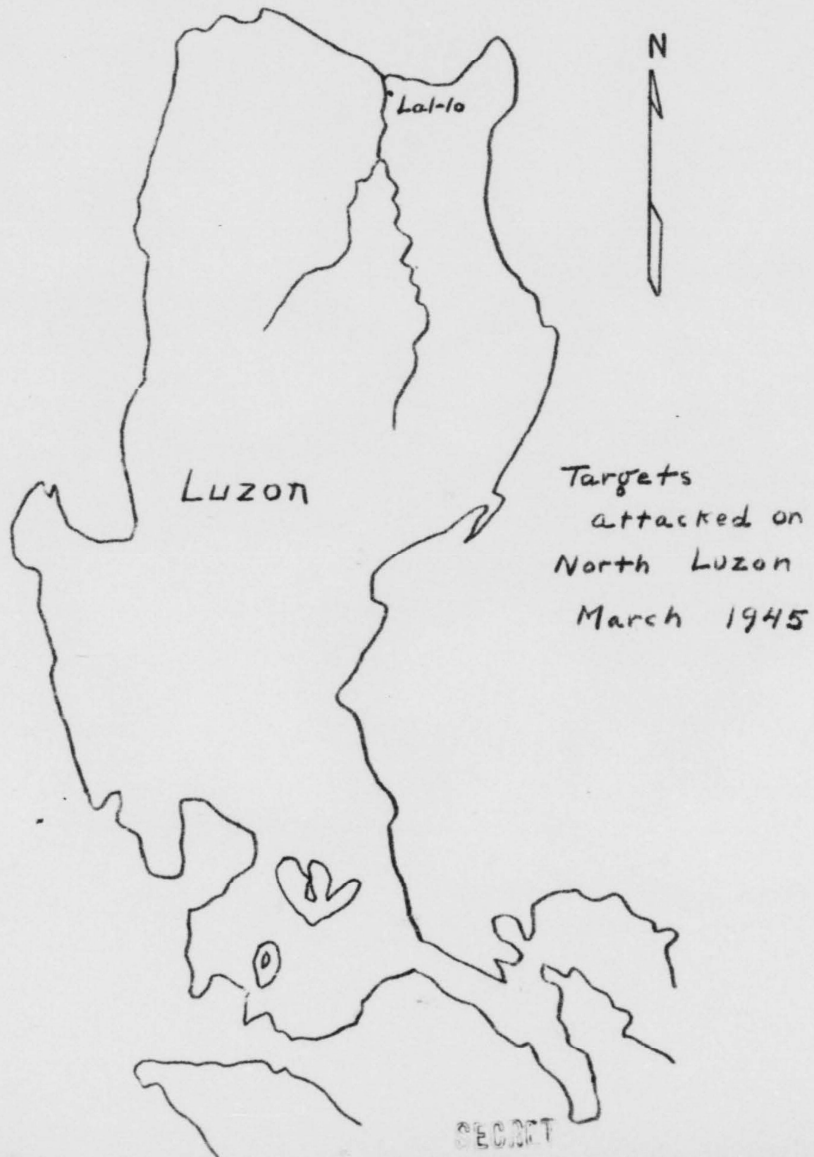
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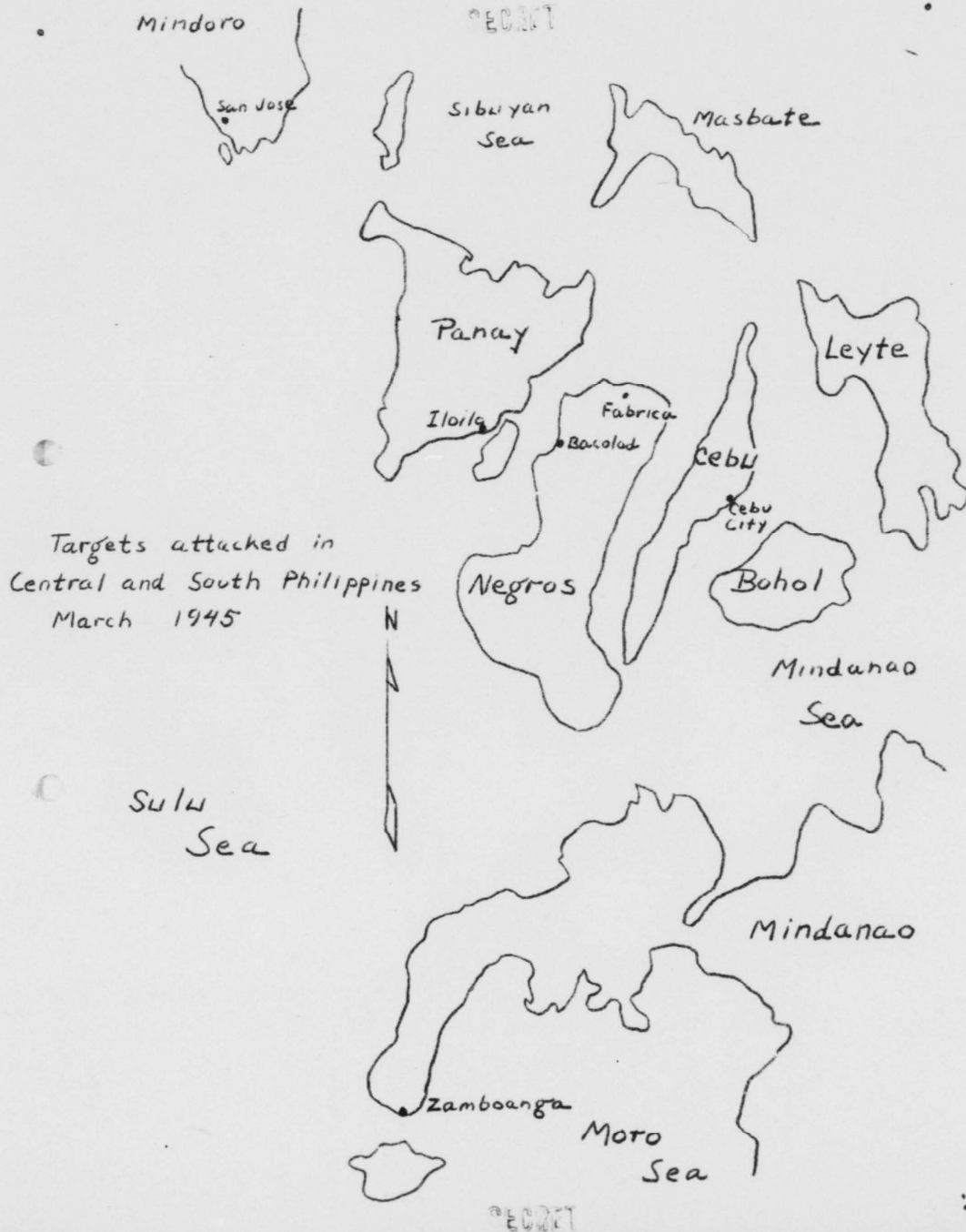
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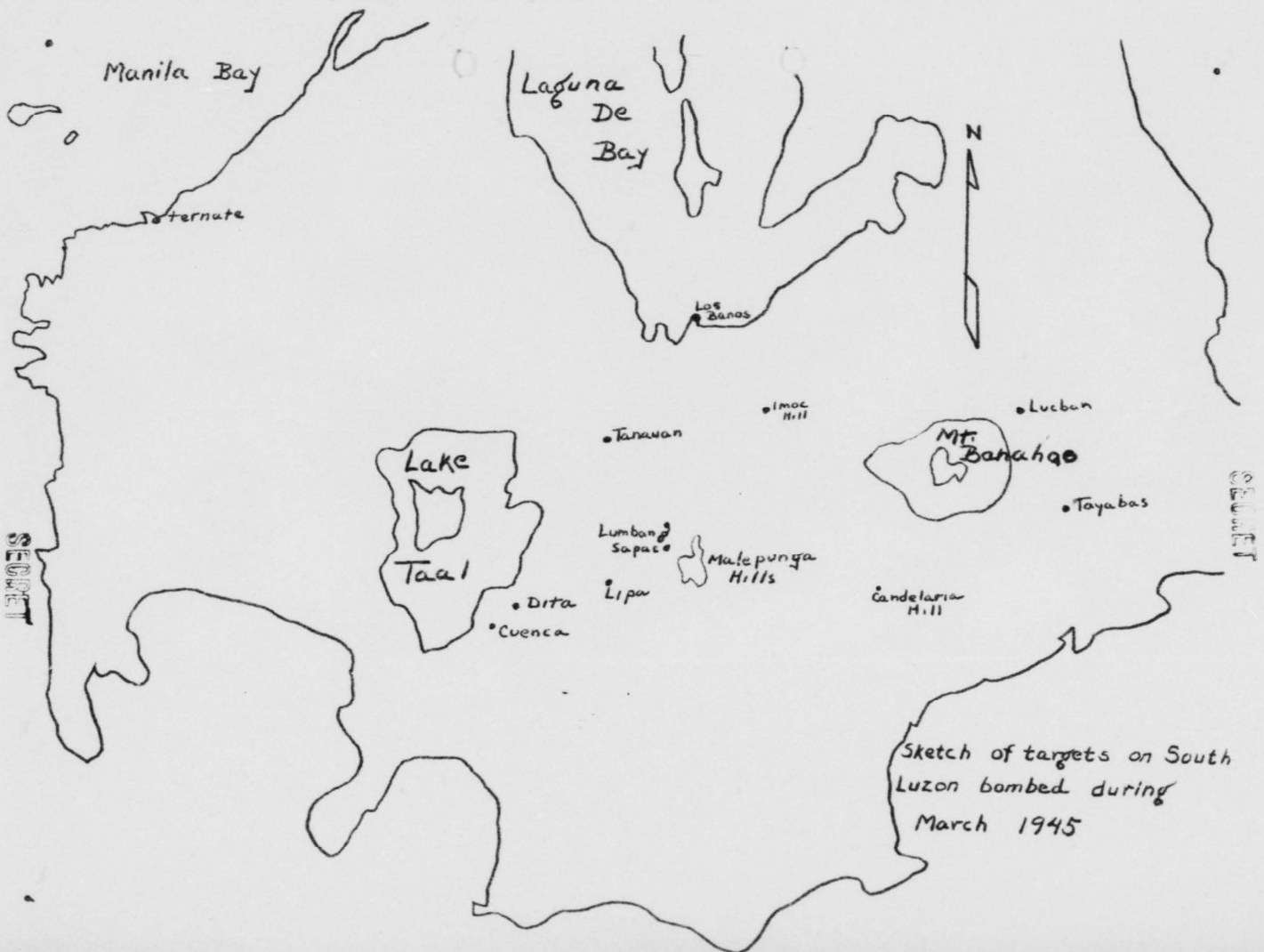
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FFO 65A-12. In the afternoon of March 6 1945, nine A-20Gs flew to the Cagayan River Valley Area of Northern Luzon to attack Jap troops in Lal-lo Town. 14 x 100 lb napalm bombs and 80 x 100 lb parademos were dropped on the town and 12,550 x .50 caliber rounds of ammunition were expended strafing the target. Several houses were destroyed by the fire bombs and the stone church was damaged. Meager, light A/A came from Lal-lo Town, holding one A-20.

FFO 68A-8. Early in the morning of 9 March 1945, three A-20Gs flew to the Lake Taal Area of Southern Luzon to support ground troops. "Curless", the ground station, ordered the squadron to attack a ridge west of the river at Ternate. 6 x 100 lb napalm bombs and 30 x 100 lb parademos were dropped on the ridge and the target was strafed with 6,320 x .50 caliber rounds of ammunition. Definite results of the attack were generally unobserved.

FFO 68A-9. In the middle of the morning of 9 March 1945, three A-20Gs flew to the Lake Taal Area of Southern Luzon to support ground troops. "Curless", the ground station, ordered the airplanes to attack Jap artillery positions 1000 yards west of Cuenca. 6 x 250 lb delay demos and 30 x 100 lb parademos were dropped on the target designated by smoke bombs. All the bombs hit in the desired area with unobserved results and the target was strafed with 3,350 x .50 caliber rounds of ammunition.

FFO 68A-10. In the early afternoon of 9 March 1945, three A-20Gs took off from base to support ground troops in the Lake Taal Area of Southern Luzon. "Curless", the ground station, ordered the airplanes to attack Jap troops in the Dampalit River Valley near Los Banos. 36 x 100 lb napalm bombs were dropped on the target designated by smoke shells, with generally unobserved results. The target was strafed with 6,500 x .50 caliber rounds of ammunition.

FFO 69A-6. On the morning of 10 March 1945, ten A-20Gs of this squadron took off from base to support the landing at Zamboanga, Mindanao, P.I. 18 x 250 lb delay demos and 36 x 250 lb parademos were dropped in the designated target which included an area between the wharf and the foothills. All the bombs hit in the target, destroying several huts and some supplies in Pasananca Town, but other results were generally unobserved. The target was strafed with 17,700 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. Meager, inaccurate machine gun fire came from an unidentified position in Pasananca Town. Moderate, medium and inaccurate fire came from a gun position in target 16.

Fragmentary Field Orders covering the above operations will be found in the appendix starting on page 16.

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FFO 72A-9. On the morning of 13 March 1945, this squadron took off to hit Tansuan Village. Nine airplanes reached the target and dropped 18 x 250 lb bombs and 36 x 250 lb parademos, destroying three buildings, two nipa huts and a motor vehicle. Several more buildings were damaged by bombs and strafing with 16,550 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. The target was designated by the ground station, "Curless".

FFO 73A-11. Taking off at 1500/I on 14 March 1945, ten A-20s bombed and strafed Imoc Hill, Guzon, dropping 18 x 250 lb demos, 36 x 250 lb parademos and expended 20,750 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. Two huts were destroyed, a large oil fire was started and a machine gun position was silenced; other results were unobserved.

FFO 74A-10. Another mission to Imoc Hill was ordered for 15 March 1945 so nine A-20s took off at 1042/I and dropped 18 x 250 lb demos, 30 x 250 lb parademos and expended 14,000 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition in strafing. Three buildings were destroyed by fire in San Marcos. One A-20 received seven holes in the left wing from a probable bomb blast.

FFO 76A-15. Ten airplanes reached Cuenca, the target designated by the ground station "Curless", at 0940/I on 17 March 1945, and destroyed the church, school house and several other buildings including some very large houses in the center of town. One of the destroyed buildings burned fiercely with smoke rising to 700 feet. There were several machine gun positions firing at our airplanes, hitting one A-20 twice. Several jeeps and 6 x 6 trucks were seen headed toward Cuenca on the road from Balibag. 20 x 250 lb demos and 39 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 20,300 x .50 rounds of ammunition were expended in strafing.

FFO 77A-19. On 18 March 1945, six A-20s took off at 1130/I to support the landing at Iloilo, Panay, P.I. 12 x 250 lb demos, 30 x 100 lb demos and 11,650 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended on Bacolod Strip and the vicinity of Fort San Pedro, destroying two sail boats. Thirty to forty unserviceable barges were strafed with nil apparent damage. Two probable serviceable locomotives and several box cars were seen at Mansaya.

FFO 78A-7. On March 19 1945, the squadron took off at 1030/I and flew to Iloilo, Panay again, with six A-20s, in support of ground troops. The C.S.A., "Maggie", ordered the airplanes to hit Bacolod Strip, Negros. 12 x 250 lb demos and 24 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 12,250 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended.

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FFO 79A-13. On 20 March 1945, six A-20s took off at 0730/I and flew to the Iloilo area, Panay where "Nightshirt", the S.A.F., gave them Fabrica Airdrome area as a target. 12 x 250 lb demos and 24 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 12,650 x .50 caliber rounds of ammunition were expended, starting a fire in a BFF and destroying a building. Two airplanes were holed by 40mm A/A and a K-22 camera was lost over the target.

FFO 80A-3. Ten A-20s hit Lipa Town on 21 March 1945 with 20 x 250 lb demos, 40 x 250 lb parademos and 12,000 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition, starting a large black-smoke fire in a building, destroyed two houses and damaged three vehicles. Propaganda leaflets were dropped on Lipa as ordered. Moderate, medium and inaccurate A/A fire came from several different positions in the target area. A burned A-20 was seen near the target.

FFO 81A-3. Taking off at 0715/I on 22 March 1945, three A-20s of this squadron flew to Cebu City, Cebu, with nine A-20s of the 13th Squadron. The three airplanes dropped 6 x 100 lb napalm bombs, 210 x 23 lb parafrags and expended 5,600 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition, destroying three buildings and damaging several others, starting a large fire and damaging four vehicles. Intense, light and accurate A/A was encountered by the airplanes of this squadron and medium A/A damaged one A-20 of the 13th Squadron. 30 x 23 lb parafrags were returned due to failure to release by the 90th Squadron.

FFO 81A-4. Three more A-20s of this squadron flew with the 89th Squadron to Cebu on 22 March, taking off at 0725/I. The three airplanes made three three-ship passes from SW to NE over Talisay and Tanke Villages dropping 4 x 100 lb napalm bombs, 192 x 23 lb parafrags and expending 6,750 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. Two buildings were set on fire and numerous other buildings were damaged. 1 x 100 lb napalm bomb and 48 x 23 lb parafrags were returned due to mechanical failure of the release mechanism.

FFO 81A-5. Also, on 22 March, this squadron had three A-20s flying with the 89th Squadron to Tayabas and Lucban on Luzon. Take-off time was 1200/I. 6 x 250 lb demos and 12 x 250 parademos were dropped and 5,900 rounds of .50 caliber rounds of ammunition were expended on the two towns, starting a large fire in a big building in Tayabas and damaging several buildings in Lucban. Any other damage could not be determined.

FFO 82A-5. Ten A-20s took off at 1200/I on 23 March to hit Candelaria Hill in the Lake Paul Area, Luzon, in support of ground troops. 20 x 250 lb demos and 40 x 500 lb demos were dropped and 17,300 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended, causing nil visible damage. Propaganda leaflets were dropped over the target area. Three A-20s from the 13th Squadron flew in the same formation and attacked the same target.

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FFO 83E-5. On 24 March 1945, this squadron coordinated its attack on Cebu City with the 89th Squadron, who led, and 8th Squadron. Take off was made at 1150/I. Eight airplanes reached the target, making one pass from NW to SE over Cebu City, dropping 24 x 250 lb parademos, 18 x 100 lb napalm incendiaries and expending 11,600 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. Two buildings were destroyed, several others damaged and numerous fires were started. Moderate machine gun fire was encountered. One plane made a second pass in order to release the two remaining wing bombs, but they failed to release and were returned to base.

FFO 84E-5. On the 25 March 1945, nine A-20s took off at 1215/I and flew to Cebu City, dropping 36 x 250 parademos, 18 x 100 lb napalm incendiaries and expending 10,250 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. All nine planes made one pass from NW to SE over the city and three of the airplanes made a second pass from W to E. Several small fires were started, two buildings and a church were probably destroyed and a machine gun position probably silenced. Moderate and inaccurate machine gun fire was encountered. Propaganda leaflets were dropped.

FFO 85E-4. Sapac was the target for nine A-20s of this squadron on 26 March 1945. Take-off was at 0755/I. 18 x 100 lb napalm and 36 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 16,950 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended, destroying four buildings and damaging several others. Propaganda leaflets were dropped over the target. One airplane was holed by 20MM A/A fire from Lipa Airfield.

FFO 86E-4. Taking off at 1030/I on 27 March 1945, nine A-20s dropped 18 x 250 lb demos, 36 x 250 lb parademos and expended 18,000 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition, making two runs from SE to NW over the target, Dita Town. There was a large explosion in one building causing a fire with flames to 150 feet and several other buildings were destroyed. Meager machine gun fire was encountered, coming from the NE end of Dita Town. The original target, Tiaong Town, was not hit because the ground radio "Curless" ordered the squadron to hit Dita Town and designated the target by smoke shells dropped by an L-5. Ten parademos failed to explode.

FFO 87E-2. At 0900/I on 28 March, ten A-20s took off from Elmore Strip and flew to the Lake Taal Area where they checked in with the ground radio "Curless" who referred them to "Outlive" for a target. "Outlive" told the squadron to hit Lumbang Town, making their run from N to S. 20 x 250 lb demos and 39 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 16,700 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended, destroying the church and five other buildings, damaged several more buildings and left three fires burning in the town. Three airplanes were holed by M/G fire and 20MM fire. Four parademos failed to explode.

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FFO 88E-3. Lucban was the target on 29 March 1945, when five A-20s of this squadron took off at 0800/I, carrying M10 napalm wing tanks for the first time, made an attack on the town. Ten M10 napalm wing tanks and 20 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 9,500 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended, destroying several buildings. A large two-story wooden barracks in the western end of town was completely destroyed with a direct hit by an M10 napalm wing tank, a large warehouse was destroyed by another M10 tank, and six wooden buildings and nipa huts were destroyed by other M10 tanks. Several buildings were damaged by bombs and fires were left burning in the town. Later, reports from the ground troops and guerrillas in that area stated that 20 trucks, 15 horses were destroyed by the M10 tanks and many Japs were killed. One wing tank was dropped safe, it failed to release over the target, and it did not explode. Approximately 100 Filipinos were seen on the outskirts of Luisiana waving at our airplanes.

FFO 89E-6. Two missions were flown on 30 March 1945 to Negros Island in support of ground troops. Six A-20s took off at 0630/I and dropped 12 x 250 lb demos, 22 x 250 lb parademos and expended 9,250 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition on Murcia Town, the target designated by the C.S.S, "Maggie". Two wooden buildings were destroyed, a black smoke fire was started and a black sedan was damaged by strafing. One airplane was holed by machine gun fire. Four tanks were seen near the milling company east of Bacolod. 2 x 250 lb parademos were returned due to failure of release mechanism. The second formation of six A-20s took off at 1235/I and on arriving over Guimaras Strait were given two targets by the C.S.A., "Maggie". A bamboo and coconut grove east of Atipulan Village, target #1, was hit by two of the six airplanes with 4 x 250 lb demos and 8 x 250 lb parademos, but damage could not be determined. Two parademos failed to explode. The remaining four A-20s hit target #2, Alicante Airdrome, with 5 x 250 lb demos and 16 x 250 lb parademos with nil visible damage even though all bombs hit the drome. Both targets were thoroughly strafed, but damage could not be determined. A road search was made between Silay Airdrome and Guimbalaon Town with nil sightings. The search was made at the request of "Maggie". An unmanned, type 88 A/A gun was seen in the NE dispersal loop of Alicante Airdrome. This was the last mission flown in March.

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There was one award made to an enlisted man in March 1945.

Technical Sergeant Frank S. Smith, 16009161, was awarded a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 15 May 1942 to 10 October 1944. Awarded on Far East Air Forces General Order No. 309, dated 2 March 1945.

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See Section IV. FSAF GO #309, page 41.

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The changes in assigned strength during the month of March, 1945 are summarized below: (1)

|                                   | Officers    | Enlisted    | Total       |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Strength 1 March 1945             | 42          | 235         | 277         |
| Add: Assignments and Transfers    | 4           | 7           | 11          |
| Returned from MIA                 | 1           |             | 1           |
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|                                   | 47          | 242         | 289         |
| Less: Reassignments and Transfers | 3           | 1           | 4           |
| Returned to US                    | 4           | 9           | 13          |
| Hospitalized                      |             | 4           | 4           |
| Killed in ground accident         |             | 1           | 1           |
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| Strength 31 March 1945            | 40          | 227         | 267         |
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1st Lt. R. H. Outley, Flight Leader, was promoted to Captain. The following named enlisted men were also promoted during the month: (2)

|                      |                     |    |        |
|----------------------|---------------------|----|--------|
| S/Sgt A. C. Gentry   | ap. Maint. Tech.    | to | T/Sgt. |
| S/Sgt A. W. Senger   | QM Supply Tech.     | to | T/Sgt. |
| Sgt R. M. Austin     | ap. Mech. Gunner    | to | S/Sgt. |
| Sgt F. W. Guttendorf | ap. Maint. Tech.    | to | S/Sgt. |
| Sgt K. V. Radlein    | IFF Radar Mech.     | to | S/Sgt. |
| Sgt J. M. Schaub     | ap. Arm. Gunner     | to | S/Sgt. |
| Sgt G. E. Sheridan   | ap. Maint. Tech.    | to | S/Sgt. |
| Sgt J. W. Smetana    | ap. Arm. Gunner     | to | S/Sgt. |
| Cpl W. F. McBee      | Cook                | to | Sgt.   |
| Cpl D. F. Olthoff    | ap. and Eng. Mech.  | to | Sgt.   |
| Cpl W. V. Wyrick     | ap. Armorer         | to | Sgt.   |
| Pvt. A. E. Gilmore   | Aerial Photographer | to | Cpl.   |
| Pvt. C. C. Coleman   | Auto Equip. Mech.   | to | Pfc.   |
| Pvt. L. W. McCoy     | Munitions Wkr.      | to | Pfc.   |

No furloughs or leaves were granted, but Sgt. W. T. Modine, ap. Eng. Mech., left for 30 days T/D in the U.S. (3).

Captain D. M. Gilliam, Flight Leader, was placed on D/S with the 5th Air Force. (4)

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1st Lt. H. L. Maslund was appointed Squadron Operations Officer, and 1st Lt. E. W. Cordes and 1st Lt. O. F. Downey were appointed Flight Leaders. (5)

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- (1) See Personnel Report page 14-15.
  - (2) Par. 1, SO 57, USAFFE page 22.  
Par. 4, SO 19, 3BG page 23-24.  
Par. 4, SO 24, 3BG page 25.  
Par. 7, SO 22, 3BG page 26.
  - (3) Par. 1, SO 72, WBG page 27.
  - (4) Par. 1, SO 73, 5AF page 28.
  - (5) Par. 1, Sq O 5, 90 Bomb Sq. page 29.  
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Late in the afternoon of 3 March 1945, First Lieutenant Richard C. Wein, C-302722, was scratched off the list of those men reported as missing in action.

On the 21st of February, 1945, Lieutenant Wein and his gunner, Sgt. Donald L. Bays, 35657740, were flying No. 2 position in the first element of six A-20G's whose mission was to attack Jesselton Air-drome, North Borneo. While enroute to the target, Lieutenant Wein's right engine began to smoke and he was therefore forced to leave the formation. Soon after leaving the squadron, the engine trouble cleared up, but Lieutenant Wein was unable to catch his flight. Rather than return home with bombs and ammunition, Lieutenant Wein decided to attack Puerto Princesa, Palawan, P.I., the secondary target. While making a low level attack on Puerto Princesa, Lieutenant Wein's airplane was hit in the left engine by accurate machine gun fire coming from the old Jap POW camp. The engine caught on fire and had to be feathered immediately. As the airplane could not hold altitude, Lieutenant Wein was forced to make a water landing east of the target. Lieutenant Wein notified Sgt. Bays that a water landing was imminent. The force of the landing was so great that Lieutenant Wein was thrown clear of the cockpit. Sergeant Bays was apparently injured and went down with the airplane.

After spending nearly thirty-six hours in a leaky raft, Lieutenant Wein finally made shore. Despite his dazed and shocked condition, he finally made contact with friendly Filipinos who escorted him to Guerrillas' headquarters. After the landing of the 41st Division on Palawan, Lieutenant Wein was escorted safely to our forces and was returned to the squadron, none the worse for his trying experience. Here again, native guerrilla forces of the Philippine Government saved the life of an American pilot.

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On the first of March, 1945, Captain George L. Cooper, O-664533, entered the 90th Squadron on his second tour of overseas duty. Captain Cooper was formerly associated with the 499th Squadron of the 345th Bomb Group, a well known B-25 outfit. Captain Cooper served with this squadron from May 1, 1943 to February 20, 1944, during which time he participated in fifty-five combat missions, several of which, were over the vaunted Jap naval base at Rabaul, New Britain. The story of Captain Cooper's life prior to and during the war is of special interest.

Captain Cooper spent most of his life in the Philippine Islands. His father was in the export business and was affiliated with the firm of Stevens and Company, in Manila. The Cooper family, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, a daughter eight years old, and George, lived in San Juan Heights, a suburb of Manila. Captain Cooper left Manila in late 1939 in order to attend Kansas University. With war a definite possibility in the near future, Captain Cooper applied for aviation flight training late in 1941. Came December 7, 1941 and the subsequent Jap landings on Luzon. With no word from his family, Captain Cooper was naturally more than worried. Late in December of 1941, he received notification of his acceptance as a flying cadet. Captain Cooper entered active service in January of 1942. With no news as to the fate of his family, the war with Japan had a sinister meaning for Captain Cooper. A purpose, a goal - the return to Manila. Primary school, basic and finally advanced training. The fall of the Philippines was a known fact. Stories concerning the death march from Bataan, of the terrible atrocities committed by the Japs began to appear in the news. All Captain Cooper had left, was hope - hope perhaps that all might still be well. Graduation, gold bars and the thrill of receiving his first salute. Captain Cooper was now a pilot and at last was able to avenge his family.

May, 1943, found Captain Cooper in Fort Moresby, New Guinea. Mosquitoes, bully beef, hydraulic potatoes perhaps, but finally the one chance he had waited so long for - to take a crack at the Japs. Salamatta, Lae, Cape Gloucester and Rabaul. Captain Cooper laid many a bomb on old Tojo and with each bomb and bullet went a prayer. February of 1944, Captain Cooper received orders returning him to the United States. June of 1944, Captain Cooper received a post card. News at last. News stating that his father was in fair health and was interned in the Santo Tomas prison camp. For nearly eight months, Captain Cooper instructed student pilots in A-26 attack bombers, then came October, 1944 and the victorious return to the Philippines. Captain Cooper immediately applied for a second tour of duty in the Southwest Pacific theater. February 23, 1945, Captain Cooper arrived in the Philippines and reported to V Bomber Command. As the internees had just been released from the Santo Tomas camp, Captain Cooper was given immediate transportation to Luzon. February 24, 1945, he arrived at Santo Tomas and received the wonderful news that his family - mother, dad, and sister were all safe and were living in their own home at San Juan Heights.

The reunion of the Cooper family can never be adequately described, but sufficient to say, it is a living symbol of what we are all fighting for.

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0950, March 25, 1945, an average Sunday on Mindoro Island, P.I. Some men were attending church services in the Group chapel. Engineers, Ordnance and Armament personnel were on the line servicing the airplanes before the daily missions. Cooks and mechanics who had worked the previous night, were still in their sacks. Suddenly, above the usual hum druz noises, came an ominous roar of a run away airplane propeller. Directly above the camp area was a P-38 in a vertical dive coming closer and closer. All at once it seemed to stop abruptly and just disintegrate as if a giant fist had smashed it to pieces. Then came a dull explosion and an eerie whistling as pieces were hurled through the air. A parachute seemed to pop open from nowhere with a limp figure dangling and swaying from the shrouds. Pieces of silver wing and fuselage fluttered slowly to earth. A smoking engine arched gracefully through the air, landing with a dull thud about twenty feet from a tent. The main wing and engine nacelles headed for the mess hall, missed crashing into the middle of the enlisted men's area. A flash of flame and billowing black smoke. Everyone seemed to act at once, rushing madly to the scene of the accident. M.P.s arrived and kept the crowd at a safe distance. Water trucks were backed in, spraying insignificant jets of liquid on the crowd and tents, in an effort to keep the inferno from spreading. Was anyone injured or killed? Rumors were flying fast, but nothing definite could be determined. Finally the fire was under control, but not before seven tents were completely destroyed.

Reports came back that one man had been killed. This was unfortunately true. The body was identified as Pfc. George E. Thomas. Tommy had worked late the night before as the dispatcher in the motor pool. He had been sound asleep at the time of the accident and had not had a chance to escape. Sgt. Harold E. Stupp, Sgt. Paul J. Dozier and Cpl. George R. Fitcher received serious burns and were immediately taken to the hospital. Several other men were slightly injured and received treatment at the dispensary.

It is hard for all to realize that Tommy is no longer with us. Cheerful, short, stocky Tommy, with the unruly mop of sandy hair. The accident was doubly tragic in that Tommy had been overseas for nearly thirty-six months and was ready to return to the States on rotation. Tommy was buried at 1400 on March 26, 1945, with full military honors, and a small white cross marks his final resting place along with other veterans of the Southwest Pacific Area.

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SECTION III

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AIRCRAFT STATUS REPORT  
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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)  
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

RRF/HLN/dev

APO 321,  
1 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Aircraft Status Report.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L).

1. In compliance with your request, the following report on aircraft status for the month of March, 1945 is submitted.

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>AIRCRAFT COMMISSIONED</u> |            | <u>REMARKS</u>                        |
|-------------|------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|
|             | <u>IN</u>                    | <u>OUT</u> |                                       |
| March       |                              |            |                                       |
| 1           | 12                           | 2          |                                       |
| 2           | 13                           | 1          |                                       |
| 3           | 13                           | 1          |                                       |
| 4           | 13                           | 1          |                                       |
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| 9           | 12                           | 2          |                                       |
| 10          | 12                           | 2          |                                       |
| 11          | 12                           | 2          |                                       |
| 12          | 13                           | 1          |                                       |
| 13          | 12                           | 2          |                                       |
| 14          | 13                           | 1          |                                       |
| 15          | 13                           | 0          | 43-22177 tr to 61st Ser.Sq. APO 321,  |
| 16          | 11                           | 2          |                                       |
| 17          | 12                           | 1          |                                       |
| 18          | 13                           | 0          |                                       |
| 19          | 12                           | 1          |                                       |
| 20          | 12                           | 1          |                                       |
| 21          | 11                           | 2          |                                       |
| 22          | 12                           | 1          |                                       |
| 23          | 13                           | 1          | 43-22177 rec fr 61st Ser. Sq.         |
| 24          | 13                           | 1          |                                       |
| 25          | 13                           | 1          |                                       |
| 26          | 12                           | 2          |                                       |
| 27          | 12                           | 2          |                                       |
| 28          | 13                           | 0          | 43-21941 tr to 61st Ser. Sq. APO 321, |
| 29          | 12                           | 1          |                                       |
| 30          | 12                           | 1          |                                       |
| 31          | 13                           | 1          | 43-21941 rec fr 61st Ser. Sq.         |

*Robert R. Fitch*  
ROBERT R. FITCH  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Engineering Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)  
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

LOA/dld  
APO 321,  
15 April, 1945

SUBJECT: Ammunition Expenditure.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L).

1. In compliance with your request, the following report on ammunition and bomb expenditure during the month of March is submitted.

2. BOMBS:

| A. Type.               | Number |
|------------------------|--------|
| 1. 100 lb incendiaries | 122    |
| 2. 100 lb demolition   | 210    |
| 3. 250 lb demolition   | 776    |
| 4. 500 lb demolition   | 40     |
| 5. 23 lb fragmentary   | 408    |
| 6. M10 Napalm Tanks    | 10     |
| 7. 3.5 Rockets         | 45     |

3. AMMUNITION:

| A. Type.       | Number  |
|----------------|---------|
| 1. .50 caliber | 278,985 |

*Louis O. Alder*  
LOUIS O. ALDER,  
2nd Lt., Air Corps,  
Armament Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)  
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

1 April, 1945.

SUBJECT: Monthly Personnel Report, March, 1945.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L), 3rd Bombardment Group (L), APO 321.

1. In compliance with your request, the monthly personnel report for the month of March, 1945, is submitted:
2. The assigned strength at the beginning and at the end of the month was:

a. 1 March, 1945:

|              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Officers     | 42         |
| Enlisted Men | <u>235</u> |
|              | 277        |

b. 31 March, 1945:

|              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Officers     | 40         |
| Enlisted Men | <u>227</u> |
|              | 267        |

3. The following named officers and enlisted men were assigned and transferred to this organization:

|                      |     |                       |
|----------------------|-----|-----------------------|
| Capt. G.L. Cooper    | AC  | Pilot                 |
| 2nd Lt. L.O. Alder*  | AC  | Armament & Chemical O |
| 2nd Lt. E.J. Kunzer  | AC  | Pilot                 |
| 2nd Lt. E.C. Netz    | AC  | Pilot                 |
| S/Sgt. D.E. DuBois   | AC  | Ap. Arm-Gunner        |
| S/Sgt. F.E. Halblaub | AC  | Comm. Supply Tech.    |
| Sgt. L.J. Cerri*     | Med | Med. Adm. Spec.       |
| Cpl. F.L. Lofton     | AC  | Ap. Arm-Gunner        |
| Cpl. R.D. Seese      | AC  | Ap. Mech-Gunner       |
| Afc. E. Blake        | AC  | Ap. & Eng. Mech.      |
| Afc. D.E.L. Dennison | AC  | Clerk-Typist          |

4. 1st Lt. R.C. Wein returned from mission in action.

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5. The following named officers and enlisted men were reassigned and transferred from this organization:

|                        |    |                             |
|------------------------|----|-----------------------------|
| Capt. D.J. MacLellan*  | AC | Operations Officer          |
| Capt. J.B. Peterson*   | AC | Armament & Chem. Officer    |
| 1st Lt. R.W. Vandeford | AC | Pilot                       |
| S/Set. R.A. D'Alesio   | AC | Parachute Rigr. & Repairman |

6. The following named officers and enlisted men were reassigned and transferred from this organization for return to the US:

|                        |      |                          |
|------------------------|------|--------------------------|
| Capt. H.P. Pancher     | AC   | Pilot                    |
| Capt. J.L. Trzaskowski | AC   | Asst. Operations Officer |
| 1st Lt. R.F. Hibbler   | AC   | Navigator                |
| 1st Lt. G. Procheroff  | AC   | Pilot                    |
| T/Sgt. C.W. Callahan   | AC   | Ap. Arm.-Gunner          |
| T/Sgt. F.L. Satterberg | AC   | Clerk-Typist             |
| S/Sgt. G.J. Balfour    | AC   | Ap. Arm.-Gunner          |
| S/Sgt. C.L. Schaeffer  | Med. | Med. Tech.               |
| S/Sgt. G.W. Smoot      | AC   | AAF Radio Mech.          |
| Sgt. H.L. Goldstein    | AC   | AAF Radio Mech.          |
| Sgt. G.L. Jones        | AC   | Auto Equip. Mech.        |
| Sgt. G.S. Tomajko      | AC   | Ap. Armorer              |
| Cpl. F.A. Nilvson      | AC   | Auto Equip. Oper.        |

7. The following named enlisted men were lost from this organization:

|                      |    |                |                              |
|----------------------|----|----------------|------------------------------|
| S/Sgt. P.E. Dozier** | AC | Ap. Arm-Gunner | Hospitalized                 |
| S/Sgt. H.E. Stupp**  | AC | Ap. Arm-Gunner | Hospitalized                 |
| Cpl. G.R. Fitcher**  | AC | Supply Clerk   | Hospitalized                 |
| Pfc. G.E. Thomas     | AC | Supply Clerk   | Killed In Ground<br>Accident |
| Pvt. D.V. Cather**   | AC | Duty Soldier   | Hospitalized                 |

For the Squadron Commander:

*Fredric W. Mead*  
FREDRIC W. MEAD,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

\* By VOCC, Hq. 3 Bomb. Gr., APO 321.

\*\* Dropped from rolls per USAFCE Reg. 50-25  
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HEADQUARTERS  
V Bomber COMMAND  
APO 710

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FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 60, 1 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Six A-20s call Doubling one on ground alert V-3 operation. Bomb load; 100 pound parademos.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 61, 2 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Six A-20s call sign Doubling one on readiness from 0700 to 1600. Bomb load: 100 pound parademos.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 62, 3 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Six A-20s call sign Doubling One on readiness from 0700 to 1600. Bomb load: 100 pound parademos.
2. Release three squadrons for maintenance and training.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 63, 4 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. One Squadron A-20s call sign Doubling One on ground readiness 0700 to 1600.
2. Release three squadrons for maintenance and training.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 64, 5 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. One Squadron A-20s call sign Doubling One on readiness from 0700 to 1600. Bomb load: 100 pound parademos.
2. Release three Squadrons for maintenance and training.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 65, 6 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

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1. Two Squadrons A-20s call sign Doubling One and Two on readiness from 0700 to 1600. Bomb load: 100 pound parademos.
2. Release two squadrons for maintenance and training.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 66, 7 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Nine A-20s call sign Doubling One on ground alert from 0700 to 1600. Bomb load: 100 pound parademos.
2. Three Squadrons released for maintenance and training.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 67, 8 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Nine A-20s call Doubling One on readiness from 0700 to 1600. Bomb load: 100 pound parademos, Napalm on wings.
2. Release three Squadron for maintenance and training.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 68, 9 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Nine A-20s call Doubling One, Two and Three on ground readiness, Three flights of three. Bomb load: 100 pound parademos napalm on wings.
2. Maintain three squadrons maintenance and training.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 69, 10 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Four Squadrons A-20s call Doubling One, Two, Three and Four strike Zamboanga, target "A". TOT 1100 to 1120. Bomb load: 100 pound parademos, two fifty pound on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 70, 11 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Three A-20s call Doubling One strike LAKE TAAL area. TOT 0800 to 0900. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos.
2. Three A-20s call Doubling Two strike LAKE TAAL AREA. TOT 1200 to 1300. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos.
3. Three A-20s call Doubling Three strike LAKE TAAL AREA. TOT 1400 to 1500. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos.
4. Three A-20s call Doubling Four strike LAKE TAAL AREA. TOT 1600 to 1700. Bomb load 250 pound parademos.
5. Three A-20s call Doubling Five strike LAKE TAAL AREA. TOT 1700 to 1800. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos.
6. One Squadron A-20s call Doubling Six strike LIPA HILL. TOT 1000 to 1030. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos.

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FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 71, 12 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Three A-20s call Doubling Three strike LAKE TAAL AREA. TOT 1400 to 1500. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos.
2. Three A-20s call Doubling Five strike LAKE TAAL AREA. TOT 1700 to 1800. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 72, 13 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Conduct five (5) strike missions against LAKE TAAL AREA with Three (3) A-20s.
2. Conduct strike against LIPA HILL with nine (9) A-20s.
3. Conduct strike against TABAYAS, PAGBILAO, MALIGNEY TOWNS with nine (9) A-20s.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 73, 14 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Maintain four (4) squadrons A-20s on readiness from 0700/I to 1600/I.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 74, 15 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Maintain four (4) Squadrons A-20s on readiness from 0700/I to 1600/I.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 75, 16 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will.

1. Four (4) Squadrons A-20 on readiness from 0700-1600/I.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 76, 17 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Maintain four (4) Squadrons A-20s on readiness from 0700 to 1600/I.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 77, 18 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Maintain four (4) Squadrons A-20s on readiness from 0700-1600/I.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 78, 19 March 1945.

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The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Two Squadrons A-20s call Doubling One strike road SANTA CLARA TO SAN JUAN. TOT 1045 to 1115/I. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos.
2. Conduct three (3) strike missions against ILOILO with six A-20s.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 79, 20 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Twenty four (24) A-20s call Doubling one, Two, Three, Four on readiness from 0700 to 1600/I. Bomb load 250 lb. parademos.
2. Twelve A-20s call Doubling One, Two, strike SAN JUAQUIN, TOW 0900 to 0930.
3. Six A-20s call Doubling Three strike MOUNT OLILLA, TOT 1000 to 1015.
4. Six A-20s call Doubling Four, strike LOS BANOS.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 80, 21 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Conduct strike against FALLISEY TOWN with twelve (12) A-20s.
2. Conduct strike against CEBU CITY with twelve (12) A-20s.
3. Conduct strike against LIPA with twelve (12) A-20s.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 81, 22 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Conduct strikes against CEBU AREA with twenty four (24) A-20s.
2. Conduct strikes against BATANGAS with twelve (12) A-20s.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 82, 23 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Conduct strikes against CEBU AREA with twenty-four (24) A-20s.
2. Conduct strike against BATANGAS with twelve (12) A-20s.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 83, 24 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Conduct strike on CEBU AREA with twenty-four (24) A-20s.
2. Conduct ground support strike in BATANGAS with twelve A-20s.

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FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 84, 25 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Conduct strike against CEBU AREA down GUADALUP RIVER, with twenty-four (24) A-20s C/S Doubling. TOT 1400/I. Bomb load: 250 pound parademos and 100 pound Napalms on wings.
2. Conduct strike against BATANGAS AREA as directed by A.S.P. with twelve (12) A-20s. C/S Doubling. TOT 0900/I. Bomb load 250 pound Demos and 250 pound Demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 85, 26 March 1945.

(Field Order Missing).

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 86, 27 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Conduct strike against BATANGAS AREA with thirty-six (36) A-20s C/S Doubling. Check in with Curless for specific targets. TOT. Doubling 1 - 0930, Doubling 2 - 1030, Doubling 3 - 1130, Doubling 4 - 1230. Bomb load: 250 pound demos.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 87, 28 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Provide three (3) Squadrons A-20s for ground support strike BATANGAS AREA. TOT 0900 to 1100/I.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 88, 29 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Provide thirty (30) A-20s for direct support of ground forces in NORTH NEGROS.
2. Conduct strike BATANGAS AREA with six (6) A-20s.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 89, 30 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Give direct support in Northern NEGROS with thirty (30) A-20s six (6) A/C in each flight. C/S Racer 1 to 6. A/C to arrive on station every two hours from 0730/I to 1730/I. Remaining on station two hours. Flight leader will act as air coordinator using voice call Racer followed by number of flight, reporting to Macpie on channel "B" VHF at orbit point which is south tip of GUIMARES ISLAND. Radar reference point Peter is jetty at

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FORT SAN PEDRO, located 10 degrees 41' N. 122 degrees 35' E. Bomb load:  
250 pound parademos.

2. Give ground support in BATANGAS AREA with one (1) squadron  
A-20s C/S Doubling. Check in with Outlive before hitting target.  
TOT 1030/I. Bombload: 250 pound parademos. Napalms under wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 90, 31 March 1945.

The 3rd Attack Group will:

1. Will conduct strike against LEGASPI town area with eighteen  
(18) A-20s C/S Doubling. TOT 1000/I. Bombload: 250# parademos,  
M-10 Napalm Tanks on wings.

By command of Brigadier General CRABB:

DONALD P. HALL,  
Colonel, Air Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ HARRY J. HAWTHORNE,  
Colonel, Air Corps,  
Asst. Chief of Staff, A-3.

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

*Robert P. Smith*  
ROBERT P. SMITH, *RTS*  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Historian.

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TC Transportation Corps.  
PT Physical Therapist

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HEADQUARTERS  
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES IN THE FAR EAST

SPECIAL ORDER)  
NO.....57)

A.F.O. 501  
26 February 1945

- E X T R A C T -

\*\*\*\*\*  
1. Announcement is made of the temp promotion of the following-named off to  
the gr indicated in the AUS with rank from date of this order:

1ST LT TO CAPT

RAYMOND H. OATLEY 0747878 AC

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By command of General MacARTHUR:

RICHARD J. MATSMALL,  
Major General, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

R. E. FRAILE,  
Colonel, A.G.D.  
Adjutant General.

" A TRUE EXTRACT COPY "

*F. M. Mead*  
FREDERIC M. MEAD,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.  
90th Bombardment Squadron (L)  
3rd Bombardment Group (L)

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HEADQUARTERS  
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

APO 321,  
8 March 1945.

SPECIAL ORDERS)  
:  
NUMBER 19)

1. Under the prov of AR 615-5 the following named EM, Gp Hq, are apt NCO's and Privates First Class as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
S Sgt ARPAD W HATES 15065547

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
Sgt HERBERT W GRIFFIN JR 32503370

TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASS  
Pvt CLAUDE H BUTLER 37662697 Pvt LEONARD A WOODS 38588726

2. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 8th Sq, are aptd NCO's and Privates First Class as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
S Sgt FRANCIS A ELLER 35258762 S Sgt HJALMER F EVERTSON 36243930

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
Sgt GILBERT E FLYNN 37178538 Sgt IR J LAMBERT 35274311  
Sgt CLARENCE A SMOGARD 37160437 Sgt WILLIAM N SWAIN 33018675

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
Cpl CLAUD THOMAS 37354424

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL (TEMPORARY)  
Pfc KENNETH C KOONS 15102525 Pfc EARL V BEEVERS 35691771

TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASS  
Pvt RICHARD C BOORD 13080264 Pvt ELIJAH C CROUCHER 36628284  
Pvt WILLIAM E WOOD 33564939

3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 13th Sq, are aptd NCO's and Privates First Class as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
Sgt LOFTON P FUQUA 14070625 Sgt CHARLES F GAINBY 32729752  
Sgt TROY L GOODMAN 18061791 Sgt ROBERT L KERR 35274416  
Sgt EARL J LANTZ 15089114

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Par 3, SO# 19, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 6 Mar 45, cont'd:

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
 Cpl CHARLES W BERRY 34325603                      Cpl CHARLES PASTERNAK 31171654  
 Cpl JOSEPH G HARRINGTON 12187724

TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASS  
 Pvt STEPHEN D BERTIVERRA 33508473                      Pvt WILLIAM J CLIFF 39015419  
 Pvt ROBERT T QUINLAN 32471860

4. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 90th Sq, are aptd NCO's and Privates First Class as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNIC I SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
 3 Sgt RICHARD C GENTRY 35256690

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
 Sgt FRANK W GUTTENDORF 13040661                      Sgt KENNETH V RADLBN 16047557  
 Sgt GEORGE E SHERIDAN 34155196

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
 Cpl WILLIAM F MCBEE 35274169                      Cpl DON F OLTHOFF 36190042  
 Cpl WARREN V WYRICK 37169117

TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASS  
 Pvt CLAUDIE C COLEMAN 38295749                      Pvt LAWRENCE W MCCOY 33471309

5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 89th Sq, are aptd NCO's and Privates First Class as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
 Sgt ADRIAN S BOITGE 37116809                      Sgt FORBES E MALARKEY 15019202  
 Sgt FREDERICK R MARVEL 19070281

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)  
 Cpl HENRY R DAVIS 31133823                      Cpl FORMAN G MILLER 16076049  
 Cpl DAMON C POOLE 18137104

TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASS  
 Pvt ROBERT A COOPER 34035330                      Pvt DAVID GLASSBERG 12182573  
 Pvt MORRY WORSWELL 36650738

6. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 7, SO# 52, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 21 Feb 45 Capt WILLIAM J CULLEN 0916116 is further asgd to Gp Hq eff 21 Feb 45.

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SO# 19, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 8 Mar 45, cont'd:

7. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 4, SO# 66, H<sub>1</sub> V Bomber Command, dtd 7 Mar 45 1st Lt FRANK R PROEM 01658605 is further asgd to the 89th Sq eff 21 Feb 45.

8. Capt EDWARD C SUOR 025504 is aptd Commanding Officer, 89th Sq, vice MAJ WALTER L HEYER 0407940, reasgd, per VOCC 11 Feb 45.

9. Capt WILLIAM J CULLEN 0916115 is aptd Information and Education Off and Special Service Off, vice 1st Lt ROBERT P SMITH 0579282, reld as Special Service Off per VOCC 21 Feb 45.

10. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 8, SO# 45, H<sub>1</sub> V Bomber Command, dtd 14 Feb 45 Capt WILLIAM G SCHIFF JR 0468265 (3170) is further asgd to Gp Hq and placed on DS w/ the 8th Sq eff 14 Feb 45.

11. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 4, SO# 67, H<sub>1</sub> V Bomber Command, dtd 8 Mar 45 Pfc DONALD E L DENISON 3354241b (405) is further trfd in gr to the 90th Sq eff 8 Mar 45.

12. Capt ROBERT SPIETH 0560361 is aptd Gp Communications Off, vice 1st Lt GEORGE R MAGOWAN 01036268 reld, per VOCC 3 Mar 45.

13. 1st Lt GEORGE R MAGOWAN 01036268 is aptd Asst Gp Communications Off per VOCC 3 Mar 45.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel ELLIS:

OCAL P. JONES,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

*Ocal P. Jones*  
OCAL P. JONES,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS  
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,  
30 March 1945.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 4)

1. Under the prov of AR 615-5 Pvt GERALD F SHRYOCK 37526125, Gp Hq, D3 to 5278th Bomber Comd Sq, is aptd Private First Class.
2. Under the prov of AR 35-320 Capt WILLIAM F ROBINSON 0564153 is aptd Class "A" agent for J L ROBINSON. Capt FD, Class "B" agent for L E HOWARD, Maj FD, for the purpose of paying O and EM of Gp Hq for the month of March 1945; amount to be intrusted not to exceed \$25,000.00 at any one time.
3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Cpl ERNEST A SANTARIELLO 32846088, 13th Sq, combat crew member, is aptd Sergeant (temp).
4. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 90th Sq, combat crew members, are aptd NCO's (temp) as indicated:  
  

|   |
|---|
| <u>TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT</u>   |
| Sgt ROSWELL M AUSTIN 16120388                      Sgt JOHN M SCHAUB 33678220 |
| Sgt JOHN W SMETANA 19105982   |
| <u>TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL</u>   |
| Pvt ARTHUR B GILMORE 39235491   |
5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, 3 Sgt THOMAS A BILOTTI 33595900, 90th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (w/o prejudice).
6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pvt THOMAS A BILOTTI 33595900, 90th Sq, is aptd Corporal (temp) (date of rank: 15 Feb 44).
7. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 Cpl THOMAS A BILOTTI 33595900, 90th Sq, is rel'd from dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, eff 31 Mar 45.
8. Capt WILLIAM J CULLEN 0916116 is aptd Inventory Off to inventory the accounts and assets of Gp Hq Branch Exchange for the month of March 1945.

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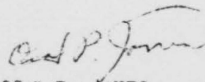
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9. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 13, SO# 87, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 28 Mar 45, Cpl FLOYD A BARNETT 18096408 (901) is further trfd in gr to the 13th Sq eff 16 Mar 45.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel ELLIS:

OCAL P. JONES,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

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OCAL P. JONES,  
Major, Air Corps,  
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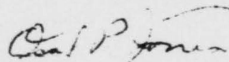
HEADQUARTERS  
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,  
23 March 1945.SPECIAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 22)

1. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 4, SO# 80, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 21 Mar 45, Tec 5 RAYMOND COE 38182324 (238) is further trfd in gr to the 13th Sq eff 13 Mar 45.
2. 1st Lt JAMES H BOUVET 0864684 is aptd Inventory Off for the purpose of securing and disposing of the effects of the following named O and E4, 89th Sq, missing:  
Capt EDMUND C SUOR 025504                      1st Lt STEPHEN C STUNTZ JR 0566849  
S Sgt PAUL J MANZELLA 32392426
3. Capt ROBERT SPIETH 0560361 is aptd Inventory Off for the purpose of securing and disposing of the effects of T Sgt LAWRENCE H FACK 6574660, 89th Sq, missing.
4. So much of par 7, SO# 20, this Hq, dtd 14 Mar 45 pertaining to Flying Evaluation Board, as reads "Capt EDMUND D SUOR 025504 (Recorder)" is amended to read "Capt ABRAHAM B SHOOK 0888740 (Recorder)".
5. Capt DONALD J MacLELLAN 0790369 is aptd Commanding Officer, 13th Sq, vice Maj RICHARD L WALKER 0664278 reasgd, per VOCC 17 Feb 45.
6. Capt WALTER S KING 0303635 is aptd Commanding Officer, 89th Sq, vice Capt EDMUND C SUOR 025504 missing, per VOCC 21 Mar 45.
7. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, S Sgt ANTON W SINGER 37160422, 90th Sq, is aptd Technical Sergeant (temp).

By order of Lieutenant Colonel ELLIS:

OCAL P. JONES,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

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OCAL P. JONES,  
Major, Air Corps,  
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HEADQUARTERS  
V BOMBER COMMAND

SPECIAL ORDERS)

No.....72)

- E X T R A C T -

13 March 1945.

1. Under auth of FAF Radio R 5720 C, Subject: Rotation of Personnel, the following named O and EM, orgn indicated, APO indicated, are placed on TDY w/ the 93rd Repl Bn APO 72, for the purpose of return to designated place in the United States for thirty (30) days TDY and WP by mil acft o/a 13 March 45 to APO 72 reporting on arrival thereat to the CO to await further orders and transportation to the United States. Personnel are charged against the March 45 quota of this Command. Prior to departure a statement will be obtained from ea O and EM to the effect that his TDY involves ultimate return to this theater, that no promise of reasgmt has been made him that no action will be taken by or for him to secure reasgmt in the United States. Complete and accurate records will accompany subject personnel in accordance w/ par 22, USAFFE Cir 81, dtd 21 Sept 44. All personnel will be furnished sufficient clothing, blankets and mess gear before leaving their respective units. Address while on TDY as indicated. TDM TCNT.

3RD BOMB GROUP APO 321

Sgt - Willis T. Nodine 18109446 747 Route # 2, Overton, Texas.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL CRABB:

M. D. BUENOSIDE,  
Colonel, Air Corps,  
Acting Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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W. R. PURPUS,  
Major, A. G. D.  
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HEADQUARTERS  
FIFTH AIR FORCE  
APO 710

SPECIAL ORDERS)  
No.....73)

- E X T R A C T -

14 March 1945.

1. Capt DAVID M GILLIAM 0661746 AC 3d Bomb Gp APO 321 placed on DS this Hq for dy in A-3 eff 16 Mar 45. Prior to departure off will have in his possession WD AGO Form 66-1, 66-2 or 66-3 Officer's and Warrant Officer's Qualification Card.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WHITEHEAD:

R E BEERE  
Brig Gen USA  
Chief of Staff

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)  
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

AFC 321,  
26 March, 1945.

MESSAGE NUMBER

NUMBER 5)

1. 1ST LT WILSON B. GIBSON, O-744563, is hereby appointed as  
Flight leader vice vacancy.

*Stanley D. Kline*  
STANLEY D. KLINE,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Commanding.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)  
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

AGO 321,  
28 March, 1945.

SPECIAL ORDER)  
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NUMBER.....6)

1. 1ST LT HERBERT L. BARNES, O-750438, is hereby appointed  
Squadron Operations Officer vice Captain Donald J. Sacchellio, O-790369,  
reassigned.

2. 1ST LT CHARLES F. BERRY, O-669877, is hereby appointed  
"A" Flight Leader vice Captain David V. Gilliam, O-661746, relieved.

*Stanley S. Elms*  
STANLEY S. ELMS,  
Major, Air Corps,  
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS  
FAR EAST AIR FORCES  
APO 925 - 23 Feb 45.

4. Under the provisions of, sec III Cir 372 WD 44 and w/concurrence of CG USASOS ea of the fol-named AC off reld fr present asgmt and further dy in SWPA eff date of departure. WF at proper time to 11th Repl Bn AAF APO 920 for processing and T to US in accordance w/AF 370.5 (10 Aug 44) OR-S-SPHOT-II, WD Aug 44; subj: "PRI." Upon instructions fr condr of air or water PE, WF to US rptg on arrival to US air or water port of AAF Liaison O who will by indorsement hereon designate an AAF redistribution sta to which ea off will be asgd. Tvl by mil, naval or commercial acft (par 3b, AR 55-120), Army or Navy T, belligerent vessel or acft, commercial steamship or any other available mean of T to US auth. Personal baggage not to exceed 65 lbs including all personal effects auth while traveling by air. All other personal baggage will be packed and marked w/name, gr and ASN of the indiv and will be turned over to proper auth for shpmt to US. Per diem auth ea off while traveling by air (FCS). EML. TCNT. TDN. 65-\*\*\* P431-01 02 03 07 08 A 212/50425. Auth: FEKP 370.5, Hq USAFFE APO 501, 24 Aug 44, subj: "Return of Combat Crews."

\*\*\*\*\* FIFTH AF PERSONNEL \*\*\*\*\*

CAPT JOHN L TRASKOWSKI 0737300

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- E X T R A C T -

HEADQUARTERS  
FAR EAST AIR FORCES  
APO 925 - 28 Feb 45.

2. Under the provisions of sec III Cir 372 WD 44 and w/concurrence of CG USASOS ea of the fol-named EM AC reld fr present asgmt and further dy in SWPA eff date of departure. WP at proper time to 11th Repl Bn AAF APO 920 for processing and T to US in accordance w/AG 370.5 (10 Aug 44) OB-S-SMOT-M, WD 16 Aug 44; subj: "PRI." Upon instructions fr comdr of air or water FE, WP to US rptg on arrival to US air or water port AAF Liaison O who will by indorsement hereon designate an AAF redistribution sta to which ea EM will be transferred. Tvl by mil, naval or commercial acft (par 3b, AR 55-120), Army or Navy T, belligerent vessel or acft, commercial steamship or any other available means of T to US auth. Personal baggage not to exceed 65 lbs including all personal effects auth while traveling by air. All other personal baggage will be packed and marked w/name, gr and ASN of the indiv and will be turned over to proper auth for shpmt to US. Per diem auth EM while traveling by air (PCS). E.M. TDN. TCMT. 65-\*\*\* P431-02 03 07 08 A 212/50425. Auth: FEKP 370.5, Hq USAFFE APO 501, 24 Aug 44, Subj: "Return of Combat Crews."

\*\*\*\*\* FIFTH AF PERSONNEL \*\*\*\*\*

T Sgt Claude W Callahan 35590480

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MD Form 31 (Immunization Register)      Form 28 (Soldier's Individual Pay Record)  
WD AGO Form 24 (Service Record)      Form 20 (Soldier's Qualification Card)  
WD 44.      Clothing and Equipment Adjustment Form as prescribed by Cir 200

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- E X T R A C T -

HEADQUARTERS  
PAR EAST AIR FORCES  
APO 925 - 13 Mar 45.

5. Under the provisions of sec III Cir 372 WD 44 and w/concurrence of CG, USASOS ea of the fol-named EM AC reld fr present asgmt and further dy in SWPA eff date of departure. WP at proper time to orgn at sta indicated for processing and T to US in accordance w/AG 370.5 (10 Aug 44) OB-S-SPMOT-M, WD 16 Aug 44, subj: "PRI." Upon instructions fr comdr of air or water FE, WP to US rptg on arrival to US air or water port AAF Liaison O who will by indorsement hereon designate an AAF redistribution sta to which ea EM will be transferred. Tvl by mil, naval or commercial acft (par 3b, AR 55-120), army or navy transport, belligerent vessel or acft, commercial steamship or any other available means of T to US auth. Personal baggage not to exceed 65 pounds including all personal effects auth while traveling by air. All other personal baggage will be packed and marked w/name, gr and ASN of the indiv and will be turned over to proper auth for shpmt to US. Per diem auth EM while traveling by air (PCS). EWM. TDM. TCNT. 65-\*\*\* P431-02 03 07 08 A 212/60425. Auth: FEKP 370.5, Hq USAFFE APO 501, 24 Aug 44, subj: "Return of Combat Crews."

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S Sgt John M Yates 160489R 2, Kingston, Ohio  
R 1, Box 363, Laton, Calif93D REPL BN AAF (PROV) APO 72PRAF PERSONNELHome Address

Cpl Lester E White 17036944

2630 Harriet Ave, S Minneapolis, Minn

FIFTH AF PERSONNELT Sgt Clinton R Brassler 36299236  
T Sgt Charles R Chesnut 39535727  
T Sgt Felton K Hood 15834207  
S Sgt Gerald L Balfour 19034566  
S Sgt William V Garcia 39532955  
S Sgt Walter Jossen 12144682  
S Sgt Clarence W Mattson 17033188  
S Sgt Robert H Ruddock 32440278  
S Sgt Robert R Seery 12033228  
Sgt Jack H Strange 18064144Box 184, Oostburg, Wis  
7916 Foothill Blvd, Tujunga, Calif  
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R 1, Tyler, Tex  
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R 3, Hillsboro, Tex

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|  |   |
|--|---|
| MD Form 81 (Immunization Register)                                     | Form 28 (Soldier's Individual Pay Record) |
| WD AGO Form 24 (Service Record)  | Form 20 (Soldier's Qualification Card)    |
| Clothing and Equipment Adjustment Form as prescribed by Cir 200 WD 44. |   |

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6. So much of par 28 SO 60, this Hq, 1 Mar 45 pertaining to the fol-  
named EW as reads: "Hq Sq FEAF APO 925" is amended to read: "WAC Det Hq FEAF  
APO 925."

Pfc Dorothy A Voos A206743

Pfc Helen M Watson A206672

7. So much of par 31 SO 60, this Hq, 1 Mar 45 pertaining to the fol-  
named EW as reads: "Hq Sq FEAF APO 925" is amended to read: "Co A 930th Sig  
Bn TAC APO 925."

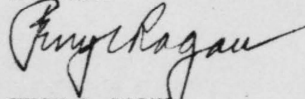
Tec 5 Kathryn M Millmore A201680

Tec 5 Ruth M Pyle A500644

8. So much of par 31 SO 60, this Hq, 1 Mar 45 pertaining to Tec 5 Diana  
Mars A909953 as reads: "Hq Sq FEAF APO 925" is amended to read: "2D AAF Photo  
Intelligence Det APO 925."

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HEADQUARTERS  
FAR EAST AIR FORCES  
APO 925 - 19 Mar 45.

- E X T R A C T -

1. Under the provisions of sec III Cir 372 WD 44 and w/concurrence of CG USAFOS ea of the fol-named AC off reld fr present asgmt and further dy in SWPA eff date of departure. WP at proper time to orgn at sta indicated for processing and T to US in accordance w/AG 370.5 (10 Aug 44) OB-S-SMOT-M, WD 16 Aug 44, subj: "PRI". Upon instructions fr comdr of air or water FE, WP to US rptg on arrival to US air or water port AAF Liaison O who will by indorsement hereon designate an AAF redistribution sta to which ea off will be asgd. Tvl by mil, naval or commercial acft (par 3b, AR 55-120 ), army or navy transport, belligerent vessel or acft, commercial steamship or any other available means of T to US auth. Personal baggage not to exceed 65 pounds including all personal effects auth while traveling by air. All other personal baggage will be packed and marked w/name, gr and ASN of the indiv and will be turned over to proper auth for shpmt to US. Per diem auth ea off while traveling by air (PCS). EOM. TCMT. TDN. 65-\*\*\* F431-01 02 02 07 08 A 212/50425. Auth FEWP 370.5, Hq USAFFE APO 501, 24 Aug 44, subj: "Return of Combat Crews."

93D REEL BN AAF (PROV) APO 72

|                        |         |   |
|------------------------|---------|---|
| CAPT HERMAN F PANCHER  | 0420635 | 107-11-107th Ave, Ozone Park, Long Island.                |
| 1ST LT ROYAL F HIBBLEN | 0734559 | 1830 Stevens, Ave, Oakland Apts 34,<br>Minneapolis, Minn. |

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HEADQUARTERS  
PAC EAST AIR FORCES  
APO 925 - 24 Mar 45

1. Under the provisions of sec III Cir 372 WD 44 and w/concurrence of CG USAFOS ea of the fol-named AC off reld fr present asgmt and further dy in SFA eff date of departure. WP at proper time to 93d Repl Rn AAF (Prov) APO 72 for processing and T to US in accordance w/AG 370.5 (10 Aug 44) OB-S-SPNOT M, WD 16 Aug 44, subj: "PRI." Upon instruction fr condr of air or water PE, WP to US rptg on arrival to US air or water port AAF Liaison O who will by indorsement hereon designate an AAF redistribution sta to which ea off will be asgd. Tvl by mil, naval or commercial acft (par 3B, AF 55-120), army or navy transport, belligerent vessel or acft, commercial steamship or any other available means of T to US auth. Personal baggage not to exceed 65 pounds including all personal effects auth while traveling by air. All other personal baggage will be packed and marked w/name, gr and ACN of the indiv and will be turned over to proper auth for shpmt to US. Per diem auth ea off while traveling by air (PCS). EWL. TDNT. TDN. 65-\*\*\*P431-01 02 03 07 08 A 212/50425. Auth: FEKP 370.5, Hq USAFPE APO 501, 24 Aug 44, subj: "Return of Combat Crews."

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Home Address

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Symbols: WP Will proceed MOCA By military or commercial aircraft.  
 TDN The travel directed is necessary in the military service.  
 EWM Travel directed is necessary for performance of emergency war mission.  
 TCNT The Transportation Corps will furnish the necessary transportation.  
 CGMD And thence to such other places as the Commanding General may direct.  
 OCWR And on completion of this temporary duty will return to proper station.  
 IFRQ It being impracticable for the Government to furnish rations or quarters in kind.  
 MALR Monetary allowances in lieu of rations as prescribed by.  
 DE72 Duties being exceptional a delay in excess of 72 hours is authorized.  
 MALRQ Monetary allowances in lieu of rations and quarters as prescribed by.

**HEADQUARTERS**

**V BOMBER COMMAND**

APO 710

**SPECIAL ORDERS)**

No. 69)

**- EXTRACT -**

10 March 1945

1. Under auth of PAF Radio R 5720 C, Subject: Rotation of Personnel, the following named O & E1, personnel of the March 45 rotation quota are relieved as set forth w/ rgn indicated, APO indicated, and are attached unassigned to Rotation Detachment Base "K" APO 72, and are further placed on TD w/ the 93rd Troop Bn APO 72, eff 10 March 45 and WP by mil a/cft w/ 10 March 45 to APO 72, reporting on arrival thereat to the CO to await further orders and transportation to the United States. Complete and accurate records will accompany subject personnel in accordance w/ par 22, USAFFE Cir 81, dtd 21 Sept 44. O & E1 will be furn sufficient clothing, blankets and mess gear before leaving their respective units. TDN TCNT.

HQ SQ V BOMBER COMMAND APO 710

Pfc Odell P. Williams 14069726 757

405TH SIGNAL CO (AVN) APO 710

|                             |          |      |                          |          |     |
|-----------------------------|----------|------|--------------------------|----------|-----|
| CAPT CECIL M. PALMER        | 0422495  | 0210 | Cpl Stanley Zacharias    | 36100908 | 345 |
| M Sgt Meyer Abraham         | 32241107 | 078  | T 5 William D. Magnusson | 31068470 | 805 |
| T Sgt Joseph W. Newman      | 19078401 | 014  | T 5 Frank W. Oliver Jr   | 3907188  | 345 |
| T Sgt John L. O'Brien       | 12067504 | 239  | T 5 John M. Thumuda      | 32218826 | 055 |
| S Sgt Robert F. Kessler     | 35021082 | 766  | Pfc Walter R. Eckel      | 32218898 | 650 |
| S Sgt Horace F. Shay        | 13049105 | 808  | Pfc Roy E. Graham Jr     | 35384766 | 345 |
| T 3 Bernard Sheppard        | 32199339 | 055  | Pfc Leonard D. Gutterman | 32214276 | 766 |
| Sgt Earl L. Michals         | 6953989  | 060  | Pfc Richard F. Houk      | 35286473 | 050 |
| T 4 Charles C. Consavage    | 6853834  | 805  | Pfc William D. Moran     | 39015799 | 081 |
| T 4 Johnnie E. Eschenberger | 38092853 | 238  | Pfc Louis A. Tripician   | 32214663 | 237 |
| T 4 Le n E. Walker          | 32240918 | 237  |                          |          |     |

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|                               |          |     |                           |          |     |
|-------------------------------|----------|-----|---------------------------|----------|-----|
| T Sgt Wilfred A. Chaloux      | 11015364 | 750 | S Sgt David R. Pennington | 13037752 | 750 |
| T Sgt William R. Dill         | 14011996 | 826 | S Sgt Ross Matthew        | 13028715 | 750 |
| T Sgt Anthony S. Guidi Jr     | 14026266 | 542 | S Sgt Robert G. Sawyer    | 16047882 | 405 |
| T Sgt Edmond Lewis            | 18084644 | 405 | S Sgt Richard B. Sadler   | 11024372 | 750 |
| T Sgt Frederick L. Satterberg | 19062670 | 502 | S Sgt Charles L. Schaefer | 14040032 | 409 |
| T Sgt Robert S. Trudeau       | 36117951 | 070 | S Sgt Grover C. Silcox Jr | 13045701 | 754 |
| S Sgt Frank T. Bommarito      | 36152328 | 321 | S Sgt Glenn W. Smoot      | 18085012 | 754 |
| S Sgt Lewis H. Doty           | 20434158 | 754 | S Sgt Robert K. Strawser  | 15084219 | 750 |
| S Sgt George B. Higgins       | 11013611 | 747 | S Sgt Harold O. Strich    | 20838787 | 911 |
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| Sgt | Meredith B. Irwin      | 14026334 | 060 | Sgt | William A. Woodin     | 11024159 | 750 |
| Sgt | Grover L. Jones Jr     | 14070191 | 014 | Sgt | Sam L. Davis Jr       | 20443026 | 750 |
| Sgt | Alex Kadango           | 6995687  | 911 | Sgt | Murray I. Goldstein   | 39163253 | 750 |
| Sgt | Earle B. McLaughlin Jr | 11036324 | 405 | Cpl | Irvin T. Eckert       | 20330445 | 901 |
| Sgt | Russell K. Moore       | 19065316 | 911 | Cpl | Frederick A. Division | 18054480 | 345 |
| Sgt | Enslow S. Plumley      | 15074724 | 405 | Cpl | Herbert W. Schornick  | 18074621 | 014 |
| Sgt | William C. Propps      | 18079113 | 555 | Cpl | Wilson H. Sly         | 17057619 | 060 |
| Sgt | Willis E. Tesson       | 1602898  | 555 | Cpl | Hugh J. Witsa         | 7003800  | 747 |
| Sgt | Gus S. Tomajko         | 13048307 | 911 |     |                       |          |     |

22ND BOMB GROUP APO 72

|       |                     |          |      |     |                   |                  |          |        |     |
|-------|---------------------|----------|------|-----|-------------------|------------------|----------|--------|-----|
| MAJOR | CHARLES J. CHATHAM  | 0380306  | 4823 | S   | Sgt               | George Evans     | 6        | 32259  | 747 |
| M Sgt | James F. Harvey     | 13009293 | 750  | S   | Sgt               | William J. Down  | 17033622 | 747    |     |
| M Sgt | John W. Quinn       | 15059293 | 750  | S   | Sgt               | Albert M. Adams  | 15013366 | 256    |     |
| M Sgt | William V. Popshur  | 13005425 | 750  | S   | Sgt               | James L. Foster  | 13023086 | 678    |     |
| M Sgt | Leo J. Zimianski    | 33000985 | 750  | S   | Sgt               | Carroll McPartry | 3        | 006465 | 324 |
| M Sgt | Richard D. Snider   | 15013383 | 750  | S   | Sgt               | Albert D. Parham | 8982454  | 687    |     |
| M Sgt | George E. McGowan   | 13007292 | 750  | Sgt | Robert B. Dean    | 13021345         | 805      |        |     |
| M Sgt | Lyman A. Bokely     | 6872854  | 750  | Sgt | Arthur J. Dineen  | 16047084         | 050      |        |     |
| M Sgt | Samuel L. Grupe     | 16028410 | 750  | Sgt | Erl F. Greenes    | 3908170          | 014      |        |     |
| M Sgt | Jack S. Hirschstein | 6979495  | 750  | Sgt | John H. Gamble    | 13019510         | 055      |        |     |
| M Sgt | James R. Bohannon   | 13031168 | 683  | Sgt | Boyd L. Higby     | 20311044         | 911      |        |     |
| T Sgt | Phillip L. Brodeur  | 11038102 | 239  | Sgt | Ernest B. Crim    | 14034742         | 590      |        |     |
| T Sgt | Arthur L. Smith     | 6977625  | 750  | Sgt | Frank J. Donchess | 13046000         | 573      |        |     |
| T Sgt | Noble T. Shively    | 13023867 | 673  | Sgt | Sumpter J. Martin | 14029396         | 050      |        |     |
| T Sgt | Donald B. Menes     | 16030056 | 502  | Sgt | Michael Siber Jr  | 13038478         | 166      |        |     |
| T Sgt | Walter L. Mitthess  | 17029252 | 747  | Sgt | J. W. Pitts       | 14031706         | 673      |        |     |
| S Sgt | Lloyd W. Campbell   | 17021515 | 750  | Sgt | Bruce W. Combs    | 13046503         | 014      |        |     |
| S Sgt | John Smith Jr       | 32159544 | 957  | Sgt | Tony Dawes        | 13068043         | 345      |        |     |
| S Sgt | William S. Booth    | 13084498 | 826  | Sgt | William J. Vulpi  | 32117769         | 901      |        |     |
| S Sgt | Stanley C. Krozak   | 16034734 | 678  | Cpl | Albert J. Minarik | 16046455         | 196      |        |     |

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1ST LT ARNON S. TEICHER 02036226 6402

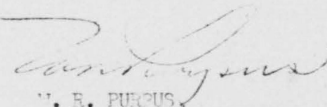
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|       |                   |          |     |     |                 |          |     |
|-------|-------------------|----------|-----|-----|-----------------|----------|-----|
| S Sgt | Frank V. DeBeno   | 3603728  | 014 | T 5 | Edwin M. Piniak | 36036106 | 345 |
| T 4   | Edgar L. Cook     | 37053231 | 014 | Pvt | Stover A. Irby  | 6996804  | 344 |
| T 5   | Edward J. Neville | 36036146 | 786 |     |                 |          |     |

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18. 1ST LT ROBERT W. VANDEFORD, O755464, is reld fr asgmt and dy w/th 3rd Bomb Gp APO 321, and is assigned to the 417th Bomb Gp APO 321, eff 28 Feb 45 and will report to the CO thereof for asgmt and dy.

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FREDERIC E. MEAD,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Adjutant.  
90th Bombardment Squadron (L)  
3rd Bombardment Group (I)

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HEADQUARTERS  
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,  
1 March 1945.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 17)

1. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 S Sgt ALFRED A MILLER 12034414, Gp Hq, is rel'd fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial fits

2. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 12, SO# 50, Hq 360th Serv Gp (FEAFGR&TC), dtd 19 Feb 45, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated eff 23 Feb 45:

8th Bomb Sq  
1st Lt LAWRENCE A ADAMS JR 024900 (1022) 2nd Lt EDWIN H HOFFMAN 0777180 (1022)

13th Bomb Sq  
Cpl JOHN R WALKER 36293787 (748)

89th Bomb Sq  
2nd Lt DONALD J BRITTON 0777066 (1022) Cpl WILLIAM A LYON 13143713 (612)

90th Bomb Sq  
2nd Lt EDWARD J KUNZER JR 0759379 (1022) S Sgt DELOIS E DUBOIS 15063559 (612)  
Cpl HENRY D SEEZE 33763671 (748)

3. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 12, SO# 49, Hq 360th Serv Gp (FEAFGR&TC), dtd 18 Feb 45, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated eff 22 Feb 45:

89th Bomb Sq  
2nd Lt VERNON T HELMS JR 0835196 (1022) Cpl CHARLES R HARRIS 34385113 (748)  
2nd Lt JOHN M VENABLE 0771164 (1022) Cpl ROBERT W ALSPAUGH 34771568 (748)  
Cpl WILLIAM H FANCHER 37521521 (612) Cpl SAMUEL C GAUL 33689704 (748)  
Cpl RICHARD C WILKINSON 14149185 (612)

13th Bomb Sq  
2nd Lt ARCHER A VREM 0771166 (1022) F/O MARK D BARRATT T3328 (1022)  
Cpl HAROLD L BIANCHI 39119240 (612) Cpl MATTHEW F CULBERT 33768951 (748)

90th Bomb Sq  
Cpl FREDERICK L LOFTEN 16116568 (612)

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SO# 17, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 1 March 45, cont'd:

4. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 12, SO# 50, Hq 380th Serv Gp (FEAFCRATC), dtd 19 Feb 45, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to the 89th Sq eff 23 Feb 45:

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 2nd Lt CURTIS M E POE 0777224 (1022) | 2nd Lt DANIEL MORGANELLI 0777213 (1022) |
| Cpl PAUL L CAMPBELL 33683087 (748)   | Cpl WALTER B COBB 32757058 (612)        |
| Cpl EDWARD A MCKENNEY 31366325 (612) | Cpl MIKE S SZUCS 36462131 (748)         |

5. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 4, SO# 59, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 28 Feb 45, 1st Lt THEODORE P BISSELL 01554665 is further asgd to the 8th Sq eff 20 Feb 45.

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Sgt GEORGE E THOMAS 35163785, 90th Sq, is rd to the gr of private (for cause)

7. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pvt GEORGE E THOMAS 35163785, 90th Sq, is aptd private First Class.

8. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 the following named EM, 90th Sq, are rel'd fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, per VOCC 1 Feb 45:

|                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Cpl GEORGE E SUSANKA 36530742 | Cpl LUIS UR 42015231 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|

9. Under the prov of AR 35-320 Capt WILLIAM T ROBINSON 0564153 is aptd Class "A" agent for J L ROBINSON, Capt FD, Class "B" agent for L E HOWARD, Maj FD, for the purpose of paying Off of Gp Hq for the month of February 1945; amount to be intrusted not to exceed \$10,000.00 at any one time.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel ELLIS:

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3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,  
5 March 1945.

## SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 18)

1. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 23, SO# 20, Hq 91st Repl Bn, dtd 21 Feb 45, S Sgt GEORGE P ASSMUS 37119894 (885) is further trfd in gr to the 13th Sq eff 24 Feb 45.

2. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 1, SO# 61, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 2 Mar 45, Capt GEORGE L COOPER 0664533 is further asgd to the 90th Sq eff 19 Feb 45.

3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 894th Chem Co, are aptd First Sergeant and Technician Fifth Grade (temp) as indicated:

S Sgt ROGER S HOLCOMB 36441733  
Pfc RAMIRO M AVILA 38456849

To be aptd First Sergeant  
To be aptd Technician Fifth Grade

4. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 12, SO# 50, Hq 360th Serv Gp (FEMPCRTC), dtd 19 Feb 45, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated eff 23 Feb 45:

|                                     |             |   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---|
|                                     | 8th Bomb Sq |   |
| Cpl WHITE C HALL 35871741 (612)     |             | Cpl EUGENE E HAUSCHILD 16108054 (748)   |
| Cpl GEORGE J HAYWARD 35069139 (612) |             | Cpl FRANCIS J McNAMARA 36658178 (748)   |
|                                     |             | Cpl ARISTIDE V MASTRODDI 12226558 (612) |

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
|                                    | 13th Bomb Sq |
| S Sgt EDWARD A ZENK 12060162 (748) |              |

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
|                                    | 90th Bomb Sq |
| 2nd Lt ELDON C NETZ 0764333 (1022) |              |

5. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 3, SO# 60, Hq V Air Force Service Command, dtd 5 Mar 45, S Sgt PHILIP F HALBLAUB 12043775 (581) is further trfd in gr to the 90th Sq eff 25 Feb 45.

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 894th Chem Co, are aptd NCO's and Technicians (temp) as indicated:

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Per 5, SO# 18, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 5 Mar 48, cont'd:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT  
Tec 4 PAUL WEINBERG 35355872

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT  
Cpl VIRGIL GREEN 38476378

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICIAN FOURTH GRADE  
Cpl EDWARD A CALDEIRA 39120258      Tec 5 JAMES B CLAYTON 38476398

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL  
Tec 5 WINDLE L HOWARD 35566517      Tec 5 RAYMOND D VERVYS 36423376

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE  
Pfc ELMER L COOPER 34770789      Pfc EDWARD W GRUNDSTAFF 34767445  
Pfc BASWELL D MALOY 34248955

7. Under the prov of AR 618-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, Air Crew Members, 8th Sq, are aptd NCO's (temp) as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT  
Sgt ROBERT L BRUNK 17059021

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT  
Cpl ROSSLYN H ELVIDGE 36753121      Cpl FRANK FUDALA 33694425  
Cpl DONALD J HOLTZ 33761366      Cpl OSCAR J LADNER 16138146  
Cpl JIM W RYTHYR 18191871      Cpl JOHN J SOUZA JR 39395875  
Cpl LEROY C TOEDT 15110975      Cpl FRED TURTELTAUB 12064714

By order of Lieutenant Colonel ELLIS:

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Pfc EARL (NLI) BLAKE

36880906 90th Bn Sq, 3rd Bn Gp, APO 321

By order of Colonel RATTAN:

ROBERT A. JONES  
Captain, Med. Adm. C.  
Actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

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FREDERIC M. MEAD,  
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VI. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WB, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named enlisted man.

Technical Sergeant FRANK E. SMITH, (16099161), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific area from 15 May 1942 to 10 October 1944.  
Home address: Mrs. Nettie Smith (Mother), 8274 Park Drive, Pontiac, Mich.

GEORGE C. KENNEY,  
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army,  
Commanding.

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*Donald Macomber*  
DONALD MACOMBER, Jr.,  
Captain, Air Corps.

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First Lieutenant Richard C. Wein.  
(Taken after his return)



Captain George L. Cooper

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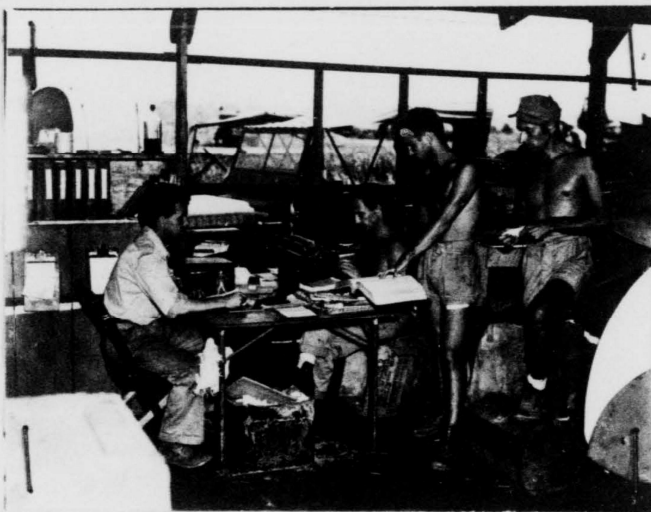


Scenes of the L-38 crash in the enlisted men's area on 25 March 1945.

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another scene of the F-38 crash.



Lt. George E. Thomas, second from the right, taken while he was a member of the Tech Supply section. Others in the photo are, from left to right: T/Sgt. Robertson, T/Sgt. Bartels and Cpl. Brachmann.

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Candelaria Hill, Luzon, P.I., 23 March 1945.

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