

3RD BOMBARDMENT GP.



HISTORY

DECEMBER 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF
AFO 321

MONTHLY UNIT HISTORY

DECEMBER 1944

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SECTION I

ADMINISTRATIVE



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CHRONOLOGICAL NARRATIVE.
ADMINISTRATION
DECEMBER 1944

The 3rd Bombardment Group (L) was stationed for the greater part of the month of December at APO 72, Leyte Island in the Philippines. The last week of the month the Group moved from Leyte to San Jose, Mindoro Island of the Philippines, APO 321. It was composed of Group Headquarters and four Bombardment Squadrons; the 8th, 19th, 89th and 90th. The Group consisted of 197 officers and 1087 enlisted men on the first day of December and at the ending of the month there were 191 officers and 1061 enlisted men; a decrease of six officers and six enlisted men. (1).

Leyte Island in December is starting its rainy season and during the month there was a total of 26-30 inches of rain fell. The roads were a sea of liquid mud and transportation problems were very great. The Group was located on the beach and most of the rain was absorbed in the sand and therefore did not suffer with the mud. The strips were impossible to keep up and our A-20s were unable to come up from Hollandia. During the time they were in Hollandia no missions were flown but maintenance and training was carried out. There was very little activity within the group for the entire month until the beginning of the move to Mindoro Island.

The Group commander is Colonel John F. Hensbury. Operations officer is Major Bruce Marsten and the deputy commander is Major Charles Howe, Capt. Ivan Head is Intelligence officer.

On the 2nd day of the month Cpl. Gene Wright was assigned to the organization from the 89th Squadron per voice of the commanding officer and is to be the group barber.

The 7th of the month three men were ordered to the States after having spent nearly three years overseas. They were Technical Sergeants Gurneil and George to go on the rotation plan and Sgt Jacobson to go on temporary duty for 30 days to the States (2).

Master Sergeant Cardile was relieved from assignment with the outfit and transferred to the 22nd Bomb Group (3).

Sgt Wheeler was placed on flying status as an aerial photographer for the group (4).

Capt. Fryor left for home on the 10th after receiving orders from Bomber Command. He had been with the Group about 9 years (5).

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Several other men were made happy on the 12th by receiving orders releasing them from this theater of operations and sending them back to the States either on rotation or a 30-day furlough. They were: Staff Sergeants Silverman and Belous were given the 30-days temporary duty to the States while Master Sergeant Finney, S/Sgt Daughenbaugh and Sgt Willadsen went home on the rotation plan (1).

Two promotions in the medical department were granted on the 13th. Sergeant Boyers was promoted to Staff and Pfc. Alford jumped to corporal per orders from the commanding officer (2).

On the 15th Sergeant Griffith was promoted to Staff (3). Two men were attached to the organization from V Bomber Command for duty. They were Pfc. James Cunningham and Pfc. Edward Schuler.

Due to a change in the T/C of the organization several men were transferred to other squadrons of the group and then placed on DS with headquarters. Most of these men were out of the mess hall, motor pool, communications and photo section. They were Cpl. Abeln, T/Sgt Briggs, S/Sgt Weyn, Sgt Campanu, Sgt Catizone, Sgt Seely and S/Sgt Gentry to the 20th Squadron; T/Sgt DeGerio, Cpl. Finch, T/Sgt Bryant, Sgt See, Cpl. Martin, Pfc. Anderson and Pvt. Wolenc to the 29th Squadron; Pvt. Adkins and T/5 Baird to the 15th Squadron; Pfc. Jaross, Cpl. DeLunco, Sgt. Mack, T/Sgt. Anderson, S/Sgt. Holmberg, Sgt. Banath, Sgt. Bartels, Cpl. Bruchner, Cpl. Harrington, Pfc. McCaskey, Sgt. Eahr, Sgt. Cids, Cpl. Diamond, Pfc. Burns, Pfc. Lardiere and Pfc. Steve Pavlokovich to the 8th Squadron.

Pvt. Crowe was promoted to the grade of corporal on the 20th (4). Cpl. Godsett was transferred from headquarters to the 29th Squadron.

Lt. Phillips was given the job of FM officer for the group in addition to his regular duties (5).

The only two men out of headquarters to be granted furloughs to Australia for the month were Sgts Rogovich and McMerney. They went to Adelaide for 15 days.

On the 23rd the Group started to make preparations for moving to a new station on Mindoro Island, loading on the 25th on LSTs and departing on the 26th.

Col. Hensby was relieved from assignment as commanding officer of the Group and assigned to FEAF CRTC at APO 713 Unit 1. Lt. Col. Richard H. Ellis returned from the States and assumed command.

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| (1) Special Order 338, V Bomber Command | Appendix Page 8-9 |
| (2) Special Order 113, 3rd Bomb Group | Appendix Page 13 |
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LOCAL INTEREST

The highlight of the month of December was the move from Leyte Island to the Island of Mindoro just a little over a week after the invasion of the latter. Preparations for the move began on the 23rd and on the morning of Christmas day three LSTs beached near the camp area and loading began in earnest. There was so much work to be done with the loading that the fact it was Christmas was forgotten but at noon the cooks had prepared turkey for the troops. The following morning the officers and enlisted men of headquarters boarded the LST carrying the 90th Squadron personnel and proceeded to look for a place to sleep for the coming three days.

It seems that the enemy was still making an effort to harass our troops and shipping and raids had been carried out on the ships in the Tacloban harbor. Therefore, we were warned of the fact and lifebelts were issued to all the personnel. Much of the enemy air attacks upon our shipping was successful and results they obtained at Mindoro reached proportions that could hardly be dismissed as nuisance raids.

On the 28th of the month as our convoy was headed in the direction of Mindoro via the pass between Mindanao and Leyte Islands, past Cebu and Negros Islands, a total of 30 to 40 enemy planes in two attacks blew up an ammunition-laden Liberty ship, severely damaged another vessel on the same type and torpedoed one LST which was later sunk. Our ships' ack ack shot down four aircraft which crash dived into the two Liberty ships mentioned above. While no further damage was done to the convoy on the 29th, three enemy planes challenged it during the day, and another struck after dusk. As one Zero type plane started its long dive towards our LST all the guns of the LST opened up on it and after two bursts from the 40 millimeter gun the plane burst into flames and crashed into the sea between us and the LST on our side. After that several other planes were shot down by the various ships. P-41s put seven unfriendly fighters out of action forever, and naval ack ack shot down five more. For the third consecutive day, the enemy, throughout the 30th of December, attacked shipping after the convoy had arrived at Mindoro. Again resorting to crash dive tactics, four fighters blew up an aviation gas tanker, seriously damaged a Liberty ship and also damaged a PT tender. The men of the 3rd Group were very thankful that they arrived to their destination without mishap although several of them were quite nervous. The April 12, 1943 raid on Fort Moresby seemed like a 4th of July picnic compared to the raid we went through on this convoy. All agreed that it was the worst they have been through, yet. In all the convoy shot down 23 enemy planes.

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The morale of the Group in December was about as low as it could get. It seems the regime in charge of the group at the time couldn't stand to see the men idle for a minute and so resorted to supervised recreation and drill. The afternoons were divided into two periods; the first half spent in infantry drill and the second half was spent in some type of sports. The drilling in itself wasn't so bad but when the Infantry troops and other GI's would pass by and shout at us and ask if we didn't know there was a war going on it made the men feel quite low. Then to top it all off, one afternoon an I-5 passed by and the pilot cut the engine and yelled out at us. This recruit stage kept on until the day we started to move.

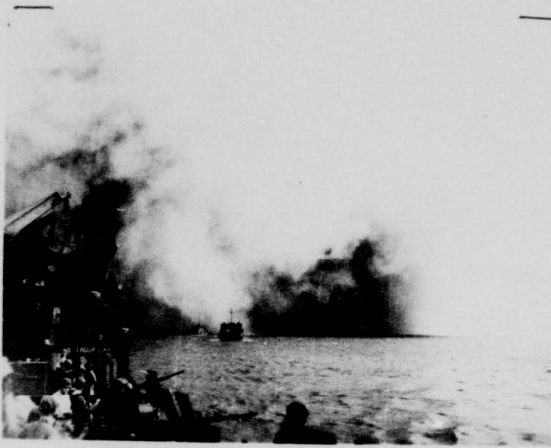
Christmas was spent in loading the LST and very little time was had off to think about the meaning of the day. Turkey was served at dinner time to the majority of the men but a few missed out. Beer and cigaretts were issued to the men the day before leaving Leyte. Very few packages had been received from home and those that did get through were pretty wet and spoiled.



Japanese attack on convoy to Mindoro Island
December 27-30, 1945



Jap attack on convoy to Mindoro Island
December 27-30, 1945




Jap attack on convoy to Mindoro Island
December 29, 1944

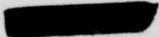


Jap attack on convoy to Mindoro Island
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SECTION III

APPENDIX


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HEADQUARTERS
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFC 321
30 January 1945

SUBJECT: Assignment of Personnel, 3rd Bombardment Group (L).

TO : Unit Historian, Group Headquarters, 3rd Bombardment
Group (L), AFC 321.

1. The strength of personnel, 3rd Bombardment Group (L),
December 1944, is as follows:

	OFFICERS		ENLISTED MEN	
	1 Dec.	31 Dec.	1 Dec.	31 Dec.
HEADQUARTERS.....	31	29	163	154
8TH SQUADRON.....	41	38	233	239
13TH SQUADRON.....	39	42	232	230
89TH SQUADRON.....	43	40	236	233
90TH SQUADRON.....	43	42	223	225
TOTAL	197	191	1087	1081

[Signature]
COLL P. JONES,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
V Bomber Command
AFC 72

19 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NO.....324)

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7. Under the auth of FEAF Message form 210.68, dtd 15 Nov 44, the following named O and EM, orgn indicated, are placed on temp dy w/ the 91st Repl Bn, AFC 713 Unit 1, for the purpose of ret to designated place in US for thirty (30) days temp dy, and WF by mil acft, o/a 20 Nov 44 to AFC 713 Unit 1 reporting on arrival thereat to the CC to await further orders and transportation to the United States. Personnel are charged against the Nov 44 quota of this command. Prior to departure a statement will be obtained from ea O and EM to the effect that his temp dy involves ultimate ret to this theater, that no promise of reasgmt has been made him and that no action will be taken by or for him to secure reasgmt in the US. Complete and accurate records will accompany subject personnel in accordance w/ par 22, USAFPE Cir 81 dtd 21 Sept 44. All personnel will be furn sufficient clothing, blankets, and mess gear before leaving their respective units. Address while on temp dy as indicated.

3rd Bomb Group AFC 72

Sgt GORDON C. JACOBSON 16009892 1017 Laurel Ave., Janesville, Wis.
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4. Under the auth of FEAF Messageform 210.68, dtd 15 Nov 44, the following named O and EM, personnel of the Nov 44 rotation quota, are reld fr asgmt and dy w/ the orgn indicated, and are attached Unassigned to Base G rotation Det, AFC 565 eff 20 Nov 44, and WF by mil acft, o/a 20 Nov 44 to AFC 565 reporting on arrival thereat to the CC to await further orders and transportation to the United States. Complete and accurate records will accompany subject personnel in accordance w/ par 22, USAFPE Cir 81, dtd 21 Sept 44. O and EM will be furn sufficient clothing, blankets, and mess gear before leaving their respective units.

T/3gt Joseph E. Curnell 1101370A (686)
T/3gt Donald H. George 1700733A (502)

By Command of Brigadier General CRAIG:

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

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1st Lt., Air Corps,
Historical Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
V BOMBER COMMAND
AFC 920

6 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NO.....311)

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S. M Sgt Rosario Cardile, 6134332, is trfd in gr fr the 3rd Bomb Gp, AFC 565 to the 22d Bomb Gp, AFC 920 eff 6 Nov 44, and WF by mil acft o/a 7 Nov 44, to AFC 920 reporting on arrival thereat to the CO der dy.

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By Command of Brigadier General CRABB:

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Chief of Staff.

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Adjutant General.

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Historian.

HEADQUARTERS
V BOMBER COMMAND
AFC 72

3 December 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)
: NC.....338)

- E X T R A C T -

2. Under auth Ltr FEAF AG 210.68, Subject: Rotation of personnel dtd 2 Dec 44, the fol named C and EM personnel of the Dec 44 rotation quota are reld fr assgmt and dy w/ the orgn indicated, AFC indicated and are attached Unassigned to Base G Rotation Det AFC 565 eff 3 Dec 44 and WP by mil acft o/a 3 Dec 44 to AFC 565 reporting on arrival thereat to the CO to await further orders and transportation to the United States. Completing and accurate records will accompany subject personnel in accordance w. par 22, USAFFE Cir 81, dtd 21 Sept 44. C and EM will be furn sufficient clothing blankets and mess gear for leaving their respective units.

3rd Bomb Group AFC 72

CAPT CHARLES D. FRYOR	0-838570	0200
M Sgt David E. Finney	11017656	925
SsSgt Harry V. Daughenbaugh	13030737	081
Sgt Donald W. Villadsen	36152936	815

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Historian.

Symbols: WF Will proceed
TDM Travel directed necessary in the military service
TCMT Transportation Corps will furnish necessary transportation

HEADQUARTERS
V BOMBER COMMAND
APO 72

3 December, 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NO..... 338)

- E X T R A C T -

6. Under the auth of Ltr FAF AG 210.68, Subject: Rotation of Personnel of Dec 44, the following named O and EM, as indicated, APO indicated, are placed on temp duty w/ the 92d Repl in (P), APO 565, for the purpose of rest and assistance in US for thirty (30) days temp duty, and WF by all acft, o/a 4 Dec 44 to APO 565 upon their arrival thereat to the CO to await further orders and transportation to the United States. Personnel are charged against the Dec 44 quota of this Command. Prior to departure a statement will be obtained from each O and EM to the effect that his temp duty involves ultimate ret to this theater, that no promise of reassignment has been made him and that no action will be taken by or for him to secure reassignment in the US. 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. TCMT TDM. Address while on temp duty as indicated.

405th Signal Co. (Avn) APO 72

S Sgt Henry E. Smith 35401916 131 W. Stafford Ave., Worthington, Ohio
T 4 Ralph E. Abel 36223741 Elletts Bend, Wisconsin
T 5 Oscar D. Cason 35687465 1361 Bulwark Ave., S. W. Atlanta, Georgia

3rd Bomb Group APO 72

CAPT JOHN E. MAC ARTHUR 0-854569 326 W. Michelobarena St. Santa Barbara, Calif
T Sgt William L. Fiske 11008442 298 High St., Greenfield, Mass.
S Sgt Melvin Silverman 32342272 1908 62nd Street, Brooklyn, New York.
S Sgt Robert L. Belous 16043127 5578 Copeland Ave., Detroit, Mich.
S Sgt William E. Allen 39680358 2327 Hoffs Lane, Salt Lake City, Utah
S Sgt John A. Kumper 13040571 348 39th St., Pittsburg, Penn.
S Sgt Thomas E. Studley 11042379 58 Burr Rd, Hingham, Center, Mass.
S Sgt Joseph W. P. Boulay 11013590 116 Walnut St., Lewiston, Maine.
Sgt Glen D. Wells 15074154 Route No 4, Caldwell, Ohio
Sgt Boyd F. Badlyon Jr 13030076 444 S. Brown St., Lewiston, Penn.
Cpl Floyd J. Danila 36178112 1331 Grand Blvd., Detroit, Michigan
Cpl Mike Signorino 13042228 Hemer City, Penn.
Cpl Sellie Compton 15088143 Yeager, Ky.

22d Bomb Group APO 72

1ST LT CLAM E. ESHELMAN JR 0-2036169 Paradise, Lancaster County, Penn.
T Sgt Gilbert G. Francis 6947187 Route #2, Courtland, Va.
Sgt Reid I. Short 39879754 Route #2, Rupert, Idaho.

SO #338, HQ V BOMBER COMMAND, APO 72, dtd 3 December 1944 (Cont'd).

38th Bomb Group APO 726

T Sgt	Earl E. Crabtree	18084667	R. #1, Box 87, Wayne, Oklahoma
T Sgt	Howard R. Cunningham	19056091	934 Lewis Ave., Billings, Montana
T Sgt	Melvin H. Lange	38034215	R. F. D. #1, Rbstown, Texas
T Sgt	John R. Rogers	33109536	328 W. 3rd Street, Mt. Carmel, Penna
S Sgt	Frank F. Kasten	35317295	20667 Miller Ave., Euclid, Ohio
Sgt	Theodore L. Montgomery	19142411	522 Oakmont Ave., North Sacramento, Calif
Sgt	Herbert E. Wenrich	33128180	134 Elm Street, Reading, Penna
Pvt	Walter R. Smith	34062915	Gen. 57 Grove Ave., Waycross, Georgia

43rd Bomb Group APO 72

CAPT	LEONARD H. MATHE	0563902	5754 Mardel Ave., St. Louis, Mo
T Sgt	George K. Blanton	14052748	Box 245, Cliffside, North Carolina
S Sgt	Hugh A. Kelly	20249542	15 Grandview Terr., Great Kills, Staten I.S.
S Sgt	Patrick E. Wallace	37193591	602-1st Ave., E. Moline, Illinois
Sgt	Walter A. Lock	13048317	Shenandoah, Pennsylvania
Sgt	Edward C. Jagodzinski	16048308	504 Buffalo St., Manitowac, Wisconsin
Sgt	Frederick T. Blumberg Jr	12037665	3238 41st St., Astoria, L. I. N. Y.
Sgt	Charles E. Douglass Jr	20147942	RFD Raymond, Maine
Sgt	Glenn L. Miller	17056437	510 E. South St., Yates Center, Kansas
Cpl	William J. Weatherwax	13052477	932 N. 65th St., Philadelphia, Penna.
Pvt	Joe M. Harnburger	34106901	1627 Arthur Ave., N. Nashville, Tenn

By command of Brigadier General CRABB:

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Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFG 565,
1 November 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 111)

1. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 Pvt GEORGE W. KANTZLER 16159726, Aerial Gunner, 90th Bomb Sq, is detailed to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts.

2. Under the prov of AR 25-20 Capt CECIL J. McFARLAND 01037153 is aptd Investigating O to investigate accident involving USA Govt Vehicles No W-499416 and W-499507 at APO 920 on 25 Oct 44.

3. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 Sgt JACK I. WHEELER 16044933, Aerial Photographer, Gp Hq, is detailed to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts.

4. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 5, SO# 124, Hq 268th Repl Co, dtd 31 Oct 44, the following named EM are further asgd to Gp Hq,

Cpl LESTER J. FISHER 81122538 (405) Pvt JAMES J. JOHNSON 35353978 (055)

5. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 Cpl VERNON R. HOLMBERG 36819125, Radio Operator Gunner, 13th Bomb Sq, is detailed to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts.

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his orgn comdr, S Sgt WILLIAM I. SYKES 14104315, 90th Bomb Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause).

7. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his orgn comdr, S Sgt RICHARD A. MURPHY 32414827, 13th Bomb Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause).

8. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 Pvt RICHARD A. MURPHY 32414827, 13th Bomb Sq, is rel'd fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts.

9. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his orgn comdr, Cpl LAVERN E. NORWOOD 14014401, 13th Bomb Sq, is aptd Sergeant (temporary).

By order of Colonel HENBRY:

OFFICIAL:

Cecil P. Jones
CECIL P. JONES,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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

HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

APO 72,
28 November 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)
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NUMBER 112)

1. Under the prov of AR 35-320 Capt DAVID J DONOVAN 0649037 is aptd Class "A" agent for MILTON BRANDELL, Capt FD, for the purpose of paying O and EM of the 8th Bomb Sq, for the month of November 1944; amount to be intrusted not to exceed \$25,000.00 at any one time.
2. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his orgn comdr, Sgt GEORGE CORRADO 15074905, 13th Bomb Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause), per VOCCO 3 Nov 44.
3. The VOCCO on 14 Nov 44 detailing Cpl JOHN J SOUZA JR 39395875, 8th Bomb Sq, Aerial Engineer, to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, under the prov of AR 35-1480, are hereby confirmed and made of record.
4. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 1, SO# 305, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 31 Oct 44, 2nd Lt SNOWDEN STEUART 0650613 (6402) is further asgd to Gp Hq eff 27 Oct 44.
5. The VOCCO on 27 Oct 44 aptg 2nd Lt SNOWDEN STEUART 0650613 Asst Statistical Officer are hereby confirmed and made of record.
6. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 2, SO# 307, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 2 Nov 44, the following named EM are further trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 18 Oct 44:

M Sgt SAMMIE S HILL 6748602 (750)	8th Bomb Sq
M Sgt HENRY F LANDERS 6966103 (750)	89th Bomb Sq
M Sgt DAVID JENKINS 6391974 (750)	89th Bomb Sq
M Sgt JAMES W LANGSTON 6262310 (750)	90th Bomb Sq
T Sgt JAMES A STOVALL 6967312 (505)	89th Bomb Sq
T Sgt EDWARD J F DEERY 12067474 (821)	8th Bomb Sq
S Sgt JOHN I SATTLER 39169186 (505)	13th Bomb Sq
S Sgt NORMAN T POOLE 33394557 (687)	8th Bomb Sq
S Sgt ROBERT C ALLEN 6371639 (901)	89th Bomb Sq
Sgt ALLEN LOWREY 18066076 (821)	13th Bomb Sq
Pfc WILLIAM MILLER 32448709 (901)	13th Bomb Sq
7. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 8, SO# 307, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 2 Nov 44, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to the 89th Bomb Sq eff 19 Oct 44:

Par 7, SO# 112, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 28 Nov 44, cont'd:

2nd Lt MARION P WILSON 0759673 (1022) S Sgt THOMAS MCGINNIS 12041124 (748)
Cpl SAMUEL C HAGENBUCH JR 16119851 (612)

8. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 10, SO# 307, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 2 Nov 44, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated eff 24 Oct 44:

89th Bomb Sq
1st Lt EDMUND A WRIGHT JR 098266 (1022) 2nd Lt DONALD E KESTER 0789004 (1022)
Sgt ALGIE M KENT 18189422 (748) Cpl FLOYD A STALLARD 33647221 (748)
Cpl JOHN L EVERLING 16077397 (612) Cpl ELLIS D ANDERSON 27523989 (612)

90th Bomb Sq
2nd Lt JAMES D DEACOCK 0760903 (1022) 2nd Lt ROBERT M COVEY 0760585 (1022)
Sgt PAUL B LINDELL 3367599 (612) Cpl CLIFFORD F VAN PRAAG 32877002 (748)
Cpl ALBERT J JACOB 13098356 (612) Cpl JAMES J VANDERBEEK 37566092 (612)

9. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 2, SO# 309, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 4 Nov 44, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated eff 1 Nov 44:

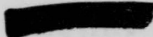
2nd Lt DARRELL R DAINES 0761897 (1022) 8th Bomb Sq
2nd Lt GAIL S FARNHAM 0760608 (1022) 13th Bomb Sq
Sgt FLOYD B BELL 16075795 (748) 13th Bomb Sq
Sgt PAUL BARRANGER 33580557 (748) 8th Bomb Sq
Sgt DOMINICK J FORTI 32430293 (612) 8th Bomb Sq
Cpl CLIFFORD A STOWELL 31313644 (612) 13th Bomb Sq

10. The VOCC on 25 Oct 44 aptg Capt WILLIAM A SMITH 0433106 (2556) Bombing and Gunnery Officer are hereby confirmed and made of record.

11. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 8, SO# 304, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 30 Oct 44, Cpl RALPH L NEWKIRK 34732234 (612) is further trfd in gr to the 13th Bomb Sq eff 10 Oct 44.

12. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 7, SO# 145, Hq Far East Air Forces, dtd 6 Nov 44 and as amended by Par 20, SO# 145, Hq Far East Air Forces, dtd 6 Nov 44 the following named EM are further trfd in gr to the 13th Bomb Sq:

Sgt FREDERICK E VAN LINDT 12088860 (502) S Sgt CHARLES P McCARTY 35405113 (014)
Tec 4 ANTON D ARMENTA 37468095 (238) Tec 4 MELVIN J JONES 37301445 (405)
Tec 4 CURTIS J WALDHOPF 17049067 (014) Tec 5 JOHN L MASPER 32210422 (238)
Tec 5 RAYMOND E REIMDK 16084633 (014) Pfc JOHN J LETO 42020726 (345)
Pfc ROBERT E WHITWORTH 38533644 (345)



SO# 112, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 28 Nov 44, cont'd.

13. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 2, SO# 333, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 28 Nov 44, 2nd Lt LOUIS O ALDER 02037308 (4822) is further asgd to the 13th Bomb Sq eff 15 Nov 44.

14. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 1, SO# 332, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 27 Nov 44, the following named O and EM are further asgd to Gp Hq eff 15 Nov 44:

Maj SAMUEL M FREDERICK 0407098 (1022) M Sgt HENRY E BRYANT 34116683 (612)

15. The VOCC on 16 Nov 44 aptg Maj SAMUEL M FREDERICK 0407098 (2161) Asst Operations Officer are hereby confirmed and made of record.

16. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their cren comdr, the following named EM, 13th Bomb Sq, are aptd Non-commissioned Officers as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT (TEMPORARY)

Tec 4 ANTON D ARMENTA 3740096 Tec 4 MELVIN J JONES 37301445
Tec 4 CURTIS J WALDHOF 17049087

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL (TEMPORARY)

Tec 5 JOHN L MASKER 32213402 Tec 5 RAYMOND A REIMINK 16084633

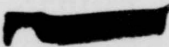
17. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his cren comdr, 1st Sgt JAMES E HONEA 6394596, 13th Bomb Sq, is aptd Master Sergeant (temporary) (date of rank 4 July 1944, AR 615-5).

18. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his cren comdr, M Sgt FREDERICK H. VAN LINDT 12088860, 13th Bomb Sq, is aptd 1st Sergeant (temporary) (date of rank 23 August 1943, AR 615-5).

19. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 2, SO# 313, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 8 Nov 44, Sgt WILLIAM R BLAIS 11015303 (754) is further trfd in gr to the 8th Bomb Sq.

20. So much of par 3, SO# 110, this Hq, dtd 28 Oct 44 as reads, "pvt CHARLES B. MALONEY (657) 16041220" is amended to read, "pvt CHARLES B. MALONEY (657) 16041220".

21. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 15, SO# 151, Hq Far East Air Forces, dtd 12 Nov 44, 2nd Lt JOHN B WINES 0576737 is further asgd to the 13th Bomb Sq.



SO# 112, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 28 Nov 44, cont'd:

22. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 1, SO# 318, Hq Fifth Air Force, dtd 13 November 1944, Sgt ROGER A CLARK 13102574 (748) is further trfd in gr to the 89th Bomb Sq.

23. So much of Par 2, SO# 90, this Hq, dtd 16 Aug 44 as reads, "2nd Lt ROBERT W. VANDERFORD 0755464" is amended to read, "2nd Lt ROBERT W. VANDEFORD 0755464".

24. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 8, SO# 165, Hq Far East Air Forces, dtd 26 Nov 44, 2nd Lt FRANCIS W CROTTY 0865716 (0200) is further asgd to the 89th Bomb Sq.

25. The VOCC on 19 Oct 44 detailing the following named EM, 89th Bomb Sq, Aerial Gunners, to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, under the prov of AR 35-1480, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

S Sgt THOMAS MCGINNIS 12041124

Cpl SAMUEL C HAGENBUCH JR 16119851

26. The VOCC on 24 Oct 44 detailing the following named EM, 89th Bomb Sq, Aerial Gunners, to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, under the prov of AR 35-1480, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

Sgt ALCIE M KENT 18189422

Cpl ELLIS D ANDERSON 37523989

Cpl JOHN L EWERLING 16077397

Cpl FLOYD A STALLARD 33647221

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

APO 72,
6 December 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 113)

1. The VOCC on 1 Nov 44 relieving Pvt WILLIAM I SYKES 14104315, 90th Bomb Sq, fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, under the prov of AR 35-1480, are hereby confirmed and made of record.

2. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their orgn comdr, the following named EM, 13th Bomb Sq, are rd to the gr of Private (for cause):

Cpl STEPHEN D BENTIVEGNA 33508473

Cpl ROBERT T QUINLAN 32471860

3. The VOCC on 31 Oct 44 aptg Capt CHARLES D PRIOR 0888570 Gp Communication Officer are hereby confirmed and made of record.

4. Under the prov of AR 35-320 Capt WILLIAM T ROBINSON 0564153 is aptd Class "A" agent for MILTON BRANDELL, Capt FD, for the purpose of paying O and EM of Gp Hq, for the month of November 1944; amount to be intrusted not to exceed \$25,000.00 at any one time.

5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of the Gp Flt Surgeon, the following named EM, Gp Hq, Med Det, are aptd Non-commissioned officers (temporary) as indicated:

Sgt THOMAS M MOYERS 14092501

To be aptd Staff Sergeant

Pfc JOHN L ALFORD 34637721

To be aptd Corporal

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of the Gp Flt Surgeon, the following named EM, 13th Bomb Sq, Med Det, are aptd Staff Sergeant (temporary) and Private First Class as indicated:

Sgt DAVID R ANDERSON 6669438

To be aptd Staff Sergeant

Pvt CHARLES B MALONEY 16041220

To be aptd Private First Class

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

APO 72,
10 December 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 114)

1. Under the prov of FEAF Reg 35-32, 1 Aug 44, the following named O and EM, combat crew members, are placed on DS at Sydney Rest Area effective from or about 18 Dec 44, for a period of ten (10) days (incl of travel time for the purpose of rest and relaxation. Personnel will register with Far East Air Forces Leave Controller, Sydney upon arrival. Travel by military aircraft.

		8th Bomb Sq	
1st Lt	WARREN C. EDGEWORTH 0747238	1st Lt	EDWARD A McFADDEN 0803650
2nd Lt	ROBERT A APPLER 0761498	2nd Lt	LOUIS H BALZ JR 0761654
2nd Lt	EDWARD S HARVEY JR 0765990	2nd Lt	ERNEST R JACKSON 0756178
2nd Lt	WARREN E ROE 0765087	2nd Lt	ROBERT A SANDS 0758382
2nd Lt	ROBERT B WARDWELL 0765169	2nd Lt	MELVIN L WILSON 0758399
F/O	RICHARD SCHUMACHER T1744	F/O	WILLIAM R SHRUM T1860
S Sgt	NORMAN C SHAW 35380351	S Sgt	CHARLES R WELLS 3582092
Sgt	LUKE F HINKELMAN 33597959	Sgt	SAMUEL M MARTIN 33825728
Sgt	JOSEPH C THOMAS 32239229	Cpl	VICTOR F BROWNELL 12166115
	Cpl KENNETH M HILL 13108292		

		13th Bomb Sq	
1st Lt	FRANK L DIXON 0799730	1st Lt	RAYMOND A RITTER 0806342
2nd Lt	EDWARD R ALLEY 0756257	2nd Lt	JAMES C COX 0753616
2nd Lt	JOHN E HILDEBRANDT 0759455	2nd Lt	HARRY A INMAN 0754999
2nd Lt	MAURICE A JANUARY 0759459	2nd Lt	FRANK R KENT 0753624
2nd Lt	CLEM R McCORMICK 0755983	S Sgt	EDWIN J SPENCER 3586698
Sgt	ROGER A BLAIS 32935061	Sgt	JOHN F COLLINS 3440001
Sgt	JERRY W BETHEA 34803058	Sgt	SAMUEL M DELANEY 3668009
Sgt	JOSEPH A PARIS 33575024	Sgt	LEONARD F PRINCE 36358081
Sgt	CHARLES W GILLIM 35741707	Sgt	LONGIN K KOZIOK 31280001
Sgt	HERSCHEL R PULLEN 18126680	Sgt	JOHN F RILEY 33821821
Sgt	CHARLES J SHAULIS 32702787	Sgt	JAMES H WADE 13116911

		89th Bomb Sq	
Capt	RAYMOND K BOELHOFER 0724605	1st Lt	JAMES T McVOY 0837282
2nd Lt	MAYO J BAKER 0761534	F/O	BRUCE R HILL 1309800
F/O	HARVEY O TRUESDALE T2570	S Sgt	THOMAS W BROWN 3582150
S Sgt	CLARK B SHALLENBERGER 36172386	S Sgt	JOSEPH F BROWN 3582150

Par 1, SO# 114, Hq. 8d Bomb Gp, dtd 10 Dec 44, cont'd;

		90th Bomb Sq			
Capt	HERMAN P PANCHER	0420635	1st Lt	ROYAL F HIBBLEN	0734559
1st Lt	ANDREW PATRYLICK	0739623	1st Lt	RICHARD C WEIN	0803722
2nd Lt	JACK W FLETCHER	0753641	2nd Lt	JAMES D McFALL	0755984
2nd Lt	ROBERT W VANDEFORD	0755464	S Sgt	CLARENCE F ARSENEAU	16023257
S Sgt	GERALD L BALFOUR	18034566	S Sgt	DONALD L JENSEN	17067979
S Sgt	JOHN J SHULER	35370582	S Sgt	GEORGE E TURKINGTON	36738342
Sgt	ROSWELL M AUSTIN	16120585	Sgt	MARION M BERNING	16047105
Sgt	ARTHUR E GILMORE	39285491	Sgt	JOHN S HAMILTON	11097625
Sgt	JOSEPH R HOGAN	16119463			

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

APO 72,
12 December 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 115)

1. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 1, SO# 346, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 11 Dec 44, 1st Lt RICHARD S WEST 0807181 is further asgd to the 90th Bomb Sq eff 9 Dec 44.

2. Having been placed on DS w/ the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 1, SO# 312, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 7 Nov 44, the following named EM are further asgd to orgns indicated:

1st Lt HAROLD J GALLAGHER 0807181	13th Bomb Sq
2nd Lt WILLIAM J FIELDS 0708807	89th Bomb Sq
F/O ROBERT E MCNAMARA JR T124512	13th Bomb Sq

3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his orgn comdr, M Sgt DAVID JENKINS 6391974, 89th Bomb Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause).

4. So much of Par 13, SO# 107, this Hq, dtd 15 Oct 44, as reads, "2nd Lt FRANK C SHAYER (1022) 0758083" is amended to read, "2nd Lt FRANK O. SHAYER (1022) 0758063".

5. 2nd Lt DAVID R TOOMIM 01643399 is aptd Summary Court for the purpose of securing and disposing of the effects of 2nd Lt FRANK O SHAYER 0758063, 13th Bomb Sq, deceased.

6. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 1, SO# 311, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 6 Nov 44, the following named EM are further asgd to Gp Hq eff 3 Nov 44:

Cpl RAYMOND M GOSSETT 17010422 (405)	Cpl KENNETH O KING 34205673 (405)
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7. The VOCC on 28 Nov 44 detailing the following named EM, 90th Bomb Sq, Aerial Gunners, to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, under the prov of AR 35-1480, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

Sgt PAUL B LINDELL 12167599	Cpl ALBERT N JACOBY 1308856
Cpl JAMES J VANDERBEEK 37566092	Cpl CLIFFORD F VAN PRAAG 32877602

8. The VOCC on 1 Dec 44 detailing the following named EM, 13th Bomb Sq, Aerial Gunners, to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, under the prov of AR 35-1480, are hereby confirmed and made of record:

Par 8, SO# 115, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 12 Dec 44, cont'd:

Sgt FLOYD V BELL 16075795	Cpl LADDIE J MARCHIO 35505985
Cpl ROBERT M McNAMARA 35553893	Cpl RALPH N NEWKIRK 34782234
Cpl ALFRED M RICHARD 39298608	Cpl JOHN E SIMPSON 16076218
1 JOHN H SWENSON 38465042	Cpl GIFFORD A STOWELL 31313644
Cpl CHARLES W WHITE 35656970	

9. Under the prov of AR 615-5 Sgt RALPH D GRIFFITH JR 6924280, Gp Hq, is aptd Staff Sergeant (temporary).

10. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 15, SO# 146, Hq FEAF, dtd 7 Nov 44, Pvt CHARLES W STRECKER 35777969 is further trfd in gr to the 13th Bomb Sq.

11. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 15, SO# 311, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 6 Nov 44, the following named EM are further asgd to Gp Hq:

Pfc AUGUST H PARKER 18119481 (405)	Pvt LEONARD A WOODS 38588726 (405)
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12. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 35, SO# 177, Hq 268th Repl Co, dtd 7 Nov 44, Sgt CARL W CHORNICLE 33763355 is further trfd in gr to the 90th Bomb Sq.

13. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 2, SO# 148, Hq FEAF, dtd 9 Nov 44, the following named EM are further asgd to Gp Hq:

M Sgt JOHN M HEIM 15074899 (502)	M Sgt HENRY E NELSON 37301461 (502)
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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFPO 72,
17 December 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 116)

1. Under the prov of AR 615-5, Tec 5 DWIGHT L BAIRD 36866223, Gp Hq, is aptd Corporal (temporary).
2. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 2, SO# 148, Hq FEAF, dtd 9 Nov 44, Tec 5 DWIGHT L BAIRD 36866223 (502) is further asgd to Gp Hq.
3. The VOCC on 15 Dec 44 aptg Capt RAGAN S WILLIAMS 02035207 Supply General (S-4) (4000), are hereby confirmed and made of record.
4. Par 5, SO# 115, this Hq, dtd 12 Dec 44, is revoked.
5. 2nd Lt LOUIS O ALDER 02037308 is aptd Summary Court for the purpose of securing and disposing of the effects of 2nd Lt FRANK O SHAYER 0758083, 13th Bomb Sq, deceased.
6. The VOCC on 15 Dec 44 detailing S Sgt JOE A SPITZ 18120754, 13th Bomb Sq, A/P Mech Gunner, to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, under the prov of AR 35-1480, are hereby confirmed and made of record.
7. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 4, SO# 345, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 10 Dec 44, 2nd Lt ROBERT J BUCHOLZ 0703187 (1036) is further asgd to the 90th Bomb Sq.
8. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 3, SO# 339, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 4 Dec 44, the following named EM are further asgd to Gp Hq and atchd to orgns indicated eff 25 Nov 44:
Pfc JAMES H HENDRICKSON 32860893 (657) 90th Bomb Sq
Pfc VERNE E FELLOWS 18070605 (657) 8th Bomb Sq
9. So much of Par 9, SO# 108, this Hq, dtd 20 Oct 44, as reads "eff 21 Oct 44", is amended to read "eff 13 Sept 44".
10. So much of Par 12, SO# 115, this Hq, dtd 12 Dec 44, as reads "sgt CARL W CHORMICLE 33763355" is amended to read "Sgt CARL W CHORMICLE 36163355".
11. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 2, SO# 148, Hq FEAF, dtd 9 Nov 44, Tec 4 MAX LURIE 39532370 (824) is further asgd to Gp Hq.

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SO# 117, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 17 Dec 44, cont'd

12. Under the prov of AR 615-5 Tec 4 MAX LURIE 39532370, Gp Hq, is aptd Sergeant (temporary).

13. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his orgn comdr, S Sgt RICHARD D JONES 18154520, 13th Bomb Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (w/o prejudice).

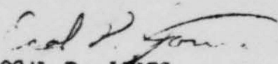
14. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his orgn comdr, Pvt RICHARD D JONES 18154520, 13th Bomb Sq, is aptd Sergeant (temporary).

15. Under the prov of AR 615-5, Pfc EDWARD CROWE 7009319, Gp Hq, is aptd Corporal (temporary).

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

APO 72,
21 December 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 117)

1. The VOCC on 15 Nov 44 aptg 1st Lt CLIFTON W. PHILLIPS 0564033 PX officer in addition to his other dys are hereby confirmed and made of record.

2. Under the prov of AR 615-5 the following named EM, Gp Hq, are aptd Non-commissioned officers (temporary) as indicated:

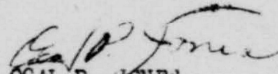
Tec 4 CHARLES W FERGUSON 15098008	To be aptd Sergeant
Tec 5 HENRY C CARROLL 35633485	To be aptd Corporal

3. Under the prov of AR 35-320 Capt GEORGE R GREENE 0732540 is aptd Class "A" agent for the purpose of paying O and EM of the 8th Bomb Sq, APO 565, for the month of November 1944; amount to be intrusted not to exceed \$10,000.00 at any one time.

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