

SUMMARIES OF EVENTS

8TH SQUADRON

8TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AC
AFC 328

31 January 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events,
8th Bombardment Squadron Personnel Section

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

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

2. At the close of the month the personnel in this section of the 8th Squadron were:

Major John J. Ruetters.....	Commanding Officer
Captain Weston F. Maughan.....	Adjutant
1st Lt Bill R. Hablinski.....	Asst Adjutant
S/Sgt Roger Blaser.....	First Sergeant
Pfc Udell G. Segal.....	Chief Clerk
Pfc John J. Kelly.....	Clerk Typist
Pfc Walter I. Everage.....	Clerk

3. The changes in Personnel Section this month were as follows: Major John J. Ruetters assumed command vice Captain Weston F. Maughan who replaced 1st Lt Bill R. Hablinski as Adjutant. Lt Hablinski became Asst Adjutant vice 2d Lt Joseph A. Horne, Jr., reassigned. Capt Maughan was placed on TDY to California for an indefinite period, and 1st Lt Hablinski assumed duty as Adjutant in the interim. Among enlisted men, the only change was that Pfc Walter I. Everage became clerk.

4. Officers as well as enlisted men were represented in January's promotions. 1st Lt Rhodes W. Elm, Squadron Engineering Officer, was promoted to Captain. 2d Lt Archie Hart, Squadron Supply Officer, and 2d Lt Norman H. Britt, Squadron Personal Equipment Officer, were promoted to 1st Lieutenant. 3 Cpl's became Sgt, 5 Pfc's were promoted to Cpl, and 6 Pvt's became Pfc.

5. As usual, the squadron had no major accidents. The wave of VD that surged upward has subsided rapidly. Only one new case was reported since the base started its "Boot Camp" policy.


BILL R. HABLINSKI
1st Lt, Air Corps
Adjutant

HEADQUARTERS
8TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
APO 328

31 January 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, Operations Section, 8th Bombardment Squadron.

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

1. In compliance with Regulation No. 45-1, Headquarters, V Bomber Command, dated 17 December 1945, the following summary of events for the Operations Section for January 1947 is submitted.

- a. Personnel assigned to 8th Squadron Operations Section are as follows:

Captain Alfred E. Hodkinson	Operations Officer
1st Lt John P. Younger	Asst. Operations Officer
1st Lt Ralph J. Smith	Asst. Operations Officer
Pfc Bernard Bernstein	Operations Clerk
Pvt Joseph B. Irwin	Operations Clerk

- b. The number of rated personnel assigned to 8th Squadron is as follows:

17 Pilots
6 Bombardier-Navigators
8 Gunners

- c. The rated personnel listed below were transferred to the 8th Squadron:

Captain David J. Harrigan	Pilot
1st Lt Raymond Butters	Pilot
1st Lt Ralph J. Smith	Bombardier-Navigator

- d. The rated personnel listed below were transferred out of the 8th Squadron:

- (1). To the Zone of Interior for immediate discharge or reassignment:

Captain Louis F. Johnson	1st Lt William Charles
1st Lt Donald V. Qvarnstrom	1st Lt Lynn Wade
2nd Lt George Gallino	2nd Lt Richard Stueck
2nd Lt Everett Gifford	2nd Lt June Miller
2nd Lt Kenneth Hallmark	

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2. During the month of January, the training orders and directives have emphasized formation and instrument flying. Scheduling of flying time has been planned to include the above phases of training as well as to comply with the flight requirements as prescribed by PACUSA Regulation 50-2.

3. On January 27, Captain Rodkinson, Squadron Operations Officer, Captain Maughan, Squadron Adjutant, and 1st Lt Britt, Navigator-Bombardier, departed, via ATC, to the Zone of Interior for the purpose of ferrying new A-26 aircraft back to the 3rd Bombardment Group. It is hoped this will be only the first of several such missions. The Squadron is in need of new aircraft, particularly dual control models which could be used to great advantage and benefit on transition and check-out rides, and for instrument checks.

4. A total of five hundred fifty-nine hours and fifteen minutes, (559:15), was flown in 8th Squadron aircraft by pilots assigned and attached to the 8th Squadron.

John P. Younger
JOHN P. YOUNGER,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Ass't. Operations Officer

8th. BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON SUPPLY
3rd. BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
APO 328

31 Jan. 1947

SUBJECT: Summary of Events, Supply Section 8th. Bombardment Squadron.

TO : Historial Officer, 3rd. Bombardment Group (L)

1. In compliance with regulation Number 45-1, Headquarters V BomberCommand, APO 710 dated 17 Dec, 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the 8th. Bombardment Squadron Supply Section is submitted.

2. Personnel now present in supply.

a. Archie Hart 1st Lt AC	Supply Officer
b. Albert A. Sapp 2nd Lt AC	Asst. Supply Officer
c. Richard E. Baker Pfc	Stock Clerk
d. Robert E. Tull Pfc	Supply Clerk

3. James L. Overton 2nd Lt AC has left the 8th Bombardment Squadron. David J. Harrigan Capt AC will be his replacement.

4. January 1947 new requisitions typed up and forwarded to Base Supply. Requisitions are still being lost at Base Supply.

5. Base Supply has been very slow in getting clothing that has been ordered on the show down.

6. The Transportation is worse. There are supposed to be taxi Jeeps at Motor Pool for use in work, The Jeeps are not there when needed. Motor Pool should first teach the Japs to drive before allowing them to drive people.



Archie Hart
1st Lt AC
Supply Officer

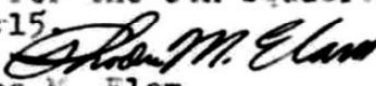
8th Bombardment Squadron (L)
3rd Bombardment Group (L) AAF
APO 328

1 February, 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly summary of events and activities
of the 8th Squadron Engineering Section
for the month of January.

TO : Historical Officer, 3rd Bombardment Group.

1. In compliance with staff Memorandum No. 45-1, Headquarters V Bomber Command, the following summary of events and activities of the 8th Squadron Engineering Section is submitted for the month of January, 1947.
2. During the month of January all aircraft of the 8th Bombardment Squadron remained at Yokota Army Air Base as part of the occupational Air Forces in Japan. Security missions were flown each day weather was permissible.
3. The key personnel is listed as follows:
8th Sqdn. Eng. Officer Captain R.M. Elam
A'sst Engineering Officer 1st Lt. B.P. Dysart
Line Chief M/Sgt E.E. Harrison
4. There was one major change in personnel. M/Sgt. H.K. Older was transferred from this organization and relieved as Line Chief by M/Sgt. E.E. Harrison.
5. The 8th Squadron has an overall strength of 50 men.
6. During the month of January two aircraft were transferred to the 7th A.S.G. for double engine changes. The 8th Squadron is performing a single engine change in it's hangar.
7. The total flying time for the 8th Squadron for the month of January was 559:15.


Rhodes M. Elam
Captain, Air Corps
8th Sqdn. Eng. Officer

8TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON ARMAMENT
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
APO 328

31 January 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, Armament Section, 8th Bombardment Squadron.

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

1. In compliance with Reg. No. 45-1, Headquarters, V Bomber Command, Dated 17 December, 1945, the following summary of events of the Armament section for January 1947, is submitted.

2. The key personnel are listed as follows;

1st Lt. Oliver J. Lambert	Armament Officer
S/Sgt. Robert D. Catene	Section Chief

3. The Armament section has the following number of assigned personnel:

8 rated (Armerer-Gunners)
3 non-rated

4. The training status of the rated armerer-gunners is as follows:

6 Combat ready.
2 Advanced training.

5. The number of rounds of ammunition and the number of bombs expended during the month of January 1947, is as follows:

1400 rounds	Type 50 Cal.
170 bombs	Type 100 lb. M-38-A2

6. The flying time accomplished by the rated armerer-gunners for the month of January 1947 was 75 hours.

7. Though definite progress is apparent, maximum utilization of tactical capabilities is limited in this section, due to the lack of skilled personnel and material.

Oliver J. Lambert
Oliver J. Lambert
1st Lt. Air Corps,
Armament Officer

8TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
APO 328

31 January, 1947

SUBJECT: Summary of Events, Communications Section,
8th Bomb Squadron.

TO : Historical Officer, 3rd Bomb Group. (L)

1. In compliance with Regulation 45-1, Headquarters 314th Composite Wing, APO 994, dated 2 December, 1946, the following summary of events and activities of the 8th Bombardment Squadron Communications Section is submitted for the month of January, 1947.

2. At the close of the month the personnel in 8th Squadron Communications were:

2nd Lt. George A. Rolby	Communications Officer
Pfc. William C. Waterbury	Communications Technician
Pvt. Frank R. Gonzales	Assistant

3. In the month of January there was one change in personnel. Pvt. Frank R. Gonzales was assigned to 8th Squadron Communications after arriving from the zone of the interior.

4. The 8th Squadron Communications Section continued to perform most of the 1st and 2nd Echelon maintenance on the Squadron's aircraft due to the fact that at the present time the service group does not seem to be sufficiently well equipped to carry on this maintenance. The communications Workshop has been moved to a new location within the squadron hanger to allow a greater amount of space for aircraft undergoing inspection.

5. The present strength is as follows:

1. One (1) 2nd Lt.
2. One (1) Pfc.
3. One (1) Pvt.

George A. Rolby

George A. Rolby
2nd Lt. Air Corp.
Communications Officer

8th. BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3rd. BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
APO 328

31 January 1947

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 8th. Bombardment Squadron Personal Equipment Section.

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

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

2. The following personnel are now assigned to Personal Equipment section.


a. Archie Hart 1st Lt AC	Actg Personal Equipment Officer
b. Kenneth Favretto Cpl	Personal Equipment Technician
c. Junior W. Watson Pfc	Asst Personal Equipment Technician
d. Frank F. Boyd Pfc	Parachute Rigger
e. Herbert V. Donahue Pfc	Parachute Rigger

3. Lt Britt was placed on TDY to Sacramento, Calif. for an indefinite period. 1st Lt Archie Hart become temporary Personal Equipment Officer, untill the return of Lt Britt.

4. 2nd Lt Norman H. Britt was promoted to 1st Lt 20 January 1947.

5. Pfc Junior W. Watson became ass't Personal Equipment Technician.

6. During the month of January 1947 Personal Equipment Section moved its quarters to room 1 of building 227, the new Personal Equipment room has more floor space.


Archie Hart
1st Lt AC
Actg Personal Equipment
Officer