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UNIT HISTORY

357th FIGHTER GROUP

AUTH: 30 70FW
 DATE: 29 Jan 44
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1. Original designation of unit was 357th Fighter Group. There has been no change in this designation. During the training period on the West Coast of the United States the Group was assigned P-39 aircraft.

2. Group was activated at Hamilton Field, California, per "D" Letter, AG 390.2, dated 6 December 1942, as amended by "D" Letter, Subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Force Units", dated 1 December 1942, showing the date of constitution of this organization as 1 December 1942. The original officer cadre, who reported for duty on 5 January 1943, included:

1st. Colonel Loring F. STETSON, Jr., O-22246, Group Commander, assigned by the IV Fighter Command, under which the unit was activated and trained.

Captain Donald W. GRAHAM, O-25247, Group Operations Officer, later re-assigned as Executive Officer. Now 1st. Colonel Graham.

Captain Robert T. ROMINE, O-298745, Group Adjutant, Now a Major.

Captain Raymond MERCER, O-476222, Group Intelligence Officer. He was promoted to Major and later assigned to another unit by the IV Fighter Command.

Captain Clay R. DAVIS, O-305122, Group Operations Officer. Captain Davis was later lost in a crash off the Pacific Coast.

2nd Lieutenant David I. KRAUER, O-649507, Group Statistical Officer. Now a Captain.

g. The three squadrons, 362nd, 363rd, and 364th, of the 357th Fighter Group, were activated by the same order listed in paragraph 2, above. Assigned to command these squadrons were:

Captain Hubert I. EGENES, O-405857, a veteran of South Pacific warfare and winner of the Silver Star, commanding the 362nd squadron. Now a Major and still Commander of this squadron.

Captain Stuart R. LAULER, O-416487, long associated with the IV Fighter Command and the Fourth Air Force in training activities, commanding 363rd squadron. Captain LAULER was relieved because of ill health and Captain Clay R. DAVIS assumed command. Captain DAVIS was killed in a crash and 1st Lt. Wesley S. MINK, a veteran of war in the Pacific and Alaskan areas, was assigned to command by the IV Fighter Command. 1st. Mink was relieved by the present Commanding Officer of this squadron, Captain Joe H. GUTNER, Jr., O-416226.

Captain Varian K. WHITE, O-407132, also a veteran of Bataan and other Pacific battles, was the original Commanding Officer of the 364th squadron. He was killed in a crash at Van Nuys, California, on May 18, 1943, and was replaced by Captain Thomas L. HAYES, O-403857. Captain HAYES had served in the South Pacific and is the holder of the Silver Star and the Purple Heart awards.

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It is now Major Hayes and he is the present Commanding Officer of the Squadron.

3. The original cadre of enlisted personnel was assigned the Group from the 328th Fighter Group at Hamilton Field, California. Subsequent additions were from the 4th Air Force Replacement Depot at Hammer Field, Calif. The first pilots, flight leaders and squadron Operations Officers were assigned from the 328th Group, also, and later additions from Luke Field, Arizona.

4. Following is a resume of the movements of the organization from time of activation to arrival in the European Theater of Operations:

A. At Hamilton Field for two months following activation. On March 6, 1943, the Group arrived for the first phase of training at Tonopah, Nevada. There the organization was completed during the three months of training in the desert. The first trainee pilots joined the unit from Luke Field and were assigned to squadrons.

B. Per SO #104, Major Bombing and Gunnery Range, Tonopah, Nevada, dated 24 May 1943, the unit was moved back to California, beginning the movement on 1 June 1943. The 362nd Squadron moved to Hayward, Calif., while the 363rd and 364th, along with Group Headquarters, were assigned to Santa Rosa, Calif. The Group was still attached to Hamilton Field and the assignments were sub-bases of Hamilton Field. Additional pilots joined the Group here and T/O authorization in personnel was filled. Misfits and unsatisfactory trainees were being eliminated here.

(1) Again in California the Group trained under the San Francisco Fighter Wing, Commanded by General SCHRAUM. Full tactical training was received in ground control interception, dive-bombing, ground-strafting, and low level air ground support. Ground support training was completed with armored units stationed nearby. Group missions were flown with all three squadrons receiving practice in escort and attacks on bombers. Training of ground personnel was carried on here as at Tonopah.

(2) Lt. Colonel Edwin S. CHICKERING, O-21405, took command of the 357th Fighter Group on 7 July 1943, at Santa Rosa, relieving Lt. Colonel Loring F. STEPHENSON, Jr., who is now commanding the 33rd Fighter Group in Italy. Captain Alfred W. CRAVEN, Jr., O-902496, joined the unit on August 16th and was appointed Group Intelligence Officer and Group Claims Officer. Now a Major since 16 November 1943.

(3) The 357th moved again on August 18th. This time to Groville Sub-base, farther north and inland in California. Headquarters was accompanied by the 363rd Squadron. The 362nd Squadron remained at Hayward and the 364th Squadron moved to Marysville, Calif. Further training was carried on and excess personnel was being eliminated.

(4) Warning orders for overseas movement were received on August 20th. Inspections began immediately along with the final clearing of unsatisfactory and excessive personnel. Pilot strength was reduced to T/O strength authorization and all other departments were cleared. The inspections were satisfactory.

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(5) The component units of the Group moved again, the movement starting October 3rd thru 5th. Headquarters and 363rd Squadron moved to Casper, Wyoming, AAB, 362nd Squadron toocatello, Idaho, AAB, and 364th Squadron to Ainsworth, Nebraska, AAB, all in the Second Air Force for last minute combined training with heavy bombardment units of that command. A-3 of Headquarters, Army Air Forces made the tactical inspections and representatives from the Inspector General's Department made administrative inspections giving a rating of very satisfactory. Here final preparations were made for shipment overseas and physical and military training for all personnel was stressed.

(6) On November 9th the unit entrained from their respective stations bound for the staging area of Camp Shanks, of the New York Port of Embarkation. While at Camp Shanks all of the final details for overseas movement were taken care of, i.e., arms were inspected, final equipment issued, records brought in order to the last minute, lectures and movies on military facts attended, and physical culture engaged in.

(7) The unit boarded the train bound for the pier at approximately 2230 hour, crossed the harbor on the ferry, and at 0300 hour, 23 November 1943, went aboard H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth. Sailed the next afternoon at 1600 hour, 23rd of November.

Arrived in the Fifth of Clyde and went ashore 30 November 1943, entrained that afternoon with 362nd Squadron bound for our station, USAAF #157, Raydon Wood, Suffolk. The advance echelon, Lt. Colonel GRAHAM, Group Executive Officer, Major CRAWEN, Group Intelligence Officer, and Captain DREGHE, Group Operations Officer, met the train and went along with us to the quarters that had been assigned. 363rd Squadron and 364th Squadron remained on the ship and followed on December 2nd and 3rd, respectively.

5. The following flying officers were killed in training during the period 1 January 43 to 31 December 43:

Captain Varian K. White	Captain Clay R. Davis
2nd Lt. Rudolph Bisterfeldt	2nd Lt. Virgil E. Wyss
2nd Lt. Bryce R. Van Cott	2nd Lt. Joseph M. Osborn
2nd Lt. Gail E. Palmer	2nd Lt. Fenemor E. Sexton
2nd Lt. Donald M. Steger	2nd Lt. Hal C. Plummer
2nd Lt. Lyle J. Maher	2nd Lt. Harold J. Mickelson
2nd Lt. Donald M. Seens	

6. On arrival in the ETO the Staff personnel of the 357th Fighter Group was as follows:

Lt. Colonel Edwin S. CHICKERING, O-21405, Commanding.
Lt. Colonel Donald W. GRAHAM, O-25247, Executive Officer.
Major Robert T. MCNINE, O-298745, Group Adjutant.
Major Alfred W. CRAWEN, Jr., O-902496, Intelligence Officer.
Captain Irwin H. DREGHE, O-431399, Operations Officer.
CWO, Roy L. PERDUE, W-2112394, Group S-4 Officer.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 147)

HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE,
San Francisco, California,
December 16, 1942.CONSTITUTION AND ACTIVATION OF CERTAIN ARMY AIR FORCES UNITS

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in Confidential letter AG 320.2 (12-6-42) CI-I-AF-M, W. D., A. G. O., December 8, 1942, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units", the following named unit, having been constituted and assigned to the Fourth Air Force, is activated as indicated, effective December 1, 1942:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION OF ACTIVATION AND PERMANENT STATION</u>	<u>ORGANIZED UNDER T/O</u>
Hq, 357th Fighter Gp	Hamilton Field, Calif.	1-12 (7-1-42)
362nd Fighter Sq		1-27 (7-1-42) w/C 1 (10-10-42)
363rd Fighter Sq		1-27 (7-1-42) w/C 1 (10-10-42)
364th Fighter Sq		1-27 (7-1-42) w/C 1 (10-10-42)

2. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be C-1-1057.

3. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

4. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule:

<u>Date to Reach 25% Strength</u>	<u>Date to Reach 50% Strength</u>	<u>Date to Reach 100 % Strength & Commence Training</u>
January 1, 1943	February 1, 1943	March 1, 1943

5. Cadre personnel for the activation of this unit will be secured from the 328th Fighter Group, Hamilton Field, California.

6. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

7. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances 1, July 1, 1942.

8. Reports will be submitted without delay to the Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Hamilton Field, California, to The Adjutant General, Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies), and the Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio, through this Headquarters, giving the following information:

- a. Unit activated.
- b. Unit furnishing cadre.
- c. Size of cadre.
- d. Date of activation.
- e. Permanent station.

9. Army Air Forces Regulation 15-127, September 15, 14-107, June 8, 15-128, May 8, 15-108, July 9, and 15-108A, August 22, 1942, and Technical Order CO-25-3, will be complied with immediately.

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10. The procurement allotment cited below will be obligated to the extent necessary. (See Section VI, Circular No. 261, W. D., 1942, as amended by Section II, Circular No. 279, W. D., 1942, and Section IV, Circular No. 314, W. D., 1942.)

Finance Service, Army

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(For travel of personnel, including dependents; for packing, crating, unpacking and shipping equipment, impedimenta and household goods; tolls and forriages en route; gasoline, oil and repairs to motor vehicles en route, communication service; rental of camp sites and procurement of utility service.)

11. The provisions of letter AAF 220.2, Headquarters of the Army Air Forces, dated September 21, 1942, subject: "Promotion of Enlisted Men Based on Authorized Grades and Strengths", will be adhered to in bringing unit to full authorized strength.

By command of Major General GILES:

EMIL C. KIEL,
Colonel, General Staff Corps,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

/s/ I. B. Summers,
/t/ I. B. Summers,
Colonel, Adjutant General's Department,
Adjutant General

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HQ IV F COM
 Oakland, Calif
 Dec 22/42

4. Following O AC reld fr asgmt orgns indicated, asgd and WP 357th F Gp,
 Hamilton Fld, Calif:

20th F Gp, Paine Fld, Wash
 MAJ LORING F STETSON JR 022346
 Hq IV F Comd, Oakland, Calif
 CAPT HERBERT I EGENES 0398687
 Hq San Diego Air Def Wg, San Diego, Calif
 CAPT STUART R LAULER 0416487
 55th F Gp, McCord Fld, Wash (perm sta Paine Fld, Wash)
 CAPT ROBERT T ROLINE 0298745
 Hq Los Angeles Air Def Wg, Los Angeles, Calif
 CAPT RAYMOND MORGRENDY 0476222
 328th Fighter Gp, Hamilton Fld Calif
 2 LT PETER G WILLIAMS 0562640 2 LT JACK T BLUE 0562563
 2 LT IEM P HENSLEE 0565628
 329th F Gp, Glendale, Calif, (perm sta March Fld, Calif)
 1 LT LYMAN W WELCH 0914846
 5 day delay enroute auth 1 LT WELCH. TPA. TDM. FD 33 P 433-01, 02, 03, 07,
 08 A 0425-23. Auth: GO No 147, Hq Fourth AF, Dec 16/42.

By comd of Brig Gen KERNER:

OFFICIAL:

/t/ Francis H. Ia Marre,
 /s/ FRANCIS H. IA MARRE,
 Capt, AC,
 Asst Adj.

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 GEORGE H. BOSWELL,
 1 St Lt., Air Corps,
 Historical Officer.

/s/ RUSSELL V RITCHIEY,
 Lt. Col, AC,
 Adj.

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HQ, AAB, HAWVER FIELD,
 FRESNO, CALIFORNIA.
 2 January 1943.

To: The Commanding Officer, 357th Fighter Group, AAB, Hamilton Fld.
 California.

The following EM, are this date reld fr atchd 50th Base Hq & AB Sq,
 and trfd to your Comd. Auth: Transfer Order No 400, Hq, Fourth AF, dtd Dec
 30/42:

Rank	Name	ASN	Spec Ser No	Recommended for
1 Pvt	Laurence E Bloom (In Chg)	35670541	219	070 Draftsman Sk
2 "	William J. Togneri	31127336	316	754 Rad Mech Sk
3 "	John L. Gettings	32474088	307 03	258 Tel&Tel Lineman Pot
4 "	Clyde J. Cornelius	38249846	303 49	258 " " " "
5 "	Warren R Adams	33185168	168	239 Teletype Mech Sk
6 "5	Frank Hurbis	36253678	101	239 " " "
7 "	Philip Lulashewitz	32399059	303 98	239 " " "
8 "	Clarence A Golyer	36330401	316	605 AP Elec Spec Sk
9 "	Levi C Jorgenson	37273741	303 06	555 AP Sht Met Wkr Sk
10 "	Clair B O'Malley	35666795	201	555 " " " " "
11 "	Martin V Johnson	18042551	301 63	555 Par Rig & Rep Sk
12 "	Charles L Hamblin	12131906	302 27	060 Cook Sk
13 "	Earl R. Knowles	34336756	373	060 " "
14 "	Walter E McCormick	31081693	307 76	060 " "
15 "	Calvin C Moody	34355794	304 06	060 " "
16 "	Oren L Brown	39189581	017	017 Baker Sk
17 "	Louis Boudreaux	38259081	305 27	519 Painter Pot

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By order of COL KIRKSEY:

OFFICIAL:

LELAND F JOHNSON,
 Maj, Air Corps,
 Adjutant.

/s/ Leland F Johnson
 /t/ LELAND F JOHNSON,
 Maj, Air Corps,
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 Historical Officer.

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AIR BASE HQ
Hamilton Fld, Calif
Mar 1/43

1. The following named O, WO and EM are trfd from Hamilton Fld, Calif, to Tonopah Bomb and Gunnery Range, Tonopah, Nev, on a temp change of sta and will proceed there to without delay:

MAJ DONALD W. GRAHAM 025247 AC
Capt RAYMOND MCGREADY 0476222 AC
CAPT CLAY R. DAVIS 0395122 AC

LT COL LORING F. STETSON Jr 22346 AC
CAPT JOHN D. BARKER 0414213 MC
1ST LT PASQUALE R. CARACCILOLO 0499085 AC
1ST LT PETER G. WILLIAMS 0564640 AC
2ND LT DAVID I. KRAMER 0649507 AC
2ND LT JOHN D. ANDERSON 0856648 AC
2ND LT ANTEL VARAS 0570609 AC

T Sgt Harvey D. Way 6579791
S Sgt Dean E. Jump 6990279
S Sgt John R. Woodward 13043627
Cpl Edwin W. Brandt 36006602
Cpl Renaldo C. Freda 36006386
Cpl Herbert B. Moosaw 14082004
Cpl Clyde L. Stratton Jr 17059370
Pfc Verne C. Cline 39157402
Pvt Paul K. Algert 39399930
Pvt Herbert W. Efaw 35740939
Pvt Edward V. Fisher 38269416
Pvt LaVern Mollar 35344813
Pvt Amon E. Owens 37388961
Pvt John A. Smith 14134203
Pvt Calvin R. Stone 38319846
Pvt Wilbur J. Whitman 38359152
Sgt Hubert I. Jones 18064138

S Sgt Ralph H. Crawford 6843382
S Sgt Clyde W. Steele 38085361
Sgt George A. Fischer 36306051
Cpl Robert J. Dean 16108227
Cpl Donald F. Lumley 16064768
Cpl Jack M. Norris 34268179
Pfc Robert Brehm 36611144
Pfc George A. Gardner 11073116
Pvt Lewis A. Barker 20905272
Pvt Joseph E. Engel 37438851
Pvt Joe C. Gunn 38319151
Pvt Frank Hurbis 36253678
Pvt Thomas M. Reinert 36513479
Pvt Milton Solomon 33294392
Pvt Richard V. Sutton 39255648
Pvt Robert Wood 13096388

DS, Abs, Sk, Fur, etc

Cpl Vincent E. Buening 37211124 - DS Ft Collins, Colo
Cpl Elmer W. Hasemyer 39529233 - DS Ft Logan, Colo
Cpl Eskel T. Holcomb 14139333 - DS Ft Logan, Colo
Pvt John W. McMahon 14044209 - DS Ft Collins, Colo

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By order of Col SMITH:

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Stanley W. Wray
/t/ STANLEY W. WRAY
1st Lt, AC
Actg Adj

ROBERT A. JOLLEY, Jr
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HQ 357th F GP
Hamilton Field, Calif.
March 3, 1943.

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9. Having been asgd this Group, per par 10, SO # 57, Hq IV F Comd, Oakland, Calif, dtd Feb 27/43, the following named O's are further asgd to orgns indicated, eff Feb 27/43:

2 LT ARTHUR M LINGO 0728686	<u>362ND FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>	2 LT JOSEPH E BROADHEAD 0728563
2 LT ROBERT R BAKER 0730334		2 LT DAVIS T PERRON 0728720
2 LT EDWIN W HIRO 0728661	<u>363RD FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>	2 LT WILLIAM R OBRIEN 0730583
2 LT LLOYD M HUBBARD 0730498		2 LT CLARENCE E ANDERSON 0730324
2 LT PAUL K DEVRIES 0728607		
1 LT JOHN A STORCH 0362181	<u>264TH FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>	2 LT GEORGE D CURRIE 0730394
2 LT JOHN L MEDEIROS 0728701		2 LT GLENDON V DAVIS 0730396
2 LT JACK R WARREN 0732418		

By order of Lt Col STETSON:

ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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/s/ ROBERT T. ROMINE
/t/ ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Captain, Air Corps,
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HQ 357TH F GP
Tonopah B & G Range
Tonopah, Nevada
March 22, 1943.

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4. Having been asgd this Group per par 6, SO #63, Hq 328th Fighter Group, Hamilton Fld, Calif, dtd Mar 18/43, the following named O's are further asgd to orgns indicated, eff Mar 18/43:

362ND FIGHTER SQUADRON

2 LT FLETCHER E ADAMS O-740324 AC	2 LT HENRY E BEAL JR O-740344 AC
2 LT ROBERT D BROWN O-740360 AC	2 LT KENNETH E HAGAN O-740410 AC
2 LT RUDOLF H BISTERFELDT O-740349 AC	Flt O ALBERT C LICHTER T-959 AUS
FLT O ROBERT D WALLEN T-969 AUS	FLT O RAY (NMI) SPARKS JR T-966 AUS

363RD FIGHTER SQUADRON

2 LT SETH B BAUGHMAN JR O-740342 AC	2 LT STUART (NMI) BINGHAM AC
2 LT JAMES W BROWNING O-740361 AC	2 LT HOWARD S MINNAN O-740422 AC
2 LT ALFRED R BOYLE O-740355 AC	2 LT JOSEPH M WIGHT O-740616 AC
FLT O CHARLES E MCKEE T-960 AUS	FLT O CHARLES E YEAGER T-970 AUS

364TH FIGHTER SQUADRON

2 LT NORMAN E BAXTER O-740343 AC	2 LT LAURENCE E BLUMER O-740351 AC
2 LT JOHN B CARDER O-740364 AC	2 LT REX P HJELM O-740423 AC
2 LT GLENDI C HOLDER O-740425 AC	FLT O TOM M MCKINNEY T-961 AUS
FLT O LOWELL D YOUNG T-971 AUS	

5. So much of par 5, this SO, (assgmt of O's to orgns) as reads: "FLT O RAY (NMI) SPARKS JR T-966 AUS 362nd Fighter Sq" and "FLT O LOWELL D YOUNG T-971 AUS 364th Fighter Sq" is amended to read: "FLT O RAY (NMI) SPARKS JR T-966 AUS 364th Fighter Sq" and "FLT O LOWELL D YOUNG T-971 AUS 362nd Fighter Sq."

By order of Lt Col STETSON:

ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

/s/ DAVID I. KRAMER,
/t/ DAVID I. KRAMER,
2nd Lieut, Air Corps,
Ass't Adjutant.

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HQ 357TH F GP
Tonopah B & G Range
Tonopah, Nevada
May 23, 1943

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1. Having been asgd this Group, per par 7, SO #139, HQ IV F COMD, Oakland, Calif, dtd May 20/43, CAPT IRWIN H DREXNE 0431399 AC, is further asgd to HQ, 357th Fighter Group, eff May 20/43.
2. CAPT IRWIN H DREXNE 0430399 AC aptd Group S-3 Officer vice MAJOR DONALD W GRAHAM reld.

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By order of Lieutenant Colonel STETSON:

/s/ Robert T Romine
/t/ ROBERT T ROMINE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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/s/ Robert T Romine
/t/ ROBERT T ROMINE,
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Hq B & G RANGE
Tonopah, Nevada
May 29/43

1. The following units consisting of the following named O, W/O and EM
WO stations indicated on dates shown on temp change of sta:

TO TRAVEL BY RAIL

Hqs 357th FTR GP to: Santa Rosa, Calif, June 1/43 (1 2/3 days travel time).

LT COL LORING F. STETSON, JR, 022346	1 LT DAVID T. KRAMER, 0649507
MAJ JOHN D. BARKER, 0414213	1 LT BERL A LEWIS, 0499039
MAJ DONALD W. GRAHAM, 0431399	1 LT PETER G. WILLIAMS, 0564640
CAPT IRWIN H. DREGNE, 0431399	2 LT GEORGE H. BOSWELL, 0571044
CAPT RAYMOND MEROBADI, 0476222	2 LT ROBERT Y EVANS, 0649923
CAPT ROBERT T ROMINE, 0298754	2 LT EMIL MOLDEA, 0575656
1 LT JOHN D ANDERSON, 0856648	2 LT HAROLD T REYNOLDS, 0856798
1 LT PASQUALE R. CARICCIOLLE, 0499085	WOJG HOY L PERDUE, W2112394
M/Sgt Dean E. Jump, 6990279	Cpl Jack M. Noriis, 34268179
T/Sgt Robert E. Howard, 6977464	Cpl John A. Smith, 14134203
T/Sgt Clyde W. Steele, 38035356	Cpl Robert Brehm, 36611144
T/Sgt George A. Fisher, 36306051	Cpl LaVern Hollar, 35344813
Sgt John R. Woodward, 13043627	Cpl Richard V Sutton, 39255648
Sgt Renaldo C. Preda, 36006386	T/5 Paul J. Schollard, 31185795
Sgt Vincent E. Puening, 37211124	Pfc Joseph A. Olson, 37407899
Sgt Verne C. Cline, 39157402	Pfc Albert Bisignano, 32483278
Sgt Donald F. Lumley, 16064768	Pfc Jake Martinez, 18220962
Sgt Thomas M. Reinert, 36513479	Pfc Bernard S. Clorey, 39554102
Sgt Clyde L. Stratton, Jr., 17053709	Pfc Morgan W. Davidson, 39270120
Sgt Calvin R. E. Stone, 38319846	Pfc John J. O'Keefe, 32685395
Sgt Lewis E. Barkef, 20905272	Pfc Warren J. Pascua, 32410299
Sgt Elmer W. Hasyemyer, 39529233	Pfc Amon E. Owen, 37388961
Cpl William Kirby, 32543144	Pfc Herbert W. Efaw, 35740939
Cpl Sam R. Loyacono Jr., 18212859	Pvt Lawrence Cirillo, 33496985
Cpl Joe C. Gunn, 38319151	Pvt Stanely Melancon, 38259082
Cpl Wilbur J. Whitman, 38359152	Pvt Edward H. Stokes, 31183212
Cpl Claude H. Williams, 18132780	Pvt Efern C. Velez, 39541808
Cpl Raymond G. Fitzpatrick, 12198594	Pvt Raymond J. Clark, 34038705
Cpl Eskel T. Holcomb, 14139333	Pvt Joseph L. Pisani, 32378823
Cpl Frank Hurbis, 36253678	Pvt William McLeod, 14055969
Cpl John W. McMahon, 14074209	Pfc Alphonso L. Saluzzo, 12171062

By order of LT COL MCCRILLIS:

OFFICIAL:

/s/ F.D.Heath
/t/ F.D.HEATH
Capt, A.C.
Adj.

F.D.HEATH
Capt, A.C.
Adj.

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GEORGE H. BOSWELL,
1st Lt., Air Corps.

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HQ 357TH F GP
Army Airdrome
Santa Rosa, Calif
June 4, 1943

SO)
NO 119)

1. Having been asgd this Group, per par 18, SO #111, HQ 328th F Gp, AAF, Hamilton Fld, Calif, dtd June 2/43, the following named 2 Lt, AC, are further asgd to Orgns indicated, eff June 2/43:

<u>362ND FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
JOHN E PURDY	0745250	ROBERT D MOSHER	0745469
HERBERT S NEESHAN	0745476	ELMER D RYDBERG	0745519
THOMAS E NORRIS	0745480	WILLIAM L POORE	0745500
ARVAL J ROBERSON	0745510	GILBERT M O'BRIEN	0745482
HAL G PLUMMER	0745498	JAMES W VAN DYNE	0745549
JAMES F VANN	0745551	JOHN F PUGH	0745502
DON R RICE	0745507		

<u>363RD FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
ROBERT W FOY	0745340	EDWARD K SIMPSON JR	0745529
WILLIAM B OVERSTREET JR	0745487	DUANE W OWNES	0745564
HERSCHEL T PASCOE	0745490	CHARLES K PETERS	0745495
DONALD S TROUP	0745548	JAMES M WELLMAN	0745554
LAWRENCE D WOOD	0745559	WILLIAM D MICHAELY	0745456
HAROLD D MICHELSON	0745457	ROBERT N MOORE	0745466
RAYMOND W STAUDTE	0745533	VIRGIL E WYSS	0745560

<u>364TH FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
DARWIN J CARROLL	0745235	MORRIS A STANLEY	0745531
JAMES E STRODE	0745537	LEROY A RUDER	0745518
FENEMOR B SEXTON	0745521	ROBERT M SHAW	0745528
DONALD M STEGER	0745534	GAIL E PALMER	0745489
CORDELL L SUMMERS	0745538	EDWIN R SUTTON	0745539

O's asgd to 362nd Fighter Squadron, WP w/o delay to Army Airdrome, Hayward, Calif, reporting upon arrival to the CO thereof for duty.

TPA auth. TC will furn T. TDN. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23. Auth: VOCO
June 4/43, and TWX SFADW U350, dtd June 2/43.

2. Having been asgd this Group per par 2, SO #97, HQ, 360th F Gp, AAF, AAB, Muroc, Calif, dtd June 2/43, the following 2 Lt, AC, are further asgd to orgns indicated, eff June 2/43:

<u>362ND FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
ALVIN F PYRATT III	0745503	KONSTANTIN J VOGEL	0745553
LYLE H REISWIG	0745505		
HARRY R ANKENY Jr	0465058		

<u>363RD FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
LYLE J MAHER	0745436	RALPH W OXFORD	0745488

<u>364TH FIGHTER SQUADRON</u>			
JOHN M LYONS	0745433	JOSEPH M OSBORN	0745485
CHARLES R PAUL	0745491	DUERON H ROBERSON	0745511
DE ROLLO M PAYNE	0745492	WARREN J VERTREES	0745552

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CO #119, HQ 357TH F GP, ARMY AIRDROME, SANTA ROSA, CALIF. June 4/43.

Par 2 cont'd.

O's as'd to 362nd Fighter Squadron, WP. w/o delay to Army Airdrome, Hayward, Calif, reporting upon arrival to the CO thereof for duty.

TPA auth. TC will furn T. FD 34 P 434-02 A 0425-23. Auth: VOCO June 4/43, and TWX IV FC M10030-2, dtd May 29/43.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel STETSON;

ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

/s/ ROBERT T. ROMINE
/t/ ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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Hq IV F Comd
Oakland, Calif
8 July 43

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3. Following changes in asgmt are directed:

Fr: Hq San Francisco Air Def Wg, San Francisco, Calif
LT COL EDWIN S CHICKERING 021405 AC - To: 357th F Gp, A Adm, Santa Rosa, Calif
(perm sta Hamilton Fld, Calif)

Fr: 357th F Gp, A Adm, Santa Rosa, Calif (perm sta Hamilton Fld, Calif)
Lt Colonel LORING F STETSON JR 022346 AC - To: Hq San Francisco Air Def Wg, San
Francisco, Calif

WP TPA TDM. 1-5250 P 431-01, 02, 03, 07, 08 A 0425-24. Auth: VOGG, Fourth AF,
8 July 43.

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By comd of Brig Gen MORRIS:

FRANCIS H LAMARRE,
Major, Air Corps,
Actg Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Francis H. Lamarre,
/t/ FRANCIS H. LAMARRE,
Major, Air Corps,
Actg Adjutant General.

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1st Lt, Air Corps,
Historical Officer.

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AIR BASE HQ
Hamilton Field Calif
14 Aug 43

2. The following orgn, 357th Ftr Gp, temp Sta, A Adm, Santa Rosa, Calif, (Permanent Sta, Hamilton Fld, Calif), consisting of No of Officers WO and EM indicated, are trfd to A Adm, Oroville, Calif, on temp chg of sta. Movement will be made by Govt vehicles:

Hq 357th Fighter Gp	19 Officers	1 WO	47 EM
363rd Fighter Sq	49 Officers	1 WO	252 EM

The following named O and EM, orgn indicated are auth to travel by POC at no additional expense to the Govt:

Hq 357th Ftr Gp

LT COL EDWIN S. CHICKERING 021405 AC	MAJ DONALD W. GRAHAM 025247 AC
MAJ JOHN D BARKER 0414213 AC	CAPT IRVING H DREONE 0431399 AC
1ST LT RICHARD WILLARD D. 0855946 AC	CWO HOY L PERDUE W2112394 AUS
S/Sgt Calvin R E Stone 38319846	

363rd Ftr Sq

1ST LT DAVE C WILLETT 0951258 AC	1ST LT ERNEST F DENIGRIS 0565185 AC
1ST LT PAUL K DEVRIES 0728607 AC	1ST LT CLARENCE E ANDERSON 0739324 AC
1ST LT LLOYD M HUBBARD 0730498	2ND LT CHARLES J OLSON 01553532 AC
2ND LT GEORGE J KAUFMANN 01555411 AC	2ND LT HOWARD S WINMAN 0740422 AC
2ND LT JAMES N WELLMAN 0745554 AC	2ND LT CHARLES W GAMBILL 0743000 AC
2ND LT WILLIAM E OVERSTREET, Jr 0745487	2ND LT CHARLES K PETERS 0745495 AC
WO FRITZ MOELLENDORF W2112447 AUS	1st Sgt Mavrin E Collet 37007558
M Sgt Samuel W Miller 6978417	M Sgt Frank A Waseca 6587266
T Sgt Ralph H Crawford 6843382	T Sgt Sumner W Tanner 16024472
S Sgt Emil Prange 37383761	S Sgt Robert W Lewis, Jr 6959839
S Sgt John D Vandenberg 32327704	S Sgt James T Walker 34198988

By order of Colonel KINZIE:

ROBERT A JOLLEY, Jr
Capt, AC
Adj

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Joseph R Woods
/t/ JOSEPH R WOODS
1st Lt., AC
Asst Adj

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Army Airdrome
Santa Rosa, Calif.
18 August 1943

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1. Having been asgd this Group per par 1, SO #226, HQ IV F COMD, Oakland Calif, dtd 16 Aug 43, CAPT ALFRED W CRAVEN JR 0902496 AC, is further asgd to Hq, 357th Fighter Group, eff 16 Aug 43.

2. CAPT ALFRED W CRAVEN JR 0902496 AC, is apt Asst Group S-2 Officer, (prin Duty).

3. CAPT ALFRED W CRAVEN JR 0902496 AC is aptd Group Claims Officer (add duty) vice 2 LT JOHN B MYERS JR 0575737 AC reld.

4. 2 LT JOHN B MYERS JR 0575737 AC, reld fr asgt Hq, 357th Fighter Group, and asgd to 363rd Fighter Squadron.

5. Having been found qualified for pre-aviation cadet (air crew) basic training, S/Sgt James J. Griffin 36340186, AC Unasgd, atchd to 362nd F Sq, is trfd in gr to AAFIS, Buckley Fld, Denver, Colo eff this date WP w/o delay proper sta, reporting thereat not later than 25 Aug 43, for pre-aviation cadet (air crew) basic training. S/R and allied papers will accompany EM.

The FD will pay adv monetary alws in lieu of rat in accordance with AR 35-4520 at the rate of \$3.00 per day for one (1) EM for two and one-third (2 1/3) days travel by rail.

TC will furn T. TDN. 1-5250 P 431-02 A 0425-24. Auth: Ltr Hq, Ninth Serv Comd, Fort Douglas, Utah, file: 201-Griffin, James J. (SPKIR), dtd 14 Aug 43.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICHERING:

ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

/s/ ROBERT T. ROMINE
/t/ ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Commanding General
180 New Montgomery St.
San Francisco, Calif.

AASFAT-9

370.5/w194

28 Aug 1943

SUBJECT: Warning Orders 357th Fighter Group

TO : Commanding General, IV Fighter Command, Oakland, California.

1. The 357th Fighter Group (Headquarters and Squadrons (3)) has been designated by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, for overseas shipment of personnel, individual equipment, organizational equipment normally issued to individuals and housekeeping equipment, on or about 1 November 1943. All other organizational equipment for the unit will be transferred to depots at destination and will be issued in accordance with instructions from the Commander of Theater of destination.

2. This unit is being transferred to the Second Air Force in the near future and will be moved overseas by that Headquarters. The unit will move to the control of the Second Air Force with full organizational equipment less motor vehicles.

3. It is desired that action be initiated immediately to fully prepare this unit for overseas movement with the exception of submission of shortage lists for equipment, as the unit should be ready for overseas movement in every particular when transferred to the Second Air Force. All ordinary items of preparation as indicated in PCM, Air-PCM and other existing directives, such as elimination of physically unqualified personnel, physical examination and immunization, personal affairs and all other items normally required of alerted units should be accomplished prior to movement from this Air Force.

By command of Brigadier General LYND:

/s/ M. T. Anderson
/t/ M. T. ANDERSON
WOJG USA
Asst Adj Genl

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George H. BOSWELL,
1st Lt., AC.

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AIR BASE HQ
Hamilton Fld, Calif
28 Sep 43

1. The Hq 357th Fighter Gp and the 363rd Fighter Sq, 357th Fighter Gp, consisting of the following listed O, WO and EM, AC, organization indicated, are transferred from Oroville AA Fld, Oroville, Calif to Casper AA Fld, Casper, Wyo, WP o/a 4 Oct 43, by mode of T shown. This is a permanent change of st.
* Train Commander ** Ass't Train Commander
Medical Officer # Mess Officer

HQ 357TH FIGHTER GP
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Capt ALFRED W CRAVEN, JR. 0902496
1ST LT JOHN D ANDERSON, 0856648
2ND LT GEORGE H BOSWELL, 0571044
2ND LT WILLIAM O FISCHER, 0861579
2ND LT MOLAN A GROSCHONG, 0571873
2ND LT ROBERT A VRATNY, 0650481 **

CAPT BEER A LEWIS, 0459039
1ST LT PASQUALE R CARACCIOLO
2ND LT ROBERT W BROWN, 0745551
2ND LT JACOB M FRANKEL, 0857403
2ND LT BILL HOLDEA, 0575656
CWO HOY I PERDUE, W2112394

WO(jg) FLOYD G RIDDLE W2112307

EM

M/Sgt Harvey D Way, 6579791
T/Sgt George A Fischer, 36306051
T/Sgt Clyde W Steele, 38085361
Sgt Lewis A Barker, 20905272
Sgt Paul Pankewicz, 32392004
Sgt Alphonso J Balluzzo, 12171062
Sgt Clyde L Stratton, Jr. 17059370
Sgt Wilbur J Whitman, 38359152
Cpl Bernard S. Glorety, 39554102
Cpl Roy C Grantham, 38294315
Cpl Elmer W Hasenyer, 39529233
Cpl LaVern Hollar, 35344813
Cpl William Kirby, 32542144
Cpl Amon E. Owens, 37388961
T/5 William F MacLeod, 14055969
Pfc Wayne V Cooley, 35763725
Pfc Morris L Spruill, 34663386
Pfc Steve Surmanian, 36554606
Pvt William J Genty, 36717223
Pvt Daniel J Hanlon, 31163358

T/Sgt Lewis A Adams, 31170676
T/Sgt Renaldo C Freda, 36006386
S/Sgt Calvin R. E. Stone, 38319846
Sgt John W McElahan, 14044209
Sgt Thomas M Reinert, 36513479
Sgt Newton A Stiles, 31235669
Sgt Richard V Sutton, 39255648
Cpl Albert Bisignano, 32483278
Cpl Morgan W Davidson, 39270120
Cpl Joe C Gunn, 38219151
Cpl Eskel T Holcombe, 14139333
Cpl Frank Murbis, 36253678
Cpl Joseph A Olsen, 37407899
Cpl Claude H Williams, 18132780
T/5 Paul J Schollard, 31185795
Pfc Herbert W Maw, 35740939
Pfc Edward H Stakes, 31183212
Pfc Efron C Velez, 39541808
Pvt Tony C Garcia, 38350334
Pvt Jimmie G Robison, 17032611

MIL. AIRCRAFT

MAJOR DONALD W GRAMM, 025247

1st LT GEORGE D CURRIE, 0730394

TPA-C

1st COL REYN S CHICKERING, 021405
MAJOR ROBERT T ROMINE, 0298745
1ST LT PAUL K DEVRIES, 0723607
1ST LT RICHARD D WILLARD, 0855946

MAJOR JOHN D BARKER, 0214213
CAPT IRWIN H DREXLER, 0431399
1ST LT DAVID I KRAMER, 0649507
CWO J DAVID HUMBLEY, W2112406

EM

Sgt Sam R Ioyacono, Jr 18216859

The following named EM, now on DS, Abs Sk, Conf, Fur, etc. WP proper sta, Casper, Wyo, when available:

M/Sgt Dean E Jump, 0990279
T/Sgt John R Woodward, 13043627
Cpl Frederick J Patrie, 32491228

T/Sgt George H Tellefsen, 16044113
Sgt Vincent E Buening, 37211124
Cpl Walter W Holtjen, 12013923

Pfc Cody Vann, Jr. 34701976

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By order of Colonel KENZIE:

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ROBERT A JOLLEY, Jr
Capt, AC
Adj

OFFICIAL: /s/ Joseph R Woods
/t/ JOSEPH R WOODS
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CONFIDENTIALWar Department
Washington 25, D. C.

WD 370.5 (7 Oct 43) OB-S-E-M

MEB/mej 2B 939 Pentagon

EXTRACT

9 October 1943

SUBJECT: Movement Orders, Shipment 8849

TO : The Commanding Generals,
Air Service Command
First, Second and Fourth
Air Forces
New York Port of Embarkation
Boston Port of Embarkation
The Chief of Transportation, Army Service Forces
The Chiefs of Technical Services, Army Service Forces

1. It is desired that you take without delay the action for which you are responsible to prepare for foreign service and to move the units listed below to the New York or Boston Port of Embarkation (for further movement by water transportation) so as to arrive at a time to be determined by the appropriate Port Commander. (See paragraph 10a (2)).

Unit	Shipment Number	Station	Agency to issue Movement Orders	Strength Off WO C EM T/O & E
357th Fighter Gp (SE) Hq (Less Adv Det)	8849-JJJ	Casper AAFld Casper, Wyo.	CG, Second Air Force	19 1 *1 50 T/O 1-12 1 Jul 42 (3) C-1 10 Feb 43
***362d Fighter Sq (SE)	8849-KKK	Pocatello AAFld Pocatello, Idaho	"	39 252 T/O 1-27 1 Jul 42 C-1 23 Nov 42 C-2 25 Jan 43 C-3 7 May 43
***363d Fighter Sq (SE)	8849-LLL	Casper AAFld Casper, Wyo.	"	39 252 "
***364th Fighter Sq (SE)	8849-MMM	Ainsworth AAFld Ainsworth, Neb.	"	39 252 "
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By order of the Secretary of War:

THOS. T. HANDY,
Assistant Chief of Staff
Operations Division, W.D.G.S.

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CONFIDENTIAL Movement Orders, Shipment 8849 (cont'd)

/s/ J. A. U lio
J. A. ULIO
Major General
The Adjutant General

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General Staff
Each station listed in paragraph 1,
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A TRUE AND EXACT COPY:

George H. Boswell
GEORGE H. BOSWELL,
1st. Lt., Air Corps,
Ass't S-2.

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Office of the Commanding General

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370.5 G

12 October 1943

SUBJECT: MOVEMENT ORDERS, Shipments 8849-JJJ, -KKK, -LLL, -MMM

To : See Distribution.

1. Pursuant to the authority contained in immediate action, Confidential War Department Letter, file WD 370.5 (7 Oct 43) OP-S-E-M, subject: "Movement Orders, Shipment 8849," dated 9 October 1943, it is directed that you take the necessary action and/or issue the necessary orders applicable to you to prepare for foreign service and to move the units listed below from their present indicated stations to the NEW YORK PORT OF EMBARKATION or the BOSTON PORT OF EMBARKATION (for further movement by water transportation), so as to arrive at a time to be determined by the appropriate Port Commander. The Commanding General, port of embarkation to which ordered (New York or Boston Ports of Embarkation) will inform this headquarters of the time and date it is desired that these units and/or their accompanying equipment will arrive at the port. This information will be relayed to you as soon as received at this Headquarters. (See paragraph 13 g (2) below).

Unit	SHIPMENT NUMBER	PRESENT STATION	STRENGTH				T/O & E
			OFF	NO	C	EM	
257th Fighter Gp (SE) Hq (Less Adv Det)	8849-JJJ	AAB, Casper, Wyo	19	1	1	50	T/O 1-12 1 Jul 42 C-1 10 Feb 43
362d Fighter Sq (SE)	8849-KKK	AAB, Pocatello, Idaho	39			252	T/O 1-27 1 Jul 42 C-1 23 Nov 42 C-2 25 Jan 43 C-3 7 May 43
363rd Fighter Sq (SE)	8849-LLL	AAB, Casper, Wyo.	39			252	"
364th Fighter Sq (SE)	8849-MMM	AAB, Minworth, Nebr.	39			252	"

By command of Major General STRENTT:

JOHN S. LUCAS JR.
1st Lieut., A. C. D.,
Asst. Adjutant GeneralA TRUE COPY:
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GEORGE H. BOWERSELL,
1st Lt., AG.~~IMMEDIATE ACTION~~
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PART V - INSPECTION REPORT FORM 2

HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE
Office of the Air Inspector
Colorado Springs, Colorado

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EXTRACT

24 October 1943

SUBJECT: Final Tactical Inspection Report of 357th Fighter Group,
Army Air Base, Casper, Wyoming.

TO : Commanding General, Headquarters Second Air Force, Colorado
Springs, Colorado.

THRU : Commanding Officer, 357th Fighter Group, AAB, Casper, Wyoming.
Commanding General, 72nd Fighter Wing, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

I. INSPECTION:

1. Current Tactical Inspection was conducted during the period 19 to 20, and
23 to 24 October, 1943, by:
(Inclusive Dates)

JAMES C. BARR, Major, A.C.
RUSSELL W. TARVIN, Captain, A.C.
THEODORE S. DREW, Captain, A.C.
EDWARD ROTHKRUG, Captain, A.C.
ROY W. FREEMAN, 1st Lieut., A.C.
JOHN F. KASPER, CWO, USA.
THOMAS J. BASKAS, M/Sgt., A.C.

2. Authority: Memorandum 120-6, Headquarters Second Air Force,
Colorado Springs, Colorado, dated 17 August 1943.

II. CONCLUSIONS:

1. I hereby certify after a thorough and determinative inspection
of the 357th Fighter Group, that the combat fitness of training, personnel,
and equipment is considered Very Satisfactory, and this unit is recommended
for overseas movement on readiness date.

A TRUE AND EXACT COPY:

JAMES C. BARR
Major, A.C.
Tactical Supervisor

George H. Boswell
GEORGE H. BOSWELL,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Ass't S-2.

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AUTH: CG, NYFE
INITIAL:
DATE: 7 November 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 311) -E X T R A C T-

HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR BASE
Casper, Wyoming
7 November 1943

1. The following listed personnel, 363rd Ftr Sq, and 357th Ftr Gp, this sta are hereby trfd to Camp Shanks, New York, and will proceed at proper time by rail rptg not later than 1600 November 12, 1943 to CO, Camp Shanks, for further asgmt to shipment 8849 JJJ, LLL.

HQ, 357th FIGHTER GROUP

LT COL EDWIN S CHICKERING	O-21405	**MAJ JOHN D BARKER	O-414213
CAPT BERL A LEWIS	O-499039	1ST LT PASQUALE R CARRACCILO	O-499085
1ST LT DAVID I KRAMER	O-649507	1ST LT JOHN D ANDERSON	O-356648
1ST LT RICHARD D WILLARD	O-855946	1ST LT WILLIAM R O'BRIEN	O-730583
1ST LT EMIL (NMI) MOLDEA	O-575656	1ST LT GEORGE E CURRIE	O-730394
2ND LT GEORGE H BOSWELL	O-571044	2ND LT NOLAN A GROSHONG	O-571873
2ND LT JACOB M FRANKEL	O-857403	2ND LT TOBERT W BROWN	O-748551
2DN LT EUGENE D RHODES	O-880792	CWO HOY L FERDUE	W-2112394
CWO J DAVID MURLEY	W-2112406	WO (jg) FLOYD G RIDDLE	W-2112307
M SGT LEWIS A ADAMS	31170676	M SGT DEAN E JUMP	6990279
M SGT GEORGE M TELIEFESN JR	16044113	SGT ELMER W HASEMTER	39529233
SGT WILBUR J WHITMAN	38359152	CPL BERNARD S CLORETY	39554102
SGT RICHARD V SUTTON	39255648	CPL LAVERNE (NMI) HOLLAR	35344813
CPL ESKEL T HOLCOMBE	14139333	SGT ALPHONSO J SALLUZZO	12171062
T SGT RENALDO C FIEDA	36006386	SGT LEWIS A BARKER	20905272
SGT PAUL (NMI) PANKIEWICZ	32392004	CPL JOSEPH A OLSON	34707889
CPL ALON E OWENS	37388961	CPL CLAUDE H WILLIAMS	18132780
PFC CODY JR VANN	34701976	PVT DANIEL J HANLON	31163358
T SGT GEORGE A FISHER	36306051	CPL WILLIAM P MCLEOD	14055969
T 5 PAUL J SCHOLLARD	31185795	PFC HERBERT W EFAW	35740939
PFC MORRIS L SPRUILL	34663886	PFC EDWARD H STOKES	31183212
PFC EFREN C VELEZ	39541808	M SGT HARVEY D WAY	6579791
T SGT JOHN R WOODWARD	13043627	S SGT CALVIN R E STONE	38319846
SGT SAM R LOY ACONO JR	18216859	SGT SLYDE L STRATTON JR	17095370
CPL ALBERT (NMI) BISIGNANO	32483278	CPL ROY C GRANTHAM	38294315
CPL WALTER W WOLTJEN	12013923	CPL FRANK (NMI) HURBIS	36253678
PVT WILLIAM J CANTY	36717223	PVT TONY C GARCIA	38350334
PVT EDWARD F SULLIVAN	31311181	S SGT NEWTON A STILES	31235669
SGT JOE C GUNN	38319151	CPL CARL W BRAUN	35538753
CPL WAYNE V COOLEY	35763725	CPL FREDRICK J PATRIE	32491228
PFC ROBERT W SMITH	16114661	T SGT CLYDE W STEELE	38085361
S SGT VINCENT E BUENING	37211124	SGT MORGAN W DAVIDSON	39270120
PFC EMERSON J PARADIS	38467904	PVT JIMMIE G ROBINSON	17032611

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 Par 1 Special Order #311 dd Nov 7, 1943 (cont)

Qrs asgmt of single Os are terminated effective date of departure in accordance with Par 13, AR 210-10. This constitutes a non-asgmt of qrs for married O, there being no adequate qrs for them on the post.

TO will furnish nec T. It being impracticable for the Govt to furnish rat in kind for EM on troop train, the troop train commander will submit rat return to the Sales Officer, this sta, AAB, Casper, Wyo, through this Hq and will make an accounting of his stewardship with Cir WD, July 29, 1943. Sec V Par 3 Cir 174 WD 29 July 1943 will be complied with.

* Denotes Train Commander

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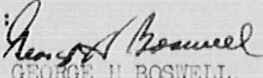
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A roster of headquarters Officers and Enlisted Men upon arrival at AAF Station
157, Raydon Wood, Suffolk, in the ETO.

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HEADQUARTERS
 UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCES
 UNITED KINGDOM

320.2

7 December 1943

SUBJECT: Assignment of Troops (No. 7)

TO : Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
 VIII Bomber Command
 VIII Fighter Command

1. The following units having recently arrived in this theater are assigned to commands indicated:

Ninth Air Force

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3.	*	*	*	*

By command of Lieutenant General BAKER:

/s/ JAMES B. GORDON
 /t/ JAMES B. GORDON
 Lt Col, AGO,
 Asst Adj General.

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HQ 357TH F GP,
APO 638 U S Army
9 December 1943

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2. Confirming VOCO, 5 Dec 43, following O's, this command, WP on TD USAAF Sta 341 for approx five (5) days off o/a 5 Dec 43 on matters pertaining to trng. Upon completion of TD O's will return proper sta. TDN. Mil trans, air or rail auth. Govt cars and subs not being available O's will be reimbursed by PD at rate not to exceed per diem allowance of \$4.00 for lodging and \$1.25 for subsistence not to exceed five (5) days. Auth: Memo 5-4, Hqs Ninth AF, 8 Nov 43, Section II, para 7, Policy 30-1. Hqs USAAFUK, Nov 43, 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425 and 91-5 P 410-01 A 212/4-200.

Capt ALFRED W GRAVEN JR 0902406 AC
1 Lt GEORGE H BOSWELL 0571074 AC
1 Lt NOLAN A GROSHONG 0571873 AC
Capt DON G FICHELLE 0375361 AC
1 Lt PAUL S BROWN 0571119 AC
2 Lt FRANCIS W MAVER 0569350 AC
1 Lt ERNEST F DE NIGRIS 0565185 AC
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By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:

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AFPO 696, U. S. ARMY
 16 December 1943

GENERAL ORDERS)
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 NUMBER 146)

Section I.....Assignment of Units
 Section II.....Amendment of General Orders

SECTION I

1. The following units having been assigned to the Ninth Air Force by letter, USAAF, UK, file 320.2, dated 7 December 1943, subject: "Assignment of Troops (No 7)" are further assigned to the IX Fighter Command, effective 0001 hours, 7 December 1943.

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	357th Fighter Group		
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2.	*	*	*
3.	*	*	*
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By command of Major General BREWSTER:

V H STRAIN
 Brig Gen USA
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HEADQUARTERS
357th Fighter GroupAPO 638
20 Dec 43OPERATIONS)
: DAILY TRAINING SCHEDULE
MEMO)

1. Flight Training.

a. Unlimited: Squadrons will furnish pilots for navigation flights in groups of twenty (20) as follows:

0900 - 363rd F S
1015 - 364th F S
1300 - 362nd F S
1415 - 363rd F S
1530 - 364th F Sb. Limited: Same as a. above.
c. Closed: None

2. Ground School.

a. 0900 - 1000 Identification
1000 - 1100 Weather and Chemical Warfare
1100 - 1200 Communication
1330 - 1430 Identification
1430 - 1530 Weather and Communication

b. Pilots will be required to attend the three scheduled lectures at a time when they are not scheduled to fly.

c. The photographer will be in the Group Operations Room at 1000 Tuesday for those who have not yet had their pictures taken.

d. No pilots will be granted overnight leave until the navigational flights have been completed and the pictures have been taken.

GEORGE D. CURRIE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Duty Opns O and Trng O.

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NOTICE TO ALL OFFICERS

YOUR ATTENTION IS AGAIN CALLED TO THE OFFICERS DANCE AND NEW YEARS EVE PARTY, TO BE HELD IN THE OFFICERS CLUB, NEW YEARS EVE, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31st.

Special trucks will be provided to furnish transportation for those Officers who desire to bring their dates. Trucks will pick up Officers and their dates from the Lobby of the White Horse Hotel in Ipswich and from the Officer's Red Cross Club in Colchester at 2030.

The trucks will return Officers and their dates from the dance to these points at about 0100 New Years Morning. Trucks will remain in town for one hour while the Officers take their dates home and then return the Officers to the base.

It is expected that there will be some girls furnished by various organizations in town. These girls will be brought to the Party in groups and due to limited transportation must be returned as a group. Officers will not be permitted to escort these girls home.

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HQ 357TH F GP
APO 638, U S Army
31 December 1943

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This is the last Special Order issued by Hq 357th Fighter Group in 1943.

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3. 1 LT ALEXANDER (NMI) GRANBACKA O233030 AC, reld fr asgmt 362nd F Sq,
and asgd Hq 357th F Gp.

4. 1 LT ALEXANDER (NMI) GRANBACKA O233030 AC, aptd Asst S-4 O (prin dy).

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By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:

/s/ Robert T. Romine
/t/ ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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/s/ Robert T. Romine
/t/ ROBERT T. ROMINE,
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INITIAL INSTALLMENT
UNIT HISTORY
357TH FIGHTER GROUP

1. Original designation of unit was the 357th Fighter Group. There has been no change in this designation. During the training period on the West Coast of the U. S., the Group trained with P-39 aircraft.

2. Activated at Hamilton Field, Calif., per WD Letter, AG 320.2, dated 6 December 1942, as amended by WD Letter, Subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units", dated 1 December 1942, the date of constitution of this organization was fixed as 1 December 1942. (Supporting document No. 1 attached). The original personnel were assigned 22 December 1942 (Document No. 2 attached).

a. The three squadrons, 362nd, 363rd, and 364th of the 357th Fighter Group, were activated by the same order listed in paragraph 2 above.

3. The original cadre of enlisted personnel was assigned from 4th AF Replacement depot as was subsequent additions of personnel. The first pilots, flight leaders and operations officers were assigned from the 328th Fighter Group. (Documents 3 and 4 attached).

4. Following is a resume of the movements of the organization from time of activation to arrival in the ETO:

A. Hamilton Field for two months following activation. On March 6, 1943, the Group arrived for the first phase of training at Tonopah, Nevada. (Document No. 5). There the organization was completed during the first three months of training in the desert. The first trainee pilots joined the unit from Luke Field and were assigned to Squadrons, through the 328th Fighter Group at Hamilton Field. (Document No. 6).

B. At Hamilton Field, which remained the home station for the remainder of the period in the 4th Air Force, close supervision was maintained and per SO #104, Hdqrs Bombing and Gunnery Range, Tonopah, Nevada, dated 24 May 1943, the unit was moved back to California, beginning the movement on 1 June 1943. The 362nd Squadron moved to Hayward, Calif., while the 363rd and 364th, along with Group Headquarters, were assigned to Santa Rosa AAB, Calif. These were sub-bases of Hamilton Field. (Document No. 7).

(1) Again in California, the Group trained under the San Francisco Fighter Wing, commanded by General Schramm. New pilots were assigned. (Document No. 8). Full tactical training was received in ground controlled interception, dive-bombing, ground strafing, and low level air-ground support, bomber escort and attack. Ground cooperation training was carried out with armored units stationed nearby. Group missions were flown with all three squadrons receiving practice in escort and attack on bombers. Training of ground personnel was continued. Misfits and unsatisfactory trainees were eliminated here and the Group began to function as an efficient unit.

(2) Lt. Colonel EDWIN S. CHICKERING, O-21405, took command of the 357th Fighter Group on 7 July 1943 at Santa Rosa, relieving Lt. Colonel LORING F. STETSON Jr., assigned as commander of the 33rd Fighter Group in the ETO after leaving. (Document No. 9).

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(3) Captain Irwin H. DREGNE, O-431399, had become Group Operations Officer, and Captain Alfred W. CRAVEN JR., O-902496, (now Major Craven), was assigned to Group Intelligence. (Documents 10 and 11).

(4) The Group moved again on 18 Aug 1943, this time to the Oroville, Calif., AAB. Headquarters detachment was accompanied by the 363rd Squadron; the 362nd Squadron remained at Hayward, Calif., AAB, while the 364th Squadron moved to Marysville, Calif., AAB. (Document No. 12).

(5) Warning Orders for overseas movement were received by the unit on 30 August 1943. Inspections began immediately, along with the final clearing of unsatisfactory personnel. Pilot strength was reduced to T/O authorization and other departments were cleared. The inspections were satisfactory. (Document No. 13).

(6) The component units of the Group moved again, the movement starting 3 October 1943. Headquarters and 363rd Squadron moved to Casper, Wyoming, AAB, 362nd Squadron moved to Pocatello, Idaho, AAB, and 364th Squadron moved to Ainsworth, Nebraska, AAB, all in the Second Air Force for last minute combined training with heavy bombardment units of that command. (See Document No. 14). Final preparations for shipment overseas and military and physical conditioning was stressed.

(7) On November 9th the unit entrained from their respective stations bound for the staging area of Camp Shanks, of the New York Port of Embarkation (Document No. 15, 16, 17, 18). While at Camp Shanks all of the final details were taken care of; i.e., arms were inspected, final equipment issued, records brought in order to the last minute, lectures and movies on military facts attended, and physical culture engaged in.

(8) The unit boarded the train bound for the pier at approximately 2330 hour, crossed the ferry, and at 0300, 22 Nov 1943, went aboard HMS Queen Elizabeth. The unit sailed the next afternoon at 1600, 23 Nov 1943. (Secret Orders).

(9) Group Headquarters arrived in the Firth of Clyde (see attached roster, Document No. 19), along with other units of the Group, and went ashore 30 November 1943, entrained that afternoon with 362nd Squadron bound for USAAF Station #157, Raydon Wood, Suffolk. The advance echelon, Lt. Colonel GRAHAM, Group Executive Officer; Major CRAVEN, Group Intelligence Officer, and Captain DREGNE, Group Operations Officer, met the train and went along with the troops to the quarters that had been assigned. 363rd and 364th Squadrons remained on the ship and followed on Dec 2 and 3, 1943, respectively.

5. The following pilots were killed in training during the period 1 Jan 1943 to 31 Dec 1943 in the U.S.:

Capt. Varian K. WHITE, 2nd Lt. Rudolph BISTERFELDT, 2nd Lt. Bruce R. VAN COTT, 2nd Lt. Gail E. PALMER, 2nd Lt. Donald M. STEGAR, 2nd Lt. Lyle J. MAHER, Capt. Clay R. DAVIS, 2nd Lt. Vergil E. WYESS, 2nd Lt. Joseph M. OSBORN, 2nd Lt. Fenemor B. SXTON, 2nd Lt. Hal C. PLUMMER, 2nd Lt. Harold J. MICKELSON, and 2nd Lt. Donald M. SOENS.

6. On arrival in the ETO, the staff personnel of the 357th was as follows: Lt. Colonel Edwin S. CHICKERING, O-21405, Commanding; Lt. Colonel Donald W. GRAHAM,

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Group Executive Officer; Major Robert T. ROMINE, O-298745, Group Adjutant; Major Alfred W. CRAVEN JR., O-902496, Group Intelligence Officer; Capt. Irwin H. DREGNE, O-431399, Operations Officer; and CWO Hoy L. PURDUE, W-2112394, Group Supply Officer.

7. In the ETO the Group was assigned to the IX Air Force by letter, Hq USAAFUK, dated 7 December 1943 and to the IX Fighter Command by General Orders No. 146, Hq IX Air Force, dated 16 December 1943, to be effective 7 December 1943 (Documents No. 20 and 21).

8. Difficulties in OTU work was experienced at first, mainly due to lack of equipment. OEL and TAT equipment was slow in arriving, but during December it finally arrived. P-51 airplanes were assigned in twos and threes and line crews began making themselves familiar with their new work, as did the pilots with their new planes. Great was the enthusiasm over the Mustang, about which the pilots had dreamed of being able to go into combat with when once they arrived in the ETO.

9. Training directives, Field Orders, and Memorandums from the IX Air Force, IX Fighter Command, and 70th Fighter Wing were received and complied with. An extensive program of orientation, training, and field work was begun. Operations section issued daily training memorandums for the Group and Squadrons, (Document No. 22 attached). Personnel in almost every section were on DS at schools and operational groups, learning procedures of the USAAF in the ETO. An extract of a typical order is attached. (Document No. 23).

10. Recreation facilities were provided by the American Red Cross in the way of the AERO Club for Officers and Enlisted Men, a place where one could eat, listen, and later on the Enlisted Men could dance on Wednesday nights. An Officer's Club was also opened in conjunction with the Officer's Mess. A copy of the notice to the New Year's Eve dance is attached. (Document No. 24.)

11. No operational missions were flown by the 357th while in the IX Air Force. Individual pilots flew missions with the 354th Fighter Group.

12. On the 27th of January the Group received verbal orders from General QUESADA of the IX Fighter Command to prepare to move from Raydon Wood, AAF Station 157, to Leiston, AAF Station F-373. This move took the unit from the IX Air Force to the Eighth Air Force. The move began with Headquarters and 362nd Squadron on the 31st of January 1944 with arrangements for 363rd and 364th Squadrons to follow. (Supporting Document No. 25).

13. The staff personnel had not changed on arrival in the VIII AF except for the Group S-4 Officer. CWO Hoy L. PURDUE, W-2112394, who was replaced by 1st Lt. Alexander Granbacka, O-233030, made a noticeable success in that job. (Document No. 26).

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FEBRUARY INSTALLMENT
Unit History, 357th Fighter Group
AAF, Station F-373
APO 637, U S Army

1. Per VOGG IX Fighter Command, 27 January 1944, the 357th Fighter Group, Headquarters Detachment and three Squadrons, were transferred from AAF Station 157, APO 638, 9th Air Force, IX Fighter Command, and 70th Fighter Wing to the 8th Air Force, VIII Fighter Command, 66th Fighter Wing, AAF Station F-373, APO 637, (Special Orders No 12, Headquarters AAF Station 157, dated 5 February 1944, supporting document No 1 attached). The Group moved to its new station on the 31 January 1944. Lt Colonel EDWIN S. CHICKERING was made the new Station Commander, replacing Lt Colonel WELLS, of the 358th Fighter Group who was transferred to the 9th Air Force, AAF Station 157, with his organization.
2. New Station assignments were announced per S.O. No.33, Headquarters, AAF Station F-373, dated 3 February 1944. These assignments included Officers from the different Station Units, as well as the 357th Fighter Group. (Special Orders attached, supporting document No 2).
3. Ground school and flight training continued for the Pilots and other training continued. A Chemical Warfare School was started for all Officers on the station, the schedule for attendance is attached. (Supporting document No 3). Also attached is Daily Bulletin for 15 February 1944, ordering this school to be started. (Supporting document No 4).
4. Ground school for pilots was conducted by Group and Squadron Intelligence Officers in Recognition, Flak, Geography, Escape and Evasion, etc. Flight Lt. CHAPMAN, RAF Intelligence Liason Officer, is shown on attached photographs teaching a class in Geography. (Supporting documents No's 5, 6, and 7).
5. Facilities at the new station were excellent, except for the great amount of mud. There were few complaints.
6. A Flying Evaluation Board, consisting of the Group Executive Officer, 362nd Fighter Squadron Commander, and the Group Surgeon was appointed. On the same order, six Enlisted Men were awarded the AAF Technicians Badge from the 357th Headquarters Detachment. (Supporting document No 8).
7. Captain GEORGE D. CURRIE was relieved from assignment as Ass't 357th Group Operations Officer and re-assigned to the 364th Fighter Squadron. 1st Lt. HENRY E. BEALE Jr. and 2nd Lt. ROBERT W. FOY were appointed Ass't 357th Group Operations Officers. (Supporting document No 9).
8. The Group was placed on an operational status per VOGO, 66th Fighter Wing, AAF Station, F-371, APO 637, on 9 February 1944. The first combat mission was led by Major JAMES HOWARD, 354th Fighter Group, on 11 February 1944. Teletype Mission Summary Reports, as submitted by Group Intelligence of this first mission and all subsequent missions, are attached. (Supporting documents No's 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18).

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9. Lt. Colonel EDWIN S. CHICKERING, O-21405, was succeeded as Commanding Officer of the 357th Fighter Group and AAF Station F-373 by Colonel H.R. SPICER, O-21489. Lt. Colonel CHICKERING went to the 66th Fighter Wing and Colonel SPICER took command on 17 February 1944. (Supporting documents No's 19, and 20).

10. Upon taking command Colonel SPICER began leading the Group on missions against the enemy with excellent results. His personal claims consist of three (3) German planes shot down and encounter reports of the victories make supporting documents No's 21 and 22.

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 SPECIAL ORDER
 NO. *21*

RESTRICTED
 FEB 5 1944
 HEADQUARTERS AIR STATION F-373
 AIO 637
 3 February 1944

1. 1ST LT DON W. VOGLI, 0836206 AC, 362nd F1 Sq, WF on ID o/a 3 Feb 44 to Wharton Air Depot. Purpose ferry left to this Sta. Orders for return of above O to his proper sta will be issued by AF Sta F-373. TDM. QM. O will be reimbursed for actual cost of subs and/or ars for period when Govt fac are not available not to exceed \$4.00 per day for ars and \$1.25 per day for rats. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425. (Auth: Ltr Hq ETOUSA 3 Nov 43).

2. PIC VOGLI IX AF, dtd 30 Jan 44, 2D LT ELMER D. RYDBERG, 0745519, AC, now on DS Wharton Air Depot, per Par 4, SO #20, Hq 357th F1 Bn, dtd 23 Jan 44, is directed to ret to orgn at AF Sta F-373. TDM. QM. O will be reimbursed for actual cost of subs and/or ars for period when Govt fac are not available not to exceed \$4.00 per day for ars and \$1.25 per day for rats. 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425 (Auth: Ltr Hq ETOUSA 3 Nov 43).

3. The foll named O are detailed to the Sta assgate (add dy) set after their names.

LT COL DONALD M. GRAHAM	025247 AC	Deputy Sta Comdr, vice LT COL
GEORGE L. WERTHEIMER, 0303756, AC reld.		
MAJ CARLYLE D. HOFFMAN	0262838 AC	Sta Executive, vice MAJ F. A.
BARTRICK, 0906651, AC reld.		
MAJ ROBERT T. HORTON	0262838 AC	Sta Adj, vice MAJ CARLYLE D. HOFFMAN
0262838, AC reld.		
LT COL DONALD M. GRAHAM	025247 AC	Sta Insp, vice LT COL GEORGE L.
WERTHEIMER, 0303756, AC reld.		
CAPT IRVIN H. DREONE	0431399 AC	Sta Tactical Insp, vice MAJ HORTON
D. KILTOR, 0412276, AC reld.		
CWO J. DAVID MURLEY	W2112406	Sta Tech Insp, vice CAPT ROBERT W.
SMITH, 0420215, AC reld.		
WO(JG) FLOYD C. RIDDIE	W2112307	Asst Sta Adj
WO(JG) JAMES V. CHARRA	W2119055	Asst Sta Tech Insp, vice WO(JG)
GALE M. McALLISTER, W21224069 reld.		
MAJ ALFRED W. CRAVEN, JR	0902496 AC	Sta S-1 O, vice MAJ JOSEPH A. LEMKE
0168829, AC reld.		
CAPT IRVIN H. DREONE	0431399 AC	Sta S-2 O, vice MAJ RANDALL D.
KILTOR, 0412276, AC reld.		
CAPT DAVID L. BRIMER	0649507 AC	Sta Statistical O, vice 1ST LT ALVIN
S. GUTHRIE, 0563183, AC and 1ST LT ALVIN S. GUTHRIE, 0649760, AC reld.		
CAPT JAMES A. COX	0306188 AC	Sta Spec Serv O, vice 2D LT MORRIS
C. LAMON, 0569008, AC reld.		
2D LT MORRIS C. LAMON	0169003 AC	Asst Sta Spec Serv O
CAPT MAX L. HAYL	0261047 AC	General Mess O, vice CAPT RUSSELL
M. VALLONE, 0559428, AC reld.		
1ST LT ALAN P. TODD	01237269	Inf Sta Courts & Boards O, vice MAJ
ROBERT B. HENDLEY, 0253948, reld.		
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1. Per VOCC IX Fighter Command, 27 January 1944, the 357th Fighter Group, consisting of the Hq & Hq Detachment, 362nd Fighter Squadron, 363rd Fighter Squadron and 364th Fighter Squadron, WP c/a 31 January 1944 fr AAF Station 157 to AAF Station 373.

This a perm change of sta.

The CO of each org will turn a complete roster of asgd personnel to the CO, AAF Station 157, which roster will be attached to and become an integral part of this order.

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Exigencies of the service precluded the issuance of orders in advance.

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 Sgt Blosser, Lester V., 32239875
 Sgt Boraczek, Benedict M., 32570271
 Sgt Clark, Elmer W., 32383787
 Sgt Clarke, Francis E., 32287011
 Sgt Cooper, Ben T., 35495847
 Sgt Craig, Thomas C., 33274429
 Sgt Fah, Francis (NMI), 37433282
 Sgt Fertsch, Robert M., 32298037
 Sgt Glasson, Charles J., 37295223
 Sgt Haussel, Charles H., 32159310
 Sgt Holt, Reuben C., 38208150
 Sgt Jankowski, Joseph (NMI), 6717136
 Sgt Kidd, Jr., Marshall D., 15324708
 Sgt LaMont, James R., 37270099
 Sgt Miller, Ernest E., 33370386
 Sgt Myers, Eschel S., 35038367
 Sgt Milson, Dyril L., 36368245
 Sgt Owoc, Leo L., 35383486
 Sgt Pumphrey, Lee B., 36701098
 Sgt Reichel, Paul K., 32378117
 Sgt Ritchie, Elmer J., 11094854
 Sgt Salvosen, Roy (NMI), 32284121
 Sgt Schutkowski, Leo (NMI), 36537621
 Sgt Smithisler, Lawrence D., 37353996
 Sgt Stanley, Wilbur L., 19040983
 Sgt Stoddard, Robert D., 37457106
 Sgt Tenney, Jr., George V., 31083775
 Sgt Van Tine, Thomas K., 32572747
 Sgt Winfree, Robert L., 38225730
 Cpl Allen, Claude L., 35715534
 Cpl Baumgartner, George H., 37413894
 Cpl Bieracki, Jr., Frederick, 38250040
 Cpl Bland, Floyd L., 38168078
 Cpl Bolin, Oren C., 35090588
 Cpl Chassar, Joseph W., 32460787
 Cpl Cirillo, John R., 33193750
 Cpl Day, Jasper B., 34684697
 Cpl Doss, Don H., 37417472
 S/Sgt Coniff, Jr., John P., 32148964
 S/Sgt Dunn, Carrol J., 31126432
 S/Sgt Hains, Otto (NMI), 31109402
 S/Sgt Kelley, George R., 36198952
 S/Sgt Kuhn, Rupert C., 1209321
 S/Sgt Kuykendall, Milburn E., 35177294
 S/Sgt Lalibarte, Julian J., 37029879
 S/Sgt Loter, James W., 18129953
 S/Sgt Maiorano, Albert C., 32411716
 S/Sgt Mayo, John E., 34351235
 S/Sgt O'Malley, Clair B., 35666745
 S/Sgt Prange, Emil E., 37383761
 S/Sgt Rourke, George M., 33321565
 S/Sgt Sehalick, Arthur P., Jr., 32077677
 S/Sgt Smith, Robert H., 35308119
 S/Sgt Vandenberg, John D., 32327704
 S/Sgt Webber, Harry E., 36071502
 S/Sgt Wood, Carl K., 33125440
 Sgt Adelman, Jacob F., 32499843
 Sgt Barratt, Reginald K., 37231606
 Sgt Beaumont, Maurice S., 39252706
 Sgt Bennett, Harold, E., 31054399
 Sgt Dienemann, Herman J., 36431059
 Sgt Blanco, Michael L., 12158989
 Sgt Bryan, Cecil B., 35563945
 Sgt Clement, Clifford S., 36427826
 Sgt Classons, Leonard E., 32345715
 Sgt Cornelius, Clyde J., 38249846
 Sgt Curits, Kenneth W., 16072660
 Sgt Farquhar, Donald I., 31078380
 Sgt Finley, Robert E., 38239506
 Sgt Golstein, Murray (NMI), 32143860
 Sgt Hammond, Phillip S., 18121072
 Sgt Helts, Arthur J., 36700304
 Sgt Keller, Robert R., 33233918
 Sgt Knowles, Earl R., 34336756
 Sgt Leonard, Charles F., 7033011
 Sgt Loen, Elmo K., 37128559
 Sgt Maslin, Sidney (NMI), 13073008
 Sgt Oropallo, Eugene (NMI), 120216690
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 Sgt Rabich, George H., 32625249
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 Sgt Schrader, Leo J., 37012906
 Sgt Smith, Harry M., 13153558
 Sgt Spencer, Frederick D., 39303693
 Sgt Stevens, Ellsworth F., 11116857
 Sgt Sutherland, William R., 33195768
 Sgt Vanehine, Tony P., 35640196
 Sgt Wilson, Roy E., 38296787
 Cpl Alexander, William (NMI), 39829728
 Cpl Allen, Ralph (NMI), 35612124
 Cpl Bell, Ralph E., 18109633
 Cpl Bingham, Jay (NMI), 13153012
 Cpl Blasena, Victor (NMI), 17080621
 Cpl Britton, John J., 32465801
 Cpl Christensen, George A., 36374669
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 Cpl DiFalco, Thomas A., 32480109
 Cpl Dajack, Floyd J., 31277585

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Cpl Harter, Thomas D., 34382124	Cpl Hatcher, Orbis T., 39557407
Cpl Hunt, James R., 3741769	Cpl Ison, Leonard C., 37918898
Cpl Jallo, Alvin D., 37175214	Cpl Jennings, James J., 7004878
Cpl Jewell, Leslie (NMI) 17069585	Cpl Johnson, Filmore E., 31312706
Cpl Kinsell, Leland H., 15931724	Cpl Kovass, Kalsan, (NMI) 32574052
Cpl Langer, Carl J., 32438942	Cpl Lamous, Joseph D., 11017987
Cpl Laterza, Agostino (NMI) 32495032	Cpl Clyde E. Lewis, 37382604
Cpl LeBrun, Felix J., 31176359	Cpl Letbetter, Alva Q., 38025498
Cpl Loersch, James C., 36284751	Cpl Louk, Marvin L., 39850183
Cpl Marcotte, Donald E., 11105904	Cpl Mityas, Harvey G., 33461245
Cpl McCain, Robert E., 36384292	Cpl McSuon, David H., 33739911
Cpl McKain, Raymond L., 35716139	Cpl Mikalunas, Philip (NMI) 36618325
Cpl Ostermann, Fred P., 12135143	Cpl Paulding, John E., 36438394
Cpl Petree, Clarence., 34036860	Cpl Quinn, Thomas J., 32405343
Cpl Redfield, Henry W., 32560249	Cpl Ribas, Vincent (NMI) 11102685
Cpl Rob, John W., 36349068	Cpl Rogers, Donald J., 32790928
Cpl Rosenthal, Samuel (NMI) 18191352	Cpl Russo, Frank J., 32539186
Cpl Sanford, Oda D., 38830483	Cpl Settles, Charles H., 34379391
Cpl Signer, Percy J., 36265888	Cpl Skreptack, Paul (NMI) 39618878
Cpl Smith, William D., 34437435	Cpl Sipe, Roland G., 19203211
Cpl Spon, William R., 33406987	Cpl Spradling, Noble D., 18108484
Cpl Steen, Wayne O., 19192868	Cpl Stein, Bernard (NMI) 36618340
Cpl Sullivan, George R., 31198771	Cpl Tyler, Comis, (NMI) 35448108
Cpl Tuffarella, Anthony J., 32720883	Cpl Urton, Brady B., 37222246
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Cpl Zimmerman, Leon E., 38249924	T/5 Lonero, Joseph J., 36618956
T/5 Stains, Russell H., 33173741	Pfc Barnes, Charles L., 12200165
Pfc Browne, Daniel E., 32546709	Pfc Buckman, Raymond S., 39685031
Pfc Caipon, James R., 34665881	Pfc Firman, Roy R., 33415990
Pfc Hillis, Arthur L., 37503661	Pfc Hojowski, John F., 33059742
Pfc Kliman, Joseph (NMI) 32463709	Pfc Palaszczyk, Anton O., 32752824
Pfc Slaughter, Rex E. 16134554	Pfc Vogt, Karl L., 39847819
Pfc Weeks, George (NMI) 36564737	Pvt Derridge, Roy C., 19039595
Pvt Bradley, Vassar W., 38398469	Pvt Calvano, Genaro (NMI) 33582834
Pvt Carlucci, Albert W. 12057459	Pvt Carroll, Tom (NMI) 38221139
Pvt Clampitt, Eli H., 35090605	Pvt Conner, Paul, (NMI) 36537911
Pvt Grant, James R., 34255099	Pvt Guillory, Leo (NMI) 38486506
Pvt Hendrickson, Ole J., 37271506	Pvt Hyde, William C., 34586705
Pvt Lewis, William H., 18077070	Pvt Myers, William (NMI) 34205928
Pvt Pfeifer, Howard G. 31221697	Pvt Ruhl, Joe C., 35433906
Pvt Reneker, Harry W. 33512130	Pvt Rodriguez, Ramon V., 39858759
Pvt Smith, Richard C., 15338476	Pvt Smith, Richard S., 35418787
Pvt Small, Harold W., 19055769	Pvt Tobin, David (NMI) 32404333
Pvt Ungersleider, Louis (NMI) 12203951	Pvt Vaden, Horace A., 34605299
S/Sgt Wasson, Frank A., 6587266 DS	S/Sgt Blount, Percy E. 36320414 DS
S/Sgt Mills, R.A., 38140349 DS	Sgt Carpenter, William E. 33253570 DS
Sgt Pisani, Joseph L., 32378823 DS	Sgt Rogers, Fred D., 12155860 DS
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Sgt Palmer, Jack W., 34315012 Hosp	Cpl Buehm, Robert (NMI) 36611144
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1st Lt. HOWELL, JOHN C., 0743019	1st Lt. WATKIN, FRANCIS W., 0569350
1st Lt. WINTERER, ROYCE H., 01552126	1st Lt. PETERSON, RICHARD A., 0739334
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2nd Lt. JENKINS, JOSEPH W., 0805055	2nd Lt. Howlins, Hollis R., 0684659
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2nd Lt. STEELETON, MARK H., 0681733	2nd Lt. STONDS, JAMES E., 0745537
2nd Lt. SULLIVAN, JOSEPH C., 0751544	2nd Lt. SUTHERS, CORDELL L., 0745538
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T/Sgt Kelly, John E., 35267027	T/Sgt Lucas, William E., 35364939
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S/Sgt Collier, Roy A., 38134655	S/Sgt Crawford, Randall M., 13074165
S/Sgt Curran, James G., 12096206	S/Sgt Davis, William J., 17127718
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S/Sgt Mossell, Ernest L., 36368906	S/Sgt Hudson, Russell L., 35311706
S/Sgt Hughes, Cornwall D., 38123152	S/Sgt Johnson, James C., 34351270
S/Sgt Johnson, Martin V., 18042551	S/Sgt Knight, Julius B., 14023303
S/Sgt Krantz, Arthur A., 35545200	S/Sgt Krueger, Gilbert H., 36245119
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S/Sgt Parish, Chester G., 38193392	S/Sgt Reich, Wilbur F., 36243959
S/Sgt Roberts, John D., 14107715	S/Sgt Sabesewitz, Maurice J., 17036187
S/Sgt Smith, Henry L., 16064890	S/Sgt Shultz, John D., 14108287
S/Sgt Sieb, Frederick P., 12124414	S/Sgt Skidmore, Albert Y., 15088404
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S/Sgt Wittmuss, Ray A., 36150632	S/Sgt Peramowitz, Curt W., 11502860
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Sgt DiCapua, Angelo J., 32507211	Sgt Dick, John J., 32367639
Sgt Duffy, Anthony V., 19081455	Sgt Gansky, Sidney (NMI), 31314818
Sgt Garrett, Eugene F., 35419453	Sgt Goldstein, Richard L., 13152585
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Sgt Knapik, John J., 2002396	Sgt Krizozokaitis, Edward A., 39246700
Sgt Kubisiak, William D., 13170764	Sgt Long, James L., 30288442
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Sgt McGord, Kenneth E., 34353530	Sgt McKenna, Bernard J., 32405330
Sgt McQuitty, Monty L., 37384422	Sgt Moore, Jessie (NMI), 38203479
Sgt Mouring, Clayton T., 34353776	Sgt O'Brien, Gilean F., 38267248
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Sgt Whitaker, Edwidge L., 35872796	Sgt Wilkes, William W., 34358034
Sgt Wilkins, William H., 33222954	Sgt Wright, Benjamin F. Jr., 14188923
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Cpl Cunningham, John A., 32347284	Cpl Davidson, Harry A., 37438094
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Cpl Jackson, William H., 33342861	Cpl Jakubowski, Aloysius J., 35344745
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Cpl Kubarak, Joseph P., 32547136	Cpl Lane, James P., 37386934
Cpl Lippis, Peter C., 32346903	Cpl Neag, Clinton H., 35420516
Cpl Mason, Joseph B., 19077713	Cpl Masters, Franklyn E., 19077793
Cpl Mayers, Max W., 36538127	Cpl Minervini, Joseph L., 1110980
Cpl Nelson, Ronald E., 19160893	Cpl Olsen, William J., 13087435
Cpl Pickett, Robert B., 37212842	Cpl Petocki, Frank J., 36616113
Cpl Pratte, Robert L., Jr., 15331258	Cpl Pullman, Luther, 38775567
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Cpl Varin, Candelario, Jr., 18090407	Cpl Taylor, Frank S., 12209339
Cpl Terrell, Hardesty O., 19139928	Cpl Thompson, Kenneth E., 33568726
Cpl Walker, Earl H., 36277885	Cpl Weaver, William H., 38241351
Cpl Weinstein, Harry, 13079736	Cpl Wilson, William D., 38296794
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Pfc Ford, Fred, 35606556	Pfc Felehlisch, Antoe P., 37311258
Pfc Gilman, Ernest E., 11127925	Pfc Jones, James W., 34278591
Pfc Nelson, Junior L., 37503671	Pfc Moore, Luther B., 35636541
Pfc Moran, Dennis J., 31187023	Pfc Newton, William D., 39680912
Pfc Patterson, Richard S., 34760493	Pfc Roche, John E. Jr., 31287773
Pfc Sadler, Lloyd C., 34941752	Pfc Smith, Harry, 33342530
Pfc Swierczewski, Walter J., 31128185	Pfc Thames, Olyon D., 38051100
Pfc Thoen, Kenneth E., 37303745	Pfc Winslett, John E., 11142164
Pfc Wright, Harvey D., 32673690	Pvt Bushread, Robert L., 38222311
Pvt Dress, Joseph, 31119415	Pvt. Golleher, Otis, 38370559
Pvt Hahn, John F., 33400326	Pvt Macen, Herbert J., 34604113
Pvt Potest, Willard, 382694575	Pvt Senft, Irving C., 13094679
Pvt Skillman, Arthur E., 32627830	

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1. Under the provisions of Sec II, AR 605-115, 14 July 1942, 2d LT ALVIN F FYEATT, 0745503, AC, is granted 14 days of absence for a period of seven (7) days, effective o/a 12 Feb 44.

2. Pursuant to the authority contained in Sec II, AAF Regulation 60-2, dated 17 May 1943, the following Flying Evaluation Team for purpose of investigating and evaluating professional proficiency of personnel asgd or attend to 357th Fighter Group, who hold currently effective aeronautical ratings, are aptd at this station. Auth: TX 8FCD26EC.

DETAIL FOR THE TEAM

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DONALD W GRAHAM	LT. COL	025247, AC
HUBERT I EGEMES	LT. COL	0398687, AC
JOHN D BARKER	MAJOR (Flight Surg)	0414213, MC

3. Under the provisions of Par 2, AR 600-60, and upon the recommendation of their unit commander, the following named TM, 357th Fighter Gp, are awarded the AAF Technician badge with appropriate clasps, as indicated:

NAME	RANK	ASN	LOC	DUTY
Dean E Jump	H/Sgt	6990279	395	Radio Cpr Mechanic
George W Tellefsen	H/Sgt	16044113	513	Airplane Mechanic
Lewis A Adams	H/Sgt	31170676	664	Airplane Armorer
Rinaldo C Freda	T/Sgt	36006306	542	Operator & Mechanic
Richard V Sutton	Sgt	39255648	239	TX Mechanic
Alphonso J Salluzzo	Sgt	12171062	755	Radio Operator

By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:
OFFICIAL: *Robert T. Romine*
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NAME	RELD FROM	ASGD TO
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1ST LT HENRY E. BEAL, JR. 740344, AC	362d Fighter Sq	Hq, 357th Fighter Gp
1ST LT ROBERT W. FOY 745340, AC	363d Fighter Sq	Hq, 357th Fighter Gp

2. The following-named O, of Hq 357th Fighter Gp, are aptd Asst Gp Operations O (per):

1ST LT HENRY E. BEAL, JR., 0740344, AC
2D LT ROBERT W. FOY, 0745340, AC

3. The following-named O, Hq 357th Fighter Gp, are aptd Asst Sta Operations O (add):

1ST LT HENRY E. BEAL, JR., 0740344, AC
2D LT ROBERT W. FOY, 0745340, AC

4. Under the provisions of Par 46, AR 35-1100, the following-named O are designated to witness the count of the cash on hand and verify the cash balance in the accounts of:
CAPT WILBERT L. BAILEY, 0507707, 1P, Finance O, AAF Sta F-273, 22 Feb 1944:
CAPT LAWRENCE E. IDE, 0561490, AC
2D LT HARRY (HNL) JACOBS, 01592301, QMC

5. CAPT JAMES C. PEARSON, 01548122, ORD, aptd Sta Ord O (add dy), vice MAJ GEORGE F. MCEL, 0301391, AC, trfd.

6. Following-named EM, 70th Sta Comp Sq, are placed on SD this sta and will rpt daily to Sta Comm O for dy. EM will remain on SD until rel'd by proper auth.
S Sgt William J. Coyne, 20248349, (756)
Sgt Nelson E. Truett, 34443023, (755)
Sgt Francisco P. Balestrier, 11115376, (755)
Cpl William J. Cross, 37442316, (754)

(Paragraphs directing travel are pursuant to the authority contained in Ltr, Hq, TOUSA, 3 Nov 43).

By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:

ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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Lieut Colonel EDWIN S. CHICKERING, Station Commander
Lieut Colonel DONALD W. GRAHAM, Deputy Station Commander
Major CARLYLE D. HOFFMAN, Executive

2d Lt Harry R. Ankeny, Jr., Officer of the Day - Tel - 32
Capt John A. Storch, Headquarters Duty Officer - Tel - 7
Capt Joseph F. Carlucci, Medical Officer of the Day - Tel - 54

OFFICIAL ITEMS

I. OFFICERS ON DUTY TOMORROW:

Officer of the Day-----Capt Clarence E. Anderson
Headquarters Duty Officer-----2d Lt Warren R. Stone
Medical Officer of the Day-----Capt Moyer W. Lynn

II. DECONTAMINATION APPARATUS FOR VEHICLES

- All vehicles on this station will be equipped with the 1½-gal decontaminating apparatus as specified in Tng. Memo #23, ETOUSA, 31 July 1943.
- All empty (DANC) containers will be returned to the Station Chemical Office.

III. OFFICERS' SHOE REPAIRS AND CLOTHING REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS

Officers' shoes for repair and clothing for repair and/or alteration will be turned in to the Officers' Mess every Thursday morning by 1200 hours. They will be returned on Friday of the following week. See Officers' Bulletin Board for instructions.
ADJ.

IV. CHEMICAL WARFARE TRAINING PROGRAM

- In accordance with section III, Memo 10-2, Hq Eighth Air Force, 26 June 1943, the prescribed sixteen-hour course for all personnel on gas defense will be conducted as follows:

- Classes will be held twice daily Mondays through Saturdays.
- The classes will meet as follows:

Class I, Monday, 1000--1100	Class VII, Thursday, 1000--1100
Class II, Monday, 1400--1500	Class VIII, Thursday, 1400--1500
Class III, Tuesday, 100--1100	Class IX, Friday, 1000--1100
Class IV, Tuesday, 1400--1500	Class X, Friday, 1400--1500
Class V, Wednesday, 1000--1100	Class XI, Saturday, 1000--1100
Class VI, Wednesday, 1400--1500	Class XII, Saturday, 1400--1500
- Each organization will divide its personnel into six approximately equal sections, and submit these lists of names to the Chemical Office.
- These sections are assigned as follows:

GROUP A

Class I: Section 1 of each unit.
Class II: Section 2 of each unit.
Class III: Section 3 of each unit.
Class IV: Section 4 of each unit.
Class V: Section 5 of each unit.
Class VI: Section 6 of each unit.

GROUP B

Class VII: Section 1 of each unit.
Class VIII: Section 2 of each unit.
Class IX: Section 3 of each unit.
Class X: Section 4 of each unit.
Class XI: Section 5 of each unit.
Class XII: Section 6 of each unit.

GROUP A consists of the following units: 50th Serv Gp Hq, 469th Serv Sq, 1076th Signal Co, 1600th Ord Co, 70th Sta Comp Sq, 1260th MP Co, and 117th QM Co.

GROUP B consists of the following units: 357th Ftr Gp Hq, 362d Ftr Sq, 363d Ftr Sq, and 364th Ftr Sq.

- Classes will begin on Monday, 21 February 1944.
- No other room being available, the theater will serve as a classroom.

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By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:

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ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

V. TWO SHOWS NIGHTLY 1830 2030 February 15.

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357th Fighter Group AAF

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APO 637, U S Army,
16 February 1944.

SUBJECT: Chemical Warfare Training Program.

TO : Station Chemical Officer, AAF Sta F-373, APO 637, U S Army.

The following is a list of the Officers of Hq 357th Fighter Group and above their arrangement for the sixteen (16) hour course in Gas Defense.

a. CLASS VII--Thursday, 1000-1100.Lt Col Edwin S. Chickering, 021405
1st Lt. Nolan A. Groshong, 0571873Capt Berl A. Lewis, 0499039
CWO J. David Murley, W2112406b. CLASS VIII--Thursday, 1400-1500.Lt Col Donald W. Graham, 025247
Capt Richard D. Willard, 0855946Capt Pasquale R. Caracciolo, 0499035
WOJG Floyd G. Riddle, W2112307c. CLASS IX--Friday, 1000-1100.Major Robert T. Romine, 0298745
1st Lt Donald H. Ross, 0885307Capt David I. Kramer, 0649507
WOJG James V. Cerra, W2119055d. CLASS X--Friday, 1400-1500.Major John D. Barker, 0414213
1st Lt Alexander (H. I.) Granbacka, 0233030
1st Lt John D. Anderson, 0856648
2nd Lt Anthony W. Sorka, 0863959e. CLASS XI--Saturday, 1000-1100.Major Alfred W. Craven, Jr., 0902496
1st Lt Alan R. Lyon, 05591251st Lt Robert W. Frankel, 0857403
2nd Lt Robert W. Foy, 0745340f. CLASS XII--Saturday, 1400-1500.Capt Irwin H. Dregne, 0431399
1st Lt Henry E. Beal, Jr., 07403441st Lt George H. Rosewell, 0571044
2nd Lt Eugene D. Rhoads, 0880792

By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:

/s/ ROBERT T. ROMINE,
/t/ ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
357TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF
APO 637, U S ARMY
17 February 1944

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of AR 600-20, the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 257th Fighter Group, effective 0001 hours, 17 February 1944.

Henry R. Spicer
HENRY R. SPICER,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Commanding.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION F-373
APO 637, U S ARMY
17 February 1944

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of AR 600-20, the undersigned hereby assumes command of
AAF Station F-373, effective 0001 hours, 17 February 1944.

Henry R. Spicer
HENRY R. SPICER,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Commanding.

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TO CG 66TH FW ATTN A-2.

DATE 11 February 1944

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Major Howard leading.
- B. 47, P-51's. 17-362nd Sq. 17-363rd Sq. 13-364th Sq.
- C. Six.
- D. Sweep. FO.# 240 VIII FC.
- E. to H. Nil.
- I. L/F FeCamp 25,000 feet at 1000. Meagre inaccurate trailing flak at Rouen. Flak at St. Omer was intense but inaccurate in altitude and lead. L/F out east Calais 25,000 feet at 1050. R/T good except difficulty hearing Parker.

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 CO 66TH FW ATTN A-2

12 February 1944

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Lt. Col Blakeslee leading.
- B. 44 P-51's. 17-362nd Sq. 14-P-51's 363rd Sq. 13-364th Sq. Up 0935.
Down 1150.
- C. Three.
- D. Bomber escort penetration and withdrawal FO #241 VIII FC.
- E-H. Nil.
- I. L/F in and R/V with first bomber box at 1016 between Dieppe and Treport at 23,000 feet. Escorted them to target and out. Picked up third box of bombers and escorted them in and out of target. Flak moderate to heavy in target area but inaccurate and trailing. Left coast near Berick 1055. Flak encountered near Clacton. R/T reception good.

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1st Lt, AC

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CO 66TH FW ATTN A-2.

13 February 1944

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Lt Col Blakeslee leading.
- B. 43 P-51's. 16-362nd Sq. 13-363rd Sq. 14-364th Sq. Up 1400. Down 1700.
- C. Nil.
- D. Nil.
- E. Nil.
- F. One.
- G. Nil.
- H. Nil.
- I. L/F in E. of Dieppe 1445 at 22,000 feet. Patrolled area Dieppe- Rouen- Amiens- Abbeville until crossed out E. of Dieppe at 21,000 feet, at 1620. Bomber seen to explode near Abbeville at 1526. No chutes observed. Parker garbled. Lt. R.W. Brown bailed out near English coast and was later rescued. Plane a loss.

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120 Lt, AC*

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TO CG VIII FC ATTN A-2.
 GO 66TH FW ATTN A-2.

20 February 1944.

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Lt Col Blakeslee leading.
- B. 28 P-51's. 9-362nd Sq. 11-363rd Sq. 8-364th Sq. Up 1105. Down 1540.
- C. Two.
- D. Bomber escort. Penetration, Target, and Withdrawal support. FO. VIII FC #245.
- E. One.
- F. Nil.
- G. 1. Lt. Donald H. Ross; 363rd Fighter Sq. (Bailed out over Leipzig).
- H. 2-0-2/
 - 1 ME-109 Destroyed. Lt Calvert L. Williams, 362nd Ftr Sq.
 - 1 ME-109 Destroyed. Lt. Donald H. Ross, 363rd Ftr Sq.
 - 1 ME-190 (Long Nose) Damaged. Capt C. Anderson, 363rd Ftr Sq.
 - 1 FW-190 Damaged. Capt J. Broadhead, 362nd Ftr Sq.
- I. L/F in North of the Hague at 1155 at 22,500 feet. R/V with bombers at 1257 South of Brunswick at 25,000 feet. Escorted first two boxes to target, leaving them south of Kassel at 1418. Swept bomber return route to north of Koblenz at 1437. L/F out Dutch coast at Walcheren Island at 23,000 feet at 1513. 6 FW-190's, 3 ME-110's, 1 Black E/A looked like spitfire, several ME-190's seen in target area 20,000 feet to 25,000 feet encounters were at that altitude near Leipzig. Lt Ross destroyed one of five or six ME-109's attacking lead box of bombers ten miles NE of Leipzig and then bailed out over target, his chute opening. Accurate and intense flak over target caused damage to four of our planes. Good F/B and F/F communication. Usual trouble with gun stoppages.

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 Guy H. Roswell
 128 AB, AC*

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CO 66TH FW ATTN A-2.

21 February 1944.

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Colonel Spicer leading.
- B. 33 P-51's. 8-362nd, 12-363rd, 13-364th. Up 1204. Down 1615.
- C. 3.
- D. Bomber escort target penetration and withdrawal support. FC.#246, VIII FC.
- E. 1/NYR.
- F. Nil.
- G. 1, 1st Lt Alfred R. Boyle, 363rd Ftr Sq.
- H. 2-0-0 1ME-109 Destroyed, 1st Lt Alfred R. Boyle, 363rd Ftr Sq/
1ME-109 Destroyed, Capt W.R. O'Brien, 363rd Ftr Sq.
- I. Estimated on account solid undercast L/F in N of the Hague at 23,000 feet at 1232. Bombers about 15 minutes late at R/V. Escorted a box from near Osnabruck over target and out. Left bombers at 1510. Crossed out N of the Hague at 1531 at 24,000 feet. (Enemy planes avoided combat by diving into clouds and down to the deck). Large number of bombers seen jettisoning bombs over channel on way out. Heavy inaccurate flak at target. Could not contact 354th Ftr Gp or the bombers on the radio. Encounters at 20,000 feet SE Zuider Zee with above results.

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1st Lt, AC

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CO 66TH FW ATTN A-2.

22 February 1944

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Colonel Spicer leading.
- B. 30 P-51's. 12-362nd, 8-363rd, 10-364th Ftr Sq. Up 1154. Down 1625.
- C. Five. 1, high blower cut out. 1, rough engine. 1, engine failure, air lock in carburetor. 1, misunderstood hand signal of wingman and returned to base.
- D. Penetration, target and withdrawal support. FO. #247, VIII FC.
- E. 2. 1 Flak, 1 Unknown.
- F. Nil.
- G. 2. Lt Lichter, 362nd Sq. Missing. (Bailed out over Holland)
Lt Carroll, 364th Sq. Missing. (Reported over R/T he was bailing out over target).
- H. 7-0-3. 1 ME-109 Destroyed. Lt Adams, 362nd Sq.
1 ME-109 Destroyed. Lt Pyeatt, 362nd Sq.
1 ME-109 Destroyed. Lt Rogers, 363rd Sq.
1 ME-109 Destroyed. Capt Medieros, 364th Sq.
1 ME-109 Destroyed. Capt Warren, 364th Sq.
1 ME-109 Destroyed. Lt Carder, 364th Sq.
1 ME-109 Destroyed. Lt Col Spicer, 364th Sq.
1 ME-109 Damaged. Lt Colegenes, 362nd Sq.
1 ME-109 Damaged. Capt Hiro, 363rd Sq.
1 FW-190 Damaged. Lt Carder, 364th Sq.
- I. L/F in over The Hague at 1240 at 22,000 feet. Joined bombers in target area at 1405 at 25,000 feet, leaving them East of Blankenheim at 1515 at 23,000 feet. Crossed out over The Hague at 1553 at 22,000 feet. Encounters in target area at 20,000 feet with above results. Pilots again report a black single engine plane with English markings and elliptical wings over the target.
- Flak intense and accurate over Ruhr.

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24 February 1944.

TO CG VIII FC ATTN A-2.
CO 66TH FW ATTN A-2.

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Colonel Spicer leading.
- B. 37 P-51's. 18-362nd, 11-363rd, 8-364th. Up 1101. Down 1515.
- C. 18. Escorts.
- D. Target, penetration and withdrawal support. F.O. #250, VIII FC.
- E. 2. Reasons unknown.
- F. Nil.
- G. 2. Lt McKee, 363rd Sq., missing. (Last seen over target).
Lt Rice, 362nd Sq., missing. (Last seen over Coblenz).
- H. 5-1-1. 1 JU-88 Destroyed, Col Spicer, 362nd Sq.
1 ME-110 Destroyed, Col Spicer, 362nd Sq.
1 FW-190 Destroyed, Lt Michaely, 363rd Sq.
1 FW-190 Destroyed, Capt. Medeiros, 364th Sq.
1 ME-109 Destroyed, Lt R. Smith, 364th Sq.
1 ME-109 Damaged, Capt DeVries, 363rd Sq.
1 FW-190 Probably Destroyed, Major Hayes, 364th Sq.
- I. L/F in the Hague at 25,000 feet at 1148. R/V with bombers at 1246 at Oeynhausen. Escorted bombers to target, leaving them near Aachen at 1430. Crossed out South of Walcheren Islands at 1440. The B-17's were directly above the B-24's at the IP B-24's in flights of 7 turned directly through the B-17's. A B-24 was seen going down short of the target. 8 chutes were observed. 2 B-17's were seen to explode 15 miles West of Minden, with no chutes observed. 6 to 8 enemy single engine planes seen over target. 20 twin engine planes seen on snow covered airfield at Erfurt. Target was seen smoking and burning furiously, 6 to 8 ME-109's made head-on pass through out formation south of Munster and climbed above. All combat took place in target area from 25,000 feet down to deck. JU-88 destroyed was carrying rocket guns.

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Colonel H. R. SPICER

FO #250
24 Feb 1944

- A. Combat.
 B. 24 February 1944.
 C. 357th Fighter Group.
 D. Approximately 1342.
 E. Erfurt, Germany (Target Gotha).
 F. CAVU.
 G. JU 88, ME 110.
 H. Not definitely known, 2 chutes seen and one pilot preparing to jump.
 I. On 24 Feb 1944, I was leading the Group on bomber escort (FO 250). Rendezvous was made without difficulty. The B-24's, our bombers, were flying directly below the B-17's, and not out to the side, as stated in the Field Order. Goldsmith 1-2 reported no difficulty, so we stayed on top and covered the entire mass. Eventually the two ATF's extricated themselves, going in the usual wrong directions (also not covered in the FO) so we peeled off and took the B-24's, hoping they would sooner or later find out where they were, as it was CAVU. This, fortunately, proved to be true for they turned to the left at the I/P and positioned themselves for squadron bombing on the bomb run. At this time the bulk of my squadron had aborted (engine trouble and out of oxygen) leaving myself and wingman (Bless his heart) to cover some 40 or 50 bombers. Two 109's were scared off and one 190 hit the deck as we drove up on him. The bomb run was completed with excellent results, a right turn was made and the next five miles continued without incident. At this time a JU 88 was sighted about 2000' below (23,000) and two miles to the left. As Goldie said he was OK, I pulled off and gave chase. He went down fast, losing altitude in a steep spiral. At 3000' I turned tight inside of him and he obligingly straightened out, allowing me to do the same, so I closed in straight down the alley and opened fire at about 600 yards in an attempt to discourage the rear gunner. Steady fire was held until he burst into flames. I overran him rapidly (cause seeming to be excessive airspeed as I was indicating 550 MPH at the time) so I yanked it out to the side to watch the fun. The whole airplane was coming unbuttoned. My wingman, good old Beal, had slowed down a bit and later stated he saw two men jump and their chutes open (poor shooting on my part). The ship continued straight ahead, diving at an angle of about 40° until contact with Mother Earth was made, which caused the usual splendid spectacle of smoke and flame. Looking up suddenly, Lo and Behold, is there wasn't a ME 110 dashing across the horizon. He showed a little sense and tried to turn, so I was forced to resort to deflection shooting - opening up and spraying him up and down, round and across (I believe I was a little excited at this point). Fortunately the left engine blew up and burst into flames. As I overran him (still indicating 500 MPH) the pilot dumped the canopy and started to get out. He was dressed in brown and had streaming yellow hair, the handsome devil. I lost sight at this point (1000') and again pulled out to the side. No chute was seen, but the aircraft descended impolitely into the center of the town of ERFURT, causing rather understandable confusion as it blew up and burned merrily. Again as I looked up (this is getting monotonous) a FW 190 whistled up and just as I began to turn with him my engine quit, embarrassing me no end. Believing I had been hit by the 110 gunner, and being at a loss as to the next step, I opened fire (90° deflection) at zero lead and pulled it around clear through him until he passed out of sight below the

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H. R. SPICER
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nose (more bad shooting), intending to frighten him off more than anything else. No claim is made, as I saw no more. Here the engine caught again, laboring and pounding badly. At this point I passed to the side of an air-drome, completely snowed in, but saw hangars and maybe 20 twin-engine aircraft which may have been dummies, as they also appeared to be snow covered. Struggling to keep afloat, I increased the RPM's to 2500 and reduced the manifold pressure to 20 inches, (airspeed 170) and slowly but surely gained altitude to 12,000', not going higher as Beal was out of oxygen. We crossed out without further incident, comparatively speaking, going south of the Ruhr, and avoiding all towns of any size. At the coast, a P-47 pulled up behind me at 1000' above. I waved my wings trying to get him to join us, but he edged out to the right, apparently taking a good look, then turned back inland.

My ship had not been hit and at the time of writing the engine difficulty is not known.

I give a world of credit to my wingman, 1st Lt. Henry E. Beal, Jr, for his support and companionship.

Further deponent sayeth not.

I claim: One JU 88 destroyed.
One ME 110 destroyed.
One FW 190 scared.

J. Ammunition expended: 533 rounds.

H. R. SPICER,
Colonel, Air Corps.

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1st Lt, A C

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ENCOUNTER REPORT
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Henry E. Beal, Jr.

24 February 1944,
P.O. #250.

I was flying wingman to Colonel Spicer and we were supporting various boxes of B-24's, on their run to bomb Gotha. We had dropped our external tanks and were weaving above the bombers when the Colonel peeled off in a very steep spiral after a JU-88. We followed that aircraft down to approximately 5,000 feet, at which time I was indicating 550 M.P.H. Here, being unable to outspeed or out-turn us, the JU-88 straightened out and was immediately shot by Colonel Spicer and burst into flames. Wishing to get in a little target practice at something besides a towed sleeve, I fired a short burst and then observed two parachutes, dirty gray in color, blossom from the plane. Seconds later the JU-88 crashed and burned in a field.

A few minutes later, while we were still around 5,000 feet, an ME-110 came flying blithely by. We gave short chase and again the Colonel proved his marksmanship by getting strikes and flames in a deflection shot. The plane crashed into the center of a much horrified, unidentified (by me at least) German city.

HENRY E. BEAL, Jr.,
1st Lt., Air Corps.

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J. H. Somell
1st Lt., AC

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CO 66TH FW ATTN A-2.

25 February 1944.

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Colonel Spicer leading.
- B. 47 P-51's. 15-362nd, 16-363rd, 16-364th. Up 1137. Down 1650.
- C. 7. 1 Escort.
- D. Target, penetration, and withdrawal support. FO. #251, VIII FC.
- E. 2. Reasons unknown.
- F. 1. Lt. Fairweather, 364th Sq, returning early because of faulty wing tank, landing gear folded. Cat B.
- G. 2. Lt. Beemer, 362nd Sq. (Over target reported on R/T he was bailing out.)
Lt. Kehrer, 362nd Sq. (Believed down at target.)
- H. 5-0-0. 1 ME-109 Destroyed, Capt. Broadhead, 362nd Sq.
1 FW-190 Destroyed, Lt R.D.Brown, 362nd Sq.
1 FW-190 Destroyed, Lt. Pyeatt, 362nd Sq.
1 ME-110 Destroyed, Lt. Becker, 362nd Sq.
1 ME-110 Destroyed, Capt. Lingo and Lt. Becker, 362nd Sq.
- I. L/F in over Ostend at 17,100 feet at 1210. R/V with bombers, who were early Northwest of Landau at 13,000 feet. Escorted bombers through target and left them in vicinity of Landau at 1525. L/F out Dunkerque 1610 at 23,000 feet. Encounters were over target at 23,000 feet down to deck. Large numbers of P-51's seen giving target support. B-17 broke in half over Ingolstadt, 4 chutes observed. Another going down at Mannheim, 6 chutes observed. Another B-17 seen going down over target with 5 chutes observed. Many bomb bursts on targets were seen.

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1st RA, AC

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CO 66TH FW ATTN A-2.

29 February 1944

- A. 357th Fighter Group. Colonel Spicer leading.
- B. 49 P-51's. 15-362nd, 17-363rd, 17-364th Sqdns. Up 0924. Down 1320.
- C. 10. 2 Escort.
- D. Penetration, Target and Withdrawal Support. F.O. #255, VIII Fighter Command.
- E. to H. Nil.
- I. L/F in North of Schouwen Island at 24,000 feet at 1000. R/V 1047 with bombers at 24,000 feet at place unknown because of solid undercast. Escorted first and second boxes through target leaving them at the Zuider Zee at 21,000 feet at 1235. Crossed out near IJmuiden at 1245 at 21,000 feet. No enemy aircraft were seen. One B-17 seen spiraling down, apparently under control, over the target at 1120. An empty bomber dinghy was seen and reported east of Great Yarmouth at 1245. Large white bursts at about 30,000 feet seen over target.

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Brigadier General Quesada, Commanding Officer of the IX Fighter
Command, and Lt. Colonel Edwin S. Chickering, Commanding Officer of the 357th Fighter
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The 357th Fighter Group was transferred from the IX Fighter Command per verbal order of the CG, IX Fighter Command, to the VIII Fighter Command on 31 Jan 44. Confirmation letter USSTAF, File 322, dated 31 Jan 44, subj: "Reassignment of Units".

- Incl 1 - Initial and December installment, Unit History 357th Ftr Gp. (In dup.)
- Incl 2 - Initial, December and January installments, Unit History
362nd Fighter Squadron. (In dup.)
- Incl 3 - Initial, December and January installments, Unit History
363rd Fighter Squadron. (In dup.)
- Incl 4 - Initial installment, Unit History 364th Fighter Squadron. (In dup.)

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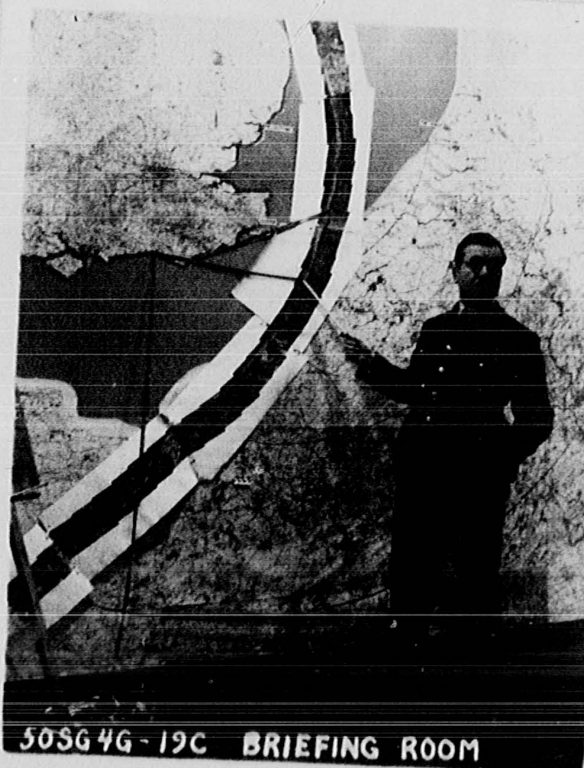
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28 February 1946

SUBJECT: Annual Report of Medical Department Activities

TO: Surgeon General
Washington, D. C.
(THRU TECHNICAL CHANNELS)

1. Transmitted herewith is the Annual Report of Medical Department Activities for the 357th Fighter Group, for the period 1 July 1945 to 31 December 1945, as required per AR 40-1005, WD Letter AG 319.1 EGM, and Circular 166, Headquarters, United States Forces, European Theater, dated 22 December 1945.

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HEADQUARTERS 357TH FIGHTER GROUP
 AAF STATION NEUBIBERG, GERMANY
 Office of the Surgeon
 APO 170, US Army

26 February 1946

UNIT HISTORY - STATION DISPENSARY - 357TH FIGHTER GROUP - 1 JULY 1945 -31 DECEMBER 1945, with a Summary of Events prior to 1 July 1945

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4. Through all these complicated operations the Squadron and Group Surgeons kept the health of the Group at a high level. Moral in the unit during its early days in the States and during its combat operations from England was high. The Squadron spirit was evident, there was competition in combat as well as on the ground between missions.

5. With the end of Hostilities the Group settled down to a peaceful existence in England, till it was learned that it would go to Germany as a unit of the Occupational Air Force. There were many reactions to this news, some felt it would prove an interesting experience, other would prefer to go to the still active Pacific Theater and still others wished to return to the United States. During the months of June and July 1945 the Group moved all of its personnel and equipment to Neubiberg, Germany a small town just south of Munich.

6. The flow of supplies during the summer and early fall of 1945 was good and as the Group had brought all of its medical and technical equipment from England there was no shortage. However as the redeployment program drained more and more men from the Theater the supply situation became very poor and the back-log of supplies averted much of the confusion that prevailed on many the Air Forces' Stations in this Theater.

7. Major Barker who was the Group Surgeon in England came with his three Surgeons Captain Snedden, Tramp and Wertz. The four continued through out the summer in their usual positions. As the number of points required for return to the United States lowered the Group lost, one by one, all four of its Surgeons and the Squadron dispensaries were closed making way for the present Station Dispensary. Captain Walter E. Deacon arrived in November of 1945 take over the duties of Station Surgeon. Captain Deacon was assisted by Captain Milton Boboy formerly of the 364th Fighter Group. With the arrival of Headquarters 70th Fighter Wing on 8 November 1945, Captain Carl was added to the staff of the Station Dispensary. Now the dispensary handled all the personnel of the Headquarters 70th Fighter Wing, the 328th Signal Company, the 399th Signal Company, the 717th AAF Band, the 357th Fighter Group

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and its three Squadrons and the 439th Air Service Group. Captain Carl was soon redeployed and Captain Charles Hughes a new arrival took over his duties.

8. The acute shortage of enlisted men became worse. The training of personnel was difficult. The redeployment of key personnel continued despite the lack of replacements. On the job training was the only solution, and many non-technical medical soldiers and administrative clerks became assistants at sick call. At the end of the year, no new men had arrived as yet, and still the redeployment of technicians continued.

A new T/O reduced the medical technician strength of the Fighter Group to all enlisted men from the former number of 26. We did not have enough to fill even this reduced T/O. The Service Group, which formerly had been under 9th Air Force Service Command were transferred as of the end of the year to be attached to the Fighter Group. The enlisted technician strength was also changed but it was increased from 13 to 17. The officer personnel was also changed. There were still four doctors per Fighter Group but the dentist and MAC officer were transferred to the Service Group. The new T/O of the Service Group called for one Major, MC, two Dental Corps Captains, and one MAC officer.

To supplement the medical service it became the policy, therefore, to hire German Civilians in all the units. Civilian doctors, medical corporals, X-Ray technicians, lab workers, ambulance drivers and general duty personnel, are being employed as a stop-gap measure until adequate army replacements arrive from the States. The Station Hospital on Neubiberg Station, for example, employs two dental technicians, a typist, an X-Ray technician, a German doctor to care for the civilians on the base, and a German ambulance driver, whose training including medical school and service in the Wehrmacht. All medical department officers assigned to Wing, 357th Fighter Group, 439th Air Service Group, Wing Signal Companies, 399th and 328th, work in the common Station Hospital. The medical and dental service has been maintained despite all this change by the diligence of the officers involved, who took over many jobs formerly done by enlisted men.

The main medical problem has been Venereal Disease, this Wing and all its subordinate units employ many women in all capacities. It has been most difficult to eliminate contact with these women despite lectures given to both officers and enlisted men. Stress has been placed on the fact that all German women are potentially infected. The necessity for condoms and chemical prophylaxis has been pushed by talks, posters, and personal contacts. Despite this fact the VD rate has slowly risen.

Every effort has been made by the administration to impress the officers and enlisted men with the dangers of venereal disease because regulations have made it an administrative problem. The names of the contacts on this Base are posted in both German and English on the officer's, enlisted men's and Civilians Bulletin Boards. All contacts are taken by the Provost

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Marchall to the German Civilian VD Hospital in Munich for diagnosis and treatment. A grant of Penicillin has been already made to Munich for critically-ill patients with diseases which respond to this drug. It is hoped that when the production is sufficient Penicillin will be available for treatment also. There are adequate supplies of Sulpha drugs at present and the treatment has been effective.

I might be noted also from the charts that the health of the command is generally good. A slight rise in injuries and respiratory diseases can be explained by the inclement weather and the rise in winter sports.

Every woman and man employed by the messes has had an X-Ray of the chest. One case of active tuberculosis was picked up in a messworker in the 357th Fighter Group.

Evacuation from Neubiberg Station by ambulance to the 98th General Hospital, is for four miles over a smooth autobahn. The policy has been established of quartering cases in the Dispensaries of the Wings for four days at the most. Lengthier stays are cared for at the General Hospital.

The medical and surgical service at Neubiberg has been excellent despite the lack of sufficient help. To add to the difficulties, four packets have been processed through this field. However, with the anticipation of replacements from the States, the men have faithfully and diligently performed their tasks, redoubled as they have been.

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HEADQUARTERS AAF STATION NEUBERG
Office of the Intelligence Officer
APO 170 US Army

9 February 1946

SUBJECT: Unit Histories for Public Relations purposes.

TO : Unit Historians, This Station.

1. So much of USAFE letter No 47-1, dated 11 January 1946, paragraph 2 (a) and 2 (b) is quoted for your information.

2. Sufficient copies of the history will be prepared so that the following distribution can be accomplished:

a. Two (2) copies will be sent to this headquarters not later than 5 February 1946, and marked: Attention PRO.

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2 February 1946

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TO : Commanding General, United States Air Forces in Europe, APO 633, US Army.
(AFPN Public Relations Officer)

1. In compliance with letter, Headquarters, United States Air Forces in Europe, No 47-1, dated 11 January 1946, the attached unit histories are forwarded.
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Lt. Colonel EDWIN S. CHICKERING, 021405, while the Group was stationed at Santa Rosa, California, a satellite of Hamilton Field that was still officially the permanent station of the unit. Colonel Chickering was with the unit during the rest of the days at Santa Rosa, the additional low-level flying days at Oroville, California, (another satellite of Hamilton Field), the flying period of escorting bombers the group passed through in the Second Air Force at Casper, Wyoming, immediately prior to moving overseas and after arrival until relieved 17 February 1944 by-----

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The Group initiated several new tactics and techniques, as follows:

MARCH 6, 1944: Lt. Col. Hayes (then Maj. Hayes) took command of the Group in the air when Col. Graham was forced to abort because of engine trouble. At that time Major Hayes was commanding the 364th Fighter Squadron. He led the inexperienced group of 33 Mustangs to Berlin in the second major attack directed at this city (the first attack having failed because of weather). The Group provided target support to B-24s and B-17s attacking targets in and near that city, being one of the first fighter groups to reach that city. Finding his own force (3rd task force of 2nd division B-24s) free of enemy attack prior to arrival at the target, Col. Hayes led sections of his group into combat with the other task forces preceding, who were being viciously attacked by one of the largest forces of enemy fighters ever assembled against our forces. Fighter escort on these two forces was inadequate in numbers to protect the various combat wings against the coordinated attacks of 150 plus single-engine and twin-engine fighters. Col. Hayes dispatched flights and sections to protect each combat wing as it arrived over the target. Upwards of 40 enemy aircraft at the time were attacked by these separate flights and sections and driven away from the bombers (both S/E and T/E types). Both B-17s of the first two task forces and B-24s (which 357 Group was assigned to protect) were supported on withdrawal as the enemy attacks continued. Escort was continued in some cases all the way to the enemy coast.

In addition, Lt. Col. Hayes led his flight in to strafe a large airdrome, himself damaging a He 111K and destroying 15 to 20 armed personnel on the airdrome. This airdrome was a large and modern field east of Ulzen. This was perhaps the first time the P-51 B was used to attack ground targets.

The primary target attack was carried out under the most difficult conditions, under heavy anti-aircraft fire, and our planes were often outnumbered as much as 6 to 1. As a result, many bombers were saved and the coordinated attacks of the largest enemy fighter force ever assembled was effectively broken up. For the whole period over the target, Col. Hayes directed the attacks and chased enemy aircraft by the scores away from the bombers. With his very small number of Mustangs, every available second was used to prevent one of the most disastrous days in the history of modern aerial warfare against our bombers. Every type of fighter aircraft available to the enemy were attacking, with rockets playing an important part in the attack. The final score: 20 - 1 - 7, and no losses for the 357th.

MARCH 8, 1944: Lt. Col. Hayes was leading a flight of the 364th Squadron when he destroyed an Me 109 and marked the first time that the long-range escort P-51B hit the deck on withdrawing from a long range escort mission. Returning from Berlin and after having been relieved as escort, Lt. Col. Hayes destroyed an Me 109. He then hit the deck with his flight, 50 miles east of Hanover, pioneering in an action never before attempted in such heavily defended territory.

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They followed the railroad at zero altitude all the way to Hanover, at times under heavy ground fire, and successfully destroyed or probably destroyed six locomotives and strafed two trains and a railroad station, tying up traffic on a double track to Berlin. Numerous other ground targets were attacked enroute. The other three planes in his flight destroyed 3 locomotives and a Pw 190 in the same action. Lt. Col Hayes did not let up on this attack until right over Hanover, when scores of flak guns of every calibre began shooting at them. In this action and in the action of March 6 when he strafed an airdrome, Lt. Col. Hayes pioneered in a field which has proven one of the most effective weapons against the Hun, when, without precedent, he attacked these heavily defended ground targets deep in the heart of Germany, and pointed the way to destruction of the Luftwaffe on the ground and the complete disruption of German communications and transportation in Germany. These fearless acts have pointed the way to the final downfall of Germany and provided inspiration and guidance to all the men of the Army Air Forces. Within a week, his methods were being tried by all P-51 Groups in the theater with great success.

The Group was one of the first to reach Berlin and have been on some of the deepest penetrations ever accomplished by a fighter group, the longest of these probably, to Posen, in Poland.

5. Since activation at Hamilton Field, California, in December of 1942, outstanding personnel has been plentiful. Lt. Colonel Stetson, Col. Graham, Col. Spicer, Lt. Colonel Hayes, Egenes, Dagne, and others all contributed to the efficiency and success of the organization in their various capacities of Commanding Officer, Deputy Commanders, and Operations Officer.

After becoming operational a total of 26 Aces have been developed. The squadron commanders have done exceptionally well in their own organizations. Morale among the pilots and ground personnel has remained high and efficiency has not been questioned. To Major Broadhead, Major Hiro, and Major Storch should go congratulations for the way their squadrons have performed. Each of these squadron Commanders has come up from their own squadrons, having served previously as Operations Officers. Other squadron commanders added their bits for the time they served. Lt. Colonel Egenes was the only other commander of 362 Squadron. The first Commander of 363 Squadron, Captain Stuart M. Lauler, left the unit because of being unable to fly at high altitudes. He is now a Squadron Commander of a low-level A-20 Group in the IX Air Force. Captain Clay R. Davis was killed in a training crash. Lt. Wesley S. Mink left the squadron while they were still in America. Capt. Giltner, who relieved him, was the first combat loss of the Group and is now a prisoner in Germany. Major Throop, a transfer from another unit, was the next to command 363 Squadron. He completed his tour and is now in America. Captain Varian K. White, the first Commanding Officer of 364 Squadron was killed in a crash in California in May, 1943. Lt. Colonel Hayes (then Capt.), took over them. He served until coming to Group Headquarters as Deputy Group Commander March 29, 1944. Major Storch was then designated as Commanding Officer, being relieved from his operations duties, to assume more responsibility.

6. The first three missions against the enemy by the Group on 11, 12, 13, February, 1944 were uneventful. On the next mission the ice was broken: two Nazi planes were destroyed and two damaged. On March 4 the Group flew to Berlin, or rather started to Berlin but weather forced them back. Not without claims of 2 destroyed and 1 probably destroyed and 1 damaged. Col. Spicer led. The next significant mission was another trip to Berlin two days later, on 6 March with Lt. Colonel Hayes leading. On this day the Luftwaffe chose to fight and 357 Group showed their calibre by destroying 20, 1 probable, and 7 damaged without the loss of a single plane. This feat by a Group that had not been operational a month caused older units to take notice and brought congratulations from several higher headquarters.

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Later missions brought success in a lesser degree and on several occasions the Group was able to find the Hun and destroy more than 15 of the Luftwaffe. On a mission to Sorau with Major Dregne leading, 25 enemy planes were destroyed and 10 damaged on April 11th. Major Dregne led another mission, to Erding, on April 24th, when 22 were destroyed, 2 probably destroyed, and 7 damaged. During the next month Major Dregne led 3 successful missions. One on 21st of May, when claims were 18-0-1; on 27th of May when the claims were 19-0-0; and on 30th of May when claims were 20-0-3. The month of May also saw the longest of all fighter missions when 357 Group, with Colonel Graham leading, flew to Posen, Poland, and returned, on an escort of heavy bombers May 29th.

During June the Luftwaffe did not choose to fight and even though the Group flew 8 separate missions on D-day, gradually tapering down to 1 per day, resistance from the air was encountered only the latter part of the month. Ground targets were bombed and strafed at will. On 16th of June Lt. Colonel Hayes, led a mission to France where railways were attacked by using wing tanks as bombs and setting fire to the gasoline with tracers. A lot of Nazi equipment went up that day. Lt. Colonel Hayes was again leading an escort mission on 29th of June, when the enemy air force finally chose to fight. 21 Nazi aircraft were destroyed and 4 damaged by this Group. The mission was exceptional enough that General Kepner congratulated this unit. The text of his message read:

"I wish to commend all Groups and particularly 357 and 361 Groups for the most outstanding escort job ever performed on 29 June 1944. No bombers were lost due to enemy aircraft. In providing protection you destroyed 48 Huns and damaged others. You made the enemy pay dearly for his attempt to intercept our bombers. We strive for perfection and on yesterday's mission you made the closest approach to it under difficult conditions ever recorded. I am proud to be "the Old Man" of you who carry the fight to the Hun wherever you find him."

And from General Woodbury, whose message read:

"Hearty congratulations on your very successful mission. The aggressiveness and fighting spirit you have always displayed are a constant source of satisfaction to the Wing and myself. Keep up the good work".

7. During July and August of 1944, things had settled down to a routine. Combat consisted mostly of escort missions, and everyone was getting settled and accustomed to living in England. During the month of August, Lt. Colonel Robert T. Romine of the 357th Fighter Group was appointed Station Executive Officer after Lt. Colonel Charles H. Mason returned to the ZI on a new assignment.

8. The month of September saw the 357th fly 25 missions, even though the weather was bad most of the time. On these missions a total of 60 enemy aircraft were destroyed, but the good combat record was marred to some extent by an unusually large number of accidents on the home field. However the unit had by this time made some records which were never broken by any other group. They had, after 8 months of combat brought their total of enemy planes destroyed to the 400 mark. The highest monthly average of any group in the AAF over a similar period of time. The tactical work in support of ground forces in France, the number of ground targets destroyed by strafing, and dive-bombing was equally impressive.

9. The months of October and November were rather quiet for the group, but things picked up during December and 64 enemy aircraft were destroyed with 19 missions having been flown.

10. January of 1945 completed a year of combat for the 357th Fighter Group. Missions by this time were being considered as "milk runs", and everyone was worried because they feared a total of 600 Luftwaffe planes would

not be destroyed. The Jerries were just not coming up anymore, and it began to look like the AAF had really taken over air superiority for good. Combat was still dull during February, but in March it picked up as the Luftwaffe again took to the air, only to be knocked down. The Group took credit for 59 of the enemy aircraft destroyed that month. Also during March the VIII Air Force clamped a restriction on strafing. There would be no more of it, except by specific orders from higher headquarters. This was put into effect because the Luftwaffe had no gasoline to fly their planes even if they had wanted to. The month of April was also a slackening period. The Hun was sighted several times but never attempted to make any passes on the bombers that were being escorted by the 357th.

11. May of 1945 saw the end of the war in Europe. Combat operations ceased for the Group on April 25th, 1945 when they flew their last mission. They had made history in the skies over Europe, and had set records that were never broken by any other Group in the world.

COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS

Our remarkable combat record reached its crowning peak on January 14th, 1945, the mission, led by Colonel Dregne when, in one of the most vicious air battles of the war, the group destroyed 56 1/2 German planes in the air for a loss of three of our own. One enemy plane on the ground and two locomotives were thrown in for good measure. This is a record for the 8th Air Force and perhaps for the whole United States Army Air Force. Fifty-six of our planes were in this battle and they fought against better than three-to-one odds.

The following figures represent 14 months of combat:

<u>TOTAL DESTROYED (AIR)</u>		<u>TOTAL DESTROYED (GROUND)</u>	
599 1/2		112	
<u>TOTAL DESTROYED</u>	<u>PROBABLES</u>	<u>DAMAGED</u>	
711 1/2	25	178	

Approximately 190 locomotives were destroyed.

There were 48 Aces in the 357th Fighter Group.

Major Leonard K Carson, of the 362nd Fighter Squadron was the leading Ace in the Group, with 22 enemy planes destroyed.

When the war ended the Group began a period of training in new tactics, especially those employed by the Japanese.

Then news came that the 357th was to become part of the occupational Air Force in Europe, and the months of June and July of 1945 were spent in moving to their new base in Germany, which was located just South of Munich near the small town of Neubiberg.

At first a great deal of flying was accomplished, but as more and more men were redeployed to the E of I, it became harder to keep the planes in the air. At present the Group is doing well if four Mustangs are able to fly. It is hoped, however, that long promised replacements will arrive to help bring the Group up to somewhere near it's fighting strength.

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11 November 1943

SUBJECT: Unit History.

TO : Commanding General, Second Air Force, Colorado Springs,
Colorado. ATTENTION: A C of S, A-2.

1. Inclosed are four copies of Unit History of 357th Fighter Group.
2. History covers period from 4 October 1943, date of Group's assignment to Second Air Force, to 8 November 1943, the date of its departure.
3. The History was not accompanied by substantiating documents or photographs; and with the departure of this Group from the jurisdiction of this Headquarters and Second Air Force, it is now impossible to secure same.

For the Commanding Officer:

1 Incl
Incl 1 - 4 Copies of 357th Fighter
Group History.

John E. Campbell
JOHN E. CAMPBELL
1st Lt., A. G. D.
Adjutant

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Monday, October 4, 1943.

According to a teletype received in Headquarters from the Commanding Officer of the Ainsworth, Nebraska, Air Base, 2nd Lt. Richard A. Peterson ran out of gas and made a forced landing just south of Presidio, Mexico. The P-39 was a complete wreck from hitting a couple of trains standing on a siding after it had slowed a lot, but Lt. Peterson was uninjured. The plane was being ferried to 364th's new station in Ainsworth.

Headquarters and the 363rd straightened up last minute details at the Oroville Sub-base all morning and got on the train at 1300 for the trip to Casper. Headquarters had a bit to do in straightening out 363rd baggage that was put in the wrong car, otherwise the loading was without incident.

On the way at last and enjoying the beautiful scenery of the Feather River Canyon, through which we travelled all afternoon. High, steep, and pine-covered mountains on both sides and the swift Feather River first on one side and then on the other, big boulders that caused one to realize the size of man is small.

Tuesday, October 5, 1943.

Still travelling east. The scenery has changed from rough mountains to the treelessness of the Nevada countryside of which we saw enough while in Tonopah. Arrived at Salt Lake City about 2100 and from there turned south to go through the Wasatch Mountain Range. The strain of the trip is beginning to tell. The Train Commander's rules are that EM are to get off the train and one of them passed a joking remark about "leg-irons that broke the monotony of "blackjack" and "shooting the bull". Especially when the TC reprimanded him.

Wednesday, October 6, 1943.

Last night we swung back to the east and this morning went through Grand Junction, Colorado. Shortly after lunch we passed a big Infantry training post by Salida. From the train one could get a view that reached for miles. More mountains, this time the "Rockies". Gorgeous is the name for the Royal Gorge through which we passed about 2100. A big moon lighted the steep walls, the swift stream and the mile high suspension bridge over the Gorge. Tourists travel miles and miles to see the scenery that we have passed through.

Thursday, October 7, 1943.

Over on the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains this morning going north. Again the scenery has changed from mountains to flat prairie country, but this time it has grass on it. To most of us on the train we are getting tired of scenery in any form.

Arrived at our new station, Casper Army Air Base about 2100. The Officers went to their quarters and the EM shown theirs. Their beds were not set up so until 2300 or so the place was a bee-hive of activity, setting up beds, drawing bedding, unloading baggage and the like.

Friday, October 8, 1943.

A rather large place. A lot different from the small sub-bases from which we have been operating lately. Breakfast wasn't very good. When the cooks looked over their larder they found it consisted of a case of sauerkraut, a barrel of sugar, and a bottle of catsup. They did rustle around and we ended up with pancakes, period.

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Saturday, October 9, 1943.

CWO Hoy L. Perdue, Group S-4 Officer, was awarded the American Theatre Campaign Medal and Asiatic-Pacific Theatre Campaign Medal by paragraph #4, Special Orders, #231, 357th Fighter Group.

This day was spent in getting further straightened around for business and in looking over the new station. Quite a military place, no fraternizing between Officers and Men, "must salute" orders, review every Saturday, Retreat ceremonies every day, complete uniform at all times, and the like. Different from the small fields at which we have been stationed.

Sunday, October 10, 1943.

Major Donald W. Graham, Group Executive, was relieved of the added duty of Command of the 363rd Squadron by paragraph 4, Special Orders #232, 357th Fighter Group. The reason being that Capt. Joe H. Giltner, Jr., reported to Group and was assigned as Commanding Officer, 363rd F Sq, by paragraph 5 of the same Orders.

Contrary to everyone's expectations of Casper the weather is not cold. Some colder than the 95 degree temperature of Oroville but comfortable except for the 25 MPH wind that seems to blow constantly.

Monday, October 11, 1943.

Paragraph #7 of the 357th's Special Orders #24 reduced Sgts. Eschol S. Myers, Lester V. Blosser, and Francis P. Clarke, 363rd Sq, to Privates for misconduct. Their misconduct being caught on the streets after curfew. Paragraph #8 of the same orders promoted them to Corporals.

Tuesday, October 12, 1943.

Equipment, personnel, and records are being brought to perfection in anticipation and preparation for our eventual overseas movement and contact with the enemy.

Wednesday, October 13, 1943.

The 357th Fighter Group made the news. Following is a newspaper story and picture that accompanied it as it appeared in the "Slip Stream", the Base publication of the Casper Army Air Base:

FIGHTER GROUP SENT HERE

Training of Combat Crews is Broadened
Experienced Pilot Heads New Group

A fighter group of single-engined planes, headed by Lt. Col. Edwin S. Chickering, were assigned to the air base last week, broadening the training program for heavy bombardment combat crews and fighter pilots.

The fighter planes will work with the heavy bombardment group in training designed to simulate general battle conditions, in addition to regular training in formation flying and aerial gunnery.

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The fighter planes will be flown on interceptor and attack missions and will practice escorting the heavy bombers. The interceptor work will include only training in intercepting bombers, but will include combating other fighter planes. Crews of the heavy bombers as well as of the fighter planes will benefit from the combined training.

Holding key position in the group besides Colonel Chickering, the group commanding officer, are Major Donald W. Graham, group executive officer; Major Robert T. Romine, adjutant; Capt. Alfred W. Craven, Jr., Intelligence officer; Captain Joseph H. Giltner, squadron commanding officer; 1st Lt. Dave C. Willett, squadron adjutant; and Capt. Dan L. Evander, squadron administrative executive officer.

Colonel Chickering, who was promoted to his present rank July 23, 1942, at the age of 29, is a native of Oil City, Pa. He was first commissioned in Ordnance in 1935 and a year later entered flying school, graduating with a pair of wings from Kelly Field in June 1937.

The young officer was first sent to Barkadale Field. He served as an instructor in primary and basic training at Randolph Field for eight months and spent the next 30 months as a pursuit instructor at Kelly Field.

After his assignment there he was made a training group commander and director of flying at the advanced single-engine school at Brooks Field for eight months. In August, 1942, he became a director of training at an advanced glider school at Lubbock, Texas.

During March and April, 1943, he gained his only experience in foreign country when he ferried P-38s to Africa. In June of this year he became an A-3 of the San Francisco Fighter Wing and a month later became commanding officer of his present fighter Group.

Colonel Chickering, a senior pilot with more than 3,000 flying hours to his credit, is a graduate of Lehigh University where he obtained a B. S. degree in Industrial Engineering. He is married and his wife now resides in Casper.

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Special Orders, #234, paragraph 1, 357th F Gp, awarded T/Sgt. George M. Tellefsen the Good Conduct Medal.

Paragraph 2 rated Sgt. Jerome A. Anderson, 363rd, as a marksman with a .30 caliber rifle with a score of 139.

Paragraph 4 relieved 1st Lt. William R. O'Brien from 363rd and sent him to Group and paragraph 5 assigned him as Assistant Operations Officer.

Paragraph 3 transferred 1st Lt. Paul K. DeVries to 363rd from Group to replace Lt. O'Brien.

Thursday, October 14, 1943.

S/Sgt. Ellsworth A. Ott, 362nd, was transferred to AC Unassigned and attached to Detachment 18th Replacement Wing while awaiting appointment as an Aviation Cadet, according to paragraph 3, Special Orders #235, 357th Fighter Group Headquarters.

A slight accident today, too. 2nd Lt. Glen A. Hubbard, 364th, damaged the prop reduction gear on a P-39 when trouble developed with the landing gear while he was taking off. Folded up with him.

Friday, October 15, 1943.

Flight Officer Charles E. McKee, 363rd, had engine trouble today while on an interception mission and was forced to drop out of the formation on the last pass at the bombers. He made a wheels-up landing without injury to himself but the damage to the ship is estimated as total. Tough luck as McKee is a good pilot.

357th Fighter Group Special Orders #236, paragraph 5, rated 2nd Lt. Robert W. Brown as A Sharpshooter with .45 caliber pistol. Scored 83% accuracy.

Saturday, October 16, 1943.

Flight Officer Charles E. Yeager, 363rd, did an admirable job of bringing a P-39 in on its belly today. The landing gear would not come clear down so the ambulance, fire truck, and all, was out but the pilot set it down with no personal injury and a minimum of damage to the plane. Another skillful pilot.

Cpl. Albert Foelgner, 362nd, was reduced in grade to Private for misconduct and inefficiency according to paragraph 3, 357th F Gp Special Orders #237.

Sunday, October 17, 1943.

1st Lt. George D. Currie, Assistant Group Operations Officer, is awarded the Asiatic-Pacific campaign medal and the American Defense Medal and is authorized to wear the Bronze Star on the latter for service outside the continental United States prior to December 7, 1941, by paragraphs 2 and 3 of Special Orders #238 for the 357th Fighter Group.

Had a tactical inspection by the 72nd Fighter Wing today. The inspectors were flying with a formation on a practice interception mission and sure 'nuf we have a bad break. Lt. Colonel Chickering was leading the flight and went in for a pass at the bombers. His wing-man, Lt. Currie, collided with him and chewed the tail off the ship almost to the engine. Colonel Chickering "hit the silk" and Lt. Currie was able to bring his plane in for a landing as it was still controllable.

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Monday, October 18, 1943.

Today's Special Orders were devoted mostly to granting leaves to Officers in an effort to allow all of them to get home before we shove off.

357th Fighter Group's Special Orders #239, paragraph 8, reduced Sgt. Franklyn E. Masters, 364th Squadron, to Private for misconduct.

Tuesday, October 19, 1943.

SPECIAL ORDERS #240, 357th Fighter Group.

1. Following named EM, Hq, 357th F Gp, awarded the Good Conduct Medal and authorized to wear the corresponding ribbon. Auth: Sec II WD Bull #6, 10 Apr 43:

M Sgt Harvey D. Way	T Sgt George A. Fischer
T Sgt Renaldo C. Freda	T Sgt Clyde W. Steele
S Sgt Calvin R. E. Stone	Sgt Vincent L. Buening
Sgt Thomas M Reinert	Sgt Richard V. Sutton
Cpl Frank Hurbis	Cpl William P. MacLeod
Cpl Claude H. Williams	T/5 Paul J. Schoolard

3. Following named O's, 363 F Sq, AAB, Casper, Wyo have fired and qualified with .45 cal auto pistol with score and degree of proficiency set opposite their names:

	<u>EXPERT</u>	
2nd Lt. Joseph F. Pierce		95%
	<u>SHARPSHOOTER</u>	
2nd Lt. Robert K. Moore		82%
2nd Lt. Herschell T. Pascoe		80%
2nd Lt. Frederick W. Reust		80%
2nd Lt. William D. Michaely		80%
2nd Lt. Robert W. Foy		76%
	<u>MARKSMAN</u>	
2nd Lt. Howard S. Hinman		72%
2nd Lt. Harold T. Reynolds		65%
2nd Lt. Moseley H. Webb		64%
2nd Lt. Ernest C. Tiede, Jr.		63%
1st Lt. Ernest F. De Nigris		63%
2nd Lt. Irving A. Smith		62%

4. 2nd Lt. Emil Moldea 0575656 AG, aptd Group Life Insurance O and Group War Bond, (add dy).

Wednesday, October 20, 1943.

Special Orders 241, 357th Fighter Group, paragraph 1, rated Major Graham and Captain Dregne as Aerial Gunners. They fired the course outlined in Technical Manual 1-270, except Event II and Event V. Major Graham made Expert with 30% and Captain Dregne Sharpshooter with 21% accuracy.

The same orders, paragraphs 3 and 4 awarded M/Sgt Dean E. Jump the American campaign medal and American Defense Medal and a Bronze Star on the latter for Service outside the continental US prior to December 7, 1941.

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Thursday, October 21, 1943.

Still taking leaves. All of the Special Orders of Group today were devoted to the granting of leaves to Officers.

Flight Officer Charles E. Yeager suffered his second accident within the last six days, today. This time wasn't his fault either. He was flying combat formation when the engine failed and the ship caught fire about 20 miles SW of the Base. Using good judgement he bailed out and was uninjured but the P-39 was lost. The planes first flight since a preventative maintenance inspection, too.

The longer the 357th stays in the 2nd Air Force the better it gets along. Being the first fighter group here caused a lot of delays and lack of cooperation but apparently most of the "bugs" have been worked out of the administration and results are getting better and better.

Friday, October 22, 1943.

SPECIAL ORDERS, #243, 357TH FIGHTER GROUP

1. Having been asgd this Group per par 12, SO #139, Hq, Portland Air Region IV F Comd, Portland 7, Oregon, dtd, 15 Oct 43, following named EM are further asgd to orgns indicated, eff 15 Oct 43.

363RD FIGHTER SQUADRON

Pvt (929 SSK) Rodolphe A. Champagne 31079922
Pvt (521) Bertis E. Martin 18098518

364TH FIGHTER SQUADRON

Pvt (521) Joseph (NMI) Dress 31119415

2. Having been asgd this Group per par 19, SO #167, Hq, AAB, Mountain Home, Idaho dtd 18 Oct 43, CAPT HARVEY F. SANDERS 0388988 AC, is further assigned to 362nd F Sq, AAB, Pocatello, Idaho, eff 18 Oct 43.

3. Following O's, 363rd F Sq, AAB, Casper, Wyoming have fired and qualified with .45 cal auto pistol with score and degree of proficiency set opposite their names:

SHARPSHOOTER

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
2 Lt	William R. McGinley	0743085	85%
2 Lt	Robert N. Moore	0745466	82%
2 Lt	Donald H. Bochkay	0742834	80%
1 Lt	John E. Swan	0481534	79%

MARKSMAN

1 Lt	Edwin W. Hiron	0728661	74%
2 Lt	Alfred R. Boyle	0740355	68%
1 Lt	Lloyd M. Hubbard	0730498	66%

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Saturday, October 23, 1943.

COLONEL STEINSON OWNS A FOCKE-WOLFE

On October 23, Major Graham received the following letter from Lt. Colonel LORING F. STEINSON, Jr., former Commander of the 357th Fighter Group:

Dear Don, Bob, and the Gang:

Laying in bed with a slight case of malaria and catching up on my correspondence. How's the old outfit getting along? Damn fine, I imagine. Been having a bit of fun myself. Caught me a FW the other day. Keep giving the boys plenty of gunnery. Saves lots of ammo not to mention wear and tear on the nerves. Our ships aren't the newest in the world, but at least they don't tumble and they get the job done. Have seen lots of the boys I knew years ago and we have quite a gang from Foster Field. Keep 'em flying abreast and I'll pass you some dope along later when it is possible. Don't let the boys gripe about promotions, they haven't seen anything yet. Enjoy your salads and women and whiskey while you can.

Best of luck,

Stets

SPECIAL ORDERS #244, 357th Fighter Group.

Paragraph 1. Following named EM, Hq, 357th F Gp, promoted to grades indicated. Auth: AR 615-5.

To be Master Sergeant (Temp)

T Sgt George H. Tellefsen Jr 16044113
T Sgt Lewis A. Adams 31170676

To be Staff Sergeant (Temp)

Sgt Vincent E. Buening 37211125
Sgt Newton A. Stiles 31235669

To be Sergeant (Temp)

Cpl Joe G. Gunn 38219151

To be Corporal (Temp)

Pfc Wayne V. Cooley 35762725

Paragraph 2. Having been asgd this Group per par 2, SO #243, 1st Weather Sq, McClellan Fld, Calif dtd 18 Oct 43, 2 Lt ROBERT L. CLARK 0880687 AC, is further asgd to Hq 357th F Gp, eff 18 Oct 43.

Paragraphs 3 and 4 appoint Lt. Clark as Weather Officer (principal duty) and Assistant S-3 Officer as an added duty.

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Sunday, October 24, 1943.

357th Fighter Group Special Orders #245, paragraph 2, amends SO #243 to read Pvt (929 SSK) William C. Hyde, 34586705, 363rd F Sq, instead of Pvt. Champagne.

New men report and are assigned per paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 of SO #245 as follows:

HQ 357TH FIGHTER GROUP

Pfc (501 SSK) Emerson J. Paradis 38467904

362ND FIGHTER SQUADRON

Sgt (548 SK) George M. Young Jr 20820585
 Cpl (501 SK) George Rinke 32175509
 Cpl (501 SK) Melvin G. Applebaum 36382135
 Cpl (501 SSK) Paul Skreptack 33618878
 Cpl (888 SSK) Elliot A. Titelbaum 11115319
 Pvt (747 SK) William J. Steakley

363RD FIGHTER SQUADRON

Sgt (501 SK) Joseph Jankowski 6717136
 Cpl (237 SK) Milton H. Stoller 32468457
 Cpl (911 SK) Fred J. Osterman 12135143
 Pfc (747 SSK) David Tobin 32404333
 Pvt (747 SK) Joe C. Ruh 35483906
 Pvt (911 SK) James J. Jennings 7004878
 Cpl (060 SK) Ralph E. Bell 18109633
 Cpl (060 SK) Chester D. Renfro 38202955
 Cpl (686 SSK) John N. Rob 36349068

364TH FIGHTER SQUADRON

Pfc (756 SSK) William A. Clogston 31128697
 Cpl (911 SK) Herbert J. Ryan 32535304
 Cpl (911 SK) John C. Butler 34446850
 Pfc (911 SK) Max W. Meharg 36538137

Monday, October 25, 1943.

Cpl (809) James R. Hunt 32741709 reported and was assigned to the 363RD F SQ by paragraph 4, 357th Fighter Group Special Orders, along with Cpl (754 SK) John H. Osborn 35433574, by paragraph 5 of the same orders.

The 364th F Sq got two new men by paragraph 5 of Special Orders #246, Cpl (754 SSK) Edwin B. Fanning 36382342 and Cpl (555 SSK) Gerald L. Edwards 16087231.

Tuesday, October 26, 1943.

More and more men are reporting to the 357th. Special Orders #247, paragraphs 1 and 2 assign Pvt Roy Charles Berridge, Pvt Harold W. Small, Sgt Joseph A. Maciowski, Cpl Bud Perkins, Pvt August A. Leicht, Pvt Carl F. Fischer Jr and Pvt Samuel L. Sindeni to the 363rd Fighter Squadron.

Paragraph 3 assigns Pvt Nathan Lloyd to Group Headquarters; paragraph 7 assigns Pvt Frederick J. McLaughlin to the 363rd Fighter Squadron.

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2nd Lt. Joseph F. Pierce, 363rd, cracked up a UC-61A today while attempting to take off after a forced landing at Soda Springs, Idaho, because of lack of fuel. The landing was made with no difficulty but on the take-off a stone fence post, to quote one of the passengers, "knocked hell out of things". The pilot and M/Sgts Dean E. Jump, Lewis A. Adams, and George M. Tellefsen enjoyed their stay while waiting for transportation away from Soda Springs. According to their stories the townspeople treated them like conquering heroes.

Wednesday, October 27, 1943.

2nd Lts Morris Rothstein and Eugene D. Rhoads reported from 1st Weather Squadron at McClellan Field, California and were assigned to Hq, 357th Fighter Group, by their own Special Orders #248, paragraph 2.

Paragraph 3 of the same Special Orders assigned Pfc Robert W. Smith and Sgt. Angelo J. Dicapua to Hq Detachment and 364th, respectively.

Thursday, October 28, 1943.

1st Lt. John D. Anderson is appointed Group Communications Inspector by paragraph 1, Special Orders #249, 357th Fighter Group Hdqrs.

Paragraph 2 of the same Special Orders promoted Supply Clerk Cpl. Elmer W. Hasemyer of Headquarters to Sergeant.

Friday, October 29, 1943.

The time draws closer and the 357th is a bee-hive of activity getting ready for overseas. The tension is tightening. All personnel are getting a bit short-tempered and other give-aways are apparent. Still good men even though we have never been in combat.

Nice weather but everyone hopes that we get out of Wyoming before the forty-below weather that we have been hearing about starts.

Saturday, October 30, 1943.

Just another day. Packing and other details are still going on.

Sunday, October 31, 1943.

Halloween! But where the 357th is there is not much of the holiday spirit or activity. Military routine goes on and "winding-up" continues.

Monday, November 1, 1943.

Promotion day for Enlisted Men. Special Orders #251, 357th Fighter Group, promote Cpl Morgan W. Davidean to Sgt. by paragraph 1. His is in Hdqrs. Det.

On the same Special Orders and paragraph the 362nd promoted S/Sgt Michael J. Keane to T/Sgt; Sgts Pasquale Buzzee, Ernest A. Fleisch, Lewis E. Phillips, Roger Stops, William Dondiego, Milton F. Lybarger, Ray A. Smith, Guy W. Wages to S/Sgts.

Cpls Anthony A. Lallo, Roy H. Johnson, Kenneth R. Lane and Paul Kapusta to Sergeants.

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Pfc Raymond Clark, John J. O'Keefe, Jack B. O'Quinn, Raymond H. Hillsinger, and Joe H. Moores, and Pvts Edward J. Morrissey, Harry D. Bailey, and Victor V. Moss were promoted to Corporals.

363rd promoted S/Sgt George F. Patrick to T/Sgt; Sgts Lloyd E. Luukkonen, Clair B. O'Malley, John E. Mayo and Carl K. Wood to S/Sgts. Cpls Ervin E. Ritter, Elmer W. Clark, Lester V. Bloser, Lawrence D. Smithhisler, Marshall D. Kidd Jr, Leonard N. Classens, Thomas T. Van Tine, Michael L. Blanco, Cyril L. Nelson, Elmer W. Peterson, Ernest E. Miller, Francis B. Clarke, Eschol S. Myers, and Pfc Thomas C. Craig were promoted to Sergeants.

New corporals were made of Pfc Thomas B. Harter, David H. McEuen, George N. Baumgartner, Allen H. Wigham, Marvin L. Louk, Felix J. LeBrun, Floyd J. Dujack, Pvts Phillip Mikalunas, Jasper B. Day, and Oren C. Bolin.

Pfcs were made of Pvts James R. Caison and Arthur E. Hillis.

The 364th promoted S/Sgt Henry C. D'Esti to T/Sgt. The rest of their promotions consist of: Sgts Joe D. Sullivan, Curt W. Perdelwitz, John J. Mathiason, Julius N. Knight, Stanley W. Bernotas, and Joseph F. Feith, and Earl R. Gochenour to S/Sgts.

Cpls Thomas Babich, Frank B. LoPresti, James L. Long, William B. Newton, John Gurik, David M. Weatherly, Leonard E. Stiglitz, Talmadge L. Whitaker, Richard L. Spicer, Eugene E. Shook, William D. Kubisiak, Jess T. Butler, Benjamin F. Wright and Richard L. Goldstein were promoted to Sgts.

Corporals were made of Pfc Lloyd S. White, Eldon C. Kofoed, Harry A. Davison, Bernard K. McKenna, Luther Pulliam and Michael Vassil.

Pvts Ottis R. Golleher, Pvt Herbert J. Mace and Ernest E. Gilman were made Pfc.

Captain Harvey F. Sanders shot 72% with a .45 auto pistol and qualified as a Marksman according to paragraph 2 of SO #251.

Tuesday, November 2, 1943.

Paragraph 4, SO #252 transferred 2nd Lt. Morris Rothstein to 363rd from Group.

2nd Lt. Eugene D. Rhoads and 2nd Lt. Robert L. Clark were assigned to 362nd and 364th Squadrons, respectively.

Wednesday, November 3, 1943.

Orders are emanating from the S-1 Section of Group Headquarters to have all personnel hike, have all supplies issued, all personnel go through the gas chamber, and quite a few orders to attend training films, etc. The time draws shorter.

Thursday, November 4, 1943.

Now the weather is against us. Has been nasty lately, cold, sleet, snow and the inevitable Wyoming wind. The weather along with the fact that we can't get all of the supplies and the kinds that we need have resulted in the changing of all of the orders at least once. This supply business is quite a problem at this base. We need a lot and the quartermaster doesn't have it and can't get it easily; the result is a lot of teletypes and telephone calls.

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Friday, November 5, 1943.

The snow fell heavier today. More orders were changed. So many in fact that even the issuing headquarters were racing for the bulletin board to read the latest communique from S-1 as to what the program would be for the next hour.

Sgt. Richard E. Smith, 363rd, was reduced to grade of Private for misconduct by paragraph 1, 357th F Gp, Special Orders #254.

Paragraph 2 of the same orders received Cpl William J. Olsen from the San Francisco Fighter Wing and assigned him to the 364th Fighter Squadron.

On the same orders Cpl Carl W. Braun reported and was assigned to Hdqrs; Cpls Robert N. Smith, Charles W. Marn, Anthony J. Resca reported to Group and were assigned to the 362nd F Sq; Pvt. William H. Jackson went to 363rd F Sq; and Sgt. Winthrop C. King, Cpl Robert J. Grall, Pfc Kenneth E. Thoen, and Alex Fieglerman went to the 364th F Sq. All of these men reported from the 328th F Gp at Hamilton Field, California.

Paragraph 7 of Special Orders #254 changed Pvt. William H. Jackson from the 363rd assignment and sent him to 364th instead.

Sgt. Sam R. Loyacono, Jr., Hq 357th F Gp was awarded the Good Conduct Medal by Special Orders #254, paragraph 9, 357th Fighter Group.

Saturday, November 6, 1943.

More Snow! It is now about 4 inches deep and still falling. A four hour hike is scheduled for all Headquarters personnel at 1300 today. The hike is all off, according to the latest communique and the gas chamber is substituted. An inspection took place this morning of all equipment and clothing. Maybe we can get out of here without another one. This supply problem is really something with the 363rd Squadron and Headquarters at Casper and the other two squadrons in Pocatello and Ainsworth. Enlisted men finally have most of their stuff by afternoon.

Sunday, November 7, 1943.

Snowing again. Lightly but still snowing. Most of this unit is ready to leave as snow is something foreign to most of the places we have been and we don't like it. All EM and Officers, including Lt. Colonel Chickering took a hike this morning with field packs and weapons. It was just a little bit on the disagreeable side-----a wind, snow, and low temperatures, but the whole unit made it in good shape.

The rest of the day was spent in packing the remainder of our belongings to conform with all the regulations and tables of allowances, etc that we must not violate, and still have everything packed so that we will have what we need. Pretty much of a job, too. Just about have everything whipped, though. The weather is cleared up and morale is climbing. Good.

Monday, November 8, 1943.

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357 FTR Hq

SECRETUNIT HISTORY
357th Fighter Group

December Installment

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AUTH: CC 70FW
DATE: 29 Jan 44
INIT: <i>W</i>

1. Organization: Negative.
2. Strength on 31 December 1943: Headquarters Detachment Officers 25, Enlisted Men 52. Combined Organization Strength Officers 179, EM 807.
3. Dates of arrival and departure of stations in the ETO: Unit arrived at USAAF Station 157, Raydon Wood, Suffolk, on 30 November 1943.
4. Losses in action: Negative.
5. Awards and Decorations: Negative.

ASSIGNMENT OF UNITS

- 7 Dec 43 - Letter, Hq USAAFUK, dated 7 December 43, assigns Group to IX Air Force. (Letter Attached)
- 16 Dec 43 - General Orders No. 146, Hq IX Air Force, 16 Dec 43, assigns Group to IX Fighter Command, assignment effective 7 December 43. (Copy Attached).

TRAINING

1. Training Directives, field orders, and memorandums from IX Air Force, IX Fighter Command, and 70th Fighter Wing were received were complied with. An extensive program of Orientation, training, and field work was begun. Operations Section issued daily training memorandums for the Group and Squadrons, one of which is attached. Personnel in almost every section were on DS at schools and operational Groups learning procedures of the USAAF in the European Theater of Operations.

- 5 Dec 43 - All Intelligence Officers of this Group attended Orientation School at VIII Fighter Command per SO No. 264, Hq 357th Fighter Group, dated 9 Dec 43. (Copy Attached).
- 19 Dec 43 - Group received first P-51B, the aircraft assigned the Group for use in combat in the ETO. Pilots began transition flying from the P-39 to the new airplane. The whole group had an average time of over 300 flying hours on P-39s at the time they came into the ETO. Great satisfaction on the part of all personnel concerned was expressed over the P-51.
- Difficulties in training were experienced, mainly due to lack of equipment on hand. OMI and TAT equipment were slow in arriving, although at the end of December these difficulties were being overcome.

- 20 Dec 43 - Major Donald W. Graham, O-25247, received notification of his promotion to Lt. Colonel, per paragraph 13, WD SO #307, dated 3 November 43.

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Unit History
357th Ftr. Gp.
December Install.
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OPERATIONS

1. As of 31 December 43, this Group had engaged in no operational flights in the ETO.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Fifteen pilots were assigned the Group and per So #261, Hq 357th Fighter Group, dated 6 December 43 were further assigned to the squadrons. (Attached is an extract from the orders).
2. 10 Dec 43 SO #265, Hq 357th Ftr Gp, further assigned four pilots that had been assigned to Group by IX Fighter Command. (Extract attached).
3. Ten more pilots were further assigned to the component squadrons of the 357th Fighter Group by Special Orders #270, this Hq, dated 18 Dec 43. (Extract attached).
4. The Aero Club for Officers and Enlisted Men, provided by the American Red Cross and staffed by volunteer English Red Cross workers, opened 24 Dec 43.
5. An Officer's Club was officially opened in connection with the Officer's Mess on 24 December 1943.
6. Captain Louis Nicoud, O-473938, relieved as Executive Officer of 362nd Fighter Squadron, per par 1, SO #277, Hq 357th Fighter Group, dated 30 December 1943. (Extract Attached).
7. SO #278, par 1, Hq 357th Fighter Group, dated 31 December 1943, accepted assignment of five pilots from Eighth AF Replacement Depot and further assigned them to squadrons of Group. (Extract Attached).
8. 1st Lt Alexander Granbacka relieved as Supply Officer of 362nd Fighter Squadron and appointed Ass't S-4 Officer of the Group per SO #278, par 3 and 4, Hq 357th Fighter Group, dtd 31 Dec 43. (Extract attached).
9. New Years Eve party held for Officers at their club and for Enlisted men at the Aero Club. (The notice to Officers is attached).
10. No serious illnesses were contracted by personnel of the Group despite the change in climate and the differences in custom pertaining to heat, hot water, and living habits.
11. Rosters of all Officers, pilots and ground echelon, is attached.

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 Date: 7 Dec 1943
 Initials: *[Signature]*

HEADQUARTERS
 UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCES
 UNITED KINGDOM

320.2

7 December 1943.

SUBJECT: Assignment of Troops (No. 7)

TO : Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
 VIII Bomber Command
 VIII Fighter Command

1. The following units having recently arrived in this theater are assigned to commands indicated:

Ninth Air Force

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357th Fighter Group (SE)

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By command of Lieutenant General BAKER:

/s/ JAMES B. GORDON
 /t/ JAMES B. GORDON
 Lt Col, AGD.,
 Asst Adj General.

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 DATE: 16 Dec 43:
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AFD 696, U. S. ARMY
 16 December 1943

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 146)

Section I.....Assignment of Units
 Section II.1.....Amendment of General Orders

SECTION I

1. The following units having been assigned to the Ninth Air Force by letter, USAAF, UX, file 320.2, dated 7 December 1943, subject: "Assignment of Troops (No 7)" are further assigned to the IX Fighter Command, effective 0001 hours, 7 December 1943.

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357th Fighter Group

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By command of Major General BREWSTER:

/t/ V H STRAIN
 Brig Gen USA
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357th Fighter Group

APO 638
20 Dec 43OPERATIONS)
: DAILY TRAINING SCHEDULE
INFO)

1. Flight Training.

a. Unlimited: Squadrons will furnish pilots for navigation flights in groups of twenty (20) as follows:

0900 - 363rd F S
1015 - 364th F S
1300 - 362nd F S
1415 - 363rd F S
1530 - 364th F Sb. Limited: Same as a. above.
c. Closed: None.

2. Ground School.

a. 0900 - 1000 Identification
1000 - 1100 Weather and Chemical Warfare
1100 - 1200 Communication
1330 - 1430 Identification
1430 - 1530 Weather and Communication

b. Pilots will be required to attend the three scheduled lectures at a time when they are not scheduled to fly.

c. The photographer will be in the Group Operations Room at 1000 Tuesday for those who have not yet had their pictures taken.

d. No pilots will be granted overnight leave until the navigational flights have been completed and the pictures have been taken.

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362nd F S
363rd F S
364th F S
Weather Officer
Communications Officer
Chemical Warfare O 309th Ser Gp
S-2 OfficerGEORGE D. CURRIE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Duty Opns O & Trng O.

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HQ 357TH F GP,
APO 638 U S Army
9 December 1943.

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2. Confirming VOCO, 5 Dec 43, following O's, this command, WP on TD US AAF Sta 341 for approx five (5) days eff o/a 5 Dec 43 on matters pertaining to trng. Upon completion of TD O's will return proper sta. TDI. Will trans, air or rail auth. Govt qrs and subs not being available O's will be reimbursed by PD at rate not to exceed per diem allowance of \$4.00 for lodging and \$1.25 for subsistence not to exceed five (5) days. Auth: Memo 5-4, Hqs Ninth AF, 8 Nov 43, Section II, par 7, Policy 30-1, Hqs USAAFUK, Nov 43, 91-5 P 432-02 A 212/40425 and 91-5 P 410-01 A 212/4-200:

Capt ALFRED W GRAVEN JR 0902496 AC
1 Lt George H Boswell 0571044 AC
1 Lt NOLAN A GROSHONG 0571873 AC
Capt DON G PICKRELL 0375361 AC
1 Lt PAUL S BROWN 0571119 AC
2 Lt FRANCIS W MAYER 0569350 AC
1 LT ERNEST F DE NIGRIS 0565185 AC
2 LT JOHN B MYERS JR 0575737 AC

By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:

DAVID I. KRAMER,
1st Lt, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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FLOYD G. RIDDLE,
WOJG, USA,
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HQ 357TH F GP
US AAF STA 157
APO 638 US ARMY
6 December 1943

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NO 261)

1. Having been asgd this comd purs to par 14, SO #69, Hqs
IX Fighter Comd, 16 Nov 43 the following O's (now DS for tng)
are further asgd to orgns indicated:

262ND FIGHTER SQUADRON

2ND LT HERSCHEL L HILL 0687373 AC 2ND LT FRANK J CONNAGHAN 0682940 AC
2ND LT RODNEY M STARKEY 0751478 AC 2ND LT JAMES E ROUGHGARDEN 0751451 AC
2ND LT JAMES B BADGER 0806772 AC

263RD FIGHTER SQUADRON

2ND LT GEORGE G GEORGE 0682631 AC 2ND LT CARTER L JONES 0682648 AC
2ND LT HENRY R KAVGER 0682652 AC 2ND LT SANTIAGO R GUTIERREZ 0682944 AC
2ND LT DONOVAN D SIVERTS 0751469 AC

364TH FIGHTER SQUADRON

2ND LT JOSEPH G SULLIVAN 0751484 AC 2ND LT HOLLE R NONLIN 0686659 AC
2ND LT BENJAMIN F ELLIOT JR 0809117 AC 2ND LT HARRY H HENNINGSEN 0688989 AC
2ND LT DEAN H POST JR 0807603 AC

By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:

DAVID J. KRAMER
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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/s/ FLOYD G. RIDDLE
/t/ FLOYD G. RIDDLE
WCJG, USA
Ass't Adjutant.

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NO 265)

1. Having been asgd this group per par 2, SO #91, Hq IV F GCD, dtd
 2 Dec 43, following named O's are further asgd to Hq 357th F gr, eff 8 Dec
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1 Lt DON W VOGEL 0886206 AC 1 Lt WILLIAM J A GRAY 0886190 AC
 1 Lt CHARLES S PEARSON 0886199 1 Lt VERLIN R KLINER 0886193 AC

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By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHICKERING:

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/s/ FLOYD G. RIDDLE

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10. Having been asgd this orgn per par 10, SO 795, Hq IX F Comd,
dtd 12 Dec 43, following named O's are further asgd to orgns indicated,
eff 12 Dec 43:

362ND FIGHTER SQUADRON

2 LT ROBERT A MEYER 0686650 AC 2 LT FLOYD W MITCHELL 0680054 AC
2 LT ALDEN E SMITH 0800059 AC

363RD FIGHTER SQUADRON

2 LT ROBERT E SMITH 0807634 AC 2 LT STANLEY M CHERNIK 0807593 AC
2 LT ROGER E PAGELS 0682052 AC

364TH FIGHTER SQUADRON

2 LT CHARLES J SCHREIBER 0682593 AC 2 LT ARCHIE F BRIDGES 0807140 AC
2 LT VIRGIL D SUNDBLOM 0687404 AC 2 LT WALTER (NMT) BARON 0801663 AC

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Major, Air Corps,
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1. CAPT LOUIS (NMI) NIGGND 0473938 AC, WI w/o delay o/a 30 December 43 to IX F Comd pending reassignment.
 TDM by NT, mil a/cft, or rail. 91-5 P 431-02, 03 A 212/40425. Auth: VOOG IX F COMD, and Memo 5-4, Hq Ninth AF, 8 Nov 43.

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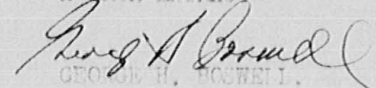
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This is the last Special Order issued by HQ 357th Fighter Group in 1943.

1. Having been asgd this orgn per par 1, SO #54, HQ Eighth AF Repl Depot, APO 635, AAF Sta 594, 27 Dec 43, following named P-1Ts, AG, are further asgd to orgns indicated, eff 27 Dec 43:

JOHN S COON 0810477	362ND FIGHTER SQUADRON	OLLIE E HARRIS JR 0810505
ROBERT C GANWISH 0810497	262ND FIGHTER SQUADRON	HAROLD M KENNY 0810514
	364TH FIGHTER SQUADRON	
	CHARLES H DOOLEY 0810485	

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3. 1 LT ALEXANDER (NMI) GRANBACKA 0233030 AG, reld fr asgmt 362nd F Sq, and asgd HQ 357th F Gp.

4. 1 LT ALEXANDER (NMI) GRANBACKA 0233030 AG, aptd Asst S-4 C (prin dy).

By order of Lieutenant Colonel CHUTEY G:

ROBERT T. ROMINE,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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/t/ ROBERT T. ROMINE,
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NOTICE TO ALL OFFICERS

YOUR ATTENTION IS AGAIN CALLED TO THE OFFICERS DANCE AND NEW YEARS EVE PARTY.
TO BE HELD IN THE OFFICERS CLUB, NEW YEARS EVE, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31st.

Special trucks will be provided to furnish transportation for those Officers who desire to bring their dates. Trucks will pick up Officers and their dates from the lobby of the White Horse Hotel in Ipswich and from the Officers Red Cross Club in Colchester at 2030.

The trucks will return Officers and their dates from the dance to these points at about 0100 New Years Morning. Trucks will remain in town for one hour while the Officers take their dates home and then return the Officers to the base.

It is expected that there will be some girls furnished by various organizations in town. These girls will be brought to the party in groups and due to limited transportation must be returned as a group. Officers will not be permitted to escort these girls home.

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HEADQUARTERS
357th Fighter Group AAF

PILOTS ROSTER AS OF JANUARY 1, 1944

357th Fighter Group Headquarters Detachment.

Lt. Col.	EDWIN S. CHICKERING	O-21405	Commanding.
Lt. Col.	DONALD W. GRAHAM	O-25227	Executive Officer.
Capt.	IRWIN H. DREGNE	O-431399	Operations Officer.
Capt.	GEORGE D. CURRIE	O-730394	Ass't Operations Officer.
1st Lt.	DONALD H. ROSS	O-885307	Ass't Operations Officer.
2nd Lt.	ROBERT W. BROWN	O-748551	Ass't Operations Officer.

362nd Fighter Squadron.

Major	HUBERT I. EGANES	O-398687	Commanding.
Capt.	JOSEPH E. BROADHEAD	O-728563	Operations Officer.
Capt.	A RTHUR M. LINGO	O-728686	Flight Leader.
1st Lt.	MAURICE F. BAKER	O-730323	Flight Leader.
1st Lt.	HENRY E. BEAL	O-740344	
1st Lt.	ROBERT H. BECKER	O-739339	
1st Lt.	ROBERT D. BROWN	O-740360	
1st Lt.	LEONARD K. CARSON	O-742962	
1st Lt.	JOHN B. ENGLAND	O-739263	
1st Lt.	KENNETH E. HAGAN	O-740410	
1st Lt.	MERLIN R. KENRER	O-886193	
1st Lt.	DAVIS T. PERRON	O-728720	Flight Leader.
1st Lt.	DON W. VOGEL	O-886206	
1st Lt.	CALVERT L. WILLIAMS	O-732424	Flight Leader.
2nd Lt.	HARRY R. ANKENY JR.	O-465058	
2nd Lt.	FLETCHER E. ADAMS	O-740324	
2nd Lt.	JAMES B. BADGER	O-806772	
2nd Lt.	THOMAS A. BEEMER	O-748525	
2nd Lt.	FRANK J. CONNAGHAN	O-682940	
2nd Lt.	LYNN H. DROLLINGER	O-748531	
2nd Lt.	HERSHEL L. HILL	O-687373	
2nd Lt.	ALBERT C. LICHTER	O-532312	
2nd Lt.	HARVEY F. MACE	O-805087	
2nd Lt.	LLOYD W. MITCHELL	O-680054	
2nd Lt.	THOMAS E. NORRIS	O-745480	
2nd Lt.	ROBERT A. MEYER	O-686650	
2nd Lt.	GILBERT M. O'BRIEN	O-745482	
2nd Lt.	JOHN F. PUGH	O-745502	
2nd Lt.	ALVIN F. PYEATT III	O-745503	
2nd Lt.	DON R. RICE	O-745507	
2nd Lt.	ARVIL J. ROBERSON	O-745510	
2nd Lt.	ELMER D. RYDBERG	O-745519	
2nd Lt.	JAMES E. ROUGHGARDEN	O-751471	
2nd Lt.	ALDEN E. SMITH	O-800059	
2nd Lt.	RODNEY M. STARKEY	O-751478	

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362nd Fighter Squadron, continued:

2nd Lt.	KONSTANTINE J. VOGEL	O-745553
2nd Lt.	ROBERT D. WALLIN	O-533036
2nd Lt.	JOHN S. COON	O-810477
2nd Lt.	OLLIE E. HARRIS JR.	O-810505

363rd Fighter Squadron:

Capt.	JOE H. GILTNER	O-416296	Commanding.
Capt.	EDWIN W. NIRO	O-728661	Operations Officer.
Capt.	CLARENCE E. ANDERSON	O-730324	Flight Leader.
Capt.	PAUL K. DEVRIES	O-728607	Flight Leader.
Capt.	LLOYD M. HUBBARD	O-730498	Flight Leader.
Capt.	WILLIAM R. O'BRIEN	O-730583	Flight Leader.
1st Lt.	ALFRED R. DOYLE	O-740355	
1st Lt.	DONALD H. BOCHKAY	O-742834	
1st Lt.	JAMES W. BROWNING	O-740361	
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1st Lt.	HOWARD S. HINMAN	O-740422	
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