

89TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)

DECEMBER 1945

89TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFPO 328
9 January 1946.

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, Headquarters Section.


TO : Commanding Officer, 89th Bombardment Squadron (L), APO 328.
Attention: Historical Officer.

1. In compliance with Section VII, Paragraph 1, Memorandum No. 3, Headquarters, V Bomber Command, APO 710, dated 22 February 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Headquarters Section for the month of November 1945 is submitted.

2.. The majority of the "Old Timers" of the 89th Squadron have left for home, but as yet none of the Headquarters personnel have been quite so fortunate. Captain John A. Lewis was relieved as Squadron Executive Officer and has since then returned to the states. Replacing Captain Lewis, is 1st Lt Daniel Morganelli. On the last day of the month the Squadron Commander, Captain Roy D. Burkhart, was admitted to the 128th Station Hospital and 1st Lt Weston F. Maughan, operations officer, became acting Squadron Commander. At the close of the month the 89th Headquarters Section consisted of the following personnel:

Capt. Roy D. Burkhart, 0664519, Commanding
1st Lt Daniel Morganelli, 0777213, Executive Officer
F Sgt. William D. Hamilton, 16160707, First Sergeant
Sgt Gerald S. Hawes, 42001606, Sergeant Major
Cpl. Reece E. Ridgeway, 15375240, Duty Sergeant
S Sgt William A. Tiedeman, 33645996, Mail Clerk

3. Promotions were plentiful for the month of December. Two promotion lists were submitted and approved affecting rank of 44 Enlisted Men.


JOHN MC GRAY,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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AFD 328
2 January 1946

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, Engineering Section.

TO : Historical Officer, 89th Bombardment Squadron (L).

1. In compliance with Section VII, Paragraph 1, dated 22 February 1945, Memorandum No. 8, Headquarters V Bomber Command, the following summary of events and activities of the Engineering Section for the month of December 1945, is submitted.

2. All aircraft assigned to the Squadron were at Atsugi Air Base during December as part of the Occupational Air Force in Japan. At the end of the month the Engineering section consisted of two officers and 26 enlisted men. The key men are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DUTY</u>
F/O Norman V. Mayhill	Engineering Officer
2nd Lt. Thomas H. Rhodes	Asst. Engineering Officer
S/Sgt. Eldred Hodges	Line Chief
S/Sgt. Albert V. Thorn	Flight Chief (B)
S/Sgt. Eldon Lawson	Flight Chief (A)
S/Sgt. A. C. Cronquist	Inspector

3. Lt. T. H. Rhodes was appointed Asst. Engineering Officer to replace Lt. C. J. Haines, who was appointed Asst. Operations Officer. This change took place 7 December 1945. Other changes in replacement of men returning to the States have not been made as yet.

4. Transfers during the month included four (4) A-20's transferred to Clark Field Storage Pool. These were the last of the A-20's. One (1) A-26B was gained from the 481st Service Squadron, but was transferred to the 46th Air Service Group. The Squadron received one (1) A-26C from the 46th Air Service Group.

5. There were no accidents or engine changes for the month.
6. Although the Engineering Section was handicapped by the lack of personnel, it still managed to fly all security missions over Japan as assigned.

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Engineering Officer

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APO 328
2 January 1946

SUBJECT: Monthly Report of Aircraft Strength, December 1945

TO: 3d Bombardment Group (L), Historical Officer

1. Below is the report of Aircraft Strength of the 89th Bombardment Squadron (L) for the month of December 1945.

a. 1 December - Aircraft Strength:

Quantity	Type	Serial Nos.
1	A-20G-40	43-21538
3	A-20H-10	44-213, 683, 692
8	A-26B-51	44-34230, 246, 247, 266, 269, 270, 271, 286
1	A-26B-51	44-34298
5	A-26B-56	44-34331, 339, 364, 377, 413
1	A-26C-30	44-51587

b. Gains during December:

1	A-26C-30	44-35274
1	A-26B-50	44-34281
1	B-24M-31	44-51587

c. Losses during December:

1	A-26B-50	44-34281
1	A-20G-40	43-21538
3	A-20H-10	44-213, 683, 692

d. 31 December - Aircraft Strength:

8	A-26B-50	44-34230, 246, 247, 266, 269, 270, 271, 286
1	A-26B-51	44-34298
5	A-26B-56	44-34331, 339, 364, 377, 413
2	A-26C-30	44-35274, 295
1	B-24M-31	44-51587

2. Hours flown during December: 139.

Norman V. Mathill
NORMAN V. MATHILL,
F/O, Air Corps,
Engineering Officer.

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APO 328,
4 January 1946.

SUBJECT: Monthly Evaluation Summary, Operations Section.

TO : Historical Officer, 89th Bombardment Squadron (L),
APO 328.

1. The following information is hereby submitted for the Squadron History for the month of December 1945.

a. Strength, Airplanes:

- (1) At beginning of period: 1 A-20G, 3 A-20H's, 14 A-26B's and 1 A-26C.
Total: 4 A-20's and 15 A-26's.
- (2) Net increase during period: 1 A-26B-30 from 481st Service Sq. and
1 B-24M.
- (3) No. lost through transfer: 1 A-26B-50 and 1 A-20G and 3 A-20H's.
- (4) No. received through transfer: 1 A-26C-30
- (5) At end of period: 16 A-26's 1 B-24M

b. The Squadron flew a total of 63 Patrol hours while flying 16 Patrol Missions for the month of December 1945.

c. A total of 177:30 was flown by the Squadron during the month.

2. During the month 1st Lt. Dan F. Miller was redeployed to the United States and 1st Lt. Clifford Haines succeeded him as Assistant Operation Officer of the Squadron. Also redeployed to the United States were Lt. John M. Venable and Captain John Lewis. The following Gunners were sent to the U.S for discharge under the present point system: S/Sgts., Cobb, Fancher, Harlin, McKenney, Clark, Beeras, Alspaugh, Gaul, and S/Sgt. Paul Campbell who was to be redeployed to the USA was killed in an accident involving a motor vehicle.

3. Training;

Due to the runway on Atsugi Airfield flying was held to a brief minimum. As soon as the runway is fixed a rigid training program is in store for the Flying Personnel of the Squadron.

4. Operations:

Throughout the month of December our Squadron flew a Recce on every fourth day due to the bad condition of the runway. Of course when necessity prevailed our ships took to the air whenever called on to do so. A B-24M was added to our ships this month,; this ship is assigned to us for the Weather Detachment to fly.

Weston F. Naughton

WESTON F. NAUGHTON,
1st Lt. Air Corps,
Operations Officer.