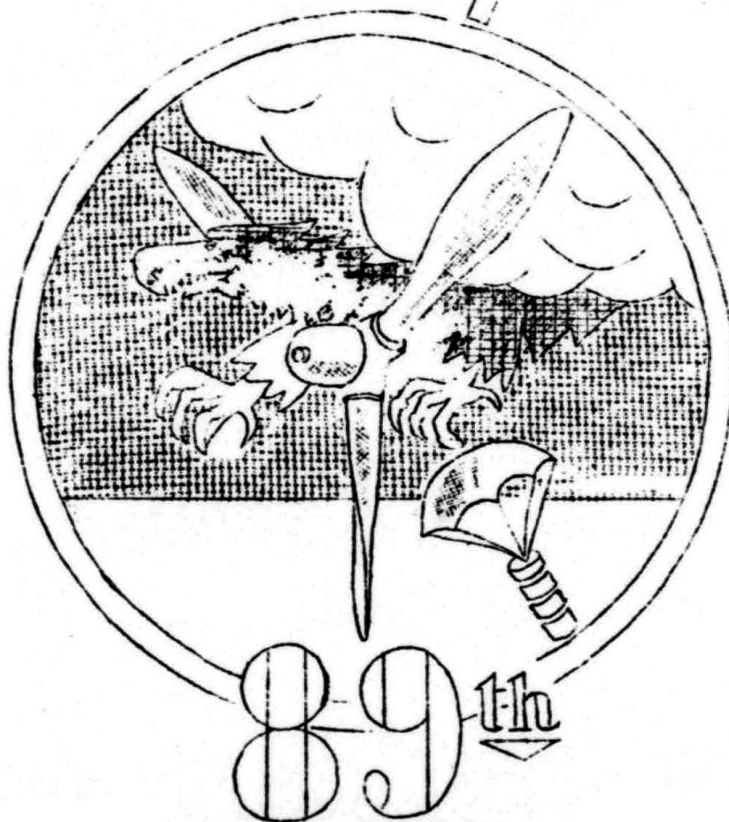


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89TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

MAY 1945

HISTORY OF THE 89TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON

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CHRONOLOGICAL NARRATIVE
COMBAT NARRATIVE
MAY 1945

During the month of May 1945 the 89th Bombardment Squadron (L) conducted a total of 21 combat missions including 187 combat sorties. 123 tons of bombs were dropped (including 22 M-10 Napalm wing tanks), 12.9 tons of bombs were returned, 0.9 tons were salvaged and 184,475 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended in strafing. (1) This is a decrease from April 1945 of 14 missions but an increase of 5 sorties. The reason for the difference is that nearly all the May missions were conducted by 9 planes while in April most of the missions were flown by 3 or 6 planes. 10 missions were flown to the Cagayan Valley, 5 to the Ipe Dam vicinity, 4 to the Infanta area, and 2 to Legaspi.

At the beginning of May 1945 the Squadron had 8 A-20Gs and 4 A-20Hs. The Squadron received 2 A-20Gs and 1 A-20H through transfer so by the end of May the strength in airplanes was 10 A-20Gs and 5 A-20Hs or a total of 15 A-20s. The Squadron flew a total of 728:30 combat hours or a total of 863 hours during the month of May. (2)

The first mission of the month for the 89th Squadron was to support ground operations in the Mt. Isarog area, Luzon on 1 May 1945. Oakum assigned the target and an L-4 marked target with white smoke. The 9 planes made 3 single plane passes, dropped 36 x 250 lb. parademos, 14 x 250 lb demos and 4 M-10 Napalm wing tanks and expended 13,700 x 50 caliber ammunition in strafing. Several grass fires were started and one shack left burning. All planes returned safely. (3)

On 3 May the 89th Squadron gave ground support in the Legaspi area, Luzon. Nine A-20s of this Squadron attacked the assigned target which was marked with white smoke from Oakum. Two single plane passes were made and 33 x 250 lb parademos, 16 x 250 lb demos and 2 M-10 Napalm filled tanks were dropped. The target area was thoroughly strafed with 10,900 x 50 caliber ammunition. Nil damage was observed. Propaganda leaflets were dropped over the target. All planes returned safely to base. (4)

For a ground support mission in the Laguna de Bay vicinity on 4 May, the 89th Squadron furnished 9 A-20s. The ground coordinator marked the target, a hill 1000 yards NE of Salangbato, with white smoke. All planes attacked the target, made two single plane passes and dropped 2 M-10 Napalm filled tanks, 36 x 250 lb parademos and 14 x 250 lb demos. One shack was destroyed and 3 small fires were started. A m/g position was silenced with 10,900 x 50 caliber ammunition. One plane was holed by ack-ack in the left engine nacelle. Propaganda was dropped over the target. A cylinder of photographs for the infantry was dropped over their headquarters. Outlive stated that the photographs were safely received and that the bombing was excellent. All planes returned safely. (5)

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- (1) See Ord. Rpt., Appendix Page (39) (4) FFO 123-E-11 Appendix Page (26)
(2) See Opn. Rpt., Appendix Page (40) (5) FFO 124-E-9 Appendix Page (26)
(3) FFO 121-E-12 Appendix Page (26)

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On the 5th of May, the 89th Squadron was again called on to give ground support in the Infanta area. All nine planes reached the target, Catablingan town, 2 miles NW of Infanta, dropped 4 M-10 Napalm filled tanks, 6 x 250 lb. demos and 35 x 250 lb parademos. The target was thoroughly strafed with 13,300 x 50 caliber ammunition. Approximately 5 shacks were destroyed and town was left smoking. Propaganda was dropped over target. One a/p was holed by ack-ack. All planes returned safely to base. (6)

On 7 May the 89th Squadron was again called on for ground support in the Norzagaray area. The ground coordinator, Argus III, assigned the target $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles due east of Norzagaray and marked it with white smoke. Two bombing and strafing runs were made from north to south and 28 x 250 lb. parademos, 10 x 250 lb demos and 4 M-10 Napalm filled wing tanks hit the assigned target. The area was thoroughly strafed with 11,150 x 50 caliber ammunition. Several small grass fires were started. Nil other results were observed. All planes returned safely to base. (7)

During the afternoon of May 8th, the 89th Squadron furnished 9 A-20s for ground support in the Infanta area. The ground coordinator could not be reached so the Squadron attacked the target as was originally briefed. 35 x 250 lb parademos, 14 x 250 lb demos and 4 M-10 Napalm filled tanks were dropped on the target. Only one pass was made due to the difficult terrain. One shack received a direct hit other results were unobserved. Nil ack-ack was encountered. Propaganda was dropped over the target. All planes returned safely to base. (8)

During the morning of May 9th the 89th Squadron gave support to the ground forces in the Ipo Dam area. Nine of the Squadrons planes participated on the mission. The ground coordinator Paddie marked the exact target, 700 yards SW of Ipo Dam, in white smoke. The 9 planes made 2 single plane passes and dropped 36 x 250 lb parademos and 18 x 250 lb demos. The entire area was well strafed. There was nil observed damage from bombing or strafing due to the rugged terrain and dense foliage. Meager, light accurate to inaccurate ack-ack from unknown position holed one plane. There was nil injury to personnel. Paddie reported bombing as excellent. All planes returned safely to base. (9)

On the 11th of May the 89th Squadron was called on to neutralize a road block 3000 yards SW of Binangonan Pt in the Infanta area. After contacting the ground coordinator, and learning that it was clear to bomb, the 9 planes made 2 single plane passes, bombing and strafing. 34 x 250 lb parademos and 18 x 250 lb demos were dropped on the target. Only grass fires were observed other damage being hidden by speed and foliage. Meager, light to moderate inaccurate ack-ack from target area. Nil planes holed. Propaganda was dropped over target. All planes returned safely to base. (10)

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- (6) FFO 125-E-12 Appendix Page (26) (9) FFO 129-E-12 Appendix Page (27)
(7) FFO 127-E-19 Appendix Page (27) (10) FFO 131-E-17 Appendix Page (27)
(8) FFO 128-E-16 Appendix Page (27)

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During the morning of 13 May the 89th Squadron, along with 3 other squadrons of the group, hit a Jap bivouac and supply area 1 mile east of Lal-Lo, northern Luzon. All 9 planes bombed the target as one 3 plane abreast pass was made. This squadron bombed 36 x 250 lb parademos, 18 x 250 lb demos and expended 7800 x 50 caliber ammunition in strafing. Visible results showed 3 grass shacks destroyed. Other damage could not be assessed. There was nil ack-ack encountered. Propaganda was dropped over the target. All planes returned safely to base. (11)

On 15 May 9 planes took off to give ground support to Mt. Purro, Luzon but due to unfavorable weather were unable to reach the target. (12)

An afternoon strike on the 17th of May took this Squadron to the Marikina Watershed Reservation vicinity to give ground support. The Squadron contacted Trophy and was ordered to attack from west to east with nil strafing. Trophy then marked the target with white smoke and the planes made 2 single plane passes. 64 x 100 lb demos and 17 x 250 lb demos fell on the target. There were nil observed results from bombing. One plane received a jagged hole in the nose from a probable bomb fragment or land mine. There were nil personnel injuries. All planes returned safely to base. (13)

The mission for 18 May was for 9 planes to give ground support to the Marikina Watershed vicinity. All planes reached the target and contacted Trophy 1 who marked the target with white smoke and gave instructions to bomb from south to north and not to strafe. 40 x 100 lb parademos, 10 x 250 lb demos, 8 x 100 lb demos and 4 M-10 Napalm tanks were dropped on the target at coordinates 055778, Mt. Irid Map 1:50,000 345511. All bombs were seen to land on the target ridge with nil observed results. Propaganda leaflets were dropped and all planes returned safely. (14)

During mid afternoon on 19 May the 89th Squadron took off to give ground support in the Ipo Dam area. In the target vicinity the Squadron leader contacted Coyote and received instructions to bomb only and make run from W to E. Coyote then had the target marked with white smoke. The 9 planes made 2 single plane passes on the heading as ordered. 104 x 100 lb demos were strung out over the target. There were nil observed results but Coyote reported excellent coverage. Propaganda was dropped over the target. All planes returned safely to base. (15)

On 20 May, the 89th Squadron attacked a Jap bivouac area along the Ganano river just N of Santiago village, north central Luzon. As briefed, the target was free and nil contact had to be made with a ground coordinator. Eight planes attacked the target in a coordinated 3 plane pass. 487 x 23 lb. parafrags were spread over the target and 6,700 x 50 caliber ammunition was expended in strafing. Several huts received direct hits and near misses starting 4 small fires. Nil ack-ack was encountered and propaganda was dropped over the target. One plane returned early with engine trouble. All planes landed safely at base. (16)

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| (11) FFO 133-E-4 Appendix Page (28) | (14) FFO 138-E-10 Appendix Page (29) |
| (12) FFO 135-E-6 Appendix Page (28) | (15) FFO 139-E-18 Appendix Page (29) |
| (13) FFO 137-E-11 Appendix Page (28) | (16) FFO 140-E-2 Appendix Page (29) |

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On the morning of 21 May, the 89th Squadron, one of four squadrons, attacked a Jap bivouac area from Buntun to Bagay, in the Tuguegaro vicinity, northern Luzon. A ground coordinator, Nephew 4 was contacted and clearance was given to attack the target. The 89th followed the 13th Squadron, made one 3 plane abreast pass to the NE and dropped 22 x 250 lb bombs starting 3 fires, destroying 2 shacks. The area was well strafed with 7,500 x 50 caliber ammunition. Nil ack-ack was encountered. Propaganda was dropped over the target. All planes landed safely at base. (17)

On the 22nd of May, the 89th Squadron was the lead of 4 squadrons participating on the mission. The target was a Jap bivouac area 3000 yards due N of Balete Pass and due east of Santa Fe. All nine planes reached the target and made the attack. The pilots toggled their bombs on those of the B-25 escort. Bombing was carried out from 10,000 feet altitude. All bombs were reported in the target area with nil observed results. Small arms fire, probably m/g, holed one plane in the fuselage. All planes returned safely to base. (18)

On the 23rd of May the 89th, second of two squadrons making the attack, had a Jap troop concentration in Paniqui village, central Luzon as their target. The 89th was second over the target with 8 planes bombing and strafing the target. 600 x 23 lb. parafrags and 13,100 x 50 caliber ammunition was expended on the target. Two single plane passes and one 3 plane abreast pass was made. After the 3rd attack there were 30 to 40 well burning fires in the area. Grey smoke covered the area to 3000 feet altitude. Inaccurate small arms fire was received from the target area. No planes were holed. Propaganda was dropped over the target. All planes returned safely to base. (19)

The 89th Squadrons mission for the 24th of May was an attack on a Jap troop concentration in Larion village, 2000 yards NE of Tuguegarao. The 89th was the lead of two squadrons making the attack. Arriving in the target area the squadron leader contacted the ground coordinator, received clearance and attacked the target as briefed. The bombing and strafing passes were made from SW to NE. 544 x 23 lb. parafrags rained down on the target and 11,900 x 50 caliber ammunition was expended in strafing. Approximately eighty five percent of bombs landed in the target area. An estimated 20 to 30 shacks were blazed. One secondary explosion with black smoke to 3000 feet was seen in the target area. Meager, light and possible medium ack-ack from the target area holed one plane. There was nil injury to personnel. Propaganda was dropped over target. All planes returned safely to base. (20)

(17) FFO 141-E-2 Appendix Page (29) (19) FFO 143-E-5 Appendix Page (29)
(18) FFO 142-E-4 Appendix Page (29) (20) FFO 144-E-8 Appendix Page (30)

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The target for the Squadron on 26 May was to attack Lantap village, northwest of Bagabag in central Luzon, in coordination with two other squadrons of the Group. The target could not be located so all planes returned to home base. (21)

A Jap bivouac area at the north edge of Santiago village, Luzon was the target on 27 May. 9 planes reached the target dropping 664 x 23 lb. parafrags along both sides of the river just north of Santiago. 4 to 5 fires were started in shacks and 1 black smoke fire was started about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of the river. The entire target was well strafed with 13,450 x 50 caliber ammunition. All planes returned safely although 1 plane was holed in the fuselage. (22)

On 28 May the Squadron was to attack Bolog in north central Luzon or the secondary target at Cambung in northern Luzon. Bolog was not attacked because of unfavorable weather over the mountainous terrain. Therefore 9 planes attacked the secondary target stringing out 610 x 23 lb. parafrags from 1 to 3 miles east of Lal-Lo town. 2 or 3 shacks were damaged but nil other damage could be assessed due to dense smoke and wooded terrain. All planes strafed the entire area from Lal-Lo town to 3 miles east of Lal-Lo with 13,800 x 50 caliber ammunition. (23)

On 30 May the target was a Jap troop concentration 6000 yards northwest of Jones (in the Cagayan Valley) at coordinates 615085, Jones Map, 1:50,000 3660IV. 9 planes dropped 75 x 100 lb. free falling demos on the target starting approximately 10 fires and destroying 6 shacks. Dense gray smoke covered the target and rose to 1000 feet. (24)

The last mission of the month was flown on 31 May to a Jap troop concentration at Cumao village in northern Luzon. The 89th Squadron led this very successful Group mission. 9 planes dropped 90 x 100 lb free falling demos definitely destroying 6 or 7 buildings and starting 8 fires in the town, one of which gave off a bright flame with gray smoke rising to 3000 feet. The northern two thirds of the village was completely covered by bombs. 10,600 x 50 caliber ammunition was expended in strafing the target. News sheets were dropped to friendly forces west of the Cagayan River. (25)

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- (21) FFO 146-E-4 Appendix Page (30) (24) FFO 150-E-4 Appendix Page (30)
(22) FFO 147-E-4 Appendix Page (30) (25) FFO 151-E-4 Appendix Page (31)
(23) FFO 148-E-4 Appendix Page (30)

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HISTORY OF THE 89TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON

Period

(1-31 May 1945)

OUTLINE OF FACTS

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b. Changes in Organization	Fp 8-9
c. Strength	Fp 9
d. Stations	Fp 8
e. Number of Sorties	Fp 1
f. Bombs dropped and ammunition fired	Fp 1
g. Aerial attacks on our ground installations	Not applicable
h. Ground battles engaged by unit	Not applicable
i. Losses in action	None
j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action	None
k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes, or events	Fp 14, Fp 16
l. Other relevant statistical data	Fp 39-43

A D M I N I S T R A T I V E A C T I V I T I E S

CHRONOLOGICAL NARRATIVE
ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES
MAY 1945

The 89th Bombardment Squadron (L) was stationed at APO 321 during the month of May 1945.

The following is a list of the Squadron Departments and Officers in charge:

Commanding Officer	Capt. Walter S. King
Executive Officer	Capt. Mason A. Copeland
Asst. Adjutant	Capt. William Bauer
Operations Officer	Capt. Douglas B. Hughmanick
Asst. Operations Officer	1st Lt. Peter G. Palmos
Engineering and Tech Supply Officer	Capt. Homer Vorel
Asst. Engineering and Tech Supply Officer	Capt. Lawrence Farnum
Communications and Personal Equipment Off.	Capt. William Bauer
Medical Officer	Capt. Edward Martin
Armament Officer	Capt. John MacArthur
Asst. Armament Officer	1st Lt. James H. Bouvet
Intelligence Officer	1st Lt. Hans G. Walz
Asst. Intelligence Officer	1st Lt. Donald G. Heet
Ordnance and Transportation Officer	1st Lt. Frank Brown
Supply and Mess Officer	1st Lt. James H. Bouvet

The flight leaders (not including the Commanding Officer, Operations Officer and Asst. Operations Officer) as of 1 June are as follows: 2nd Lt. Harvey O. Truesdale, 2nd Lt. Bruce R. Bell, 1st Lt. William M. Morgan, 1st Lt. Robert L. Mosley, 1st Lt. Robert L. Strouse, 1st Lt. Ralph E. Smith and 1st Lt. Melvin L. Nelson.

1st Lt. Alvin H. Fail Jr. was transferred to Group Headquarters as Group Asst. Adjutant effective 8 May 1945. (1)

The following named enlisted men, combat crew members, were promoted effective 8 May: Sergeants Alspaugh, Campbell, Cobb, Fancher, Gaul, Harris, Lyon, McKenney and Wilkinson to Staff Sergeant, and Cpl. Gebolys to Sergeant. (2)

1st Lt. Frank R. Brown was appointed Class "A" agent on 8 May for the purpose of paying certain enlisted men of the 89th Squadron a partial payment. (3)

The following named men were assigned to this Squadron effective 12 May: Sgts. Overstreet and Owen and Cpls. Eisner and Martin. (4)

(1) SO# 34, 3rd B.G., App. Page (34) (3) SO# 34, 3rd B.G. App. Page (34)
(2) SO# 34, 3rd B.G., App. Page (34) (4) SO# 35, 3rd B.G. App. Page (35)

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Cpl. Martin, combat crew member of this Squadron, was promoted to Sergeant effective 12 May. (5)

Sgt. Southwick was assigned to this Squadron effective 12 May. (6)

The following named men were promoted effective 16 May: S/Sgt Bottge to T/Sgt; Cpls. Carpentieri and Schneider to Sgt. and Pfc. Glassberg to Corporal. (7)

Pfcs. Blair and Ridgeway were assigned to this Squadron effective 6 May. (8)

Capt. John E. MacArthur was appointed to a Special Court-Martial Board and 1st Lt. James H. Bouvet was appointed Defense Counsel on 22 May. (9)

The personnel strength during the month of May is as follows:

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Flying</u>	<u>Ground</u>
(a) At beginning of period	29	12
(b) Net increase during period	0	0
(c) Net decrease during period	6	2
(d) At end of period	23	10

<u>Enlisted Men</u>		
(a) At beginning of period	49	171
(b) Net increase during period	0	0
(c) Net decrease during period	5	2
(d) At end of period	44	169

(5) SO# 35, 3rd B.G. App. Page (35)

(6) SO# 36, 3rd B.G. App. Page (37)

(7) SO# 36, 3rd B.G. App. Page (37)

(8) SO# 37, 3rd B.G. App. Page (38)

(9) SO# 37, 3rd B.G. App. Page (38)

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26 May. Behind Captain Vorel's good pitching we beat the 8th Squadron 5-2. Captain Vorel helped his own game by hitting a home run with a man on base in the fifth inning. Captain MacArthur hit a long triple and single. The team hit well with nine hits and played a good defensive game.

28 May. In one of the best games of the season the 89th beat the strongest team they have met so far so far this season. They beat the 91st Quartermaster Co. team 5-2. The colored boys put up a terrific battle but had to succumb to Gossett's brilliant two-hit pitching. Heffernan hit a tremendous home run. Wilkinson had two hits and made a spectacular catch of a line drive to left center field in the last inning to save the game.

30 May. By getting off to a bad start in the early innings, the 89th was nosed out 6-5 by the 417th Group Officers. Very loose fielding and poor pitching allowed the 417th team to score six runs in the first three innings. The 89th couldn't get started until the sixth inning when they scored three runs and two more in the seventh inning to almost tie the score.

31 May. The 3rd Bomb Group Softball league was opened tonight and the 89th won its first game from the 13th Squadron 3-0. A new man, Andruzis, pitched a four-hit shut out while the team hit well and fielded faultlessly.

There has been considerable activity in the Officers area during the past month as they have been working industriously to fashion an officers club for social functions and periodic get-togethers. Under the leadership of Capt. Hughmanick every officer has put in a few hours every day to bring the club to completion. The best feature of the club is the deluxe bar which was the tail of a P-38. At the ends of the bar, where the booms connect in the tail, large "Grim Reapers" have been inserted in oval glass frames. The stools and settees are made of bamboo and the sides are of palm leaf. The club has been named Mindy's and the name will be set out front in foot-high wooden letters. The club is nearly complete and the dedication should take place soon.

Every morning about eight o'clock one sees the officers and enlisted men of the Squadron toddling off with schoolbooks and pencils. Schooldays are here again for pilots, gunners, engineers, and armament personnel of this squadron as factory representatives from Douglas have set up a school to teach the workings of the A-26 airplane. Pilots are learning all about instruments, control surfaces, and performance of the plane. Engineers are learning about all the gadgets, machinery, engines, and mechanical appurtenances, while gunners and armorers are learning about the guns, the turrets and the safety devices. Though the squadron hasn't A-26 planes yet, this comprehensive course is to get all ready for early arrival of the new planes.

Parched throats were finally relieved this month when after long abstinence, two beer issues were made to personnel of this squadron. Since there hadn't been a beer issue in two months, all the boys welcomed this issue and throughly enjoyed a good drink of American beer.

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LOCAL INTEREST

Old man weather was a formidable opponent to the softball team raining out many games during the month. The Squadron won eleven games and lost only two during the month of May. This brings the season's record to 25 won and 6 lost. The team has enthusiastic support by members of the squadron who follow the team wherever they go to cheer them on.

1 May. The 89th Squadron beat Group Headquarters Detachment 8-5 by some good slugging. Heffernan hit a tremendous home run with two men on in the fourth inning to clinch the game.

6 May. Behind the effective pitching of Hughes the 89th beat the Group Officers All Stars 6-3. Pardee and Cluff hit well to drive in most of the runs. Capt. MacArthur hit a home run for the Officers.

18 May. Group Headquarters Enlisted Men felt once again the sting of 89th bats when the 89th slugged out a 7-1 victory. Heffernan and Sakosky were the chief sluggers for the 89th. Heffernan and Sakosky hit a triple and single and double and single respectively.

21 May. Once again our junx team bettered the 89th for the third straight time. The 90th Sq. won 2-0. Though Hughes pitched a good game, loose fielding and weak hitting lost the game. Three errors in the fifth inning by the infield accounted for the 90th runs. Each team collected three hits.

22 May. In another outstanding performance Gossett pitched his second shutout allowing only 5 hits in beating the Eighth Sq. 1-0. Heffernan hit a home run with two outs in the last inning to win the ball game.

23 May. Gossett again performed brilliantly today as he allowed one hit as the 89th beat Group Officers All Stars 2-1. The team gathered seven hits as Sakosky and Faber drove in the two runs, Errors scored the only run for the Officers.

24 May. The 89th beat the 13th Squadron 6-2. The team did some good hitting in collecting nine hits. Hughes was wild but effective as he allowed only two hits. Sakosky and Cluff got two hits each. Infield fielded very effectively.

25 May. In one of the most thrilling games of the season, the 89th came from behind twice to beat Group Enlisted Men 5-4. The 89th made seven hits while Group collected four hits. Benson drove in two runs and scored once to practically clinch the game. Gossett pitched himself out of difficult situations several times.

Local Interest, May 1945, Cont'd.

Our new Mess Sergeant, Sgt. Henry Davis, has set about cleaning up the mess hall and making it more attractive. A new food counter, covered with aluminum, was built. It's a big improvement as it doesn't divide the kitchen in half and allows one to use another entrance. One wall is quite showy as it decoratively displays twelve lovely girls for every month of the year. Large parachutes have been strung up on the ceiling and smaller parachutes draped along the walls at the ceiling giving the whole mess hall the appearance of a banquet hall. We have acquired a new refrigerator which is a boon for keeping our meats chilled and cooling our drinks.

The Baker-Wade team (we fix everything) has been terminated by illness. While on spotting missions with an L-5 in the Legaspi area, Lt. Baker came down with pneumonia and was restricted to the hospital for a few days. One day after his return to the Squadron Lt. Baker fell sick again and went to the hospital once more. He has since been evacuated to Leyte because of lung trouble. Lt. Wade after working in the sun all day, was stricken that evening and taken to the hospital. He too had been evacuated to Leyte because of excessive combat fatigue. These two officers will be sorely missed as they did much work on improvements around the squadron and were always fixing something.

PERSONALITIES

CAPTAIN EDWARD MARTIN

An interesting story of a man behind the flying men is the story of Captain Edward Martin of New Britain, Connecticut. In civilian life after being graduated from Yale Medical School, Doctor Martin married attractive Ariel Brown of Rockville and was for 15 months a resident physician at New Britain General Hospital.

Now in the army, Doc Martin, as he is known by pilots and gunners, is a Flight Surgeon of the famous 3rd Attack Group, the oldest fighting team of the Fifth Air Force. After arriving overseas in November 1943, Captain Martin requested transfer from a Service Group to a tactical outfit. In due time after encountering many bombing raids at Lee, Finschhafen, and Noemfoor, the orders of transfer came through and Captain Martin joined the 3rd Attack Group.

However, more interesting than where Doc has been is the story of his every-day activities. Like all doctors, you will find Doc Martin with his sick calls each morning, but he is at his best when he's away from the dispensary and being just one of the boys. Doc's real job is one of watching. Watching his fliers for signs of fatigue, nervousness, irritability and a dozen and one other symptoms. To a civilian with such symptoms, Doc would probably recommend that he take it easy or have a nice long rest. However, in dealing with pilots it's much more serious. A splitting headache, nervousness or lack of coordination can be the difference between returning and not returning from a mission.

Doc Martin is looked upon as one of the boys, he is well liked and a good mixer. However, during that bridge game, drink at the club or at the ball game in the field, he is watching the boys,—why does Joe seem low in spirit, and how about Tom,—why does he misjudge the ball so often? "I'll have to watch them more closely".

To further his knowledge of the flying men, Doc has gone on several missions with the boys. He knows what ack-ack can do to a man and on ground support missions for which this group is famous, he knows what tree top level means at 300 mph. He also knows how a split second means the difference between life or death.

The picture on the following page shows "Doc" Captain Martin as he is seen every day, sweating the planes off and watching them land. The boys know he's there and they feel a lot better about it.



Captain Edward Martin
Squadron Flight Surgeon

Captain Mason A. Copeland is one of the "old men" of the 89th Squadron. He was assigned to this Squadron on 19 February 1943 and has faithfully and efficiently carried out all his various duties. At first Captain Copeland was Mess Officer, Post Exchange Officer and Supply Officer, then Squadron Adjutant and now he is the Executive Officer.

Captain Copeland or "Cope" as he is known, attended Ridley Park High School in Ridley Park, Philadelphia. He graduated first in his class in 1934 and became a member of the National Honor Society. His favorite sports were basketball and track. After graduating from high school "Cope" attended night school at Wharton Business School in Philadelphia from 1935 to 1937. Before coming in the army Captain Copeland was employed by Southern Dairies Inc. at Norfolk, Virginia where he worked in the ice cream production department.

His army career began on 3 January 1942 when he was sworn in at Richmond, Virginia. After being stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia and Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, Captain Copeland was sent to the Air Corps Administrative O.C.S. at Miami, Florida. Graduating from O.C.S. on 28 October 1942 he was immediately sent to Harvard University to the Statistical School where he graduated in December 1942. Not wasting any time the army sent him overseas the next month and he was shortly assigned to the "Grim Reapers."

"Cope" is a tall red headed man who is seen all over the camp area constantly followed by his little Australian dog "Pat." Our Executive Officer's chief topic of conversation is that place called Sydney, Australia where he has a campaign ribbon with two battle (?) stars. The stories he can tell about those "rough" times are really worth listening to, but sort of hard on a man who has never been there. However, he swears it's all true. His latest gripe is naturally concerning going home, especially now that he has nearly thirty months overseas time.



Capt. Mason A. Copeland - Squadron Executive Officer

A W A R D S A N D D E C O R A T I O N S

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

During the month of May there were no presentations of awards, but three General Orders were received authorizing various medals.

S/Sgt Frank M. Phillips, S/Sgt Clark B. Shallenberger, S/Sgt Joseph F. Sibilia and S/Sgt Thomas W. Marricle were awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific theater. (1)

1st Lt. John Soloc was awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific theater. (2)

S/Sgt Donald R. Merchant was awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific theater. (3)

1st Lt. Melvin L. Nelson was awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific theater. (4)

1st Lt. Thomas J. Reading was awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific theater. (5)

2nd Lt. Bruce R. Bell, 1st Lt. Robert L. Mosley, 1st Lt. Peter G. Palmos and 1st Lt. Robert L. Strouse were awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific theater. (6)

Capt. Walter S. King was awarded the second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific theater. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Capt. King during these flights, when hostile contact was probable and expected, are worthy of commendation. (7)

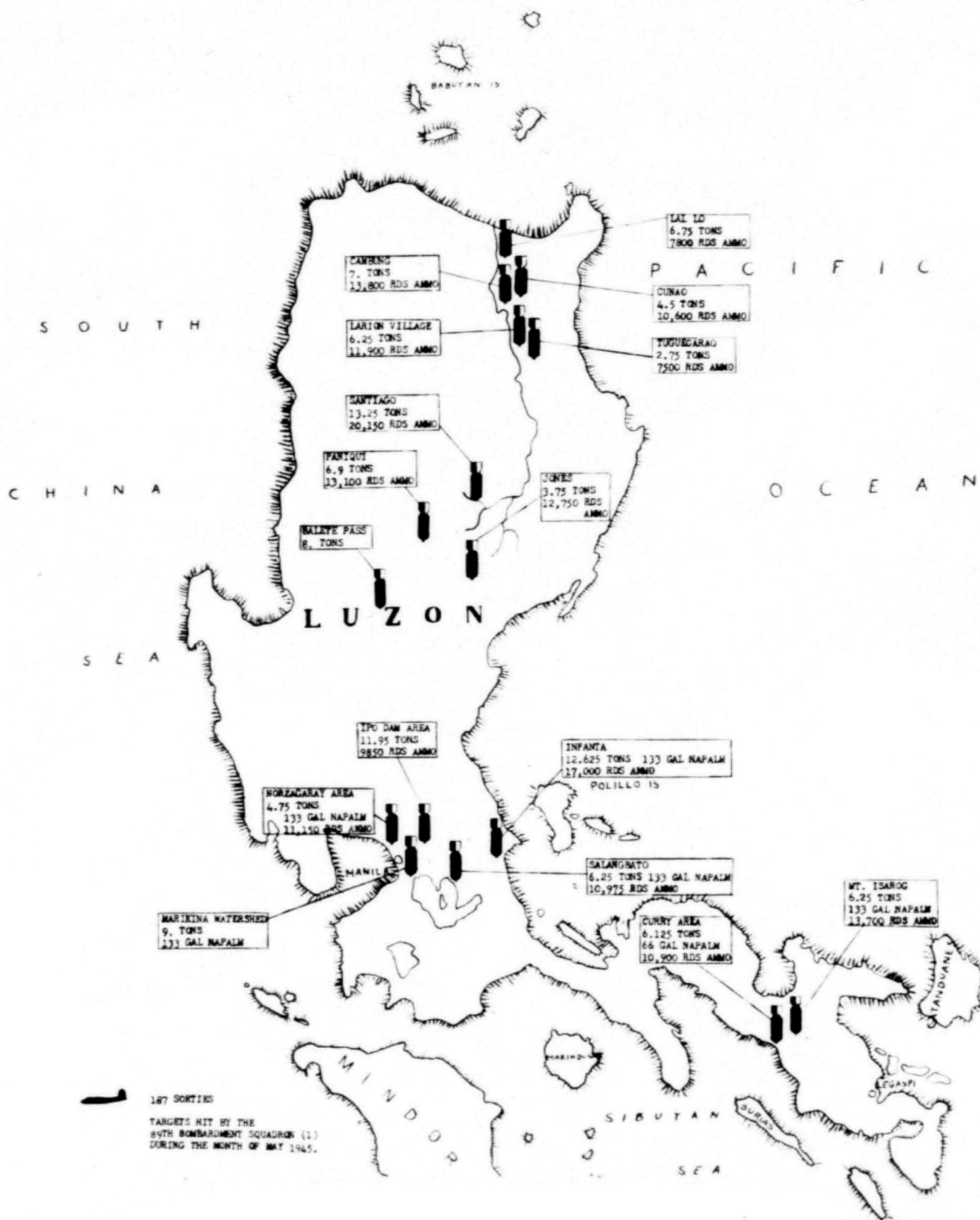
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- (1) G.O. 576, Hq FEAF, Par. 2, dated 19 April 1945.
 - (2) G.O. 576, Hq FEAF, Par. 2, dated 19 April 1945.
 - (3) G.O. 701, Hq FEAF, Par. 1, dated 5 May 1945.
 - (4) G.O. 701, Hq FEAF, Par. 1, dated 5 May 1945.
 - (5) G.O. 701, Hq FEAF, Par. 2, dated 5 May 1945.
 - (6) G.O. 793, Hq FEAF, Par. 1, dated 15 May 1945.
 - (7) G.O. 793, Hq FEAF, Par. 2, dated 15 May 1945.

SECTION II

APPENDIX

P A R T I M A P S

Philippine Islands



187 SORTIES
 TARGETS HIT BY THE
 89TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (1)
 DURING THE MONTH OF MAY 1945.

89th Squadron Combat Operations of May 1945.

PART 2 PHOTOS















MARIVALES

PART 3 STATISTICS

Headquarters, 310th Bomb Wing (M)
APO 321
May 1945

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER NUMBER 121, 1 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3,4, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# Paradenos, two A/C in each flight carry M-10 Napalm tanks on wings, others loading 250# Demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER NUMBER 122, 2 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# Paradenos, two A/C in each flight carry M-10 Napalm tanks on wings, others loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER NUMBER 123, 3 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos, two (2) A/C in each flight carry M-10 Napalm tanks on wings, others loading 250# ~~paradenos~~ demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER NUMBER 124, 4 May 1945.

3. e. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos, two (2) A/C in each flight carry M-10 Napalm tanks on wings, others loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 125, 5 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s, C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos, two (2) A/C in each flight carry M-10 Napalm tanks on wings, others loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 126, 6 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos with 250# demos in wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 127, 7 May 1945.

3.d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 128, 8 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 129, 9 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 130, 10 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 131, 11 May 1945.

3.d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 132, 12 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 133, 13 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain thirty six (36) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3,4, to strike targets in CAGAYEN VALLEY. TOT 0830/1-0900/1. Bombload: 250# parademos with 250# demos in wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 134, 14 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademo with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 135, 15 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 100# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 136, 16 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 100# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 137, 17 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 100# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 138, 18 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain thirty-six (36) A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3, on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 100# parademos with two (2) A/C in each flight loading M-10 napalm on wings others loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 139, 19 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 100# parademos with 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 140 20 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: M-72 23# parafrags.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 141, 21 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide 36 A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. TOT 0930/I. Bombload: 1 Sqdn. M-72 23# parafrags. 3 Sqdns maximum no 250# frag 8-15 sec delay fuse.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 142, 22 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide thirty-six (36) A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. TOT 0930/I. Bombload: one (1) Sqdn M-72 parafrags. three (3) sqdns 500# parademos with six (6) aircraft loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 143, 23 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide thirty-six (36) A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: M-72 parafrags.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 144, 24 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: 23# parafrags.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 145, 25 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: 100# demos 8-15 sec delay fuse. TOT 1000/I.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 146, 26 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide thirty-six A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: 23# parafrags. TOT 1000/I.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 147, 27 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: 23# parafrags.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 148, 28 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide twenty seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: 23# parafrags.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 149, 29 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING TO strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: 23# parafrags.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 150, 30 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: 100# demos 8-15 sec. delay tail fuse.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 151, 31 May 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Provide twenty-seven (27) A-20s C/S DOUBLING to strike targets in CAGAYAN VALLEY. Bombload: 100% bombs, 8-15 sec. delay tail fuse.

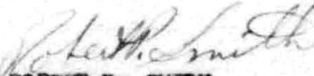
BY ORDER OF COLONEL MORGAN:

F. A. NICHOLS,
Lt. Col., A.C.,
A. C. of S., S-3.

OFFICIAL:

s/l/ H. J. LARBE,
Capt., Air Corps,
Asst. A-3.

A TRUE EXTRACT COPY:


ROBERT P. SMITH,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Historian.

HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFPO 321,
25 April 1945.

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 31)

1. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named 1st Lt, 394th (Gen Co), are promoted to the grades (temp) indicated:

Cpl HENRY MACHOVER 3222 975	To be aptd Sergeant
Tec 5 WINFORD D BRINCLE 3 503694	To be aptd Corporal
Pfc ROLLAND D BRATTON 37670022	To be aptd Technician Fifth Grade

2. 1st Lt S WYDEN STUART 0650613 is aptd (classification off, in add to his other dty).

3. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 31 Bomb Gp per par 2, SO# 115, Hq 300th Air Sv Gp (32 FIFTC), dt 30 Apr 45, the following named 1st Lt and Pfc are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgs indicated, eff 1 May 45:

<u>8th Sg</u>	
S Sgt AUBREY L RUSSELL 20309267 (612)	Sgt FRANK J MATU IIC 12081728 (748)
Sgt LEWIS H WHITLOCK JR 14600344 (748)	Cpl IVAN J BOWEN AV 18189802 (612)
Cpl NORMAN J CARNEY 30600945 (748)	Cpl CALVIN L COLEMAN 30742117 (748)
Cpl THOMAS W COTAN 33140987 (612)	Cpl FREDERIC E CROFT 3 440441 (612)
Cpl HOWARD B LOONIS 12102893 (612)	Cpl OMA S SMITH 3 2810301 (748)

<u>13th Sg</u>	
2d Lt CHESTER H BRANDON 0826009 (1022)	2d Lt ENDICOTT F DAVISON 0826113 (1022)
2d Lt THOMAS C SPRIGGS 0826813 (1022)	Cpl DONALD E LEFFLER 33672258 (612)

<u>89th Sg</u>	
2d Lt HENRY E MCCORD 0810189 (1022)	2d Lt CLIFFORD J FAINES 0761509 (1022)
2d Lt JOSEPH C RHODES 0784314 (1022)	2d Lt THOMAS H BAKER 0784555 (1022)
S Sgt CHARLES T KEEGE 17030193 (748)	S Sgt RAYMOND J HILL 17012192 (748)
Cpl EUGENE F GELLYS 36554657 (612)	Cpl BLAKE F KERSH JR 16248333 (612)

<u>90th Sg</u>	
2d Lt ALLAN S BUCKIN 0765924 (1022)	

4. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, S Sgt CLARENCE E JORDAN 34232270, 13th Sg, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause).

5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pvt CLARENCE E JORDAN 34232270, 13th Sg, is promoted to the gr of Corporal (temp).

SO# 31, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 25 Apr 45, cont'd.

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 90th Sq, combat crew members, are promoted to the grades (temp) as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT
Sgt NATALIE J. GIFFRA 3415025 Sgt CHESTER F. MATTERS 34708062

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT
Cpl JOSEPH M. LIND 34708007

7. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 6, SO# 114, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 25 Apr 45, 1st Lt DONALD G. HERR 36429122, is further asgd to the 90th Sq, eff 24 Apr 45.

8. Under the prov of AR 35-320 Capt WILLIAM F. ROBINSON 344153 is ap'd Class "A" agent for 14th Finance Disbursal Section, APO 32, for the purpose of paying O and A of 3d Hq for the month of April 1945; amount to be in-
treated not to exceed 10,000.00 at any one time.

9. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 the following named EM, 13th Sq, are rel'd fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts:

Sgt BARNETTE C. BARTER JR 34187145 Col VERNON R. HOLMBERG 36819125

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HOWE:

CHARLES P. MARTIN,
Lt Col., Air Corps,
Executive.

OFFICIAL:

Charles P. Martin
CHARLES P. MARTIN,
Lt Col., Air Corps,
Executive.

H E A D Q U A R T E R S
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFO 321,
3 May 1945.

SPECIAL ORDER:)
:
NUMBER 33)

1. 1ST LT SNOWDEN STEUART 0650613 is aptd Inventory Off to inventory the accounts and assets of Gp Hq Branch Exchange for the month of April 1945.

2. 2D LT ALBERT W BRAID 0768427 is aptd Inventory Off for the purpose of securing and disposing of the effects of the following named O and EM, 13th Sq, missing:

2D LT RALPH E CHANEY 0768446

3 Sgt JOE A SPITZ 18120754

3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, combat crew members, 13th Sq, are promoted to the grades (temp) indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT

Sgt JOHN L ABEL 33575046

Sgt JERRY W BETHEA 34803058

Sgt JOHN F COLLINS 32466092

Sgt WILLIAM C DAIR 34546716

Sgt LYLE W HEIMEL 39311202

Sgt LONGIN K KOZIOL 31286667

Sgt HERSCHEL R PULLEN 16126680

Sgt JAMES H WADE 13116911

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT

Cpl BEECHER F BENTON JR 14103975

Cpl HAROLD L BIANCHI 39119240

Cpl WILLARD J ELAASE 36754566

Cpl HAROLD FINLAYSON 11104029

Cpl EDWARD F GORMAN 32913532

Cpl JAMES SALEM 31355618

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HOWE:

WILLIAM T. ROBINSON,
Captain, Air Corps,
Asst Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

William T. Robinson
WILLIAM T. ROBINSON,
Captain, Air Corps,
Asst Adjutant.

HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

APO 321,
8 May 1945.

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 34)

1. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 7, SO# 121, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 1 May 45 MAJ GEORGE T OWEN JR 0235642 is further asgd to the 8th Sq, eff 1 May 45.
2. CAPT WILLIAM T ROBINSON 0564153 is aptd Gp Adjutant vice MAJ OSCAR F JONES 0854562, reld, per WOCO 1 May 45.
3. 1ST LT ALVIN H FAIL JR 0562967 is aptd Gp Asst Adjutant.
4. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 7, SO# 122, Hq Fifth Air Force, dtd 2 May 45, Pfc MICHAEL J GROSSO 32921665 (405) is further asgd to Gp Hq, eff 2 May 45.
5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named E4, combat crew members, 89th Sq, are promoted to the grades (temp) indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT

Sgt ROBERT W ALSPAUGH 34771568	Sgt PAUL L CAMPBELL 33683087
Sgt WALTER B COBB 32757058	Sgt WILLIAM H FANCHER 37521521
Sgt SAMUEL C GAUL 33689704	Sgt CHARLES R HARRIS 34835113
Sgt WILLIAM A LYON 13143713	Sgt EDWARD A MCKENNEY 31366325
Sgt RICHARD C WILKINSON 14149165	

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT

Cpl EUGENE F GEBOLYS 36554657

6. So much of par 5, SO# 62, this Hq, dtd 29 Apr 45 as reads, "Cpl DONALD R HOUGLAND JR 37216984 (970)" is amended to read, "Cpl DONALD R HOUGLAND JR 37216984 (970)".
7. Under the prov of AR 35-320 1ST LT FRANK R BROWN 01553605 is aptd Class "A" agent for J C MEISER, 1ST LT FD, for the purpose of paying certain E4, 89th Sq, a partial payment; amount to be intrusted not to exceed \$5,000.00 at any one time.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HOES:

OFFICIAL:

William T. Robinson
WILLIAM T. ROBINSON,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

WILLIAM T. ROBINSON,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

H E A D Q U A R T E R S
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFO 321,
12 May 1945.

SPECIAL ORDER:)
:
NUMBER 35)

1. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Cpl WILLIAM KALMAR 36520006, 894th Chem Co, is promoted to the gr of Sergeant (temp

2. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 3 Sgt HERBERT W GRIFFIN JR 32503370, Gp Hq, is rel'd fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, per VOCC 11 May 45.

3. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 3 Sgt THOMAS J CERVENAK 33291426, 13th Sq, is rel'd fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, per VOCC 1 May 45.

4. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, THOMAS J CERVENAK 33291426, 13th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (w/o precedence).

5. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 2, SO# 130, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 10 May 45, 1ST LT AMBROSE J FOLLARD 0585187 (9301) is further asgd to the 90th Sq, eff 10 May 45.

6. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per Par 14, SO# 120, Hq 360th Air Service Gp (FEAFGR&TC), dtd 5 May 45, the following named O and ED are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 12 May 45:

13th Sq

1ST LT WILLIAM J CLARK 0826106 (1022) 2D LT WALTER E DUNLOP 0770208 (1022)

89th Sq

Sgt THOMAS E OVERSTREET 37142245 (748) Sgt CARLTON OWEN 34353165 (612)
Cpl BERNARD EISNER 32420830 (748) Cpl JOSEPH J MARTIN 11061696 (612)

7. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 2, SO# 113, Hq 360th Air Service Gp (FEAFGR&TC), dtd 23 Apr 45, Cpl JOHN D STEWART 14183063 (748) is further trfd in gr to the 13th Sq, eff 1 May 45.

8. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 4, SO# 120, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 30 Apr 45, pfc WALTER B COOKSON 31140573 is further asgd to Gp Hq and placed on DS w/ the 8th Sq, eff 30 Apr 45.

SO# 35, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 12 May 45, cont'd:

16. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 90th Sq, are promoted to the grades (temp) indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT

S Sgt DELMAR W HASKIN 38059796

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT

Cpl ROYCE W BUTTON 13116114

Cpl JOHN S HANSEN 37271051

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL

Pfc EDWARD A FULTON 36484700

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HOWE:

WILLIAM T. ROBINSON,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

William T. Robinson
WILLIAM T. ROBINSON,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFPO 321,
16 May 1945.

SPECIAL ORDERS)
:
NUMBER 38)

1. Par 11, SO 35, this Hq, dtd 12 May 45, is amended to add "combat crew member".
2. Under the prov of AR 35-1460 Cpl ROBERT W SCHAFER 36117180, 13th Sq, is held fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, per VOCC 14 May 45.
3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named Em, 13th Sq, combat crew members, are promoted to the gr of Staff Sergeant (temp):

Sgt EDWARD D AVETTA 33693895
Sgt ERNEST A SANTAPIELLO 32846036

Sgt FLOYD A PHILLIPS JR 13171017
Sgt JOHN C STEWART 35647713

4. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 14, SO 125, Hq 360th Air Service Gp (FEAFGRMTC), dtd 5 May 45, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 12 May 45:

Sgt WALTER ROMANOVICH 31264335 (748) 13th Sq
Sgt DELBERT M ROWE 39217504 (612)

CAPT REX L JONES 0417986 (1022) 13th Sq
1ST LT PAUL M SHAW 0670632 (1022)
S Sgt GUSTAF B BLUNT 12029107 (612)

89th Sq
Sgt EUGENE F SOUTHWICK JR 31140871 (748)

5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 89th Sq, are promoted to the grades (temp) indicated.

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT
S Sgt ADRIAN S BOTTGE 37116609

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT
Cpl JOHN CARPENTIERI 32977563 Cpl CALVIN C SCHNEIDER 38506444

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL
Pfc DAVID GLASSBERG 12102578

SO 36, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 16 May 45, cont'd:

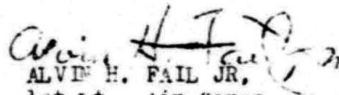
6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Cpl FLOYD E BELL 16075795, 13th Sq, is rd to the gr of private (for cause).

7. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pvt THOMAS J CERVENAK 33281426, 13th Sq, is promoted to the gr of private First Class.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HOWE:

ALVIN H. FAIL JR,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Asst Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:


ALVIN H. FAIL JR,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Asst Adjutant.

HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AGO 301,
22 May 1945.

(SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 37)

1. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 8th Sq, combat crew members, are promoted to the gr of Staff Sergeant (temp):

1st RICHARD H BEETS 34725412
1st OSCAR J LADNER 16138146

Sgt ERNEST B GIAZIER JR 32285008
Sgt FRED TURTELTAIB 12064714

2. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gr per par 7, SO 137, V Bomber Command, dtd 17 Mar 45, CAPT ALVA H DUKES 0437114 (4822) is further asgd to the 13th Sq, eff 11 Mar 45.

3. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gr per par 1, SO 135, V Bomber Command, dtd 15 May 45, the following named EM are further trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 6 May 45:

1st LOUIS E CROWLEY 39613748 (011)
Cpl WARREN L BARRY 39682558 (011)

8th Sq

Sgt LOREN H HEATH 30833622 (011)
Pvt JOSEPH S ENGLER 30207055 (011)

13th Sq

Sgt ALCYSIUS S FRITZ 30256121 (011)
Pvt BENJAMIN M STEPHENS 16870975 (011)

Pvt JAMES E HARTMAN 33571473 (011)

89th Sq

Pfc ROBERT D BLAIR 17190023 (011)

Pfc REECE E RIDGEWAY 14328240 (011)

90th Sq

Sgt JOHN L BERTRAVE JR 30104325 (011)
Cpl WILLIAM R SMITH 17060109 (011)

Cpl EMMETT G BICHEL 37151806 (011)

4. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gr per par 3, SO 130, V Bomber Command, dtd 10 May 45, Pvt GEORGE E IENAVAN 3233240 (502) is further trfd in gr to the 13th Sq, eff 10 May 45.

5. Under the prov of AR 35-1400 Sgt LADDIE J MAROVIC 33505025, 13th Sq, is held fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts.

SO 37, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 22 May 45, cont'd:

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Sgt LADDIE J MARCHIO 33505985, 13th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (w/o prejudice).

7. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pvt LADDIE J MARCHIO 33505985, 13th Sq, is promoted to the gr of Private First Class.

8. A Special Court-Martial is antd to meet at Co Hq, 3d Bomb Gp, APO 321, as soon as practicable for the trial of such persons as may be properly brought before it.

DETAIL FOR THE BOARD

MAJOR IVAN P MEAD 0912570
MAJOR GEORGE T C'EN JR 0235642
CAPT JOHN E MacARTHUR 0854560
CAPT JAMES B PETERSON 0854578
1ST LT ROBERT W ELLIOTT 0562945

CAPT DAVID J LONOVAN 0640037
Trial Judge Advocate


1ST LT JAMES H BOUVET 0864684
Defense Counsel

All cases heretofore referred for trial to the Special Court-Martial antd by par 8, SO 32, this Hq, dtd 29 Apr 45, in which arr. nments have not been made, are hereby withdrawn from that court and referred for trial to the Special Court-Martial herein antd.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HOWE:

ALVIN H. FAIL JR,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Asst Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:


ALVIN H. FAIL JR,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Asst Adjutant.

PART 4 REPORTS

89TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

APO 321.
31 May 1945

SUBJECT: Armament Report.

TO : Historical Officer, 89th Bombardment Squadron (L) APO 321.

1. The following information is hereby submitted for the Squadron history for the month of May 1945.

The following bombs were dropped during the month.

32--500#Bombs.
498--250#Bombs.
385--100#Bombs.
3,496--23#Bomb Frags.
163,520--Rounds of ammunition expended.

For the Squadron Commander:

Frank R. Brown
FRANK R. BROWN,
1st Lt., ORD.,
Ordnance Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

APO 321.
3 June 1945

SUBJECT: Operations Report.

TO : Historical Officer, 89th Bombardment Squadron (L) APO 321

1. The following information is hereby submitted for the Squadron history for the month of May 1945.

a. Strength, airplanes:

- (1) At beginning of period: 8 A-20-G's, 4 A-20-H's. Total: 12 A-20's.
- (2) Net increase during period: 2 A-20-G's, 1 A-20-H's. Total: 3 A-20's.
- (3) No. lost through combat: None.
- (4) No. lost not through combat: None.
- (5) No. lost on ground due to enemy action: None.
- (6) No. lost through transfer: None.
- (7) No. received through transfer: 2 A-20-G's, 1 A-20-H's. Total: 3 A-20's.
- (8) At end of period: 10 A-20-G's, 5 A-20-H's,
Total: 15 A-20's.

b. The Squadron flew 187 combat sorties during the month of May, 1945

c. The Squadron flew 728:30 combat hours during the month of May, 1945

d. The Squadron flew a total of 863:00 hours during the month of May, 1945.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR KING:

DOUGLAS B. HUGHESWICK,
Captain, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

TO : SUGAR TROS OF FOLLOWING GROUPS CMA EIGHT FIFTEEN CMA THIRD BOMB
GROUP CMA THREE EIGHT NOUGHT GROUP CMA FOUR ONE SEVEN BOMB GROUP CMA
NINETY GROUP CMA TWO FIVE PHOTO SQUADRON PD

FROM: THREE TEN BOMB WING

CITE MIKE SEVEN ONE ZERO DOG

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED FROM THREE SAP AND IS FORWARDED FOR
YOUR INFO PD DELAYED REPORT RECEIVED THIS SAP PD REPORT OF CASUALTIES
INFLECTED BY AIR CORPS SINCE ONE FIVE APRIL PD PETER WILLIAM CAPTURED
CIVINITY SINILOAN REPORTED THAT OUT OF HIS UNIT OF TWO FIVE
FIVE CMA EIGHT NOUGHT WERE KILLED OR WOUNDED BY BOMBING AND STRAFING
DURING LATE APRIL AND EARLY MAY PD GUERRILLA REPORT STATES TWO FIFTY
ENEMY KILLED AND APPROX TWO FIFTY WOUNDED BY BOMBING AND STRAFING OF
AGOS RIVER ON SIX MAY PD ALSO NINE FIVE ENEMY CASUALTIES FROM AIR
SAME DATE ALONG INFANTA ROAD PD IN THE SAWMILL SECTOR NORTHEAST OF SIN-
ILOAN CMA WHILE NUMEROUS CAVES WERE SEALED BY BOMBING PD ACTUALLY ONLY
FORTY ENEMY DEAD WERE COUNTED PD ALL FORTY WERE IN ONE CAVE EVIDENTLY
KILLED BY CONCUSSION PD IT IS BELIEVED HOWEVER THAT COUNTLESS OTHERS
SUFFERED THE SAME FATE PD NEW SUBJECT COLON FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED
FROM TWO NINE SAP CMA YOUR HAVOCS HAVE DONE EXCELLENT JOB PD IMPOSSIBLE
TO DETERMINE RESULTS YET PD HILL MASS BEING BOMBED IS MAIN JAF POSITION
AND HAS HELD OUR TROOPS AT STAND STILL FOR OVER THREE WEEKS PD WE KNOW
THAT YOUR BOMBING WILL HELP GREAT DEAL PD END OF MESSAGE.

A TRUE COPY:

Hans G. Hill
HANS G. HILL,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Intell. Officer.

TO : 3RD BOMB GROUP, 117TH BOMB GROUP AND 9TH FIGHTER GROUP

FM : 4-3, 310TH BOMB WING

THE FOLLOWING RADIOGRAM WAS RECEIVED FROM THE COMMANDING GENERAL SIXTH
ARMY QUOTE BY HEADQUARTERS THANKS TO YOU AND YOUR BRAVE AIRMEN FOR THEIR
SPRICKED SUPPORT OF OUR ATTACK ON IFC WHICH MADE POSSIBLE THE EARLY
CAPTURE OF THE VITAL IFC DAM KRUMER UNQUOTE

A TRUE COPY:

Hans G. Walz
HANS G. WALZ,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Intell. Officer.

HEADQUARTERS 511TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY
APO 468

4 May, 1945.

SUBJECT: Air Support of 511th Parachute Infantry by 3rd Bomb Group,
APO 321.

TO : Commanding Officer, 3rd Bomb Group (Thru Channels)

1. This regiment recently crushed the last organized resistance in Southern Luzon. The operation involved cracking the Fuji Heidan Line in the Mt. Malepunyo Hill Mass.
2. Since your Group rendered air support for the operation and you are unable to see the result of your bombing on the ground and know little of its effectiveness, I am taking this opportunity to inform you of the results.
3. During the period 24 - 28 April your group bombed Hills 2380, 2090, 2418 and 2610 in the Mt. Malepunyo Hill Mass. These Hills were the backbone of the Fuji Heidan Line. Owing to the bare precipitous slopes and strenght of the enemy who had deep caves and personnel shelters in tunnels as much as one hundred feet back into the mountains, no assault could be made without first neutralizing the enemy and his positions. The air strike closed many caves and tunnels and demolished the prepared positions. Our troops, following your bombing so closely that the concussion caused bloody noses among the men, occupied each hill without opposition. On each objective the Japs were found dazed and killed by concussion and the remnants were easily annihilated.
4. Our success was due to the excellent support rendered by your Group. On behalf of the men and officers of this regiment, I wish to extend our appreciation. We hope that such support will be forthcoming in Japan in the near future.

/s/t/ EDWARD H. LAHTI,
Colonel, 511th Parach. Inf.,
Commanding.

A TRUE COPY:

Hans G. Walz
HANS G. WALZ,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Intel. Officer.

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