

310th TAC MISSILE SQDN

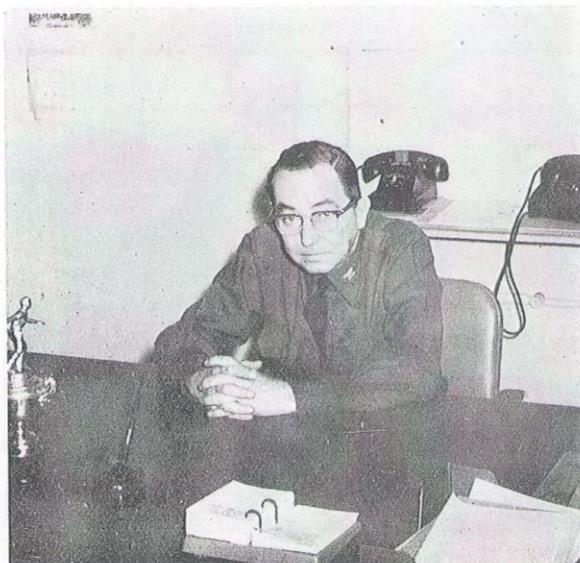
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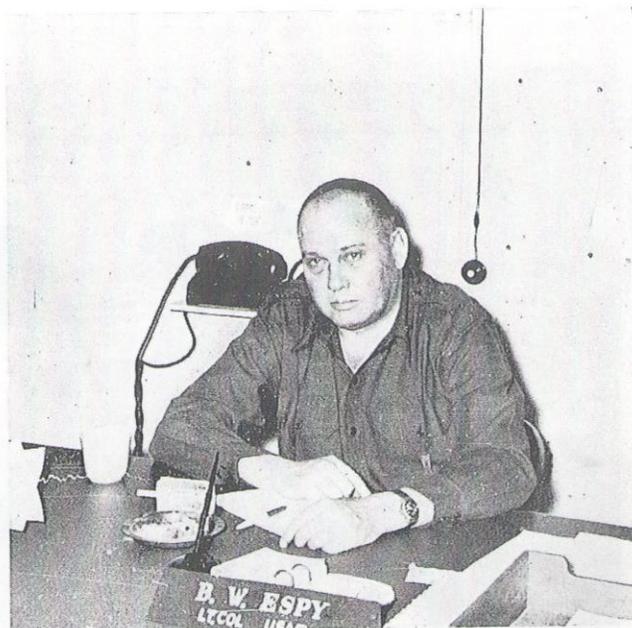
58th TMG COMMANDER



COL. ~~McSwain~~
MCSWAIN

Commander of the 58th Tac Missile Group is Col Alex McSwain. Col McSwain arrived in Korea last August. During his first six months, the missile group has achieved success in several parts of the Far East. Col McSwain received his commission in 1935 through ROTC. Some of the many units he has served with are the 30th Air Depot Group, the 394th Air Service Group, MATS out of Travis AFB Calif, and HQ Det 1, in ARDC. Col McSwain has a wife and four children and calls Anderson S.C. home. Col McSwain is proud of the achievements of his group but the continually instills in the members of the group the need to move forward. Proof of these achievements came recently when, under Col. McSwain leadership, the group received the highest possible rating during our ORI. As yet, Col McSwain has no ZI assignment.

58th TMG DEPUTY COMMANDER



COL. Espy

The Deputy Commandner for the 58th TMG is LT/COL B.W. Espy. Col Espy is finishing his tour in Korea in April. Col Espy has had a very successful tour in Korea with the missile Group. He was personally commended by the Commander of the 5th Air Force for his leadership at the PACAM Fire Power demonstration last October. Col Espy received is commission in 1942 through OCS school. He has served with the 354th Fighter Group, Headquarters TAC, Headquarters FEAF, the 588th Tac Missile Group, and in Korea with the 58th Tac Missile Group. Col Espy in May will go to Orlando, Florida to serve with the 4504th Training Wing. He will be able to enjoy his chief hobbies of fishing and golf there. He will be joined there by his wife and two children. The 58th will lose a close friend when Col Espy leaves for Orlando. He has always been ready at any time to extend a helping hand and careful guidance in any problem which was brought to his attention. The 310th TMS wishes Col Espy every success and happiness in his new Assignment.

310th TMS COMMANDER



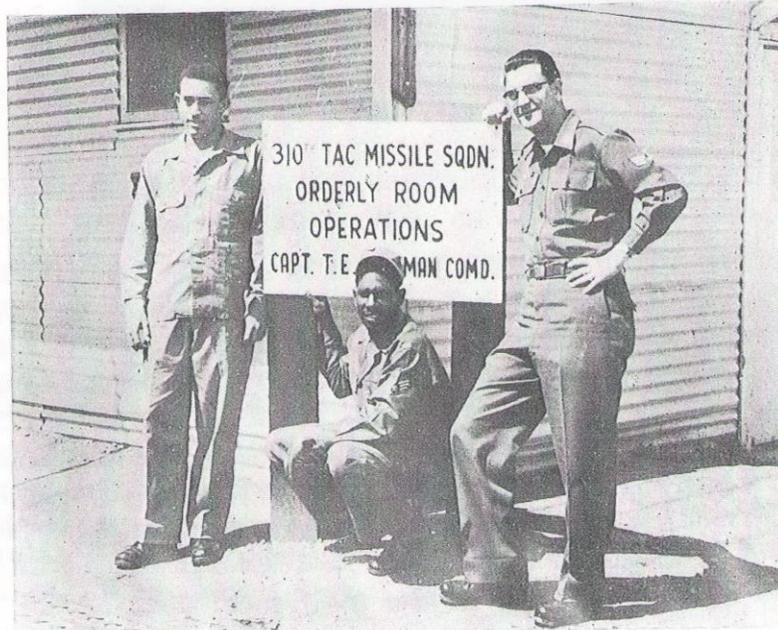
CAPT. Hoffman

The leader of the best tactical unit in the far east is Capt Ted E. Hoffman. Capt Hoffman took over command of the squadron during a period of growth when his leadership was greatly needed. He is a command pilot and received his commission through aviation cadets. During World War II Capt Hoffman was with the 55th Fighter Group, later he served in the far east with the 374th Troop Carrier Wing out of Tachikawa AB, Japan. Capt Hoffman has his family presently in Phoenix, Arizona but on his return in May he will be in Orlando, Florida with the 4504th Missile Training Wing. Capt Hoffman's hard work has given inspiration to all the squadron members who's efforts made the award possible. It will be hard to fill this spot which he has served in so faithfully.

2 Lt HANCOCK



2nd Lt John S. Hancock has been assigned to the 310th TMS since November. Lt Hancock arrived in Korea in October and spent several weeks with the Group. Lt Hancock is from Cleveland Ohio and graduated last June from Depauw University in Greencastle, Indiana. He received his commission at the same time and then reported to active duty in September for processing. This is Lt Hancock's first assignment and he is looking forward to getting a taste of Air Force life in the states. Lt Hancock was married less than a month when he left for Korea. At present his wife, Janet, is living with her parents in St. Louis, Mo. Lt Hancock enjoys spending his off duty time participating in squadron athletics. He played on the basketball team and hopes to make the squadron softball team. Lt Hancock leaves Korea in October 1960.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Bachemin, Woods, Dockery

REPRESENTATIVE OF MARTIN AIRCRAFT COMPANY

MR. Yaple



MR. Cox



MR. Phillips





CAPT. Deegan

The operations OIC for the 310TMS is Capt Charles Deegan. Capt Deegan came of Korea last August and was Operations officer at the time of the big build up in the missile outfit. Capt Deegan hails from Big Timber, Montana but his family is residing in Orlando during his tour here. Capt Deegan received his commission in Sep 1943 through the aviation cadet program. He has seen quite a bit of the world during his service career as he served during the 2nd War in England and with the 3rd Bomb Wing in Korea during the early 1950's. Capt Deegan will return to Palo Alto, Calif. in Aug 60 to serve with the 6594th Test Wing. His biggest hobby here in Korea is pacifying launch officers and this is a full time job. Stateside he enjoys fishing and should find lots of it at Palo Alto.

CAPT. Gillless

Capt Alvin Gillless has been in the 310th Tac Missile Squadron since January 1960 serving in the position of Asst Operations Officer and Training Officer. Prior to this time he was a "Telephone Operator". Capt Gillless received his college degree and commission in the USAF from Texas A&M in 1953. He spends much of his free time here in Korea at Base Operations trying to get his T-Bird runs in. Ed has served in the 42nd Air Division, the 314th Troop Carrier Sqdn, and the 340th Troop Carrier Sqdn before coming into missiles. He is one of the lucky ones returning in May to the 6594th Test Wing (Ballestic Missile Division) at Palo Alto, California.



CAPT. Wirta

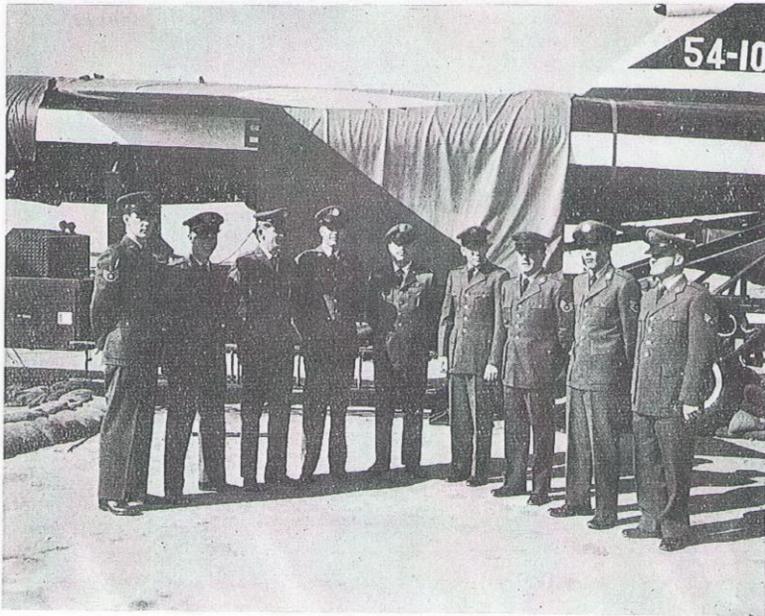
One of the new additions to the 310th Tac Missile Squadron is Captain Victor H. Wirta who will serve in the position of Assistant Operations Officer. Captain Wirta who is a Command Pilot received his commission in June 1944 through Aviation Cadets. This is Captain Wirta's second tour in Korea. He was stationed at K-8 with the 474th Fighter Bomber Wing during the conflict. He was also in France with the 48th Fighter Bomber Wing. Captain Wirta calls Los Angeles his home and his family is residing there now.

CAPT. Hughes



The OIC of Launch Team No. 1 is Captain John Hughes Jr. Captain Hughes call Montgomery, Ala. home but upon return to the ZI will be stationed in the heart of Union Territory at Duluth, Minn. He served for five years in the enlisted ranks before receiving his commission from Aviation Cadets in January 1953. Captain Hughes spent 2 years in Alaska with the 65th Fighter Interceptor Squadron. He also has been navigation instructor at Shaw Air Force Base. Captain Hughes will return to Montgomery to pickup his wife and 3 little girls before going to Deluth..

LAUNCH TEAM



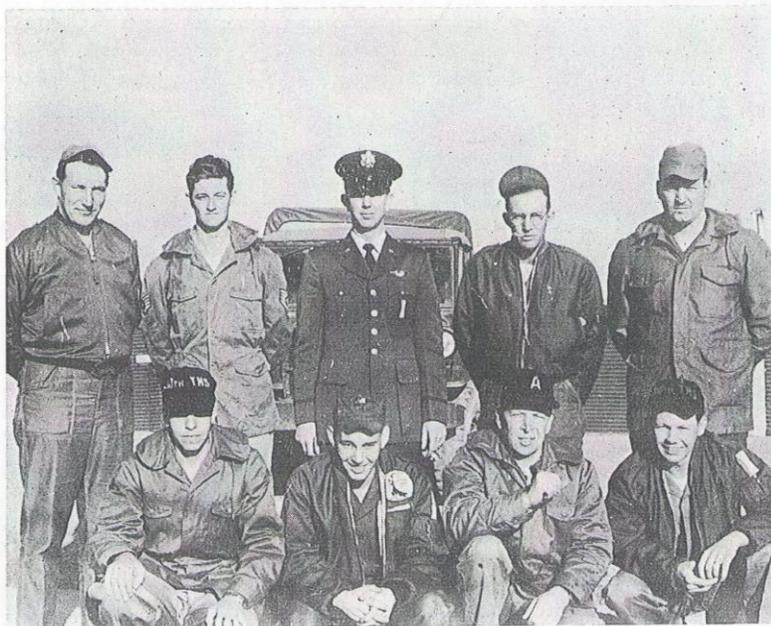
LEFT TO RIGHT: Blue, Barnhart, Simmons, Fisher, Capt. Hughes, Blodgett, Jenkins Ledwith, Button

LT. R. Hancock



One of the hottest fighter pilots in the Squadron is Lt Robert Hancock. He hails from Miami Florida but his family is staying in Arizona during his tour here in Korea. Bob is the OIC of launch team No. 2 which made a successful firing of a Matador missile at Okinawa last October. He served in the enlisted ranks for 3 years. In June 1954 he received his commission at Pilot Training. Prior to coming into the missile field he served with the 366 Bomb Sqdn and the 388 Tac Fighter Sqdn. Here in Korea he gets his greatest pleasure from knocking off opponent after opponent at the Ping Pong table which he does quite often. He will return to the ZI in May and will be stationed at the Municipal Air Port in Niagara Falls, New York.

LAUNCH TEAM



**FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Jones, Latshaw, Salak, Bennett
BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Holse, Flamm, Lt Hancock, Rinson, Cowan**

LT. Malone



Lt William Malone who was raised in McKinney, Texas received his commission through OCS in 1956. Prior to this time he was in the enlisted ranks for eight years and held the rank of Master Sgt. He is the OIC of launch team No. 53 which made history in this part of the world during February. Although it is difficult to pursue his hobbies of hunting and fishing in this part of the world, while serving with the 31st Fighter Cp at Turner AFB, Georgia, and the 405th Fighter Bomber Wing, and the 345th Bomb Wing at Langley he was able to pursue these pass times. He and his family will be returning to a base yet to be named but somewhere in TAC.

LAUNCH TEAM



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Buotte, Berry, Lt. Malone, Boyer, Sligh
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Judd, Ryan, Hicks, Potts



LT. Kanjawa

OIC of launch team No. 4 is Lt Robert Kujawa. Bob hails from Toledo, Ohio and spent several years at the University of Toledo before entering aviation cadets. He received his commission in 1953 there and went in to primary training at Graham AFB Florida. He received his basic training at Webb AFB, Texas. Bob is a single engine Air Refueling Sqdn and the 391st fighter pilot and spent time with the 622nd Fighter Sqdn before going to Orlando. He trained at Orlando from Sept 1958 to May 1959. Lt Kujawa although flying all over the world is still single and a prime target for single girls everywhere. Upon returning in July to the states he will be continuing in TAC.

LAUNCH TEAM



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Sachtleben, Lt Kuawa
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Signon, Hughes, Fenley, Cockrell Stuart, Camrin



CAPT. Henson

The OIC of Launch Team No. 75 is Captain Donald Henson. Captain Henson hails from Merced, California. He served in the enlisted ranks for several years and reached the rank of T/Sgt. In March 1953 he entered OCS and graduated with his commission in September of that year. Captain Henson is a rated officer and has hours in the H-19, L-20 and Helicopter. Captain Henson has acted as an advisor in several exercises the 58th has put on. He has served with the 11th pilot bomber squadron and the 837th AD at Shaw AFB before coming into the missile business. Captain Henson was in Orlando with the 4504th Tac Missile Wing several years before coming to Korea. Upon his return in August of 1960 he and his family will be at Palo Alto California.

LAUNCH TEAM



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Santavasci, Essex, Bush, Jenkins
BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Remick, Howard, Taylor, Olivera



Capt Schwind

Capt Schwind who hails from Rochester, NY, has been in Korea since Aug 1959. He is the OIC of Launch Team 6. During Oct, he and his team constructed a complete launch complex which is outstanding. Capt Schwind received his commission in 1953 through OCS. He has served with the 318th and 75th Fighter Interceptor Sqdns in ADC. He also served with the USAF Fighter Weapons School in TAC. It is not unusual to see Capt Schwind in his fatigues with his team working on all phases of his launch pad. Capt Schwind was in the enlisted ranks for 2 years and at the time he entered OCS, held the rank of S/Sgt. Upon completion of this tour, Capt Schwind will return to Nellis AFB, Nevada.

LAUNCH TEAM



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Arrowsmith, Meyerson Salas
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Sajdak, Allen, Reyes, Youmans



CAPT. Price

Capt Grover Price who hails from Rocky Mountain, N.C. is the OIC of launch team No. 27. He served as the Squadron Administrative Officer for the first part of his tour here. Before receiving his commission he served in the enlisted ranks for 28 months. Capt Price has served with the 54th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron and the 389th Fighter Bomber Squadron. He has a wife Emily, and two boys who are looking forward to his new assignment in SAC missiles at Vandenberg, AFB California.

LAUNCH TEAM



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Barnes, Norris, Wilson, Eno
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Willard, Baertsch, Collins, Gay, Capt Price



CAPT. Hyde

Capt William Hyde is the OIC of launch team No. 8. The team arrived in February 1960 and soon Capt Hyde had them ready for duty. He calls Greenville, N.C. his home and his wife and child are there until his return. Capt Hyde was a TSGT for several years before receiving a direct commission in January 1951. Capt Hyde is a hot Ping Pong player and in a short period of time has become a feared player in the officer's club. Capt Hyde was in England with the 20th Fighter Bomber Wing several years ago. He has also served with the 27th Fighter Escort wing. He will rotate in March of 1961.

LAUNCH TEAM



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Franklin, Harris, Duffer,
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Thompson Clark, Sanderson, Higgins, Curran, Capt. Hyde



LT. Hildreth

OIC of the new Launch Team No. 9 is Lt. Richard Hildreth. Lt. Hildreth hails from Franklin, Penn. and his wife and 2 children are staying in Penn. during his stay in Korea. Dick was in the enlisted ranks for 5 years before entering Aviation Cadets. He received his commission in June 1955. Prior to coming into missiles he was with the 308th Strategic Fighter Squadron. Lt. Hildreth's favorite off duty passtime is golf and he is bound and determined to start a course here in Korea. He will be returning to the states in March 1961.

LAUNCH TEAM



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Sullivan, Bowe, Lt. Hildreth, Dieschnow
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Bowser, Hudson, Wooten, Paradis, Mitchell

ARMAMENT

CAPT. Sexton



Captain Norman G. Sexton has been the OIC of the Armament section for the past nine (9) months. Captain Sexton beside being an armament officer is a rated pilot and graduated from Aviation Cadets in August 1950. He served with the 67th TAC RECON Wing in Korea during the conflict. He has also served with the 363rd TAC RECON Wing at Shaw Air Force Base and the 3600th Flying Training Group at Luke AFB. Captain Sexton spent sometime at Orlando before coming to Korea in June 1959. Captain Sexton is married and has two children and upon his return in July he will be at Bossier Base, Shireveport, La.

CAPT. Fulton



The new Armament Officer in the 310TMS is Capt James Fulton. Capt Fulton calls Largo, Florida home. He served for 11-1/2 years in the enlisted ranks and reached the rank of MSGT. In 1949 Capt Fulton received his commission through OCS in field artillery. During his stay in the service he has served with the 23rd Bomb Sqdn, the 5th Bomb Group, 2nd Armored Training Regt, 1st Air Transport Sqdn and the 60th Fighter Sqdn. Capt Fulton has a wife and three children. His main hobby is amateur radio and the hopes to pursue this here in Korea. Soon Capt Fulton will be taking over as OIC of the Armament section.



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Capt. Sexton, Capt. Fulton, Capt. Avery
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Large, Harper, Lee, Soloman, Muska, Van Daele,
Smelser, Shrape, Livesay, Amies
ON TRAILER: Waits, Landry, Wilson, Nixon

MAINTANCE

CAPT. Mitchell



The Squadron Maintenance Supervisor for the last year has been Captain Jay D. Mitchell. Captain Mitchell hails from La Grand, California. He entered Aviation Cadets in 1943. Captain Mitchell received his commission in September 1949. He served with the 20th Fighter Bomber Wing in England and has also been an instructor at Williams AFB, and Craig AFB. Captain Mitchell became a senior pilot in October 1956. He has flying time in the F-84's, the F-80 and T-33. Captain Mitchell has spent many hours here in Korea flying missions in the T-Birds attached to the 58th.

He went to Orlando as a maintenance officer in August 1958 and arrived in Korea with the original dash -1 group in April 1959. Upon return to the states he and his family will be at Vandenburg Air Force Base, California.

CAPT. Ridgeway

Capt Robert Ridgeway who hails from Union Town, Penn. has been in Korea and OIC of the Field Maintenance Section since August 1959. Capt Ridgeway is a feared Ping Pong player and indulges in this hobby as much as possible. Capt Ridgeway was in the enlisted ranks for 5-1/2 years and reached to rank of TSGT. In March 1953 he received his commission at OCS. He has served with the 3380th Tech Training Group, the 25th Fighter Interceptor Sqdn, in Okinawa and the 312th A&R Sqdn. Upon his return in August he and his family will be going to TAC.





CAPT. Hardin

Capt Thomas Hardin has been the OIC of the Consolidated Maintenance Section since his arrival in Korea, last June. Capt Hardin graduated from the University of Florida in 1953 at which time he received his reserve commission. He has since been awarded a regular commission in the USAF. Tom has served with the 614th Fighter Bomber Squadron before coming into the missile business. Capt Hardin has a wife and three young daughters, living in Orlando, Florida. Upon completion of this tour he will return to a TAC assignment.

LT. Haney



Newest officer in the 310TMS Maintenance section is 1/Lt Dan Haney. Dan is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy. He received his commission in June 1958 and then went to Lowery Tech Training Center. From Lowery he went directly to Orlando before being shipped to Korea in Feb 1960. Dan was born in Edmenton, Alberta. He spends many free hours at the firing range with his new pistol. Dan has taken over as the Ground Support Equipment OIC for the first part of his tour. At present to has no ZI duty assignment.

CONSOLIDATED MAINT



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Capt. Hardin, Diel, Waugh, Eubanks, Mullens, Jessup, Chelette, Clark, Harrison, Rueff, Nelson, Capt. Mitchell
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Kelly, Baylon, Bane, McMullen, Bozak, Thomas Dirickson, Hyder, Gee, Bozeman, Follis, Sallee, Havenner, Jackson Haverland, Arvidson, Faight, Scarle, Seltzer, Welder, King, Bortlett Button

Men whose combined experience and skills have established an enviable record of achievement in the business of missile maintenance.

Starting in April of 1959 the "-1" element of the new 58th TMG arrived at Osan AB to put into being an organization that was aimed at providing the newest and latest of weapons systems for the defense of Korea. Part of this element were maintenance personnel. As 1959 progressed the people were joined by their counterparts in the "-2" "-3" elements and supplemental groups. In March 1960 this composite group of airmen, pictured here, had produced in such quantity and quality as to have contributed mightily to the effort of the entire 310TMS toward earning the Outstanding Unit Award of 5th Air Force and 314th Air Division.

FIELD MAINTANCE



KNEELING LEFT TO RIGHT: Gentilucci, Moore, Buckley, Longwith, Brousseau,
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Anderson, Bryner, Turano, Conner, Knight, Brown
Stewart, Donnelly, Lee

In July 1959 a new echelon of missile maintenance was authorized for this organization. Growing out of this requirement came the EFM facility. Originally charged with the calibration and servicing of only precision measurement equipment, the shop was quickly expanded to include facilities for the controls and guidance equipment installed in the TM61C. With the increase in bench sets and materials, the demand for highly trained technicians and supervisors became critical. These men were drawn from squadron resources and dedicated to attaining the highest quality production possible.

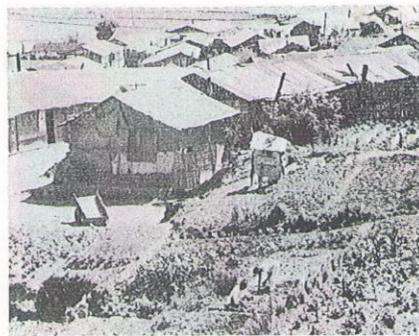
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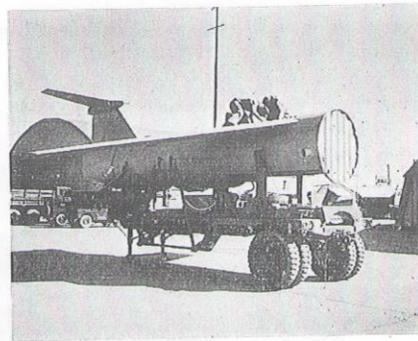
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STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Walker, Slenk, Devor, Duvall, McKaughn Lt. Middlebrooks



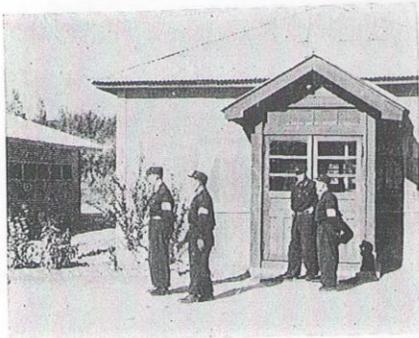
STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Stewart, Fredericks, Gray, Stone, Wallace Broussard, DiBenedictis, Capt. Hodges



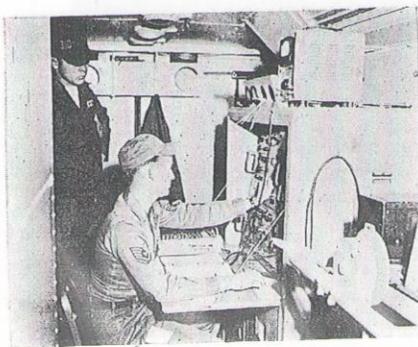
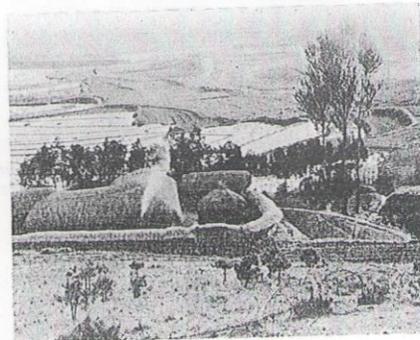
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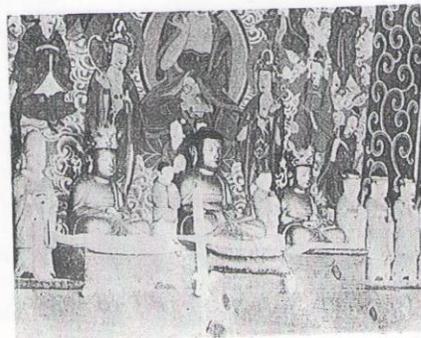
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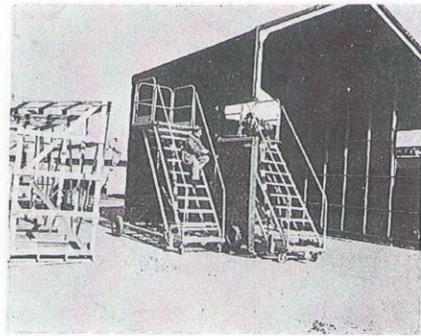
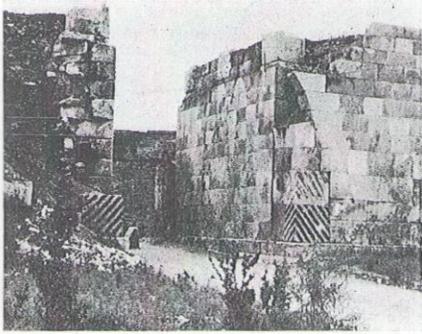
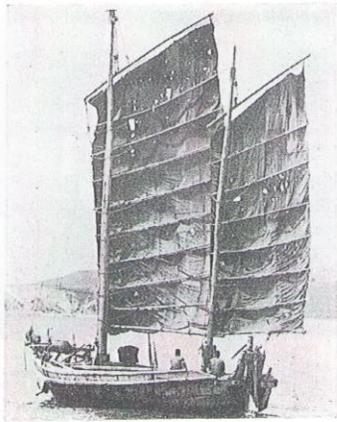


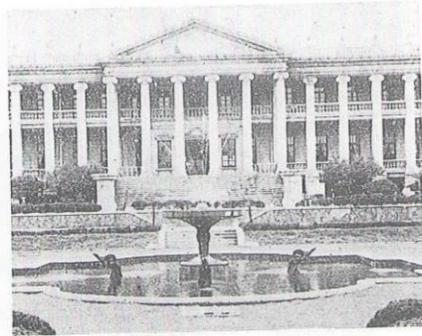
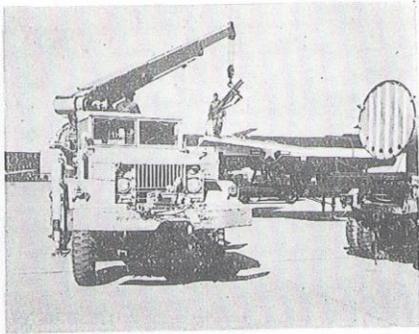
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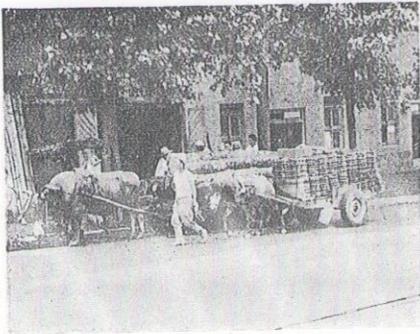
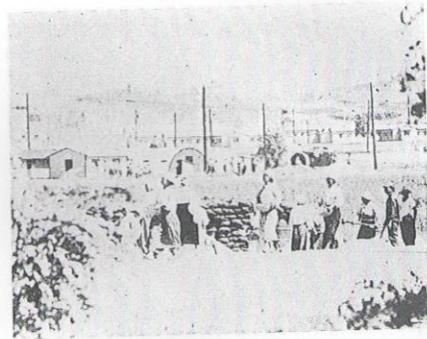
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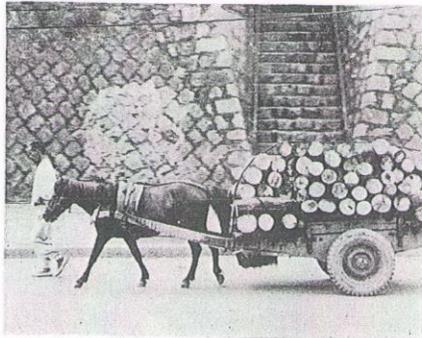
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*VIEW OF OSAN AIR BASE
(K-55) FROM HILL 180*





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