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HEADQUARTERS
THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE
Historical Section
APO 719

APRIL 1945.

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REPORT ON UNIT HISTORY

Date 3 July 45

Checked by OBH

Name of Unit 15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq

APO 719

Period Covered April 1945

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Benjamin E. Lippincott

BENJAMIN E. LIPPINCOTT
Major, Air Corps
Historical Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
[illegible] SQUADRON
APO 710

7 May 1945

SUBJECT: Operational History, 1 April 1945 to 30 April 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, [illegible], APO 710
Attention: Historical Officer.
FROM: Commanding Officer, 16th Photographic Group, APO 710.

1. Combat Data.

a. Organization of Unit.

(1) Unit Initial Allocation of Aircraft:

(a) Same as per last report.

(2) Losses.

(a) Same as per last report.

(3) Personnel Losses or Augmentation of Unit.

(a) Same as per last report.

(4) Assignments, Reassignments, Attachments, Detachments, Transfers, Promotions, Reductions, Separations from Military Service, Returns to Military Service, Changes in Status by T/O & E, and Other Changes.

(a) Strength, Commissioned.

	Unit Personnel		Attached Personnel	
	O		O	
(a) At beginning of period	131	37	38	9
(b) Net increase or decrease	20	16	0	0
(c) At end of period	151	53	42	9
(d) Total (a & c)	204		51	

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(7) Strength, Enemy.

(a) Number of aircraft of period, by types.

1. 12 - Type III

2. 9 - Type II

3. 6 - Type I

(b) Air borne during period by types, in similar number list.

1. Three hours out: None

2. Three hours onward, west, by types:

a. Two (2) Type II Bogeys (12') and one (1) Bogey (6') Type I, Vaenga Area, Letter, 15 Apr 44.

b. One (1) Type II Bogey (10') and one (1) Bogey (6'), Type I, Chir with Air Force, 23 April.

c. Two (2) Type II Bogeys (24') Orro-Arondy Sector, 20 April, which was later proved.

(c) Number at end of period by types:

1. 9 Type II

2. 12 Type III

3. 7 Type II

4. 6 Type I

(d) Change in personnel air enemy during period. None.

b. Ground Installations, including gun positions:

(1) Anti Air Gun headquarters: None

(2) Subordinate units: None

c. Type of armament.

(1) Type of projectile and description from each station: See attached sheet for each form.

(2) Characteristics, station and purpose therefore.

(a) None.

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[illegible] dated the [illegible], 3 April 1944 to 30 April 1944.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
Lt. Col., Air Corps
[illegible]

[illegible]
1st Lt., Air Corps
[illegible]

1958

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: _____ Date: _____

Area of Control:

Area Searched or searched:

Survivors Received:

(Give the following data for each survivor: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Organ.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Equipment Given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane shot down; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of Departure: _____ Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their recovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

_____
(Master)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-809 Date: 13 April 43

Type of Patrol: Sappaire 14

Area Patrolled or searched: North Channel

Messages Received: Call to pick up wounded Inf. men at Majabesla, Morotai at 1320

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.) Glen H. Howard-Sgt. 36606784
Med. Det. 368th Inf.
Hecker T. Smith, Sgt. 36173804
Hq. Co., 1st. Bn. 368th Inf.
Martin M. Grozilo, Pvt 36170813
"A" Co. 368th Inf.

Reported men wounded by bomb dropped by Australian P-40 while flying over that area. Wounded buried over to ambulance at 1400.

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: _____
Running time 3 hours.

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.) None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

None

E. A. McCANDLISH
(Master)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.)
(OVER)

1960

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-112 Date: 6 Apr 45

Type of Patrol: Civil Operations

Area Patrolled or searched: Vicinity of A Freight Pier.

Messages Received:

Messages Dispatched: (Give 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Org.; 5, Physical-
[illegible] Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type
[illegible] Parms; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this
information state so below.)
Nord instructions to proceed with Civil operations 0700 with the intent
of locating [illegible] reported [illegible] are believed from vicinity of A
Freight pier. Identified [illegible], A. S. A111307 USN.
1st Lieut. Quartermaster Corps.
[illegible] to 2nd 12th Old Appearance Army.

Time of departure: 0700 Time of Rescue: 0[illegible] Time of Return: 0930

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

None

J. [illegible] BAUGOOK
(Master)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.)
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DAILY MISS'G. REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-112 Date: 14 April 1944

Type of Patrol: Emergency

Area Patrolled or searched: Capi Bay, Dampier Str.

No. of Men on Board: Received: [illegible]

Survivors: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, AUS; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and date of aircraft; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 1800 Time of Rescue: [illegible] Time of Return: 0600

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Name - Balawati. Age 22 (Native of Kalumburu). Condition of pt. Second & Third degree burns. R. & L Hands & 3rd degree R. Middle thigh to ankle. Patient in 2nd degree shock when approached. Pulse & Temp. Normal arrival to base.
Treatment: 1 gr Morphine Sulphate (2235). 750 cc of normal plasma started at 2230 & Discontinued at 0200.
Evacuation of pt from beach very difficult due to extremely high surf. About 1 hr. elapsed from time of arrival until all aboard managed to onboard patient.

J. A. MARCOM
(Master)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly.)

Boat No: PT-113 Date: 2 April 1943

Type of Patrol: Special

Area Patrolled or searched: [illegible]

No. of Radio CPs Received: None

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Wilson, John P. 6267870
Moore, Everett C. 6501631[illegible]
[illegible], Floyd 6422[illegible]
Dye, Solomon L. 3[illegible]
3[illegible]th Co 93d Division
Cole, Charles C. 3[illegible]
Smith, Oscar W. 3[illegible]
Singleton 3[illegible]
Mann, Booker 3[illegible]

Left base at 0700 [illegible] to evacuate above named men.
Arrived destination 1145
Searched for base 1315
Arrived base 1735

J. W. BABCOCK
(Master)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: [illegible]-107 Date: [illegible] April 1[illegible]

Type of Patrol: Special

Area Patrolled or searched: [illegible] yds of Bonthain [illegible]

No. of Radio Msgs Received: one

[illegible] (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical [illegible], treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type [illegible] plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this [illegible]tion write so below.)

[illegible]. [illegible]z, F. [illegible]	[illegible]87[illegible]2	A.	726
[illegible]. Shuman, G.	[illegible]02 732	"	"
Pfc. Darnabel, [illegible]	32770136	"	"
Pvt. [illegible]en, [illegible]	3251[illegible]6	"	"

Calling co-pilot of [illegible] critical by radio fire.
Amphib 1 of one [illegible] found dead in the boat had drowned.
They had been in water for 2 hours [illegible] calling for help.

Time of departure: 17[illegible] Time of Rescue: 1740 Time of Return: 17[illegible]

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

None

CARL LUDWIG
(Master)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.)
(OVER)

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-[illegible] Date: 11 April 45 – 12 April 45

Type of Patrol: Special

Area Patrolled or searched: [illegible] Miti mid-channel area. North and east.

No. of Radio Alerts Received: One

Remarks: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Lt. [illegible] Hold Pilot [illegible] O-[illegible] 79th Sqdn.
Condition good. Ditched. Injured 18 hours. Treatment: Dry clothing. Rubdown dry. 4 oz. of white Bourbon. Parachuted. Ditched about dusk over Miti.
Was found floating, in dark. Current held him up to 3 miles north of Miti. Was picked up within 1/2 mile of ditching and landing [illegible]. Ship P-[illegible]'s Combat plane is operating 25 miles from crash scene.

Time of departure: 1930 11 Apr Time of Rescue: 0730 12 Apr Time of Return: 0800 12 Apr.

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

None

CARL [illegible]
(Master)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-107 Date: [illegible]

Type of Patrol: [illegible] 15

Area Patrolled or searched: [illegible]

[illegible] Received:

[illegible] (Use: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical [illegible] treatment given; 7, [illegible]ether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type [illegible]; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information st[illegible] so below.)

[illegible]urch, C. B. [illegible]/Sgt., 130773, 78th [illegible]
Condition good, [illegible]: 4 oz. [illegible] abdomen.
[illegible] hit[illegible], [illegible] of Shafts; Motor control box to cooling system.
Plane [illegible] damaged.
Pilot said parachute [illegible] for 3 minutes.
[illegible] or Fail[illegible] type force. Error visibility 3 miles.

Time of departure: [illegible] Time of Rescue: [illegible] Time of Return: [illegible]

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

None

[illegible]
(Master)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-812 Date: [illegible]

Type of Patrol: Routine

Area Patrolled or searched: Sulphur 14

Survivors reports Received: None (A report of small craft in distress received from a print mat office).

Survivors Reports: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Sneiu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

None

Time of departure: 1600 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 1900

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Found not one in area given of a small craft in distress

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Returned: Pvt. Marino Salvatore, 12046047 of Co. B 360 Inf. Regt.,
From his post at New Zeland as order of operations officer.
Patient ordered to ample ammount. Soldier is not broken.

[illegible]
(Master)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: [illegible]12 Date: [illegible]

Type of Patrol: Routine

Area Patrolled or searched: [illegible]

[illegible] Received:

[illegible] (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, AS#; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical [illegible], Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and [illegible] plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

None

[illegible] hours running time.

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.) Call received at 0930 from [illegible] to search area [illegible] Habibi for two men reported missing since Sunday 0930 in air plane [illegible] crash. Found belly tank but no survivors as yet.

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

[illegible]
(Master)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type o print plainly)

Boat No: P-213 Date: 25 April 45

Type of Patrol: Daylight A. Special

Area Patrolled or searched:

Messages Received:

Survivors Picked Up: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Shoot. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

None

Time of departure: 0900 Time of Rescue: 0930 Time of Return: 2141

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.) None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information) Proceeded to Ian co with Doctor and Captain to investigate reported dromilo. Doctor went ashore and found one already dead. There was also a native girl with an appendectomy. The corpse, patient, and Lt. Schroder, S.C. A.C. Jones, Pfc. J. P. Hardie, and a native were brought aboard and together with doctor were returned to ship. Left there an ambulance and were ordered to transport patient to hospital.

(Master)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-115 Date: 30 April 45

Type of Patrol: Snafu call (Sapphire 34)

Area Patrolled or searched: Rao Island (Pesi-Posi)

No. of Survivors Received: Two

Remarks: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)
One body, identified as Sobol, L., Flight Officer, 308th Bomb Sqdn. according to eye witnesses two B-24's collided in mid-air and exploded.

Time of departure: 1205 Time of Rescue: 1500 Time of Return: 1615

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their recovery.) All crew members of both planes except that of above mentioned man who was found floating in water. Upon arriving at scene of crash, we found barge who said that the only survivor was picked up by destroyer. We searched the area thoroughly and took aboard various debris and personal equipment but found no further victims. We then set out in pursuit of destroyer and upon coming alongside found that they had investigated Snafu but had found no survivors. We then returned to scene of Snafu and continued search. We learned that natives had picked up one body which we removed from village of Pesi-Posi and returned to base. Further search found nothing. Body and all personal equipment was turned over to Lt. Graves Registration.

Evacuated: (Give full information)

FORREST DUPEE
(Master)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-592 Date: 7 April 1945

Type of Patrol: Special

Ships boarded or searched:

Number of Survivors Received:

Survivors Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, USN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

0615 Detailed by Lt. Kinser to take Lt. G. S. Morgan USCG and Lt. E. R. Kopp USCG to Pangeo, Morotai. Also to pickup injured man there.
1055 Picked up M. M. 3/c #586-096 Brook, Glen H. USCG whose apparent injuries were: compound fracture of ulna and radius.

Treatment given: Shock- aromatic spirits of ammonia.
1/4 Gr. Phemo barbatol-½ cc morphine.
Delivered above to medical officer Naval Hospital.

Time of departure: 0635 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 1440

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

WO ROY J. GAMBON
(Master)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-628 Date: 22 April 1945

Type of Patrol: Stand by.

Area Patrolled or searched: Guiuan and Homonhon Island.

No. of Snafu Reports Received: No snafu reported to us but sighted one and picked up the pilot.

Names reported: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and No. of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Marine, M/T Sgt David D. Wilcox, 247771 VMF 212, 1st Marine Wing Zambo Strip.

Physical condition; Lacerations on forehead and nose. Possible broken nose. Later reports said broken nose but other wise he was not damaged.

Treatment given: Cleaned lacerations.

Plane had run out of gas and pilot ditched it in shallow water.

Type of plane: F4U land based. We were unable to get the number of the plane.

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: 1820 Time of Return: 1832

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information) Remarks:

Returning from trip to Homonhon Island and sighted plane, ¼ mile north of us coming down for a water landing. Ran full speed to where the plane crashed, the pilot was standing up in the water. Got the pilot in the rubber raft, then on the boat and took him to the Navy small boat dock where and ambulance was waiting.

JAMES R. WHITESIDE
(Master)

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DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-592 Date: 13 April 1945

Type of Patrol: Special

Area Patrolled or searched: Kokoja Island

No. of Enemy Reports Received:

Rescues effected: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and No. of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Pvt Hearn, Alvin L., 38179883, 595 Sig. Air Warning Bn., 13th Pn.
Attended on above island by T/5 Davis, Robert D..
Physical condition: Extreme shock. Treatment given on boat:
½ cc Morphine. 300 cc Human blood plasma,
8 - 7,7 Sulfadiazine tablets.

Delivered to Med. Off. 155th Hospital.

Time of departure: 2035 Time of Rescue: 2145 Time of Return: 2225

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

WO Roy J. Gambon
(Master)

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13TH EMERGENCY RESCUE GROUP, THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE
APO 719

30 April 1945
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BREAKDOWN OF SQUADRON

SQUADRON: 13th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, APO 719

UNIT	STRENGTH EM	STRENGTH OFF	COMMANDING OFFICER	FROM	DATE DEP'D	TO	DATE ARR	FURNISH RESCUE FACILITIES FOR	TIME AT LOCATION
P-305	5	2	1st Lt. McCandlish	Moroteai	19 Apr 45	Zamboanga	27 Apr 45	Com LACS, Zamboanga	4 days
P-111	13	1	WOJG Bogacz	Moroteai	19 Apr 45	Zamboanga	28 Apr 45	Com LACS, Zamboanga	5 days
P-407	6	1	1st Lt. Lutti[illegible]	Moroteai	25 Apr 45	Zamboanga	28 Apr 45	Com LACS, Zamboanga	3 days
P-302	4	0	WOJG Cambon	Moroteai	19 Apr 45	Zamboanga	27 Apr 45	Com LACS, Zamboanga	4 days

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[illegible] AIR TECHNICAL SERVICE COMMAND
APO 712

SPECIAL REGULATIONS NO. [illegible]

Period 01 March 1945 to 30 April 1945

I

INDIVIDUAL CASES: None

II

AWARDS: None

III

CHANGES IN ASSIGNMENTS: None

IV

CLUBS: Very little use made of the officers club and most hours were spent in conference. Rumors have been rife that the club will close.

V

[illegible] ENTERTAINMENT: [illegible] Glenn Miller Band Appeared.

VI

MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS: Classified material kept in locked safe and. Change of Quarters on duty in Orderly Room at all times.

VII

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

ERVIN HARR
1st Lt., Air Corps
Intelligence Officer

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REPORT ON UNIT HISTORY

Date 3 Aug 1945

Checked by CBH

Name of Unit Hq, 15th Boat Sq

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Remarks:

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HEADQUARTERS
15TH AAF EMERGENCY RESCUE BOAT SQUADRON
APO 719

8 June 1945

SUBJECT: Organization History, 1 May 1945 to 31 May 1945.

TO : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719
Attention: Historical Section.
THRU: Commanding Officer, 13th Emergency Rescue Gp, APO 719.

1. Outline facts.

a. Organization of unit.

(1) Original designation of unit.

(a) Same as previous report.

(2) Mission.

(a) Same as previous report.

(3) Date and place of activation of unit.

(a) Same as previous report.

(4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers.

(a) Same as previous report.

(5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of units, changes caused by T/O & E, etc: None.

(6) Strength, Personnel.

	Boat Personnel		Shore Personnel	
	EM	O	EM	O
(a) At Beginning of period.	162	53	42	9
(b) Net increase or decrease	15	8	2	0
(c) At end of period	177	61	40	9
(d) Total (EM & O)	238		49	

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(7) Strength, boats.

(a) Number at beginning of period, by types.

1. 3 - Type IV

2. 12 - Type III

3. 7 - Type II

4. 3 - Type I

(b) Net increase during period by types, including number last.

1. Through combat: None

2. Through accident, wear, age or transfer: None

(c) Number at end of period by types:

1. 3 Type IV

2. 12 Type III

3. 7 Type II

4. 3 Type I

(8) Names key personnel and changes during period: None.

b. Command relationship, including changes with:

(1) Next higher headquarters: None

(2) Subordinate units: None

c. Resume of movements.

(1) Date of arrival and departure from each station: None.

(2) Changes of station and purpose therefore: None.

d. Names of campaigns participated in, with dates. Same as previous report.

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, 1 May 1945 to 31 May 1945.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places and name of commander participating. None.

f. Losses in action (killed, wounded, mission, prisoner) giving names of personnel, with identification of place (or mission), circumstances and dates. None.

g. Awards to and decorations of members of reporting unit: None.

2. Narrative report.

The month of May has been a historic month and brought about what we have all been waiting for, VE day. It has also brought about a lot of administrative headaches and much conjecturing about discharges. VE day brought with it mixed feelings in the men, but there was no noticeable change in their actions or duties. Our Skipper (Commanding Officer) was very conscientious in keeping a war map of the European Theatre up to date on all our advances. With the end of the war in Europe this map was taken down and replaced with maps of the Pacific and CBI Theatre. Our 1st Sgt and Skipper flipped a coin for the map and our 1st Sgt came out second best. That officially closed the European Theatre.

Just when the whole organization is worked up about the critical score for discharge, out comes the regulation of all men over 42 being eligible for discharge, and right after that the age limit is dropped to 40. Although we have submitted a few applications for discharge on account of over-age, no action has resulted as yet. We have also been losing a few men to the hospitals and are starting to get critically low on personnel. It seems as if VE day, instead of bringing us much needed replacements, is actually depleting our personnel, at least for the present.

Meanwhile there hasn't been very much work to keep our boats too busy at the various detachments. Our new Type II boats at Leyte are busy putting in a 24 volt system and new Air Corps radio equipment. As soon as this is completed they will be dispatched to various points of vantage. Even while those boats are busy being outfitted, they are never too busy to pick a few men out of the water. Four men in an ATC plane learned this to their advantage when the C-47 they were riding in crashed into the sea.

After a long delay, our unit was cited for the Bismark-Archipelago Campaign per GO #100, USAFFE, 1945. We have also received informal notice that we will be cited for the Southern Philippines Campaign, but no orders have been received yet. Since the point system was announced, our men have taken a sudden interest in Battle Stars. A boat squadron is handicapped when competing against an airplane squadron for Battle Stars. The airplane squadrons receive Battle Stars for each area over which they perform missions, while our boats are limited only to their respective area of operations.

The boats proved their value to the service with the following record for the month of May:

11 - Rescues
94 - Evacuations

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, 1 May 1945 to 31 May 1945.

The attached mission reports give a more detailed account of their efforts but are not complete due to late reports form outlying detachments. Although we now have more boats operating, it seems as if there is less work for them. Either flying has been curtailed or the Jap Air Force is ineffectual.

Supply is continuing to be a problem, and also maintenance. After a meeting with FEASC we are hoping to get an FS boat or something similar to be used as a floating maintenance boat. A shore based maintenance shop is not very practicable with our boats scattered in various detachments. We also have promises that there will be a large supply and maintenance boat run by FEASC for all small boats in their area. All these plans sound fine but we are still waiting for their fullfillment.

During an informal discussion one evening a group of the men got together the idea of erecting a horizontal high bar. The next day our squadron carpenter was busy with a length of pipe, some two by fours and a saw. When the dust settled we had one end of the pipe stuck into a tree and the other end braced securely with two by fours, which made a good high bar. We found that the pipe was too thick for fancy tricks, but every one still has lots of fun on it.

That brings to a close another month and puts us one more month nearer to victory.

IRVING KARR
1st Lt., Air Corps
Act'g Commander

IRVING KARR
1st Lt., Air Corps
Historical Officer

C O N F I D E N T I A L

HEADQUARTERS
15TH AAF EMERGENCY RESCUE BOAT SQUADRON
APO 719

MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO. 10
Period 21 April 1945 to 20 May 1945

I

INDIVIDUAL CASES: None.

II

RUMORS: None.

III

PROPAGANDA ACTIVITY: None.

IV

MORALE: Excellent: The men seem to be satisfied with their work and are keeping busy. Recreational facilities are being provided. VE day has had an excellent affect upon morale.

V

UNIT COVERED BY THIS REPORT: 15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron

VI

POSITIVE SECURITY MEASURES: Classified material kept in field safe and Charge of Quarters kept on duty in Orderly Room at all times.

VII

REMARKS AND QUESTIONS: None.

L. M. JENNER
Capt., Air Corps
Commanding

C O N F I D E N T I A L

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: R-401 Date: [illegible] May 45

Type of Patrol: To Divoune Pt. (Lubanon) and Return

Area [illegible] or searched:

[illegible] Reports Received:

[illegible] (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical [illegible]; 6, Time [illegible] given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type [illegible] Plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 1080 Time of [illegible]ue: _____ Time of Return: 1715

[illegible] Finding: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

T/5 Albert Aldebush 38[illegible] (Evacuated while) Co. I 397 Inf. Bn.
T/5 Paul Dannenberger 3[illegible] (up in Ardennes) " " " "
Dennis Scopio, Phil Ann Morrilla.
T/4 John Procell 3[illegible] " " " "

Remarks:

Passengers - Major Carlton . Hazard, Chaplain
Lt. Robert T. Smith, CO
Chaplain Hazard was put ashore and held services for church services for soldiers and sailors ashore.
We also put ashore 30 cases of beer for this unit.

L. A. [illegible]ener, Jr.
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45.

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-428 Date: 30 May 45

Type of Patrol: Alert Boat Patrol.

Area patrolled or searched: East end of strip.

No. of Aircraft Reports Received: Two

Survivors Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Organ.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and type plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

1stLt Daniel D. Donham 0-886183, 25th Photo Recon. Sqdn., 6th PhotonGp. Lacerated scalp wound. Wound given Sulfa treatment and dressed. Condition good. Plane #985, Type F5F. Crashed because of lack of gas. Plane was P-38.

Time of departure: ____ Time of Rescue: 1655 Time of Return: ____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.) P-38 crashed and sank at mouth of bay at 0750 . Arrived at scene of crash at 0755 and searched area for four hours No survivors. Oxygen tank and part of wing picked up.

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Harold A. Daubenspeck
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45.

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P112 Date: 29, 30 May 45

Type of Patrol: Standby Rao Island.

Area Patrolled or searched: None

Radio Messages Received: One.

(Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of Plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

None

REMARKS:

At 1615, 30, May 45 received call to proceed to position 5 miles NW Doi island as plane was in the drink. Returned to original position as Eagle One had picked survivors up.

Time of departure: 29 May 0755 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 31 May 1055

Other Findings: (Give all information which might lead to their location.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

T/3 E. J. Fessler	17060164	413th Sig. Radar Maint. Unit
T/Sgt. James B. Sinnet	15187385	" " " " "
Pfc. Charles Bingham	34277457	369th Inf. Med. Det.

Rao Island to Morotai.

J. W. Babcock
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 - 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly).

Boat No: E400 Date: 30 May 45

Type of Patrol: Sapphire 14

Plane(s) or searched: One. Plane down at point 10 miles W. Doi Island at 1555.

Survivors Received:

(Give No: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.;5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of Plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Remarks:

Above position changed later to 5 miles NW of Doi Island. Cat picked up survivors at about 1648 so returned to base.

Time of departure: 1555 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 1737

Survivors Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Marvin W. Polser
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45.

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-400 Date: 15 May 1945

Type of Patrol: Sapphire 14

Area Patrolled or Searched: To Kodice Village to pick up patrol

No. of Aerial Reports Received:

Rescues Effected: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and No. of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 1155 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 1600.

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Patrol of 569th Inf., 93rd. Div. picked up at Kodice and returned to base.

One ill soldier picked up at Mio Island and returned to base.

Marvin M. Nelson
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: [illegible]-811 Date: 5 [illegible]

Type of Patrol: [illegible]

Area Patrolled or searched: Ordered to Base Leyte to evacuate one enlisted man.

No. of Reports Received:

Survivors Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 1135 Time of Rescue: 1430 Time of Return: 1512

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Cpl. Edward [illegible] was brought out to B-811 in [illegible] ft. He was in a condition to be able to come aboard unassisted. His condition required medical attention [illegible]. Rec'd. Record. On arrival at Base Leyte he was transferred to ambulance to be taken to hospital.

Cpl. Edward [illegible], [illegible]

[illegible]
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: [illegible]-311 Date: [illegible]

Type of Patrol: Monday

Area Patrolled or Searched: [illegible] miles south of [illegible]

[illegible] Reports Received: [illegible]

[illegible] 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Org.; 5, Physical [illegible] Statement given; 7, [illegible]thor parachuted or ditched; 8, Type [illegible] of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this [illegible] section state so below.)

Time of Departure: 0730 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: [illegible]

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.) Downed [illegible]-38s. Upon all [illegible] location, [illegible] in area. Night chart, [illegible], [illegible] cylinder, and [illegible] Mood round. Mood bore to used standby section.

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

W. J. Snell

(Master)

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15th AAFEmergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Craft No: [illegible] Date: [illegible]

Type of Patrol: [illegible]

Area [illegible] or searched: [illegible]

[illegible] Received:

[illegible] 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Org.; 5, Physical [illegible] treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type [illegible], 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this [illegible] state so below.)

[illegible] all survivors [illegible] Ops. [illegible] Also sub. [illegible] on scene, then received still [illegible] still narcosis. We could [illegible] We could [illegible] Following [illegible] returned to base [illegible].

Time of departure: [illegible] Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 1730

[illegible] Landing: (Give all information which might lead to their [illegible])

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Norbert F. Dupre
(Master)

Date

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISS O' REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: [illegible] Date: 10 May 45

Type of Patrol: Routine Sarpidare 1-

Area [illegible] or searched:

[illegible] Radio Reports Received:

[illegible] (Give 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical [illegible]ment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type [illegible] of plane; 9, Cause of Smash. If it is impossible to get this [illegible]rmation at once so below.)

[illegible] received by this station [illegible] C.W., 11 May 45, as [illegible] suspected injured and about [illegible] on the course of 11[illegible] 30 miles [illegible] Flights [illegible] C/15 [illegible] could [illegible] and investigated on their return. [illegible] Reported to us by [illegible] could any other [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] C...

Time of departure: 0[illegible]5 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 10[illegible]

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Walter C. Holl[illegible]
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: [illegible] Date: _____

Type of Patrol: Routine Sapphire 14

Area Patrolled or searched:

No. of Snafu Reports Received:

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 6, Type and No. of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 1200 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 1715

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Transported men of 93rd. Div. from one point of island to another per order of operations office.

(Men had intelligence information which was needed during a drive. Requested by Col. McKinsey. --- W.K.)

Walter C. Volk
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-612 Date: 28 May 45

Type of Patrol: Routine Sapphire 14

Area Patrolled or searched:

Reports Received:

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type & # of plane; 9, Cause of Shoot. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 1925 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 2050

Personnel Missing. (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Remarks:

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Received call at operations officeto pick up sailboat one ~~xxxx~~ mile of Blue Beach. After reaching designated area received radio call to return to base that boat reached shore safely.

Walter C. Wolk
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: [illegible] Date: 10 May 45

Type of Patrol: [illegible] Routine [illegible]

Area Patrolled or Searched:

Messages Received:

(Messages should include 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition of Personnel given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

None (Below)

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information) Were Reported by Hospital as seriously ill.

RESCUE

1. S/Sgt. Theodore Seals, No. [illegible] 380th Bmb. evacuated from Palmo at 2045 under the most adverse navigational conditions xxxx due to shoals and reefs. Pat complained of chest pains and was found to have been suffering from pain in leg-section. Leg have been a gendrin.
2. Evacuated Lt. [illegible]ebesla, 5th AF., one Chaplain, all of 380 Bm. and one Jap prisoner.
3. Returned by LAF Captain Two Liberty Lighter, tied out in harbor, to our dock.

Walter C. Volk
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-616 Date: 4,5,6, May 45

Type of Patrol: Evacuation

Area Patrolled or searched: Dumaran and Calandagon Islands.

Messages Received:

(Number 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, AES; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical description if not given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information) 30 Persons

Two hospital cases(illness) Civilians.
Three ~~Enemy~~ Guerillas.
Twenty six civilians.
Carried school teachers on trip north to start school system - throughout area.

Paul E. Roberts.
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-616 Date: 19,20,21 May 45

Type of Patrol:

Area Patrolled or searched: 575 mile round trip to Busuanga to Culion.

No. of Snafu Reports Received:

Name Reported: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Pvt. Tegundine Magbanua.
Transported from Coron, Busuanga to Culion Hospital. Transported to this local hospital due to seriousness of case and distance to base. Suffering from acute cerebral malaria.

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Larenzo, Veuiterersiv, civilian, to base hospital. Foot injury.
George Alli " evacuated for Beau.
Napoleon Guerrer " " " "
A I Pe " " " "
Joseph Vasquez " " " "
I/B. Sabas " " " "
T/Sgt. Victor Zamova U.S. Army " " "
Sgt. Socorro Cameron " " " "
Pfc. Artemin Tactaquin " " " "
Jesus Villaneuva Civilian evacuated for Beau.

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-627 Date: 4 May 45

Type of Patrol: On duty, radio watch 0615 to 1900 .

Area Patrolled or searched: Pacific coast from Sungi Pt. to a point app. 5 mi. N.E. of Cuiuan Strip.

No. Aircraft Reports Received: One.

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Powers, J.G., Sgt., 11066[illegible], 2nd Squadron, 5th Bomb Gp.
Good, no apparent injuries. 2oz. of whiskey as stimulant.
Parachuted from B-24 #257 , Collision in formation.

Area searched for other survivors on advice of tower. After searching area for app. 40 min. notified by tower plane had made emergency landing at field with remainder of crew. Planes flying in close formation collimded causing damage to tail of plane #257

Time of departure: 0657 Time of Rescue: 0750 Time of Return: 1000

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Toole
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-627 Date: 6 May 45

Type of Patrol: Guiuan to Manicani Is. and adjacent waters

Area Patrolled or searched: xxx

Aircraft Reports Received: One

Survivors Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

McKay, T. H., 2nd lt., 0-037353, Mag. 14- Good - Ditched P44 - #413 - Plane ran out of gas returning from mission.

Time of departure: 0905 Time of Rescue: 0930 Time of Return: 1040

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Toole
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-627 Date: 22 May 45

Type of Patrol: On duty

Area Patrolled or searched: Sungi Pt. to Homonhon Island and adjacent waters

No. of Briefs Reported Received: None

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and No. of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 0800 Time of Rescue: 1100 Time of Return: 1240

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

0800-Lt. Commander J.E. Dennis of CB Pontoon Assembly Depot #4. Requested us to search area between Sungi Pt. and Homonhon Island for S/2 Frank Dumas and S/1 Lester Rogers who had left this base in a native canoe at 0800 - 21 May 45 and who had not returned. We searched area and inquired in native villages on Homonhon Island. They were located at 1100, returned to proper authorities at 1230. In my opinion if these men had attempted to return in this canoe they would have seriously endangered their lives.

Teole
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: ~~45~~ P-428 Date: 15 May 45

Type of Patrol: Routine

Area Patrolled or searched:

No. of Snafu Reports Received:

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

1st Lt. R. de Jesus USAFE for hospitalization at Puerto Princessa.

Harold A. Daubenspeck
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-112 Date: 2 May 45.

Type of Patrol: Sapphire 14

Area Patrolled or searched: None

No. of Snafu Reports Received:

Persons Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: 0825 Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

CWO Mick A, Chavis	W-2106560	369th Inf. Serv. Co.
T/5 Gus W. Johnson	38170753	" " " "
T/4 James W. Shaw	39841512	Anti-Tank Co.

J. W. Babcock
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-112 Date: 10 May 45

Type of Patrol: Mission, Transportation of stores and mail to Inf. outpo sts of 93rd Div.

Area Patrolled or searched:

No. of Aircraft Reports Received:

No. of Persons Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and No. of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 0700 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 1815

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Remarks:

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Mail and food stores were discharged at the following out posts of the 93rd Div.:

1. Pilowa (Morotai Is.)
2. Wajaboela (" ")
3. Gogopoa (" ")
4. Posi-Posi (" ")
5. Posi-Posi (Rao ")

J. W. Babcock
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-112 Date: 11 May45

Type of Patrol: Emergency (Sapphire 14)

Area Patrolled or searched: Men picked up at Poesoe (Morotai Is)

Personnel Rescued:

(Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Pvt. Ernest Taylor, 25th. Inf., 93rd Div.

Condition:

45 Cal. Sub Machine gun wound rt. shoulder penetrating RT scapula, Head of Humorous inferior. Both entrance and exit of bullet very small. No lacerations of surrounding tissue. Patient was not in shock.

TREATMENT: Morphine sulfate (½gr.) administered 45 minutes beforearrival of P-112 . Blood plasma not needed.

Time of departure: 1125 Time of Rescue: 1500 Time of Return: 1736

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Wounded Jap Prisoner:

Superior Private Suzuki Shishiro

18th Shipping Engineers

Condition:

30 Cal. gun shot wounds in RTupper arm and elbow. Compound fractur humorous, small entrance , extensive laceration point of exit.

30 Cal. gun shot wound at lower forehead extensive laceration, RT eye torn completelyx out . Skull fracture RT side of skull.

30 Cal. gun shot wound left hand, laceration and complete fracture left indexfinger.

TREATMENT: Morphine sulfate (½grain) 1545 ; Plasma 250cc at 1200; Plasma 250 cc at 1515

Patient in good condition.

J. W. Babcock
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron - 1 May 45 to 31 May 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-112 Date: 28 May 45

Area of Patrol: Standby at Nao Island. Sapphire 15

Area Bombed or Strafed: Sopi Bay Morotai Island

Rescue Signals Received:

(Give the following: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 1330 Time of Rescue: 1535 Time of Return: 1930

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Pfc. S. Pitts 37258058 , Co. I , 3rd Bn., 369 Inf., 93rd Div.

CONDITION:

Fagment shell penetrated angle of left jaw. Laceration 3/4" L. 1/2" W. . Depth undetermined . Shell fragment evidently still in wound. Possible fracture of jaw . Patient comfortable and in no shock.

J. W. Babcock
(Master)

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HEADQUARTERS
15TH AAF EMERGENCY RESCUE BOAT SQUADRON
APO - 719

SECURITY INFORMATION

SECRET

11 July 1945

SUBJECT: Organization History, 1 June 1945 to 30 June 1945.

TO : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719
Attention: Historical Section.
THRU: Commanding Officer, 13th Emergency Rescue Gp, APO 719.

1. Outline facts.

a. Organization of unit.

(1) Original designation of unit.

(a) Same as previous report.

(2) Mission.

(a) Same as previous report.

(3) Date and place of activation of unit.

(a) Same as previous report.

(4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers.

(a) Same as previous report.

(5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of units, changes caused by T/O & E, etc: None.

(6) Strength, Personnel.

	Boat Personnel		Shore Personnel	
	EM	O	EM	O
(a) At beginning of period.	177	61	40	9
(b) Net increase or decrease	21	13	3	3
(c) At end of period	156	48	37	12
(d) Total (EM & O)	204		49	

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, 1 June 1945 to 30 June 1945.

(7) Strength, boats.

(a) Number at beginning of period, by types.

1. 3 - Type IV

2. 12 - Type III

3. 7 - Type II

4. 3 - Type I

(b) Net increase during period by types, including number last.

1. Through combat: None.

2. Through accident, wear, age or transfer: None.

(c) Number at end of period by types:

1. 3 Type IV

2. 12 Type III

3. 7 Type II

4. 3 Type I

(8) Names key personnel and changes during period: None.

b. Command relationship, including changes with:

(1) Next higher headquarters: None.

(2) Subordinate units: None.

c. Resume of movements.

(1) See attached boat movement forms.

(2) Changes of station and purpose therefore: None.

d. Names of campaigns participated in, with dates. Same as previous report.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places and name of commander participating. None.

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f. Losses in action (killed, wounded, mission, prisoner) giving names of personnel, with identification of place (or mission), circumstances and dates. None.

g. Awards to and decorations of members of Reporting Unit: None.

2. Narrative report.

This organization is still in the odd position of having its hq located in what is condidered a rear area while the majority of its boats are in a more forward area, split up into two separate detachments. Two of our boats, P-112 and P-570, have been placed under the control of Hq Thirteenth AF at Leyte and have been attached to the 571st Service Group for administration and supply por par 6, SO #40, Hq 13th Emerg Rescue Gp, 26 June 45.

Applications for appointment as warrant officer (jg) were reopened for various classifications including Warrant Officer, Maritime, Master or Mate, with deadline date of 30 Jun 45. As we received the notice on 20 Jun 45, that left us only ten (10) days to complete applications for men that were scattered in four (4) locations hundreds of miles apart. A hurried trip was made by air to all detachments in an effort to meet this deadline. Due to proximity of deadline date, there was no time to wait for physical examinations and applications were submitted without the physical examinations pending the completion of same. It was a good try but didn't work as applications were not accepted unless complete with WD AGO Form 66. Although we did manage to get a couple through on time, our most deserving and capable men were denied the opportunity through no fault of their own.

We seem to be losing quite a few men due to physical reasons and over-age, which is causing us to be seriously short of competent and experienced personnel. No replacements have been forthcoming and operations may be handicapped if this situation is not improved soon. So far the Readjustment plan has not affected any personnel in this organization, but we expect to lose a few men to it soon.

Many of our boats are in critical need of dry-docking, but as yet we have no place to dry dock them. Higher hq has been notified of the situation and now we are waiting to hear from them. Meanwhile we are managing to keep about 80% of the boats in commission. FEASC is responsible for third and fourth echelon maintainance and it is working fairly well to date. They have a few AMU (Aircraft Maintainance Unit) boats visiting various ports at which our boats are stationed and they are making necessary repairs. The time limit involved in going through necessary channels, and the distance between this hq and FEASC, is so great that it is felt there should be some satisfactory arrangement made to provide faster service.

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, 1 June 1945 to 30 June 1945.

The morale of the men at Morotai is becoming a problem as there are very little recreation facilities. It doesn't appear that there are enough men interested in baseball and there are no organized teams for competition. There is only one movie within walking distance and it only plays about three times a week. We have a couple of special service radios and that relieves the monotony somewhat. We have a dayroom in the process of construction and that should prove a help. At Palawan the boats are anchored in the bay and a dinghy is the only means of ship to shore transportation. There is a movie within walking distance that plays fairly often. There are a number of organized baseball teams but it is hard for our men to compete as they never know many days in advance whether or not they will be on duty, or not. A schedule is kept but is continually being changed due to boats being temporarily out of commission. At Zamboanga the town, although it is pretty well demolished, is a place of interest and movies are plentiful. Sports are not being utilized at present, but this situation may be improved in the near future. At Leyte the men have the town of Tacloban as a place of interest and movies are also fairly plentiful.

The following is a chart of the activities of our boats for the month of June 1945:

No. of regular patrols and searches	302
No. of special patrols and searches	1
Total hours on patrols and searches	3899
No. of personnel reported missing	21
No. of personnel rescued	40
No. of personnel evacuated	73
No. of corpses evacuated	3

The inclosed mission reports supplement the above information.

L. M. JENNER
Capt., Air Corps
Commanding

IRVING KARR
1st Lt., Air Corps
Historical Officer

HEADQUARTERS
15TH AAF EMERGENCY RESCUE BOAT SQUADRON
APO 719

MONTHLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO. 11

Period 21 May 1945 to 20 June 1945

I

INDIVIDUAL CASES: None.

II

RUMORS: None.

III

PROPAGANDA ACTIVITY: None.

IV

MORALE: Very Good. There is not too much tactical work to be done but men are kept generally busy.

V

UNIT COVERED BY THIS REPORT: 15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron.

VI

POSITIVE SECURITY MEASURES: Classified material kept in field safe and charge of quarters kept on duty in orderly room at all times.

VII

REMARKS AND QUESTIONS: None.

L. L. JENNER
Capt., Air Corps
Commanding

15th Emergency Resoue Boat Sqdn., June 1 to 30, 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-613 Date: 8 June 45

Type of Patrol: Sapphire 15

Area Patrolled or searched: Rao Island

Reports Received:

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Organ.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Means, Author L. Pvt. 34512650 - 369th Inf.- Wounded in leg and left forearm by grenade. Treatment: Sulf. Powder 4ngm.

Person, Clarence Pfc 34550958 - 369th Inf. - Right hand and right arm injured by grenade. Treatment: Sulf. Powder 4 gm., Plasma 250 cc. Sulf Crystals dressing right forearm. Splint morphine 1/2 gm.

Clark, Cellius , Sgt. 34550073 - 369th Inf. - Gun wound in abdomen . Treatment: Plasma 500 cc. Sulf. dressing . Morphine 1 gm.

Time of departure: 1450 Time of Rescue: 1550 Time of Return: 1840

Personnel evacuated ~~xxxxxx~~: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Davis. David J. Pfc 34292311 369th Inf.
Epps, Edwin G. " 32341811 " "
Wallace, Malcolm R. 38243210 "2 "

Per~~sonnel Rescued: (Give full information)~~
Pearson, J. A. Pvt. 35710714 " "
Wakefield, Booker S. Pvt., 36393131 369th Inf.
Davis, Charles E. T/5; 35161908 " "

While on duty at RaO- Rao Island, we received orders to pic k up some wounded men at Wajaboela. Upom arrival we found three men seriously wounded while on patrol and one deadman. We also took aboard several men with minor ailments as well as the wounded. While enroute to Morotai we radioed tor ambulances. all wopnded were turned over to 155 Station Hospital. Dead man was turned over to Graves Registration. All Medical treatment was given by 369th Inf. Medical Officer.
Wilson, (Given name unknown) Pfc 17038264 369th Inf. (Corpse)

James A. Gray
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, June 1 to 30, 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-400 Date: 21 June 45

Type of Patrol: Emergency

Area Patrolled or searched: Sapphire 14

Survivors Picked Up or Received: One

(Give following data: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type of plane. Because of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Maj. Van Bramen - NEIAF
Lt. A. Flagers - "
Adj. Gerrikisen - 90857 - NEIAF
Sgt. Maj. V.D. Hedge- 97660- NEIAF
Sgt. Ranners-1207- NEIAF

All men treated for slight cuts but otherwise OK. Plane was B-25 # N5-185. All were aboard plane when it was ditched 5 miles SE of N. tip of Halmahera. Ditched at 1754 and men picked up at 1800. Plane had been airborne for over 13 hours and on one engine for over 2 hours. Plane floated for 7 or 8 minutes.

Time of departure: 1715 Time of Rescue: 1800 Time of Return: 1905

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

None

Marvin M Pelser
WOJG
(Master)

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron 1 to 30 June 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-406 Date: 16 June 1945

Type of Patrol: Alert

Area Patrolled or Searched: East of strip

No. of Snafu Reports Received: None

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Picked up three Navy Lts.in sail boat adrift at sea 2 miles off shore. Unable to make shore.

Lt. Al Sleight n F.A.W. 10
Lt T Maddox " "

Put ashore near base at 1847.
Condition of men good.

Time of departure: 1730 Time of Rescue: 1818 Time of Return: 1847

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

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(OVER)

John C. Cranston
(MASTER)

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron — 1 to 30 June 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-407 Date: 5 June 1945

Type of Patrol: Alert

Area Patrolled or Searched: Point Dog

No. of Snafu Reports Received: None

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Pfc. Glover Strickeen	18136378	319 Fighter Control
Cpl. H. G. Macospy	454932	" " "
Pfc. Arthur B. Coleman	38519950	783 Engr. P.P. Co.
Pvt. Thomas J. Enocks	35708864	" " "
Sgt. Clyde Fitch	883135	Marine Serv Sqdn 12

These men were found adrift in a small boat 20 miles from the base with a broken shaft and could not make shore. We towed them to the base. The boat with the men was sighted when enroute to base from patrol area.

Condition of men was good.

Time of departure: _____ Time of Rescue: 1645 Time of Return: 1850

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

None

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.) Carl Luttig

(OVER) (ILLEGIBLE)

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron June 1 to 30 , 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-613 Date: 27 June 45

Type of Patrol: Sapphire 14

Area Patrolled or searched: 25 miles SW of Doi

No. of Enemy Aircraft Reported Received: One

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 6, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

2nd lt. Newell, Glen E. ASN 0-788383 , 38th Photo Sqdn. Pilot of a F-5 #44-25163 . Photo plane. Pilot parachuted when plane ranout of gas. At 1615 we redeived call sta ting plane had snafued 25 miles SW of Doi Island. This call came fro m Fighter Control . We left the dock at once and proceeded to point of crash where two Playmates were circling. We encountered a a Corvette also proceeding to scene of crash. Wee picked pilot and headed for base . Although we contacted Playmates twice, nothing was said about a boat. While on our way back, the pilot informed us that a boat had been dropped to him, but he had been unable to reach it, . We saw the Corvette stop and play searchlight on water We can only assume that they had found the boat that had been dropped. We treated pilot for slight lacerations of the wrist. On arrival at dock we turned pilot over to 155th Sta. Hosp. Water was very rough.

Time of departure: 1615 Time of Rescue: 1900 Time of Return: 2210

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.) None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

James A. Gray
(Master)

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1919

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron June 1 to 30, 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-628 Date: 18 June 45

Type of Patrol: On duty

Area Patrolled or Searched: NE end of strip.

No. of Snafu Reports Received: One

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

1-~~XX~~ 2-3 Orsini , Micheal, D. 2nd Lt., 0-787187, Bombadier . Russell, George D., F/O, T-132369, Navigator. Carlson, Carl C. Cpl. 37584955, Arm. Gunner.

4- 23rd Bombardment Sqdn.(H)

5- The men were pretty badly injured . One compound fracture of leg one badscalp laceration , one broken jaw, and several less serious injuries.

6- Treated for shock, gave morphine, put temporary bandages on all cuts and wounds, put tourniquet above compound fracture on leg to stpp bleeding.

7- Crashed in water on takeoff . Plane exploded and burst into flame as it hit the water and then evidently sank because we were unable to see anything but the burning gasoline . It was still dark when the plane crashed

9~~X~~- Unknown , but believed to be either engine or pilot trouble.

8- B-24 # 870

Time of departure: 0400 Time of Rescue: 0400 to 0545 Time of Return: 0635

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.) 5 men missing . Names unknown to us. They evidently sank with the plane

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.) (OVER)

James R. Whiteside
(MASTER)

1920

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, June 1 to 30, 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-513 Date: 11 June 1945

Type of Patrol: Radio Standby

Area Patrolled or Searched: 220 Degrees true from Point Douglas 12 miles out

No. of Snafu Reports Received: One

Personnel Rescued: (Give: , Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Arley E. Beeson, 2nd. Lt., Marine corps.
Cuts in Forehead and face. Shock.
Sulfanilimide powder and clean bandages ton wounds. Treated for shock , one cup of coffee.
Plane type : Corsair. Ditched due to engine failure.

Pilot was found at scene of crash in raft attached to native canoe. Plane sank in 26 seconds. Returned to dock and turned pilot over to ambulance.

Time of departure: 1110 Time of Rescue: 1127 Time of Return: 1205

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.) WOJG Williams
(OVER) (RANK)

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron June 1 to 30, 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-482 Date: 9 June 1945

Type of Patrol: Returning from special service mission

Area Patrolled or Searched: Ran into snafu unexpectedly 2 miles NE of Velvet.

No. of Snafu Reports Received: None

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Nance, Arch A., Capt. - O-675160 Hq. 13th AAF
Anderson, William B. Capt. O-862067 "

Men nearly exhausted. Given hot coffee and blankets. Plane was an L-5. It was ditched due to engine failure.

Time of departure: 1645 Time of Rescue: 1715 Time of Return: 1810

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.) Elmer Gifford WOJG
(OVER) (Name)

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron. 1 to 30 June , 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-400 Date: 16 June 1945

Type of Patrol: Alert

Area Patrolled or Searched: EAst of strip

No. of Snafu Reports Received: none

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Lt. Al Sleight, F.A.W. 10
Lt. T. Maddox, " — "

Picked up men in sailboat adrift at sea about 2 miles off shore. Unable to make shore . Put them ashore near base at 1847.

Time of departure: 1730 Time of Rescue: 1818 Time of Return: _____

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.) John. C. Cranston
(OVER) (Signature)

15thn AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sqdn, June 1 to 30, 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-400 Date: 17 June 1945

Type of Patrol: Sapphire 15 at Rao Island

Area [illegible] or searched: Rao Island Area.

[illegible] Received: One

(Give following data: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Org.; 5, Physical condition (wounded); 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type [illegible], cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Lt. Charles F. Sanders 0-1183406 Hq. 596th F. A. Bn. 93rd Div.
Lt. Wilton Taylor 0-417535 " " " " " "
Leg wounds and suffering from shock and exhaustion. Men had walked 14 miles to Sophi outpost from where their plane had crashed inland. Treatment had been on shore.
Plane was L-5, # 43-29869. Crash landed in jungle inland Morotai, at 0925, 15 June,1945. Men picked up at Sophi Sunday 17 June 1945.

Time of departure: 1610 Time of [illegible]ue: _____ Time of Return: 0400

[illegible] Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their recovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

None

Marvin M. Fahser
(Master)

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.)
(OVER)

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron 1 to 30 June 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-616 Date: 6 June 1945

Type of Patrol:

Area Patrolled or searched:

South on coast of Palawan to Batonbaton

No. of Snafu Reports Received:

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and No. of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Pvt. Pedro Alvarez , 020438, Attached Co. A 593 Sig. AW Bn.
Litter case , paralysis lower left side of body. Semi-conscious condition.

Time of departure: 0800 Time of Rescue: 1300 Time of Return: 1605

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Pfc. David J. Hayes, 37340493. Possible fracture left ankle.
Also evacuated one officer and 6 EM ?(uninjured) from Baton Baton to Puertp Princesa.
Evacuated one Philippino from same station? Uninjured

Total Evacuated 8

Paul E. Roberts
(Master)

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1825

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-637 Date: 13 June 1945

Type of Patrol: On duty, radio watch 0500 to 1930

Area Patrolled or Searched: East side of Samar, Area near Homonohon Island

No. of Snafu Reports Received: One

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Physical condition of all personell good.

Clifford Korsmao	CM AMM3C	8697661	VPB 71
Glenn Barber	GA ARM3C	8580393	"
Howard Holden	AMM3C	5770389	"
John Bailey	ARM3c	6597590	"
Wm. Samol	ARM 3c	8221257	"
Richard Keenan	AOM 2c	7102105	"
Arthur Olson	AOM 3c	8834887	"
Byron Hiblstrom	Ensign	414775	"
John Mackin	Lt	97454	"
Donald Tempone	S/1st	7123286	"
Joseph Cech	Ensign	414649	"
Gus Perryhill	Al	391024	"
W. J. Montgomery		8725566	"

Type Plane PBY- 5Ae73 Cause of snafu - Engine trouble.

Time of departure: 1120 Time of Rescue: 1205 Time of Return: 1600

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.) ~~XXXX

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron 1 to 30 June 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Plea: type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-570 Date: 20 June 1945

Type of Patrol: Standing watch on Tacloban strip

Area Patrolled or Searched: San Joaquin Straits, Batangas Strait

No. of Snafu Reports Received: One report received from Austare, 49th Fighter Control.

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

L. W. Harper, 1st Lt. AC., O-715529

2. 460th Fighter Sqdn.
3. P-40
4. Reason of crash unknown.
5. Pilot bailed out.
6. The pilot was uninjured except for a cut on finger which our Surgical Tech. patched up.
7. Returned to mooring at strip and continued watch. Pilot taken to the dispensary at the ATC strip.

Time of departure: 1015 Time of Rescue: 1240 Time of Return: 1350

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

None

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Richard C. Metcalf
(MASTER)

13TH EMERGENCY RESCUE GROUP, THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE
APO 719

11 July 1945
date

BREAKDOWN OF SQUADRON

SQUADRON: 15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron. - History for period 1 Jun 45 to 30 Jun 45.

UNIT	STRENGTH EM	STRENGTH OFF	COMMANDING OFFICER	FROM	DATE DEP'D	TO	DATE ARR	FURNISH RESCUE FACILITIES FOR	TIME AT LOCATION
P-112	9	3	WOJG MacLeod	Morotai	6 Jun 45	Leyte	9 Jun 45	To be used as moral boat by Thirteenth Air Force	21 days
P-440	9	4	WOJG Pretlow	Leyte	19 Jun 45	Zamboanga	25 Jun 45	MAG Zambo	5 days
P-441	9	3	1st Lt O'Connell	Zamboanga	25 Jun 45	Sanga Sanga	26 Jun 45	MAG Zambo	4 days
P-482	9	3	WOJG Gifford	Leyte	28 Jun 45	Zamboanga	29 Jun 45	MAG Zambo	1 days
P-515	9	3	WOJG Williams	Zamboanga	25 Jun 45	Sanga Sanga	26 Jun 45	MAG Zambo	4 days
P-562	9	4	WOJG Bolin	Leyte	19 Jun 45	Zamboanga	25 Jun 45	MAG Zambo	5 Days

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APO 719

JUL 1945

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REPORT ON UNIT HISTORY

Date 14 Sept 45

Checked by CBH

Name of Unit 15th AAF Emer. Res. Boat Sq

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Period Covered July

An item checked in the column "Correct By Forwarding Supplement", or thus requested in the Remarks section, means that corrective action must be taken promptly (within 10 days) in accordance with par 13, Thirteenth Air Force Regulation No. 80-15, 14 August 1944.

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By Forwarding Supplement	In Next History

Expand narrative (par 10, Reg 80-15)

Describe briefly background of operations (par 10 a, Reg 80-15)

Describe difficulties encountered (par 10 g, Reg 80-15)

Include supporting documents, 2 copies for establishment of basic facts (par 11, Reg 80-15)

Furnish photographs, maps, 2 copies (par 13 f; Reg 80-15)

Identify photographs properly (par 13 f (1), Reg 80-15)

Reduce statistical information to Tables and Charts and include as appendices

More detailed information necessary on movements and location of unit's detachments

Mount Photographs on letter size paper

Remarks: Good history.

In order to complete our records, it is requested that you fill out the attached movement chart, if you have not already done so, and foward it to this office by the 1st of October. Note the movements of your organization since departure from the limits of the Continental United States and list separately the movement of each air echelon, water echelon, pioneer echelon, rear echelon, etc.

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HEADQUARTERS
15TH AAF EMERGENCY RESCUE BOAT SQUADRON
APO 719

11 July 1945

SUBJECT: Organization History, 1 July 1945 to 31 July 1945.

TO : Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, APO 719
Attention: Historical Section.
THRU: Commanding Officer, 15th Emergency Rescue Sq, APO 719.

1. Outline facts.

a. Organization of unit.

(1) Original designation of unit.

(a) Same as previous report.

(2) Mission.

(a) Same as previous report.

(3) Date and place of activation of unit.

(a) Same as previous report.

(4) Sources from which personnel are drawn, original cadre and fillers.

(a) Same as previous report.

(5) Activation, assignment, attachment, transfer, reorganization, redesignation of units, changes caused by T/O & E, etc: None.

(6) Strength, Personnel.

	Boat Personnel		Shore Personnel	
	EM	O	EM	O
(a) At beginning of period.	156	48	37	12
(b) Net increase or decrease	2	0	0	2
(c) At end of period	154	48	37	10
(d) Total (EM & O)	202		47	

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(7) Strength, Posts.

(a) Number at beginning of period, by types.

1. 3 - Type IV

2. 12 - Type III

3. 7 - Type II

4. 3 - Type I

(b) Net increase during period by types, including number last.

1. Through combat: None.

2. Through accident, wear, age or transfer: None.

(c) Number at end of period by types:

1. 3 Type IV

2. 12 Type III

3. 7 Type II

4. 3 Type I

(3) Names key personnel and changes during period: None.

b. Command relationship, including changes with:

(1) Next higher headquarters: None.

(2) Subordinate units: None

c. Resume of movements.

(1) See attached boat movement forms.

(2) Changes of station and purpose therefore: None.

d. Names of campaigns participated in, with dates. Same as previous report.

e. Chief military missions, sorties, engagements, with dates, places and name of commander participating. None.

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f. Losses in action (killed, wounded, missing, prisoner) giving names of personnel, with identification of place (or mission), circumstances and dates. None.

g. Awards to and decoration of members of Reporting Unit: None.

2. Narrative report.

This month started off with everyone nursing sore arms and slight fevers. Yes, the medics were around with their hated needles again and now we couldn't catch anything even if we tried. That, together with a dry lecture on the Articles of War and censorship regulations, started the month off with a bang.

We had distinguished company this month also. Major Ruth of Air Sea Rescue in Washington was around gathering data for a new organization of the boat squadron. We submitted a proposed T/O & E in Nov 44 as we recognized the futility of trying to operate under the present T/O & E 1-909, 13 Dec 43. Although we have numerous special authorizations for various items of equipment, and are operating with an overstrength in personnel per V0006, it is still very difficult in maintaining the highest efficiency without a new revised T/O & E. Major Ruth evidently sidetracked our proposed T/O & E at FEAF so that it would not interfere with his project. The proposed set-up, as explained to us, is very good and we believe it will solve most, if not all, of the present difficulties. The only disappointment is that while we had initiated a proposed T/O & E in Nov 44 it seems as if we are starting all over again. Meanwhile the men in the organization are continuing to perform excellent work with no hope of any promotions. There have not been a half dozen promotions among the enlisted men of this organization since it was activated one year ago, and that situation does not help the morale of the men.

July has been a rainy month and, for the most part, pleasantly cool. Our squadron headquarters area has a new addition in the form of a combination day room and P.X. A few pieces of 2 X 4 lumber, some screening, a squad tent and a bit of physical labor was all that was needed. The P.X is screened in at one end of the tent and the rest of it is devoted to a ping-pong table, chairs and tables, bookcase and magazine rack, and various small games such as checkers, dominoes, etc. Now our main trouble is how to keep the men out of it during working hours. One can see some hot games of ping pong going on at almost any hour of the day or night. The men seem to get quite a bit of benefit and enjoyment out of their new day room.

Business has been bad this month and the boats have very few rescues added to their credit, but they did do a good job and there are a few more pilots and crew members who relize the value of this type of an organization. The following chart will give a clearer view of our activities:

No. of regular patrols and searches	217
No. of special patrols and searches	6
Total hours on patrols and searches	4515
No. of personnel reported missing	1
No. of personnel rescued	11
No. of personnel evacuated	6
No. of corpses evacuated	2

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, 1 July 1945 to 31 Jul 1945.

The inclosed mission reports supplement the above information.

Two of our boats, P-112 and P-570 have been attached for administration and supply to the 571st Service Group, at Leyte per par 6, SO 240, Hq 13th Emergency Rescue Group, and placed under the operational control of Hq Thirteenth Air Force. They are to be used for Class V activities, but meanwhile are still patrolling the waters off the strip. Arrangments have been made to dry dock our boats at Manila and we are using that facility for giving some of our boats much needed repair. Meanwhile work is progressing on converting an AMB boat to a floating boat repair unit primarily for the use by Thirteenth Air Force small craft. This, when completed, will be a welcome supplement to our present repair facilities.

The point system for discharge is still the main topic of conversation and has evidently had a bad effect on the morale of the men. Those with over 85 points can think of very little else other than when they will be discharged and this has effected their standard of work. Those with 75 to 85 points are pinning their hopes on the news broadcasts of an early reduction in the critical score and will be very disappointed if it falls through. There are also the ever-present few who have under 85 points and blame it on the unfairness of the point system. Those with under 75 points are consoling themselves with the hope of all of us that the war will soon be victoriously won and we will all be able to return to the good old USA.

IRVING KARR
1st Lt., Air Corps
Actg Sq Comdr

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1st Lt., Air Corps
Historical Officer

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sqdn. 1 to 31 July 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-562 Date: 24 Jul 45

Type of Patrol: Radio watch

Area Patrolled or Searched: Point Charlie

No. of Snafu Reports Received: One

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Lst Lt M. E. Brown M.F.S. 218 —

No other information given in regard to snafu except that pilot was picked up about 16 miles N of point Charlie.

Time of departure: 1704 Time of Rescue: 1805 Time of Return: 1925

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

None

John K. Bolin
WOJG Master

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sqdn., 1 to 31 Jul 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-570 Date: 27 Jul 45

Type of Patrol: Station duty at Tacloban Strip

Area Patrolled or Searched: South of Dio Island

No. of Snafu Reports Received: Navy LCM came by and told us of aflyers body floating off Dio Island

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Time of departure: 1415 Time of Rescue: 1445 Time of Return: 1530

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

Body believed to be that of one of flight officers of RAF which crashed on Tuesday 24Jul 45. Body intact except being decapitated.

Received report at 1415. Recovered body at 1445.

Returned to base awaiting ambulance.

Notified Austere of situation. requested Cheeky to have ambulance at dock.

All information turned over to Base Operations, Tacloban strip.

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Richard C. Metcalf
Master P-570

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sqdn 1 to 31 Jul 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-616 Date: 23 Jul 45

Type of Patrol:

Area Patrolled or Searched: NE of strip

No. of Snafu Reports Received:

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Cpl. Hank Lemon, 39174910, 17th AAF Photo Recon.
Pfc. Earl A Koppen, 16034776 #" " " "

Picked up in rubber raft 7 miles NE of strip and 5 miles from nearest land. Had been blown off shore by a squall and high winds. Paddles lost during squall. Condition okay.

Time of departure: cruising Time of Rescue: 1740 Time of Return: 1850

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

None

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.) Paul E. Roberts
(OVER) Master P-616

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sqdn., 1 to 31 Jul 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-616 Date: 25 Jul 45

Type of Patrol: Alert at strip

Area Patrolled or Searched: NE of strip

No. of Snafu Reports Received:

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

1to 6 - Lt. Coons, Acorn 47, Navy , Punctured left cheek - Sulfa dressings applied.

W. S. Reitinger, AMM 1c Acorn 47, Uninjured
E. R. Gave, AMM 2c " "
W. R. Skimmin " " "

7. Plane ditched , Craft sunk among reefs

8. Navy JRF5

9. Unknown. Plane was coming in for landing.

Time of departure: 2010 Time of Rescue: 2115 Time of Return: 2140

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

One - supposedly swam ashore

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

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Paul E Roberts
Master P-616

15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sqdn 1 to 31 Jul 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-562 Date: 19 Jul 45

Type of Patrol: Standby

Area Patrolled or Searched: Guarding Points C and D

No. of Snafu Reports Received: One

Personnel Rescued: (Give 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

R. N. Corley, 1st Lt , USMCR from Mag. 12, VMF 211

Any information on the plane was not given.

We ran 27 miles to pick up pilot where snafu had occurred. He was apparently in good condition. We returned him to Pt Douglas where he was released.

Time of departure: 1505 Time of Rescue: 1600 Time of Return: 1720

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

None

(If additional space is required, use reverse side.) John K. Bolin

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron — 1 to 31 Jul 45

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat No: P-406 Date: 17 Jul 45

Type of Patrol: Sapphire 67 and 66

Area Patrolled or Searched: East of strip and dock

No. of Snafu Reports Received: One

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

None

Time of departure: 0800 Time of Rescue: _____ Time of Return: 0800

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information.)

/Sgt. Ray F Iowine, 17024132, 390th Bomb Gp. (m)
Sgt. Louis De Lanzo, 13040129, " " "
Pfc John R. Lord " " "

Men had drifted ashore in a disabled craft 20 miles from base.

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John G. Cranston
CWO AUS
Master

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15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron 1 to 31 July 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

Boat, No: P-407 Date: 14 Jul 45

Type of Patrol: Special

Area Patrolled or Searched: Made trip to Kabasalan Rubber Plantation with FEAF Officers and civilians.

No. of Snafu Reports Received: None

Personnel Rescued: (Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Orgn.; 5, Physical condition; 6, treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and # of plane; 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

Capt. E. W. Buchanan, 41st Div. Artillery
1st Lt R.R. Ewing , " " "

Suffering from exposure. Stimulant administered to men.

On way back to base from rubber plantation and about 8 miles east of base our attention was attracted by L-5 plane circling above which led us to the men in a canoe. They had been caught in a storm 7 hours previous and had been blown out of sight of land.

Time of departure: 0800 Time of Rescue: 1800 Time of Return: 1920

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give ful information.)

None

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Carl H. Luttig

15th AAF emergency Rescue Boat Sqdn. 1 to 31 Jul 1945

DAILY MISSION REPORT

(Please type or print plainly)

P Boat No: P-615 Date: 16 Jul 45

Type of Patrol: Sapphire 61

Area Patrolled or Searched: Standby at dock

Enemy Aircraft Reported: None

(Give: 1, Name; 2, Rank; 3, ASN; 4, Organ.; 5, Physical condition; 6, Treatment given; 7, Whether parachuted or ditched; 8, Type and number of plane. 9, Cause of Snafu. If it is impossible to get this information state so below.)

None

Time of departure: 1620 Time of Rescue: 1655 1710 Time of Return: 1825

Personnel Missing: (Give all information which might lead to their discovery.)

None

Personnel Evacuated: (Give full information)

Picked up Pfc. Cornelius Thomas, 34941568, 93rd Inf., 3rd Bn. Aid Sta. Patient was wounded in right leg above knee by machine gun. He had received medical treatment when picked up by Sapphire 61. He was turned over to 93rd Div. Evacuation was made at Pilowo.

Also picked up Jap POW at Tilei. No medical treatment given. He was already treated when received by Sapphire 61. Prisoner unidentified.

John W. West, Jr.
(Master)

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13TH EMERGENCY RESCUE GROUP, THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE
APO 719

31 July 1945
date

BREAKDOWN OF SQUADRON

SQUADRON: 16th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, 1 July 1945 thru 31 July 1945

UNIT	STRENGTH EM	STRENGTH OFF	COMMANDING OFFICER	FROM	DATE DEP'D	TO	DATE ARR	FURNISH RESCUE FACILITIES FOR	TIME AT LOCATION
Sq Hq	37	10	Capt Jenner	--	--	Morotai	20 Sept 44	--	140 DAYS
P-110	0	0	Being reapired	--	--	Guadalcanal	26 Jul 44	--	1 yr.
P-111	11	1	WOJG Bogacz	--	--	Zamboanga	23 Apr 45	MAG ZAMBO	97 "
P-112	9	3	WOJG MacLeod	--	--	Leyte	9 Jun 45	Class V activities	51
P-399	5	2	1st Lt McCandlish	Zamboanga	6 Jul 45	Malabang	7 Jul 45	MAG ZAMBO	23
P-400	5	2	WOJG Pelser	--	--	Morotai	21 Jan 45	XIII Bom Com	189
P-401	4	1	1st Lt Waggener	Palawan	24 Jul 45	Manila	25 Jul 45	Repair	5
P-404	6	1	WOJG Jones	--	--	Palawan	1 Mar 45	XIII Fit Com	150
P-406	6	1	CWO Cranston	Palawan	24 Jul 45	Manila	25 Jul 45	Repair	5
P-407	5	1	1st Lt Luttig	--	--	Zamboanga	26 Apr 45	MAG ZAMBO	94
P-428	9	4	1st Lt Daubenspeck	Palawan	16 Jul 45	Manila	17 Jul 45	Repair	12
P-428	9	4	1st Lt Daubenspeck	Manila	29 Jul 45	Palawan	30 Jul 45	XIII Fit Com	1
P-440	9	3	WOJG Cremins	--	--	Zamboanga	25 Jun 45	MAG ZAMBO	35
P-441	8	3	1st Lt O'Connell	--	--	Sanga Sanga	26 Jun 45	MAG ZAMBO	34
P-487	9	3	WOJG Gifford	Zamboanga	6 Jul 45	Malabang	7 Jul 45	MAG ZAMBO	23
P-513	8	3	WOJG Williams	--	--	Sanga Sanga	26 Jun 45	MAG ZAMBO	34
P-562	9	4	WOJG Bolin	--	--	Zamboanga	25 Jun 45	MAG ZAMBO	35
P-570	9	4	WOJG Metcalf	--	--	Leyte	24 Mar 45	Class V activities	126
P-611	5	2	1st Lt Snell	--	--	Palawan	1 Mar 45	XIII Fit Com	150
P-612	5	2	1st Lt Wolk	--	--	Morotai	13 Feb 45	XIII Bom Com	167
P-613	5	1	1st Lt West	--	--	Morotai	17 Dec 44	XIII Bom Com	223
P-616	5	1	CWO Roberts	--	--	Palawan	1 Mar 44	XIII Fit Com	150
P-627	5	2	WOJG Pretlow	--	--	Samar	10 Mar 45	5th Bomb Gp	140
P-628	5	2	WOJG Whiteside	--	--	Samar	12 Mar 45	5th Bomb Gp	138
J-723	3	0	T/Sgt Glowaty	--	--	Palawan	13 Mar 45	Class V activities	132
J-724	3	0	T/Sgt Williams	--	--	Morotai	30 Nov 44	Class V activities	241

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