

303rd OBSERVATION SQUADRON

LINEAGE

STATIONS

Not initiated 1921-22

Atlantic City, NJ 1922-37

Inactive 1937-41

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

1st Lt. John W. Maxey 10 Jan 22-20 Jan 22

Maj. Glenn M. Pike 8 Mar 32-22 Sep 33

Maj. Rutherford S. Pierrepont 20 Jan 22-11 Nov 24

Maj. Roy W. Ammel 18 Dec 33-5 Apr 35

Maj. Charles S. Lyons 11 Nov 24-24 Jun 28

Lt. Col. Thomas G. Lanphier 16 Jan 35-5 Apr 35

Maj. Edward M. Urband 24 Jun 28-29 Mar 30

Maj. Charles W. Richards 5 Apr 35-6 Aug 35

Maj. Donald Hudson 8 Apr 30-8 Mar 32

Maj. Gerald V. Kelley 3 Jul 36-Aug 37

Inactive Aug 37-7 Dec 41

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 24 June 1921 as the 303rd Squadron (Observation), assigned to the 78th Division, and allotted to the Second Corps Area. Initiated on 20 January

1922 at Atlantic City, NJ. Redesignated as the 303rd Observation Squadron on 25 January 1923. Relieved on 21 February 1929 from assignment to the 78th Division. Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, Air Corps Reserve, was attached to the squadron in June 1932 for summer training at Mitchel Field, NY. Assigned on 1 October 1933 to the 307th Observation Group (XII Corps). Consolidated on 24 November 1936 with the 303rd Aero Squadron (Service) (a WWI unit organized in May 1918 at Kelly Field, TX; redesignated as Squadron K, Ellington Field in July 1918; demobilized in December 1918 at Ellington Field, TX; reconstituted on 24 November 1936). Conducted summer training at Mitchel Field. Inactivated in August 1937 at Atlantic City by relief of personnel. Designated mobilization station was Mitchel Field. Status: Disbanded on 31 May 1942.

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