

## 359<sup>th</sup> OBSERVATION SQUADRON



### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

359<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron organized, Feb 1918  
Demobilized, Jan 1919

359<sup>th</sup> Squadron (Observation) constituted, 29 Jul 1921  
Initiated, Apr 1922  
Redesignated 359<sup>th</sup> Observation Squadron, 25 Jan 1923

359<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron reconstituted and consolidated with 359<sup>th</sup> Observation Squadron, 24 Nov 1936. Consolidated unit designated 359<sup>th</sup> Observation Squadron

Withdrawn from the Organized Reserve on and allotted to the Regular Army, 1 Jan 1938

#### STATIONS

Kelly Field, TX  
Garden City, NY, Mar 1918  
Hazelhurst Field, NY, Jul 1918  
Brindley Field, NY, Aug 1918  
Garden City, NY  
Not initiated 1921-1922  
Akron, OH, 1922-1931  
Lunken Airport, Cincinnati, OH, 1931-1941

#### ASSIGNMENTS

XV Corps  
332nd Observation Group, 31 Mar 1924

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

PT-3A

## **COMMANDERS**

2Lt Leslie O. Williams, Apr 1922-Jan 1923

Unknown, Jan 1923-Sep 1936

Maj Dudley Outcalt, Sep 1936-Jan 1937

Cpt John Gulledge, Jan 1937-7 Dec 1941

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 29 July 1921 as the 359th Squadron (Observation), assigned to the XV Corps, and allotted to the Fifth Corps Area. Initiated in April 1922 at Akron, OH. The squadron was one of a few in the Organized Reserve that possessed facilities, equipment, and aircraft. Redesignated as the 359th Observation Squadron on 25 January 1923. Assigned on 31 March 1924 to the 332nd Observation Group (XV Corps). Relocated on 9 July 1931 to Lunken Airport, Cincinnati, OH. Consolidated on 24 November 1936 with the 359th Aero Squadron (a WWI unit organized in February 1918 at Waco Field, TX; demobilized in January 1919 at Garden City, NY; reconstituted on 24 November 1936). Withdrawn from the Organized Reserve on 1 January 1938 and allotted to the Regular Army. Conducted summer training at Wright Field, OH, Schoen Field, IN, and Selfridge Field, MI.

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Air Force Order of Battle

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### Sources

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