1 AVIATION SQUADRON (PROVISIONAL)

MISSION LINEAGE 1st Aviation Squadron (Provisional) **STATIONS** Laveraton, Australia **ASSIGNMENTS COMMANDERS HONORS Service Streamers Campaign Streamers Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers Decorations EMBLEM MOTTO OPERATIONS** As air operations increased the southwest Pacific area actual number of authorized service and

air depots was found to be inadequate. By the middle of April the 1st Aviation Squadron (Provisional) had been activated and stationed at Laveraton Airdrome, for the purpose of servicing transient aircraft and the aircraft at allied headquarters in Melbourne. The squadron was being supplied with 30 officers and 200 enlisted men from personnel then in Australia when it was recommended by War organization and movement at HQ AAF that the squadron

be inactivated and replaced by the 370th Materiel Squadron (Reduced) an action which occurred on 1 May. Because "Aviation Squadron" was a designation applied to units in the US for a different purpose, consequently, a different name had to be assigned to the new squadron in Australia. In addition to the 370th there were eight other similarly titled units in the South West Pacific with the combined personnel of the nine squadrons on 8 May totaling 93 officers and 2249 enlisted men.
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