

27 BALLOON COMPANY

MISSION

LINEAGE

Balloon Company No. 27

Organized, Feb 1918

Demobilized, Dec 1918

Reconstituted and organized, Jun 1919

Redesignated Balloon Company No. 27 (Coast Defense), 13 Sep 1921

Inactivated, 1 Sep 1922

Demobilized, 6 Sep 1922

Reconstituted 27 Balloon Company, 24 Mar 1923

Demobilized, 28 Feb 1927

STATIONS

Waco, TX

Camp Morrison, VA, Mar 1918

Lee Hall, VA, Jul 1918

Camp Morrison, VA, Nov 1918

Fort Omaha, NE, Jun 1919

Kindley Field, Philippines, 1919-1922

Inactive, 1922-1927

ASSIGNMENTS

Philippine Department

27 Balloon Group, 24 Mar 1923

COMMANDERS

Capt William A. Gray, Jan 1920

Capt Roland W. Wittman, 1 Feb 1922-1 Sep 1922

Inactive, 1 Sep 1922-28 Feb 1927

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Demobilized at Camp Morrison, VA, in December 1918 as Balloon Company No. 27. Reconstituted and organized in June 1919 at Fort Omaha, NE. Transferred about May 1920 to Kindley Field, PI, and assigned to the Philippine Department. The company's mission in the Philippines was to provide aerial observation and fire adjustment service for the Coast Defenses of Manila and Subic Bays. Redesignated as Balloon Company No. 27 (Coast Defense) on 13 September 1921. Inactivated on 1 September 1922 at Kindley Field. Demobilized on 6 September 1922. Reconstituted in the Regular Army as the 27th Balloon Company on 24 March 1923 and 8th Airship Company made Active Associate. Concurrently assigned to the 27th Balloon Group. Demobilized on 28 February 1927.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORIES

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Sources

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