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SQUADRON HISTORY

1 August thru 31 August 1945

In August five combat missions and one RAS mission were conducted by the 45th Bombardment Squadron.

During this month Japan was forced to surrender, and for the first in history it was generally recognized that aerial bombardment and air power alone could bring a major nation to her knees. Although there were other factors that played important roles in the war air power was foremost in importance for being directly responsible for the war's end.

While the 20th Air Force B-29's continued to forewarn Japanese cities of future bombings, the B-29's struck in forces of 800 aircraft, supplemented by strikes from the Eastern Air Force and Naval carrier based attacks. The Navy continued to shell the coastal industries of Japan and completely wrecked the Japanese Navy of all its power.

It was on 7 August that the most powerful and destructive weapon in world history was introduced. This new weapon was the world shattering atomic bomb dropped from a B-29 aircraft. Hiroshima was the first target on which this new bomb was used. Immediately after this single bomb was dropped President Harry S. Truman announced to the world the unbelievable power of this weapon that would stagger the imagination. Tokyo reported that no life remained in Hiroshima owing to the diabolical destruction of the atomic weapon. The exact damage resulting from the terrific explosion was not revealed, however, some reports indicated that over four square miles of Hiroshima was literally evaporated and over 70% of the cities population killed. This one bomb was equivalent to the damage brought by hundreds of B-29 raids with average bombs. So serious was this new weapon that the Japanese called a special cabinet session as a result of the one bomb dropped on Hiroshima. At the same time the cabinet meeting was in session, Russia announced the long awaited news of her declaration of war on Japan. The world buzzed with speculation as to Japan's probable surrender with these two new and important factors being introduced. On 9 August another atomic bomb

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was dropped on Nagasaki with even more devastating results than caused by the first bomb dropped at Hiroshima. Reports indicated the second bomb to be an improvement over the first. So great was the explosive force of the atomic bomb that it was reported to be necessary to use a parachute in dropping the weapon, thus enabling the aircraft to outdistance the first terrific explosion area. The first experience at Hiroshima indicated that the B-29 which had dropped the bomb felt the explosion 10 miles away. It was described as being similar to an anti-aircraft shell burst within 50 feet.

Reaction to both the Potsdam Conference and to the surrender ultimatum emanating therefrom, prior to the use of the atomic bomb 7 August, had gotten into full swing and comment was included in all broadcasts from Japan. The Japanese claimed that the United States, British and Chinese surrender terms coming from Potsdam were nothing more than a propaganda offensive that was becoming desperate owing to mounting war weariness on the part of the citizens of these countries. The conference was criticized by Japanese newspapers as being a sordid affair which failed to produce the high ideals and aims expected of it to insure lasting peace but merely resulted in further demands on the beaten German people. Comment along these lines began to diminish on 7 August -- the day following the atomic bombing of Hiroshima -- and was absent from then on.

Russian troops began storming across the Manchurian and Korean borders and the Japanese were rapidly pushed back.

August 10 the Domei news broadcast from Tokyo stated "The Japanese government advised the Swiss and Swedish governments that it is willing to accept the Allied Potsdam surrender ultimatum provided we can keep our Emperor." The news was transmitted to the United States, China, Great Britain and Russia. The United States was authorized to speak for all the Allied nations after all had agreed that the Emperor could remain at the head of the Japanese government provided the Emperor clearly understood that the Emperor would have to take orders from the military government of the Allies. Before Japan accepted the surrender terms in full several days were spent by the Japanese propagandists in preparing the Japanese public for the surrender. On August 14 it was officially announced by President Truman that the Japanese had accepted the full terms of surrender. Japan called into port all her ships at sea and hostilities were being stopped on all fronts, but fighting continued with the Russians in Manchuria until Monday, August 20. General Douglas A. MacArthur was designated as the military commander of Japan to rule the defeated nation through the emperor. The actual signing of the peace terms for the United States was to be represented by Admiral Chester A. Nimitz of the United States Navy on 2 September aboard the battle ship USS Missouri in honor of President Truman's home state. This date, 2 September 1945, would be officially declared V-J Day.

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Between 10 and 14 August on Tinian until the President's official announcement of the war's end there was a tense anxiety of hope that the war had really been brought to an end. The President's announcement at 0905 August 14 was the word awaited by an anxious world, limp from the war's strangest series of climaxes and anti-climaxes. The news was followed by the happiest smiles, loudest shouts and jubilant antics ever witnessed on Tinian despite the fact that this was not officially V-J Day.

Needless to say the morale in the Squadron was the highest it had ever been. Personnel with the most seniority for overseas were to be returned home, even the non flying officers for whom a plan for rotation had never before been announced. All who did not wish to remain in the regular Army could be returned to the continental United States and be discharged upon request. A higher than average percentage of personnel in the 45th Squadron was eligible to be returned home, and toward the last part of the month many had begun making preparations toward that end.

## Armament Section

Several personnel from this section were lost owing to the point system. Those men returned to the United States were M Sgt Wilson, section chief, S Sgt Durkin, assistant section chief, T Sgt McLaughlin, bombsight section chief, and S Sgt Green, assistant bombsight section chief. The experienced men who filled in these places carried on with the work very smoothly. S Sgt Zeuner was made section chief.

Captain Clinton S. Adams was returned permanently to the United States after a brief stay in Hawaii at a rest camp. Captain Frank J. Core was placed in charge of the section, and 1st Lt Gred E. Billingsley was made the assistant.

During the last few days of the war the armament section had a rather hectic time with the loading and off loading of bombs coming hourly. It was hard to determine what the next move would be. However, the nightmarish marathon operations were dispensed when the final word of surrender came. Everyone breathed with ease. It was like the grand finale of a great drama which kept everyone on the edge of his seat until the curtain had fallen.

## Ordnance Section

After combat missions were stopped with the cessation of hostilities, the ordnance section continued with their end of servicing the aircraft for POW supply delivery missions and other flight operations. The entire

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line was cleared of all bombs and ammo loading facilities. A few enlisted men were transferred to other sections, and two enlisted men were returned to the United States under the point system, Sgt Dowd and Cpl Kozak. Cpl McSwain was routed to return to the United States from the hospital.

1st Lt John R. Brining, new Squadron ordnance officer, assumed extra duty as assistant group ordnance officer to Captain McAllister.

## Communications Section

1st Sgt Strausser, communications chief, returned to the United States with 115 high point men. 1st Sgt Roy L. Franklin assumed the duties of the Squadron communication chief.

Sgt Arthur L. Dauenhuer and Cpl Daley were among the first 85 point men to leave. 1st Sgt Edward Chapman, Sgt Kenneth Hammond, Sgt Guy Howard, Pfc Frank Cavaliere and Pfc Dwayne McCoullough had the required 85 points and were alerted for return to the United States.

## Engineering Section

### 1. New aircraft assigned

<u>Serial No</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Hrs at Receipt</u>
42-24260	2 August 45	Boeing - Wichita	308 hrs 15 min

### 2. Aircraft Lost

<u>Serial No</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
42-24718	26 August 45	War weary crew returned to USA
44-69668	29 August 45	War Weary crew returned to USA

3. New modification on new aircraft: Aircraft received during the month did not incorporate any modifications that were not on aircraft received previously the month before.

4. Major work accomplished: Average flying time for the month per assigned aircraft was approximately 70 hours. Five bombing missions were completed against the enemy. Nine engine changes were completed with an average of 246 hours including one "lemon" which lasted only six hours.

5. Modifications on old aircraft: Minor modifications were made on all assigned aircraft.

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6. Principal troubles: During the month the engineering section was handicapped considerably with the loss of 12 crew chiefs and 14 assistant crew chiefs all who were relieved from duty and returned to the United States. Only three or four men were available per assigned aircraft since an average of 12 men a day from the section were used on KP, guard duty and other details.

## Personnel

The Squadron strength at the beginning of the month was:

Enlisted Men	538
Flight Officers	11
Officers	124
Total	673

The following officers and enlisted men were returned to the United States on 1 August:

Capt	J. H. Cowden	T Sgt	R. J. Chamberlain
1st Lt	R. H. Weinberg	S Sgt	W. J. Yoder
P O	J. Petras		

The following named officers and enlisted men were assigned to the Squadron 1 August:

1st Lt	R. S. Learn	4 Sgt	Y. A. Etheridge
2nd Lt	L. H. Dodney	S Sgt	J. De Ruyther
2nd Lt	D. W. Sweeney Jr	S Sgt	H. R. Slagle
1st Lt	W. E. Luech	Sgt	W. L. Beil
2nd Lt	J. O. Sheehan	Sgt	T. G. Parlin Jr
2nd Lt	J. H. Baugh	Sgt	M. D. Semones
1st Lt	W. F. Smith	Sgt	O. P. Turbyfill
2nd Lt	P. Connerton	Cpl	R. H. Bradley
2nd Lt	A. L. Zimmerman	Cpl	R. W. Jehu
2nd Lt	E. R. Galtin Jr	Sgt	J. C. May
2nd Lt	J. J. Gabagan	Sgt	A. F. Scherbring
2nd Lt	T. R. Wadkins Jr	Sgt	F. A. Britt
1st Lt	G. E. Wigge	Sgt	G. J. McPhail
2nd Lt	A. C. Staggers	Sgt	F. J. Rupp
2nd Lt	C. L. Stull	Cpl	S. W. Szala
P O	I. J. F. Smith		
P O	C. E. Fronczak		
P O	F. D. Young Jr		
P O	J. L. Olsen		
P O	A. N. Roshorn		

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On 3 August 1st Lt Clinton S. Adams was sent to a rest camp at APO 953 in Hawaii for approximately 10 days.

The following named enlisted men were relieved from duty to be returned to the United States 4 August:

T Sgt	A. C. Miller Jr	S Sgt	J. L. Setterfield
S Sgt	H. M. Bates	S Sgt	W. E. Stambaugh
S Sgt	C. E. Evans	S Sgt	I. Sussanwein
S Sgt	D. C. Clover	S Sgt	H. D. Taden
S Sgt	T. Hitchison	S Sgt	R. G. Bass
S Sgt	L. L. Johnston	S Sgt	J. E. Garner
S Sgt	T. W. Mackey		

transferred

On 5 August Capt Robert R. Holman was transferred to the 58th Bombardment Wing Headquarters.

The following named officers were promoted 6 August:

Capt S. D. Lanzoni to Major  
1st Lt J. H. Elliott to Captain  
2nd Lt D. W. Sweeney Jr to First Lieutenant

The following officers and enlisted men were sent to the Muroc Army Airfield at Muroc, California on TD for lead crew training 7 August:

2nd Lt	G. H. Bearer	T Sgt	O. F. Steisen
2nd Lt	H. L. Kizer	Sgt	W. J. Engleman
2nd Lt	T. A. Smith	Cpl	C. J. Davis
		Sgt	H. C. Maniscalco
		Cpl	H. F. Lindquist
		Cpl	S. J. Parker

On 8 August 1st Lt Irving L. Ballos was relieved from his primary duty as supply officer and given as his primary duty that of Squadron adjutant.

The following named officers and enlisted men were placed on TD and sent to Muroc, California 9 August:

Capt	Henry B. Baker	S Sgt	T. A. Clark
Capt	A. E. Hills Jr	S Sgt	R. F. Kivell
1st Lt	J. H. Goff	S Sgt	A. W. Haase
1st Lt	G. H. Williamson		

On 10 August Major Silvio D. Lanzoni and P O Earl F. Richell were returned to the United States.

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The following number of enlisted men were promoted 12 August:

1 S Sgt to T Sgt  
17 Sgt to S Sgt  
27 Cpl to Sgt  
3 Pvt to Pfc

On 13 August Captain Roderic T. Wriston was transferred to the 20th Air Force at APO 234.

14 August 1st Lt Albert J. Ruckman, gunnery officer, was assigned to the Squadron.

On 15 August 1st Lt Leonard J. Koenig and 1st Lt James O'Keefe were returned to the United States.

On 17 August 1st Lt Ralph S. Learn was promoted to Captain.

On 20 August 1st Lt Philip Lastrato who was returned to the United States on an emergency leave has been relieved from duty in the Squadron.

The following enlisted men were relieved from duty and returned to the United States 21 August:

M Sgt	A. C. Wilson	T Sgt	J. C. Grotts
S Sgt	R. J. Crowder	S Sgt	R. S. Durkin
S Sgt	H. M. Greene	S Sgt	E. S. Laskowski
S Sgt	L. D. Smith	S Sgt	J. M. Tarrant
Sgt	J. J. Goode	Pfc	F. J. Cyr
1st Sgt	S Usurik	M Sgt	K. V. Conner
M Sgt	H. Henning	M Sgt	J. E. Gore
M Sgt	E. W. Martin	M Sgt	D. J. McChew
M Sgt	F. F. Park	M Sgt	C. G. Simonds
M Sgt	B. Sionina	M Sgt	E. D. Strausser
M Sgt	B. C. Vick	M Sgt	T. F. Waddell
M Sgt	R. W. Wilkinson		

The following officers and enlisted men were relieved from duty and returned to the United States 22 August:

1st Lt	C. F. Creselius	S Sgt	C. S. Bagley
1st Lt	H. V. Dickerson	S Sgt	R. W. Hurst
1st Lt	S. R. Horn		
2nd Lt	R. W. MacPherson		

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The following named enlisted men were relieved from duty in the Squadron and returned to the United States 30 August:

2 Sgt	T. Laurofrides	3 Sgt	J. D'Armento
Sgt	a. L. Daunhauer	Sgt	R. Facian
T Sgt	J. Halpern	Pvt	M. Alfort
T Sgt	A. D. Ferguson	T Sgt	E. L. Gates Jr
T Sgt	W. Reifel	S Sgt	P. C. Anthony
Sgt	V. N. Paolini	Sgt	J. Misito
Cpl	a. M. Barton	Pfc	A. Matola
Cpl	T. H. Daley	Pfc	L. V. Koskal

T Sgt Joseph D. Valley was promoted to the grade of Flight Officer 30 August.

The Squadron strength at the last of the month was as follows:

Enlisted Men	528
Flight Officer	15
Officers	134
Total	677

The following crew members are listed as they participated in missions and their respective aircraft are recorded with the number of hours credited to each flight:

### Hachioji, B-29 718, Time 3:00 hrs (Abort)

Capt	J. H. Barron	T Sgt	J. Maul
2nd Lt	O. N. Severts	Cpl	C. V. Coding
1st Lt	V. Kaminski	Cpl	H. B. Weissman
2nd Lt	S. L. Street	Cpl	R. M. Fleming
		Cpl	R. D. England
		Cpl	K. G. Gordon
		Cpl	A. French

### Hachioji, B-29 815, Time 0:45 hrs (Abort)

1st Lt	J. H. Bug	Sgt	M. F. Brachs
2nd Lt	W. R. Wilkerson	Sgt	A. T. Spanner
1st Lt	J. M. Dunsmore	Cpl	J. J. Kepple
2nd Lt	D. A. Johnson	Col	S. A. Cinkle
		Cpl	J. C. Loughridge
		Cpl	L. B. Low
		Cpl	K. A. Harris

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Machine, B-29 254, Time 14:45 hrs

1st Lt	J. Mewha	Cpl	H. A. Lawrence
1st Lt	J. J. Larsen	Cpl	E. G. Forey
Capt	W. W. Townes	Cpl	J. F. Pagel
1st Lt	A. L. Struever	Cpl	n. E. Norain
P O	A. W. Carison	Cpl	W. H. Haran
2nd Lt	J. C. McCorquodale		
2nd Lt	C. L. Barnes		

Machine, B-29 280, Time 14:30 hrs

1st Lt	V. Mitchell	T Sgt	C. F. Kroisen
2nd Lt	n. L. Rizer	Cpl	L. P. Lundquist
1st Lt	C. E. Browning	Sgt	C. J. Engleman
2nd Lt	C. F. Reaser	Sgt	E. C. Raniscalco
2nd Lt	T. S. Smith	Cpl	C. J. Javis
		Cpl	C. J. Parker

Machine, B-29 603, Time 15:00 hrs

1st Lt	A. Fullerton	Sgt	J. Foley
2nd Lt	J. Sokol	Sgt	K. Goldner
2nd Lt	V. Hovanian	Sgt	M. James
2nd Lt	E. Beers	Cpl	n. Williams
P O	J. Tipton	Cpl	C. Stanley
		Cpl	C. Hby

Machine, B-29 555, Time 14:45 hrs

Capt	E. R. Jenstrom	Sgt	C. W. Garrett
Capt	C. H. Johnston	Sgt	A. F. Jesch
P O	F. Koch	Sgt	D. P. Thome
1st Lt	F. E. Billingsley	Cpl	V. H. Baunig
P O	W. Kraus	Cpl	n. W. gautner
		Cpl	J. E. Tallaferra

Machine, B-29 656, Time 14:00 hrs

1st Lt	Elliott, J. R.	S Sgt	D. M. Leop
1st Lt	C. J. Nielsen	Sgt	D. W. Hall
1st Lt	C. E. Allison	Sgt	J. V. Martini
1st Lt	T. W. Wilson	Sgt	L. A. Lachner
1st Lt	H. L. Holloway	Cpl	K. E. Golden
		Cpl	E. E. Sherman

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### Hachioji, B-29 859, Time 14:50 hrs

1st Lt	H. M. Chagnon	Sgt	W. H. Page
2nd Lt	A. O. Smith	Sgt	L. T. Nickerson
2nd Lt	E. L. Bryant	Sgt	H. A. Healy
2nd Lt	B. B. Duncan	Cpl	A. McArdle
1st Lt	L. J. Redgate	Cpl	R. T. Terry
		Cpl	J. J. Murray

### Hachioji, B-29 556, Time 14:30 hrs

1st Lt	D. V. Blachly	T Sgt	J. J. Rowan
2nd Lt	C. A. Lindquist	Sgt	R. W. Merry
1st Lt	W. H. Zinn	Sgt	M. C. Stephen
2nd Lt	G. E. Crane	Sgt	A. F. Dedreux
2nd Lt	F. Kascher	Cpl	H. E. Vandl
		Cpl	H. F. Drake

### Hachioji, B-29 191, Time 14:15 hrs

Major	E. L. Abbott	T Sgt	F. A. Siget
2nd Lt	T. L. Hilton	Sgt	G. L. Simpson
P O	H. J. Leonard	Sgt	T. D. Wood
Capt	J. L. Peyton	Cpl	L. K. Marske
Capt	G. M. Metzorg	Cpl	C. Keksee
		Cpl	M. J. Brandt

### Hachioji, B-29 772, Time 14:45 hrs

2nd Lt	A. M. Wadman	Sgt	J. C. Haley
2nd Lt	J. G. Cornwall	Sgt	R. L. Kobitter
2nd Lt	H. V. Wright	Sgt	L. L. Carter
2nd Lt	I. C. Doptie	Sgt	J. E. Hayes
P O	E. F. Rishell	Sgt	R. L. Manning
2nd Lt	R. F. Strike	Sgt	A. S. Sinden

### Hachioji, B-29 739, Time 14:20 hrs

1st Lt	L. C. Jones	S Sgt	F. C. Anthony
1st Lt	J. V. DeConter	S Sgt	G. G. Johnson
1st Lt	J. V. O'Keefe	Sgt	G. W. Salley
1st Lt	W. H. Roberts	S Sgt	W. H. Zalesok
1st Lt	L. J. Koenig	S Sgt	M. P. Shebak
		Sgt	A. E. Claypool
		S Sgt	R. L. Dedridge

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Hachioji, B-29 529, Time 14:40 hrs

1st Lt	W. A. Davis	Sgt	P. F. Homer
2nd Lt	W. H. Witte	Sgt	M. C. Bowman
2nd Lt	J. L. McDaniel	Sgt	D. F. Schmidt
1st Lt	H. W. Hitt	Sgt	H. C. Butterfield
F O	D. O. Kyrk	Cpl	D. Batassa
		Sgt	G. A. Manning

Hachioji, B-29 085, Time 14:15 hrs

1st Lt	A. F. Sanisted	Sgt	G. A. Callahan
1st Lt	A. A. Eix	Sgt	A. H. Uegler
1st Lt	D. E. Adamson	S Sgt	K. E. Gaulty
2nd Lt	A. F. Sull	S Sgt	J. Duenig
1st Lt	L. E. Worthley	S Sgt	I. K. Barnes
		T Sgt	J. C. Blackard

Hachioji, B-29 738, Time 14:20 hrs

1st Lt	K. W. Dothage	T Sgt	J. D. Valley
1st Lt	J. F. Laxton	T Sgt	W. Heibel
1st Lt	P. E. Dally	S Sgt	G. A. Ahacic
1st Lt	E. M. Buzza	Sgt	H. Pudlofsky
		Sgt	C. P. Becker
		Sgt	C. I. Ahern
		Sgt	G. C. Beckley
		Sgt	H. J. Gelf

Hachioji, B-29 274, Time 16:00 hrs (RCM)

1st Lt	C. E. Thornberry	S Sgt	J. J. Eina (Act)
1st Lt	L. F. Sanford	S Sgt	R. E. Greenfield
1st Lt	F. C. Steiner	S Sgt	W. C. Paslay
1st Lt	H. W. Dickerson	S Sgt	B. C. Jennings
1st Lt	J. H. Twest	T Sgt	P. A. Krzykowski
1st Lt	S. R. Horn		
Major	J. M. Beseda		
1st Lt	E. B. Boyd		
1st Lt	F. D. Selbie		

Imacari, B-29 151, Time 14:00 hrs

Lt Col	M. W. Goodwyn	T Sgt	F. N. Wiget
Major	C. Neuregor	Sgt	T. D. Reed
Major	M. T. Reid	Sgt	G. L. Simpson
Capt	J. L. Peyton	Cpl	L. K. Manske
F O	H. J. Leonard	Cpl	M. J. Brandt
Capt	G. M. Netsorg	Cpl	C. Kessac

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### Inabari, B-29 556, Time 14:50 hrs

1st Lt	J. H. Elliott	Sgt	D. E. Leon
1st Lt	C. Neilson Jr	Sgt	D. W. Hall
1st Lt	C. E. Allison	Sgt	J. V. Martini
1st Lt	F. W. Wilson	Sgt	L. A. Lechner
1st Lt	H. L. Holloman	Cpl	H. E. Golden
		Cpl	E. E. Sherman

### Inabari, B-29 915, Time 15:05 hrs

1st Lt	J. H. Hug	Sgt	H. F. Oracha
2nd Lt	W. H. Willerson	Sgt	A. T. Spencer
1st Lt	J. M. Runnmore	Cpl	J. J. Kepple
2nd Lt	D. A. Johnson	Cpl	S. A. Hinkle
		Cpl	J. C. Loughridge
		Cpl	L. E. Low
		Cpl	B. A. Harrie

### Inabari, B-29 554, Time 16:15 hrs

1st Lt	J. Mowbr	Cpl	H. A. Lawrence
2nd Lt	J. J. Larsen	Cpl	E. S. Morey
1st Lt	A. L. Struever	Cpl	J. F. Pagel
2nd Lt	J. C. McCorquodale	Cpl	H. S. Norain
Capt	W. W. Townes	Cpl	W. H. Marsh
2nd Lt	D. L. Bergen		

### Inabari, B-29 529, Time 14:45 hrs

1st Lt	C. E. Thornsberry	Sgt	F. C. Anthony
1st Lt	L. F. Sanford	T Sgt	R. E. Greenfield
1st Lt	F. O. Steiner	Sgt	W. C. Paslay
1st Lt	H. W. Dickerson	Sgt	H. C. Jennings
1st Lt	J. H. Tweet	T Sgt	P. A. Krayskowski
1st Lt	S. R. Horn	Sgt	D. W. Dreyer

### Inabari, B-29 580, Time 15:20 hrs

Capt	G. H. Johnston	T Sgt	O. F. Nielsen
1st Lt	V. Mitchell	Sgt	G. A. Davis
P O	A. W. Carlson	Sgt	R. A. Jones
1st Lt	J. L. Kader	Sgt	J. F. Halmricks
P O	A. J. Sabatino	Sgt	A. J. LaGasse
2nd Lt	R. W. MacPherson	Cpl	C. W. Sayly Jr

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Imabari, B-29 274, Time 15:40 hrs

1st Lt	W. A. Davis	Sgt	P. F. Roper
1st Lt	E. H. Witte	Sgt	E. S. Bowman
2nd Lt	J. L. McDanielis	Sgt	D. P. Schmidt
1st Lt	H. W. Witt	Sgt	H. O. Butterfield
1st Lt	V. V. Kyrk	Cpl	D. Datas
		Sgt	C. A. Hennins

Imabari, B-29 286, Time 15:50 hrs

1st Lt	J. L. Riggs	Sgt	H. H. Prees
2nd Lt	J. G. Cornwall	S Sgt	V. N. Faolini
1st Lt	A. L. Miller	Sgt	W. C. Gustafson
1st Lt	J. K. Hilliard	S Sgt	S. R. Groner
1st Lt	A. F. Eiken	Cpl	J. M. Hodges
2nd Lt	J. J. Gahagan	Sgt	B. S. Athey Jr

Imabari, B-29 718, Time 15:20 hrs

Capt	J. R. Barron	T Sgt	J. Maul
2nd Lt	C. M. Severis	Cpl	C. V. Coding
1st Lt	V. Kewinskie	Cpl	E. K. Fleming
2nd Lt	D. L. Street	Cpl	H. B. Weisman
		Cpl	K. C. Gordon
		Cpl	H. D. England
		Cpl	E. French

Imabari, B-29 795, Time 15:25 hrs

1st Lt	D. V. Blachly	Sgt	R. W. Marry
2nd Lt	C. A. Lindquist	Sgt	M. C. Stephen
1st Lt	M. H. Sinn	Cpl	H. A. Darril
2nd Lt	G. R. Crane	Sgt	A. F. Dedreux
2nd Lt	F. Kascher	Cpl	H. F. Drake

Imabari, B-29 738, Time 15:30 hrs

1st Lt	K. W. Dethage	A Sgt	J. D. Valley
1st Lt	J. F. Laxton	Sgt	C. F. Becker
1st Lt	E. M. Buss	Sgt	H. Pudlofsky
1st Lt	P. W. Daly	Sgt	G. G. Sallay
		S Sgt	G. I. Ahern
		Cpl	H. J. Chalf
		Cpl	C. C. Beckley
		T Sgt	W. Keifal

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Toyokawa, B-29 359, Time 14:50 hrs

1st Lt	H. M. Changnon	Sgt	W. H. Page
2nd Lt	A. Smith	Sgt	L. W. Nickerson
Capt	A. C. Troll	Sgt	H. A. Healy
2nd Lt	E. B. Duncan	Cpl	A. McCardle
1st Lt	L. J. Redgate	Cpl	A. T. Terry
		Cpl	J. J. Murray

Toyokawa, B-29 739, Time 14:55 hrs

1st Lt	L. G. Jones	S Sgt	G. G. Johnson
1st Lt	J. V. DeCoster	Sgt	A. F. Desch
1st Lt	J. J. O'Keefe	S Sgt	W. H. Zalazak
1st Lt	W. H. Roberts	S Sgt	M. P. Snekak
1st Lt	L. J. Koenig	Sgt	A. E. Claypool
Capt	J. T. Brannon (HQ 40th BG)	S Sgt	A. L. Doddridge

Toyokawa, B-29 085, Time 14:45 hrs

1st Lt	A. F. Sandsted	Cpl	A. M. Carlehan
1st Lt	E. A. Wix	Sgt	R. H. Dowler
1st Lt	C. E. Anderson	Sgt	K. E. Smith
1st Lt	A. F. Dull	S Sgt	I. K. Barnes
1st Lt	L. E. Worthley	S Sgt	J. Duenig
1st Lt	E. B. Boyd	T Sgt	J. C. Elackard
Major	A. J. Seebach, (HQ 40th BG)		

Fukuyama, B-29 151, Time 14:00 hrs

Major	C. McGregor	T Sgt	F. W. Wiget
2nd Lt	T. L. Hilton	Sgt	O. L. Simpson
F O	H. J. Leonard	Sgt	T. D. Hood
Capt	J. L. Peyton	Cpl	L. K. Manske
Capt	G. M. Metzger	C. Keaseo	
Major	W. G. Renfro (HQ 40th BG)	Cpl	M. J. Brandt

Fukuyama, B-29 529, 14:00 hrs

1st Lt	C. E. Thornberry	S Sgt	P. C. Anthony
1st Lt	L. F. Sanford	T Sgt	H. E. Greenfield
1st Lt	J. H. Twest	S Sgt	W. C. Paslay
1st Lt	F. D. Stehler	S Sgt	B. C. Jennings
1st Lt	H. W. Dickerson	T Sgt	H. A. Kraykowaki
F O	B. Beck		

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### Fukuyama, B-29 738, Time 14:20 hrs

1st Lt	R. W. Dothage	T Sgt	J. D. Valley
1st Lt	J. F. Laxton	T Sgt	G. Raifel
1st Lt	P. W. Daly	Sgt	G. F. Becker
1st Lt	E. K. Buzza	Sgt	H. Purlosky
		Sgt	G. C. Weckley
		Sgt	C. L. Aborn
		Cpl	H. J. Chelf
		Sgt	C. C. Bailey

### Fukuyama, B-29 954, Time 14:15 hrs

1st Lt	J. Meara	Cpl	H. A. Lawrence
2nd Lt	J. J. Larsen	Cpl	L. S. Corey Jr
2nd Lt	C. C. McCorquodale	Cpl	J. P. Pangel
Capt	W. W. Thomas	Cpl	H. E. Korain
1st Lt	K. L. Struever	Cpl	W. H. Marsh
2nd Lt	W. L. Barnes		
Capt	J. R. Elliott	S Sgt	G. M. Leon
1st Lt	C. Nielsen	Sgt	G. W. Hall
1st Lt	C. E. Allison	Sgt	J. V. Martini
1st Lt	T. W. Wilson	Sgt	L. A. Lechner
1st Lt	K. W. Holloman	Cpl	H. E. Golden
		Cpl	E. E. Sherman

### Fukuyama, B-29 915, Time 13:45 hrs

1st Lt	J. R. Hug	Sgt	M. F. Gracha
2nd Lt	W. R. Wilkerson	Sgt	A. T. Spencer
1st Lt	Dunsmore	Cpl	J. J. Keppie
2nd Lt	D. A. Johnson	Cpl	G. A. Hinkle
		Cpl	J. C. Loughridge
		Cpl	L. B. Low
		Cpl	E. A. Harris

### Fukuyama, B-29 956, Time 14:05 hrs

1st Lt	J. L. Higgs	Sgt	H. N. Fress
2nd Lt	J. G. Cornwall	S Sgt	V. N. Paolini
1st Lt	H. L. Miller	Sgt	E. R. Gustavson
1st Lt	J. K. Millard	S Sgt	G. M. Gromer
1st Lt	A. F. Eizen	Cpl	J. E. Hodges
2nd Lt	H. J. Bishop	Sgt	B. S. Abbey Jr

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### Fukuyama, B-29 555, Time 14:35 hrs

Capt	E. E. Jenstrom	Sgt	R. F. Osch
2nd Lt	L. C. Bickness	Sgt	D. F. Thorne
P O	F. Moch	Cpl	V. H. Braeunig
1st Lt	F. E. Billingsley	Cpl	R. W. Houtner
P O	W. Kraus	Cpl	J. E. Talliaferro
		Sgt	G. W. Garrett

### Fukuyama, B-29 583, 13:50 hrs

Capt	G. H. Johnston	Sgt	G. A. Davis
1st Lt	C. W. Laurent	Sgt	H. A. Jones
P O	A. W. Carlson	Sgt	A. J. LaGasse
1st Lt	J. L. Jader	Sgt	J. F. Heizerick
P O	A. J. Sabatino	Sgt	C. B. Snyly
2nd Lt	R. W. MacPherson		

### Fukuyama, B-29 718, Time 14:00 hrs

Capt	J. H. Barron	T Sgt	J. Neal
2nd Lt	C. M. Severts	Cpl	G. V. Coding
1st Lt	V. Kaminakis	Cpl	R. M. Fleming
2nd Lt	S. L. Street	Cpl	H. B. Weisman
		Cpl	R. C. Gordon
		Cpl	H. D. England
		Cpl	A. French

### Fukuyama, B-29 795, Time 14:45 hrs

1st Lt	D. V. Blachly	T Sgt	J. J. Rowan
2nd Lt	C. A. Lindquist	Sgt	B. W. Nery
1st Lt	M. H. Egan	Sgt	M. C. Stephen
2nd Lt	C. H. Gross	Sgt	A. H. Dedraun
2nd Lt	F. Mascher	Cpl	H. R. Fandi
		Cpl	H. P. Drake

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