

455th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

455th Aero Squadron (Construction) organized, Feb 1918

Redesignated 81st Spruce Squadron, Jul 1918

Demobilized, Jan 1919

455th Squadron (Pursuit) constituted in the Organized Reserve, 15 Oct 1921

Initiated, 17 Apr 1922

Redesignated 455th Pursuit Squadron, 25 Jan 1923

Inactivated, 19 Sep 1929

Reorganized and redesignated 455th Bombardment Squadron, 18 Aug 1933

81st Spruce Squadron reconstituted and consolidated with 455th Bombardment Squadron, 25 Nov 1936. Consolidated organization designated 455th Bombardment Squadron

Disbanded, 31 May 1942

STATIONS

Vancouver Barracks, WA

Pyah, WA, Feb 1918

South Beach, OR, May 1918

Waldport, OR, Jun 1918

South Beach, OR, Dec 1918

Vancouver Barracks, WA

Not initiated 1921-1922

Wilmington, NC, 1922-1929

Inactive 1929-1941

ASSIGNMENTS

316th Pursuit Group

316th Bombardment Group, 18 Aug 1933

COMMANDERS

Cpt Nelson McRae, 17 Apr 1922-27 Apr 1922

Maj Herman C. Rorison, 27 Apr 1922-20 Feb 1925

Unknown, 20 Feb 1925-19 Sep 1928

Inactive, 19 Sep 1928-7 Dec 1941

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 15 October 1921 as the 455th Squadron (Pursuit), assigned to the 316th Pursuit Group (Second Army), and allotted to the Fourth Corps Area. Initiated on 17 April 1922 at Wilmington, NC. Redesignated as the 455th Pursuit Squadron on 25 January 1923. Relieved from the Second Army 31 March 1924 and assigned to the General Headquarters Reserve. Inactivated on 19 September 1929 at Wilmington by relief of personnel. Reorganized and redesignated as the 455th Bombardment Squadron on 18 August 1933, relieved from the 316th Pursuit Group, and assigned to the 316th Bombardment Group (GHQR). Consolidated on 25 November 1936 with the 455th Aero Squadron (Construction) (a WWI unit organized in February 1918 at Vancouver Barracks, WA; redesignated as the 81st Spruce Squadron in July 1918; demobilized in January 1919 at Vancouver Barracks; reconstituted on 25 November 1936). Conducted summer training at Maxwell Field, AL, 1922-29. Designated mobilization training station was Camp Joseph E. Johnston, FL, (later redesignated Camp J. Clifford R. Foster) 192230 and Maxwell Field, AL, 1930-41. Disbanded on 31 May 1942.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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