

7502 RETRAINING SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

7502 Retraining Squadron

STATIONS

Sealand, Wales

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Capt Albert B. Todd, Jr.

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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MOTTO

OPERATIONS

The mission of the Third Air Force Retraining Center is to retrain those persons confined by Courts-Martial. This is the Central confinement facility in the United Kingdom. This experiment is giving Army and Air Force delinquents the opportunity to pull themselves together and to rebuild their lives into something worthwhile. Here, they learn how to become good citizens and honorable duty servicemen. Each member of the permanent party staff has been handpicked for this assignment. They are persons of mature and sound judgement who firmly believe in the concept of new treatment.

The Retraining Centre is an honor installation. There are no guards, bars, nor barbed wire fences here. Men may be sentenced to this installation as punishment but not for punishment. The task of finding out the "why's" of each man's problems and helping him solve these problems is the mission of the Center. This is one way to help him prevent future misconduct. The retraining program is divided into four phases: — Phase I: Indoctrination, pre-testing, and familiarization. Phase II: Formal schooling for 28 days, which consists of subjects stressing "Citizenship," "Honor," "Democracy," "Why We are Here," and general education. Phase III: Psychodiagnostic testing, counselling interviews, and the Retraining Board. Phase IV: Formal On the Job Training in newly assigned duties. This is the pre-release phase and consists of working with normal duty airman on the base.



7502 Retraining Squadron, Operations Section, Sealand, Wales, 1954



Lt Stringer and TSgt Humberg, Sealand, Wales, 1954



7502 Retraining Squadron kitchen, Sealand, Wales, 1954



7502 Retraining Squadron, dining hall, Sealand, Wales, 1954

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