# **423 ATTACK SQUADRON**

#### **MISSION**

## LINEAGE

423 Squadron (Pursuit) constituted, 15 Oct 1921 Redesignated 423 Pursuit Squadron, 25 Jan 1923 Redesignated 423 Attack Squadron, 1 Oct 1933

423 Aero Squadron (Construction) organized, Jan 1918 Redesignated 46 Spruce Squadron, Jul 1918 Demobilized Jan 1919 Reconstituted, 2 Dec 1936

423 Attack Squadron and 46 Spruce Squadron consolidated, 2 Dec 1936. Consolidated organization designated 423 Attack Squadron

Disbanded, 31 May 1942

## **STATIONS**

Vancouver Barracks, WA
Bay City, WA, Jan 1918
Vancouver Barracks, WA, Nov 1918
Not initiated 1921-1922
Municipal Airport, Chicago, IL, 1922-1941

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

308 Pursuit Group

## **COMMANDERS**

Unknown, 21 Jan 1922 Capt John W. Schroeder, Jun 1924 Unknown, Jul 1924 Capt Samuel L. Mathews, 17 Jun 1936 Maj William C. Bausch, Nov 1936 Unknown, Aug 1939-7 Dec 1941

HONORS
Service Streamers

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

**Decorations** 

**EMBLEM** 

**MOTTO** 

## **OPERATIONS**

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 15 October 1921 as the 423rd Squadron (Pursuit), assigned to the 308th Pursuit Group (Fifth Army), and allotted to the Fifth Corps Area. Initiated on 21 January 1922 at the Municipal Airport, Chicago, IL. Redesignated as the 423rd Pursuit Squadron on 25 January 1923. Reorganized and redesignated 423rd Attack Squadron on 1 October 1933 but remained assigned to the 308th Pursuit Group. Consolidated on 2 December 1936 with the 423rd Aero Squadron (Construction) (a WWI unit organized in January 1918 at Vancouver Barracks, WA; redesignated as the 46th Spruce Squadron in July 1918; demobilized in January 1919 at Vancouver Barracks; reconstituted on 2 December 1936). Typically conducted Inactive Training Period meetings at the Municipal Airport in Chicago. Conducted summer training at Selfridge Field, MI, or Chanute Field, IL, and some years at Scott Field, IL.

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