

# 1108 AERO SQUADRON

## MISSION

## LINEAGE

1108 Aero Squadron organized, Aug 1918  
Demobilized, Jun 1919

## STATIONS

AEF  
Mitchel Field, NY

## ASSIGNMENTS

## COMMANDERS

## HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

## EMBLEM

## MOTTO

## NICKNAME

## OPERATIONS

On March 30th, 1918, a detachment of twenty-one soldiers picked from various squadrons stationed at A.S.P.C.#2, left that station. Three days later this detachment arrived at A.A.A.Pk #1 which was at that time a bare field on which four barracks and a few tent hangars had been erected, and were organized into the 1st Detachment Company, with Lieut. William Judge, Jr. as Commanding Officer.

The personnel of the 1st Detachment Company was increased from time to time by the arrival of mechanics and clerks who were detached from their squadrons and sent to this station, for special duty. On July 15th, a detachment of one hundred armorers, who received their training at Wilbur Wright Field, arrived at A.A.A.Pk.#1, and were assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Detachment Company. This increased personnel required more of an authorized organization than was furnished by the 1<sup>st</sup> Detachment Company.

On August 15th, 1918, authorization was received from G.H.Q. for the organization of the 1108th A.S. Replacement Squadron on the basis of a Supply Squadron. At that time one hundred and fifty-seven soldiers were carried on the rolls and two hundred and six were attached for quarters and rations. Lieut. William J. Shirley, 2nd Officers' Training Camp at Camp Stanley, Leon Springs, Texas, was assigned as Commanding Officer with Lieut. John S. Lodwick, and Officers' Training Camp, Fort Snelling, Minn., as Adjutant.

On October 7th, 1918, Lieut. Wm. J. Shirley was relieved and Lieut. John S. Lodwick assigned as Commanding Officer.

As the name implies the organization was engaged in replacement work. A permanent personnel was retained for administrative purposes. Soldiers present with the organization were in the main, mechanics on duty with the Flight Crews, Headquarters clerks and armorers who were engaged in mounting machine guns on airplanes. Squadrons at the Front were supplied with mechanics and armorers from this squadron, while a considerable number of the personnel were on duty with the Paris Headquarters. Convoys en route from La Harve to Tours numbering from seventy-five to one hundred and fifty men stopped at this station for gasoline and oil, and during their stay were quartered and rationed with this squadron.

Demobilization work was started during the early part of December when about three hundred and fifty soldiers were released from duty with the Paris Headquarters and returned to the 1108th A.S. Replacement Squadron. These men were organized into two casual companies, namely: Air Service Casual Co. #2, and Air Service Casual Co., 3, for return to the United States. At the present time the personnel of one hundred and seventy, representing four different branches of the service, is being retained for duty at this station and two hundred and forty-two soldiers are on detached service.

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Sources

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