

# **6<sup>th</sup> BALLOON SQUADRON**

## **LINEAGE**

Balloon Company No. 6, 1919  
Redesignated Balloon Company No. 6 (Coast Defense), 13 Sep 1921  
Redesignated 6th Balloon Company, 12 Feb 1923  
Inactivated, June 1932  
Redesignated 6th Balloon Squadron, 1 Oct 1933  
Disbanded, 14 May 1943

## **STATIONS**

Camp Lee, VA, 8 May 1919  
Brooks Field, TX, 23 May 1919  
Inactive 1922-30  
Chicago, IL, 1930-32  
Inactive 1932-41

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

Assigned to the 24th Balloon Group on 6 February 1923

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

## **ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBERS**

## **ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT TAIL/BASE CODES**

## **UNIT COLORS**

## **COMMANDERS**

1Lt Roscoe S. O'Hara, Jan 1920  
1Lt Harold K. Hine, 30 Sep 1920  
Inactive, 13 Oct 1921  
Unknown, Jun 1930  
Inactive, Jun 1932-7 Dec 1941

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

## **Campaign Streamers**

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **CALL SIGN**

## **OPERATIONS**

Arrived at the port of Newport News, VA, on 4 May 1919 on the U.S.S. Susquehanna as Balloon Company No. 6. Transferred to Camp Lee, VA, and arrived there on 8 May 1919. Transferred on 23 May 1919 to Brooks Field, TX. Redesignated as Balloon Company No. 6 (Coast Defense) on 13 September 1921, inactivated at Brooks Field, and 23rd Balloon Company made Active Associate. Assigned to the 24th Balloon Group on 6 February 1923. Redesignated as the 6th Balloon Company on 12 February 1923. The 9th Airship Company made Active Associate on 14 March 1923 in lieu of the 23rd Balloon Company. The 24th Balloon Group assigned to the Zone of the Interior on 13 June 1924. Allotted to the Sixth Corps Area on 28 February 1927. Organized by June 1930 with Organized Reserve personnel as a RAI unit at Chicago, IL. Inactivated by June 1932 at Chicago by relief of personnel. Redesignated as the 6th Balloon Squadron on 1 October 1933. Concurrently withdrawn from the Sixth Corps Area and allotted to the Fourth Corps Area. Designated mobilization training station was Scott Field, IL, 1923-33 and Pope Field, NC, 1933-41.

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### **Sources**

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