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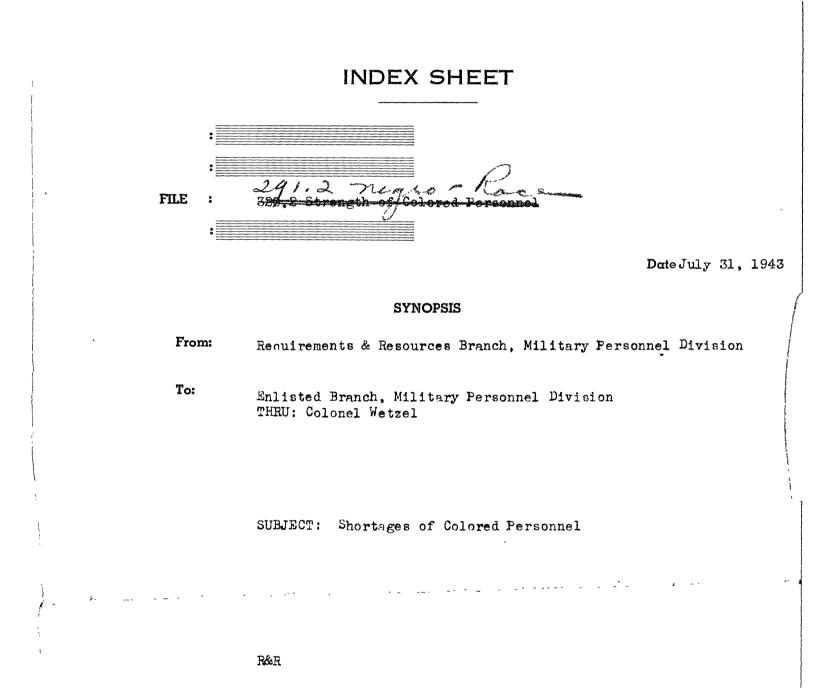
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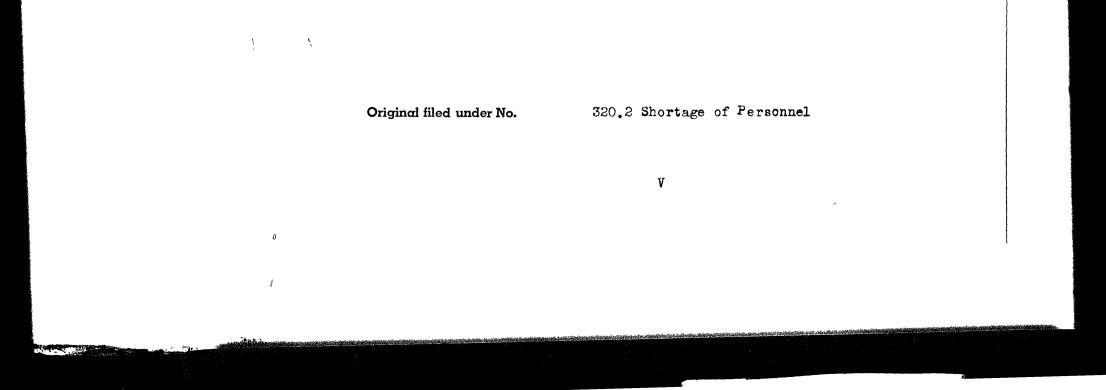
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War Department, A.S.F., A.G., 13 July 1943. - To: Commanding Generals, First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth Service Commands; The Military District of Washington; All Ports of Embarkation; and Chiefs of All Technical Services, A.S.F.

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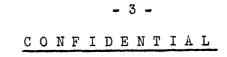
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HQ AIR FORCES, E.D.C. AND FIRST AIR FORCE, Mitchel Field, N.Y. 26 July 1943

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TO: Commanding General, I Fighter Command, Mitchel Field, N.Y. Commanding Officers, All Army Air Bases, First Air Force.

For your infort then and guidance.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

/s/ RAYNOR GAREY, Colonel, A. G. D., Adjutant General.

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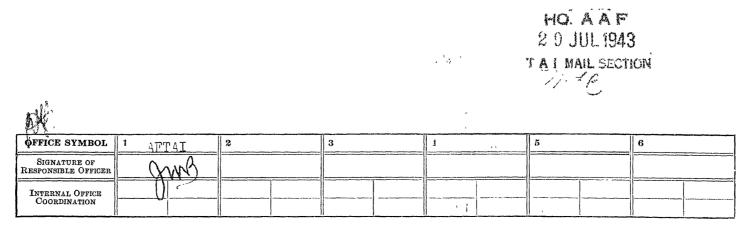
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1. Telegram relative to subject matter was forwarded to you with request for investigation and report under date of 7 July 1943.

2. It is requested that this office be with report, or approximate date same can be expected.

By command of General ANN LD:

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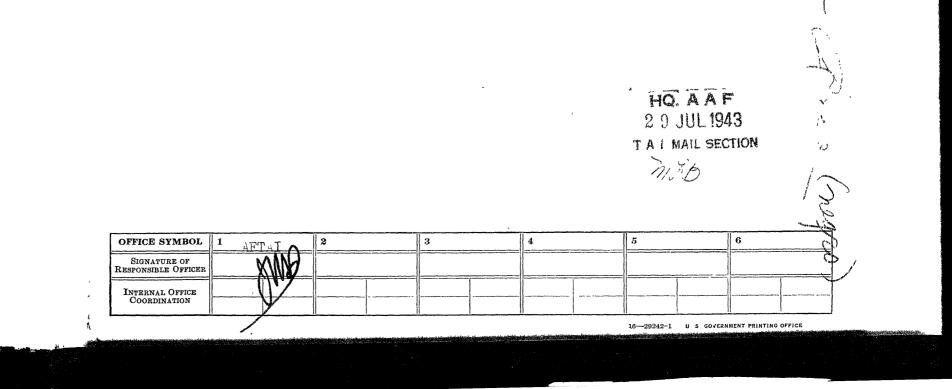
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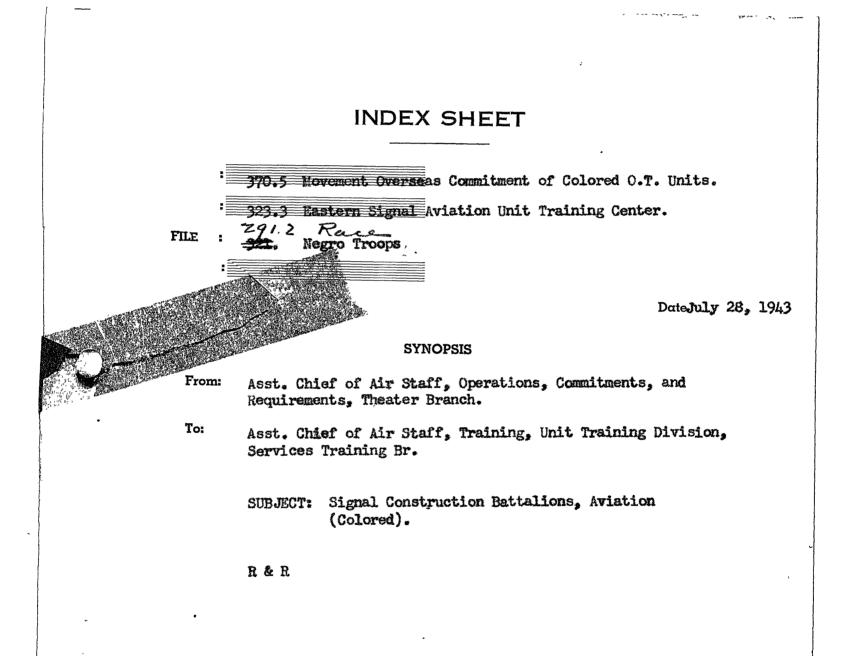
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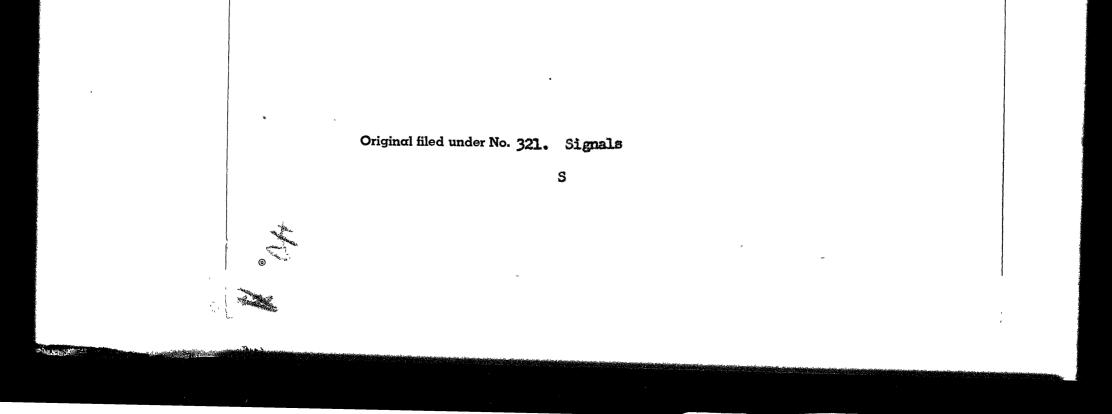
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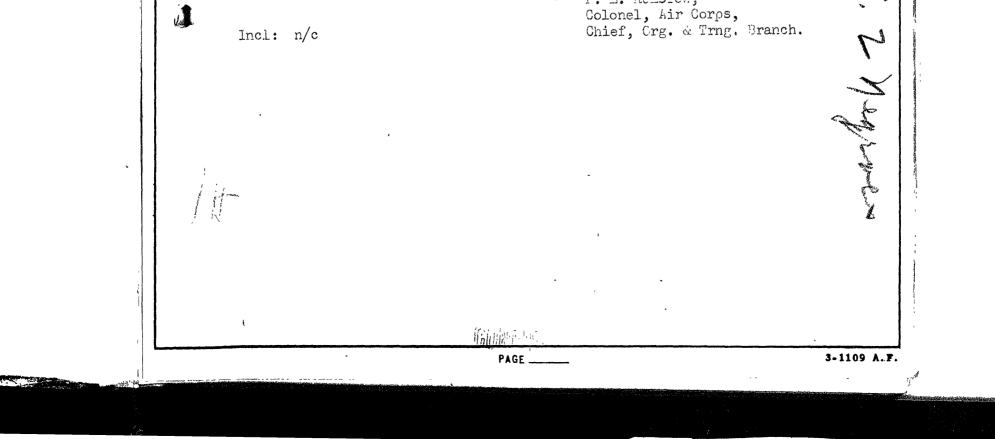
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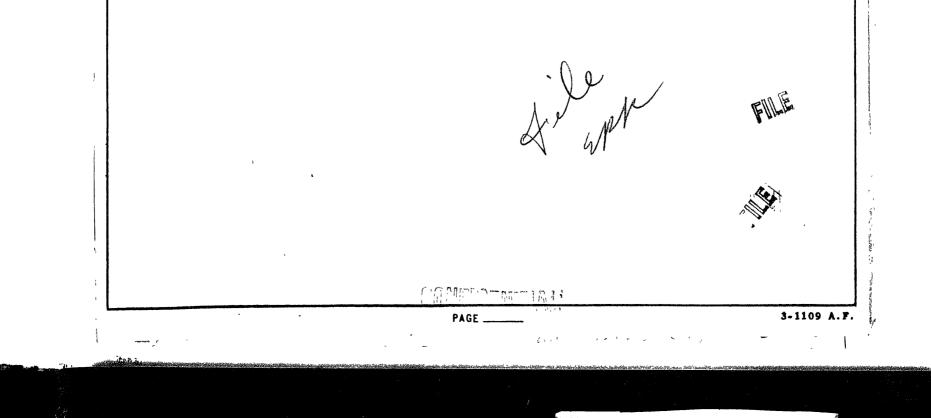




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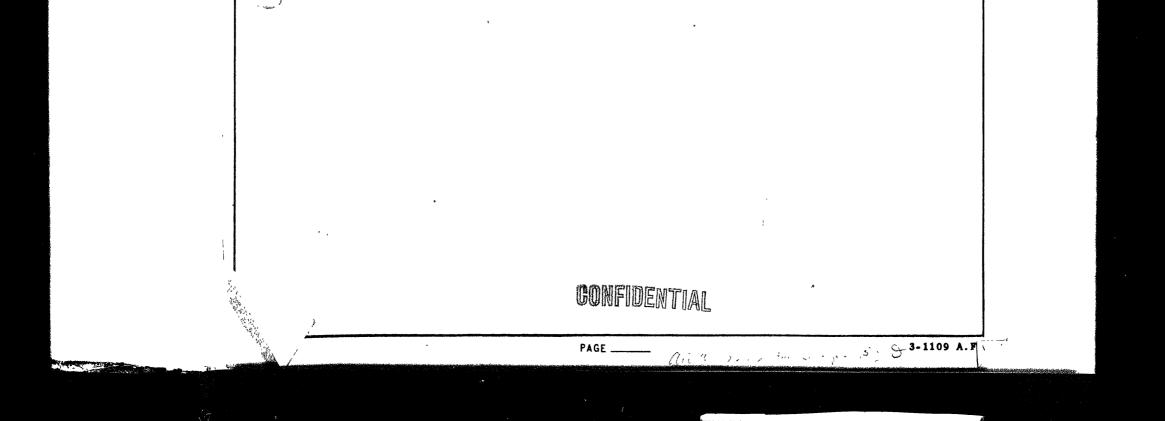


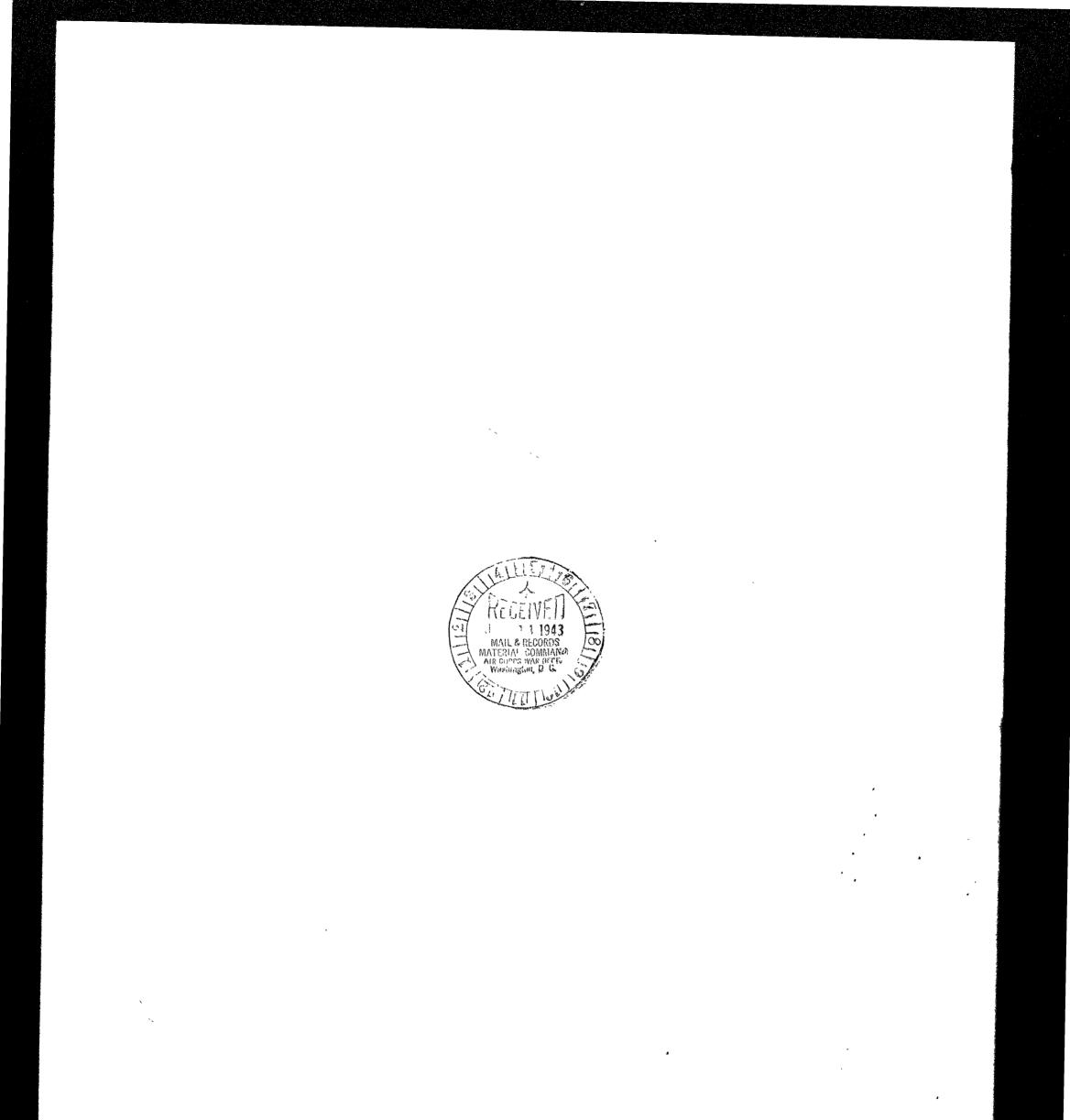
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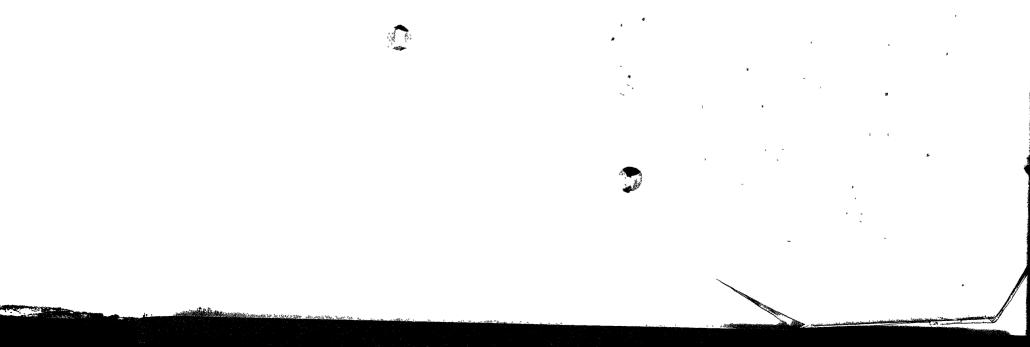
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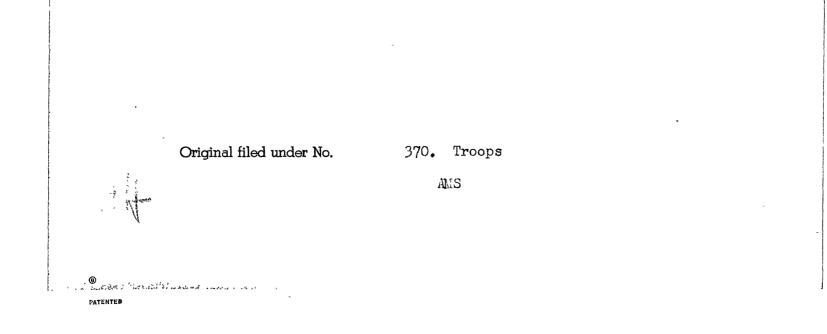
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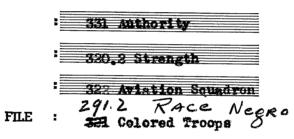
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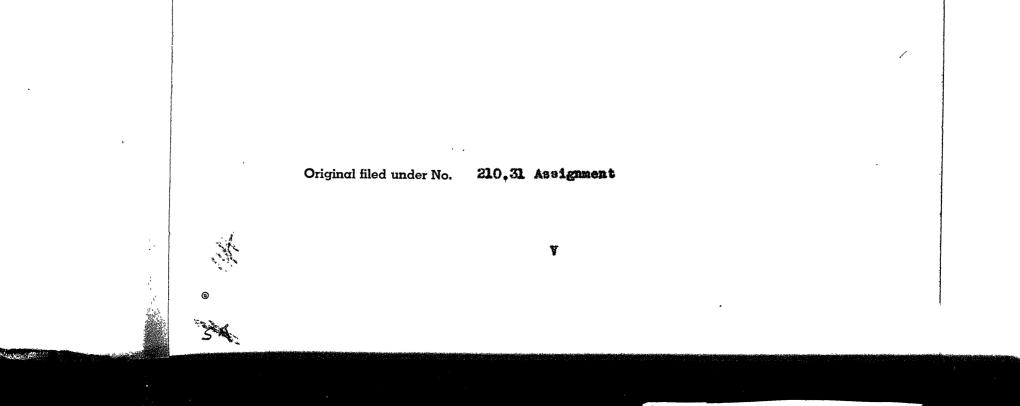
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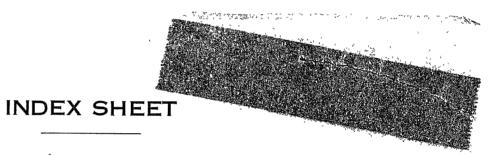
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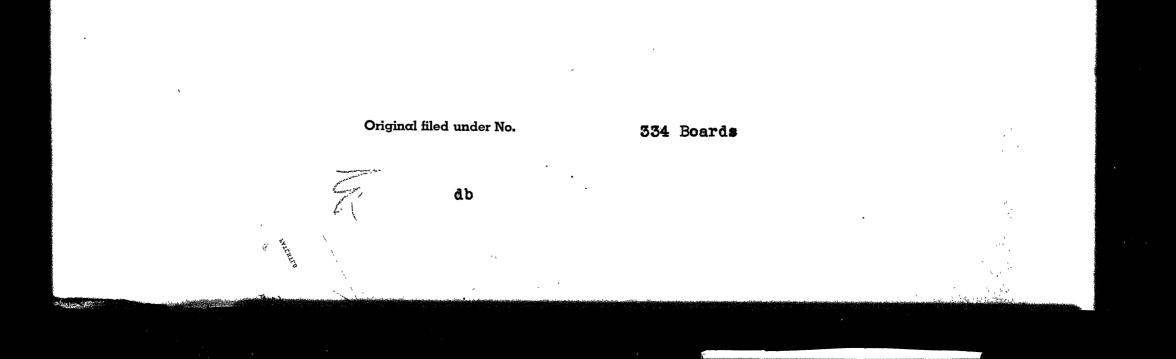
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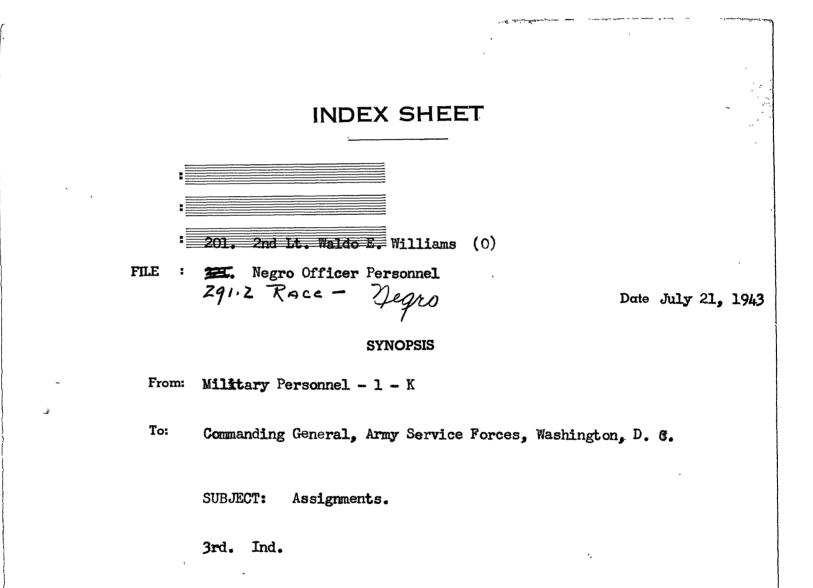
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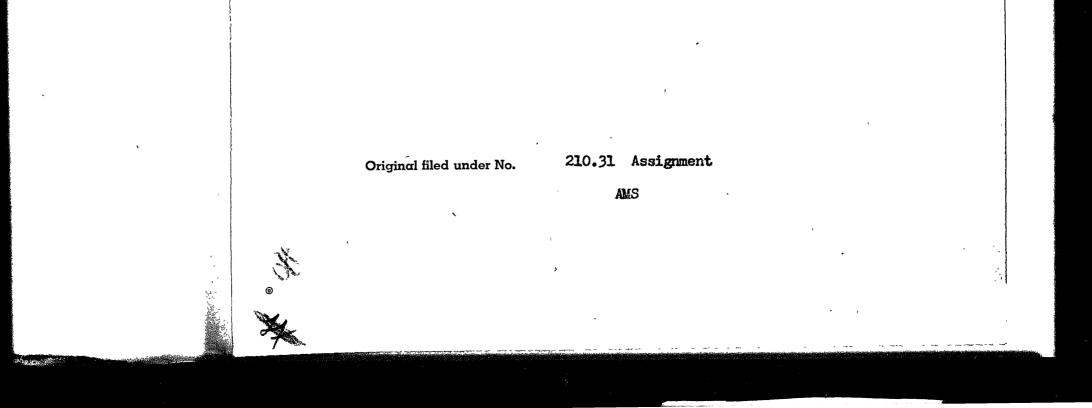
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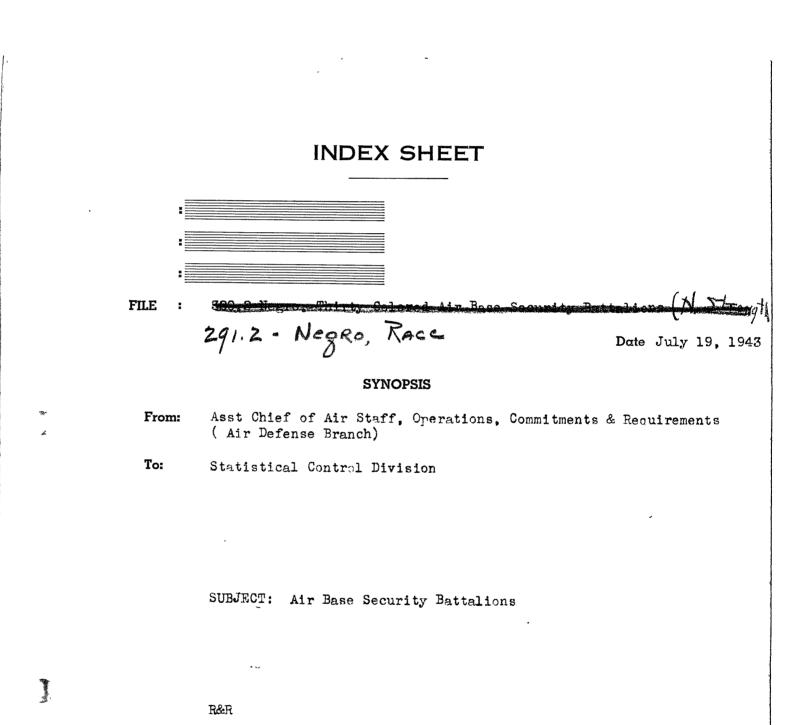
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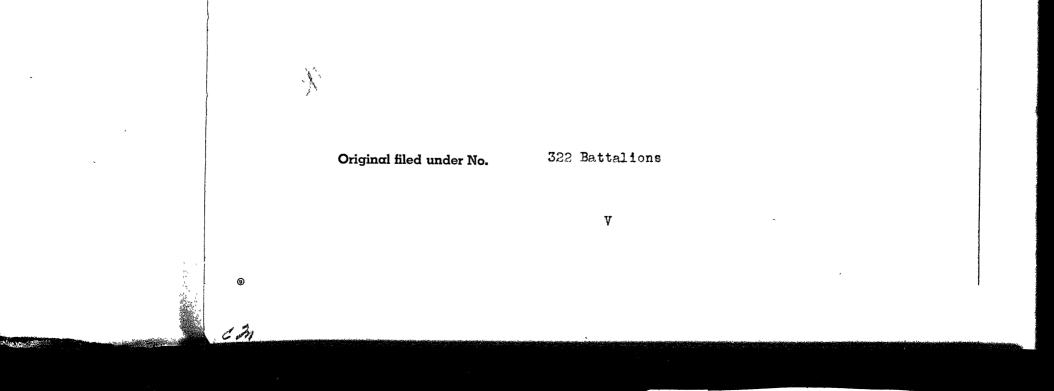
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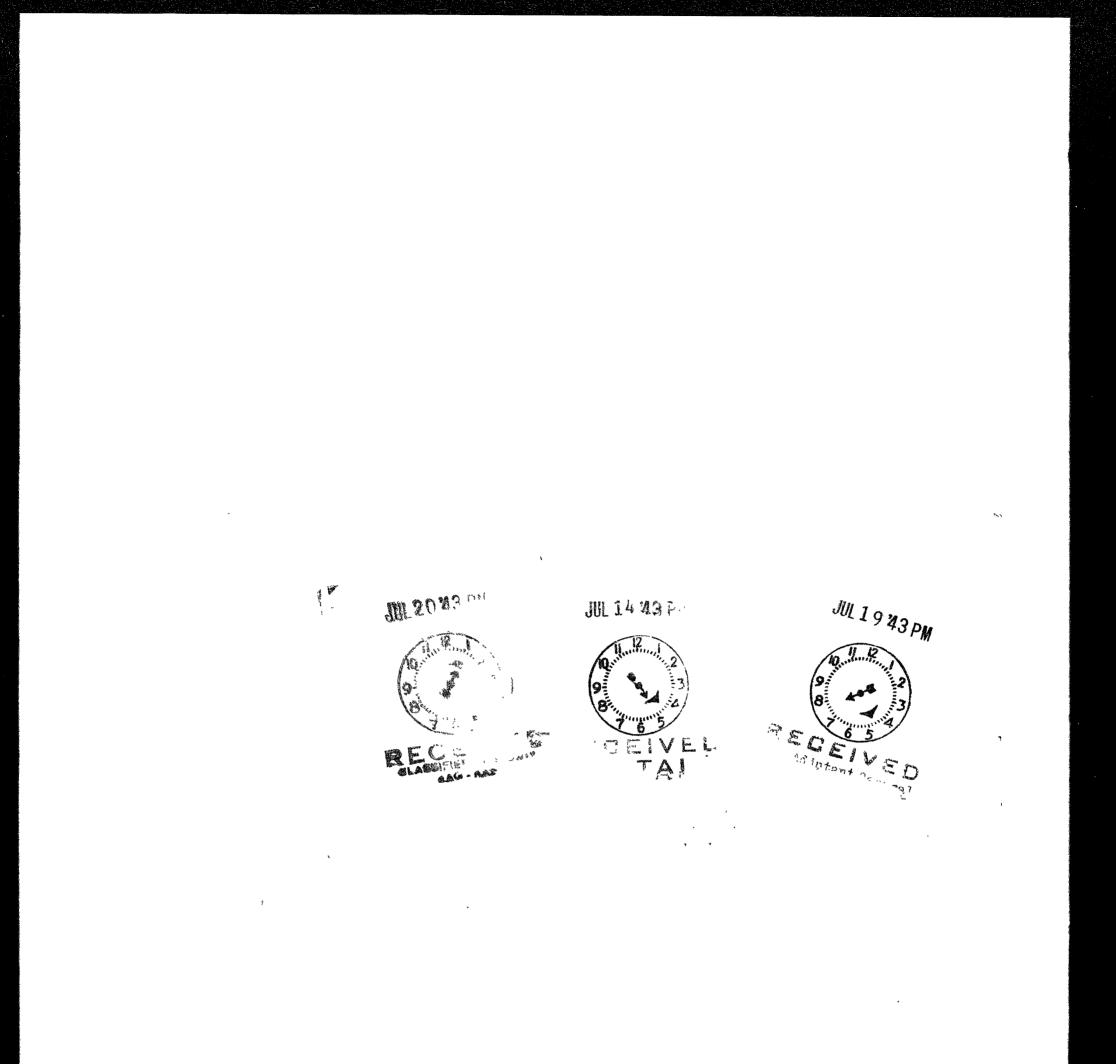






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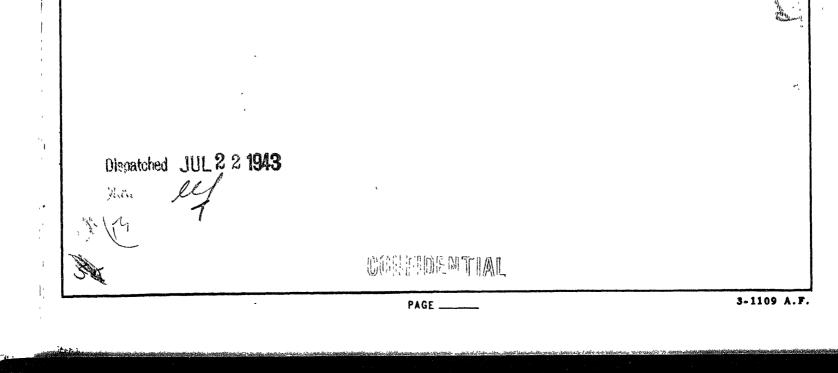
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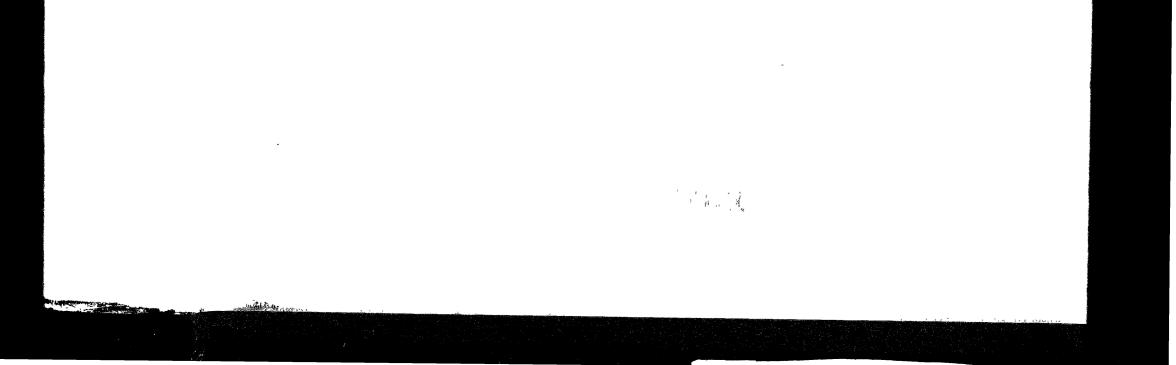
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All independent Army Air Forces commands.

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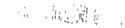
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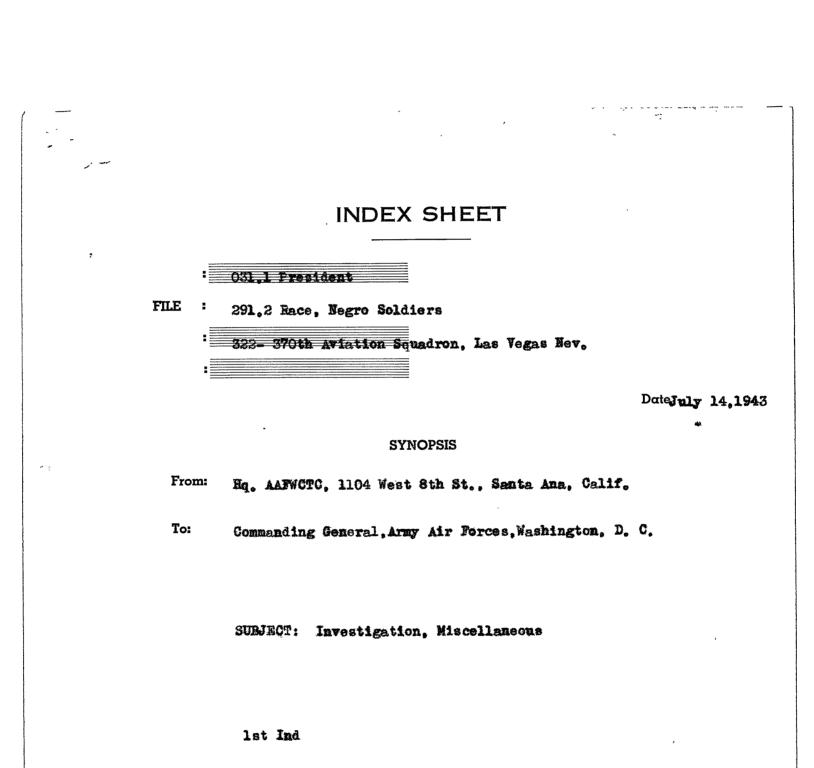
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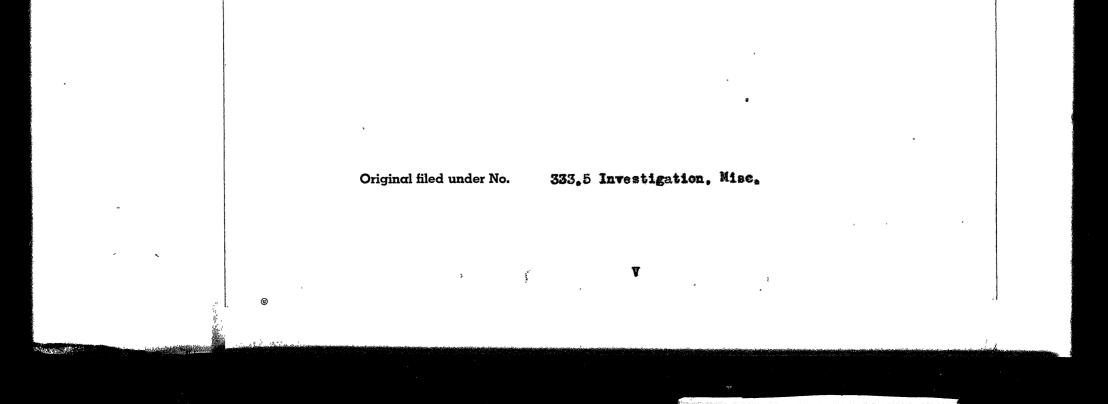
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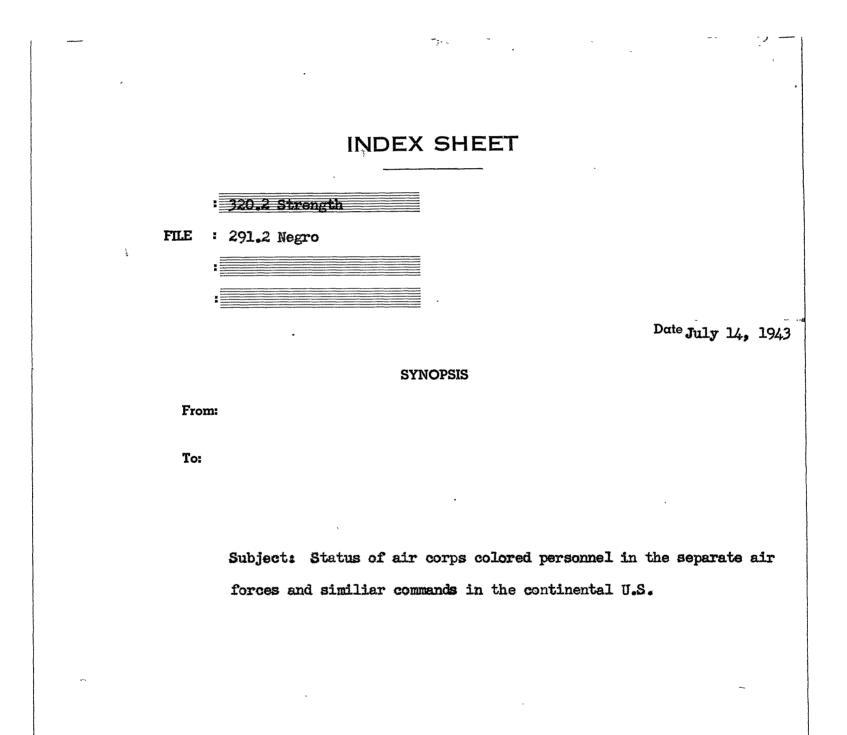
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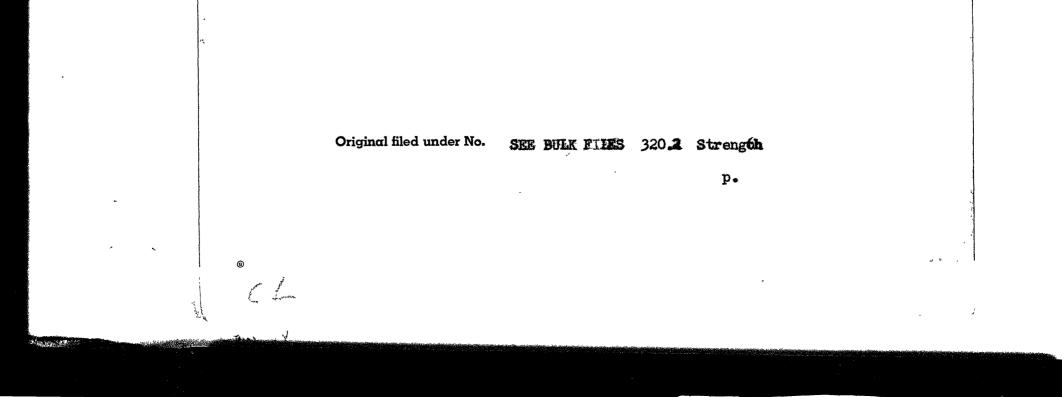
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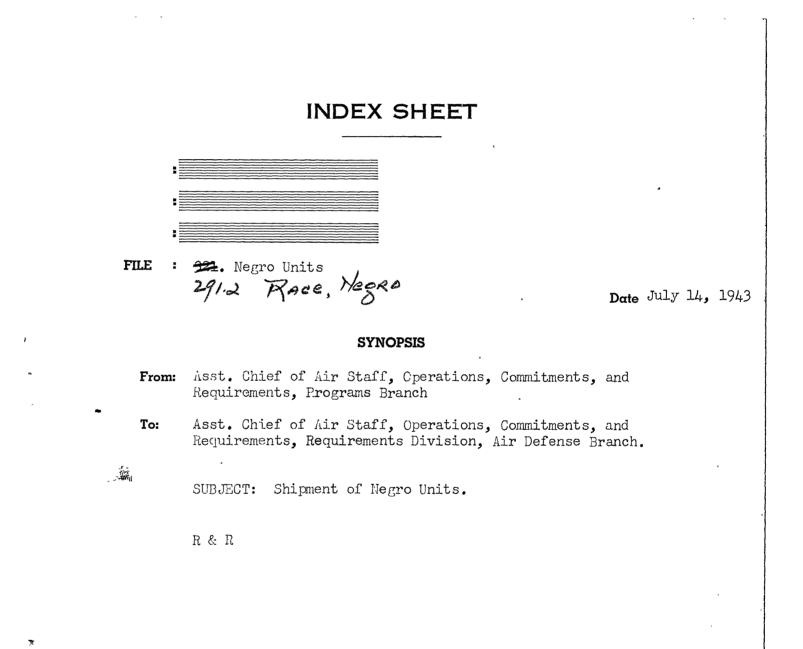


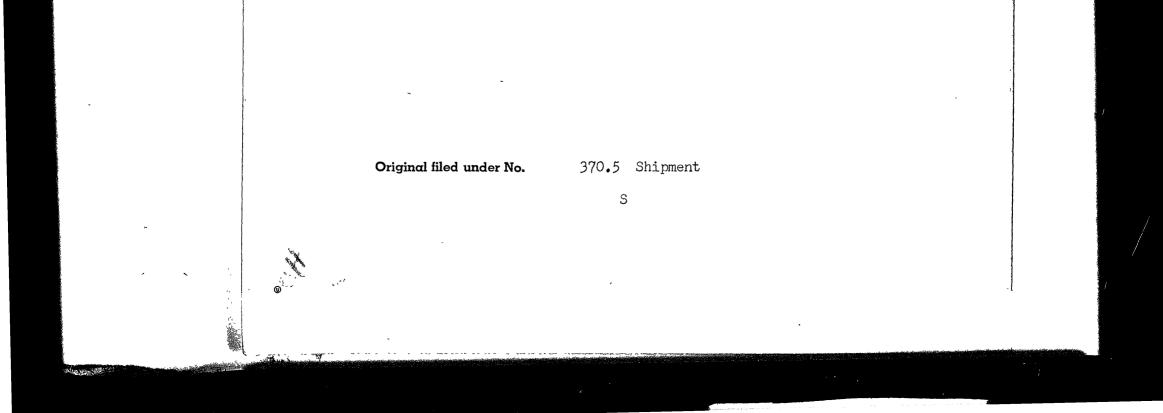












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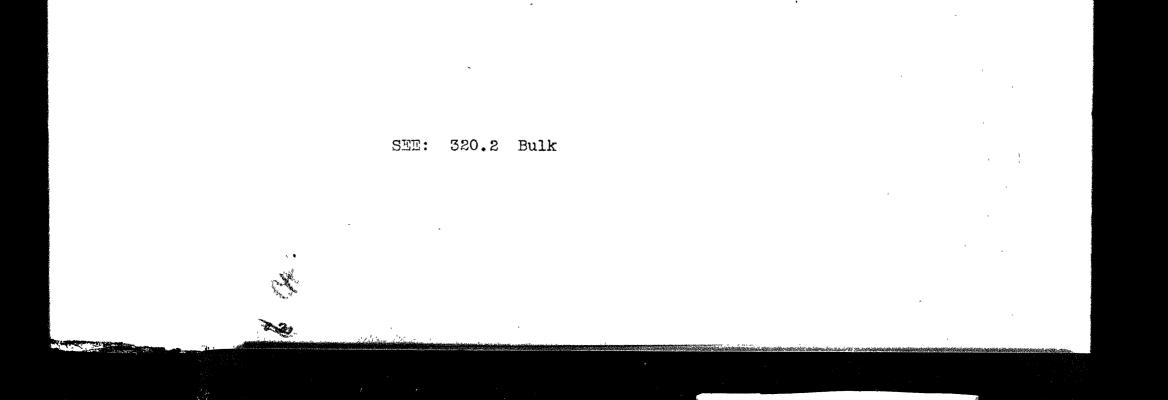
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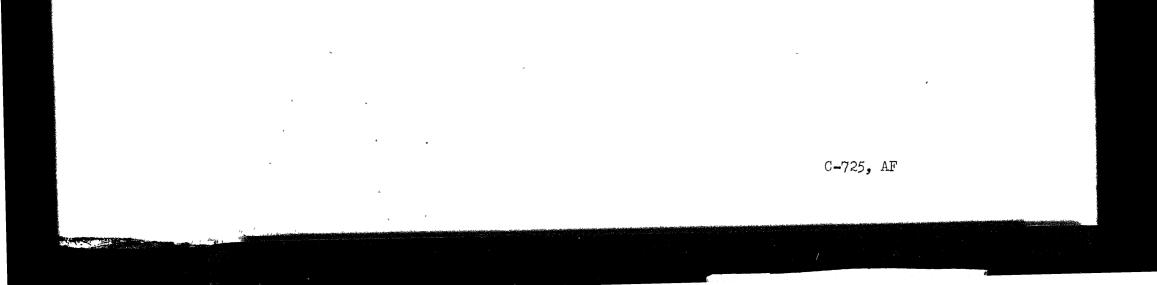
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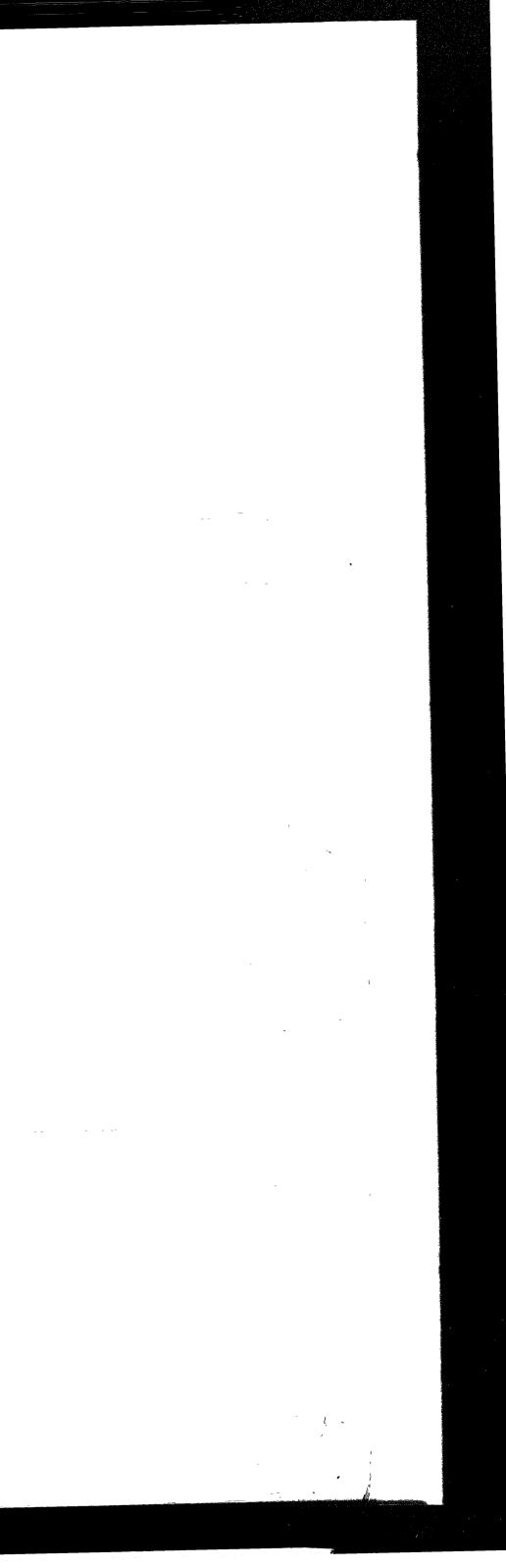
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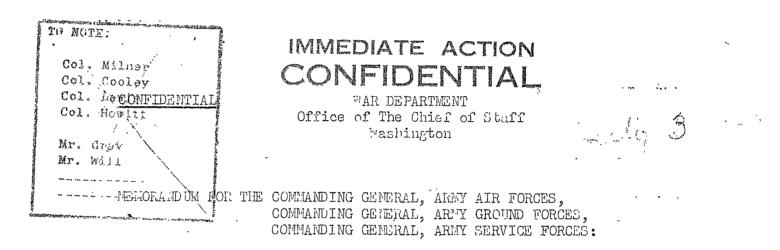
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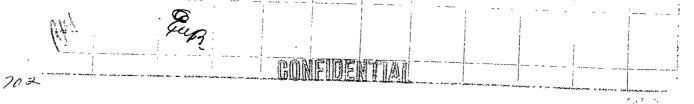
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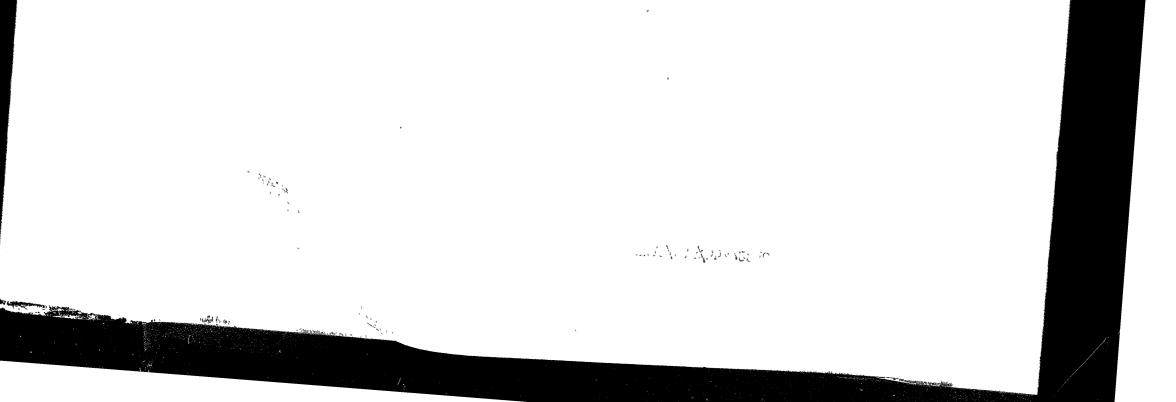


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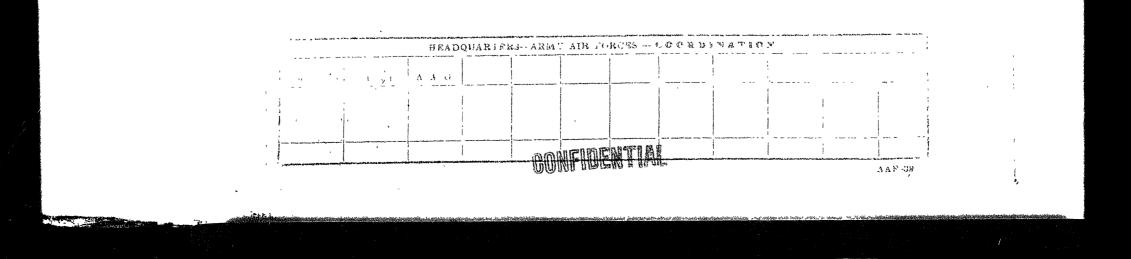
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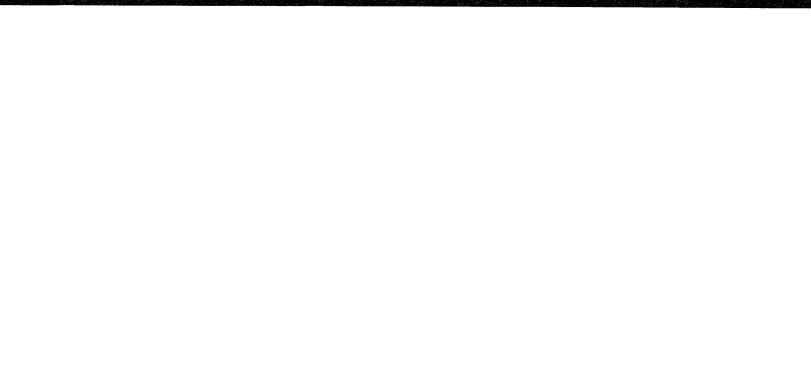


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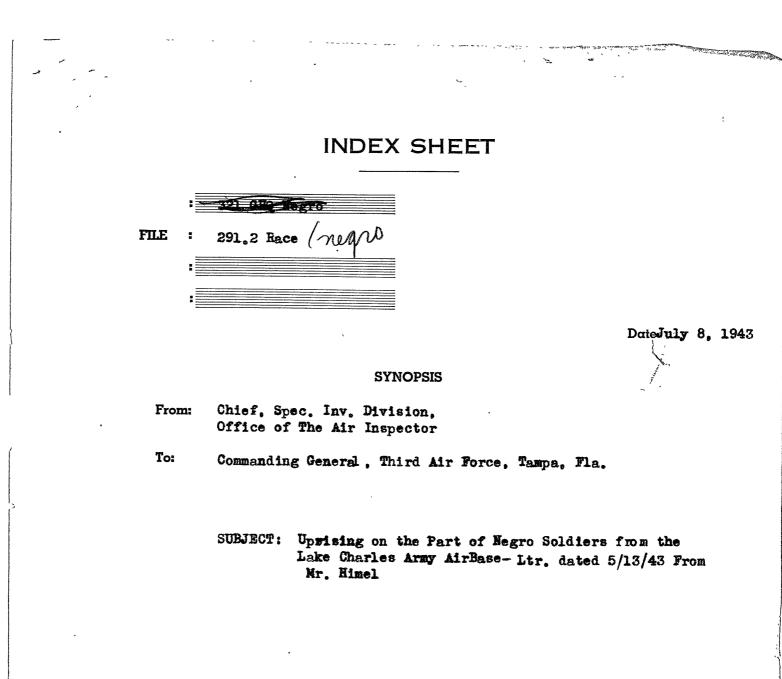




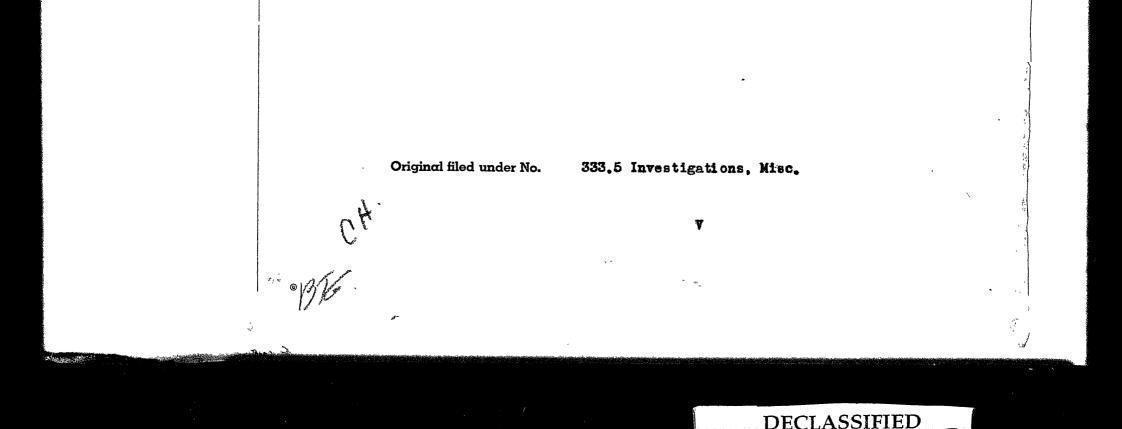


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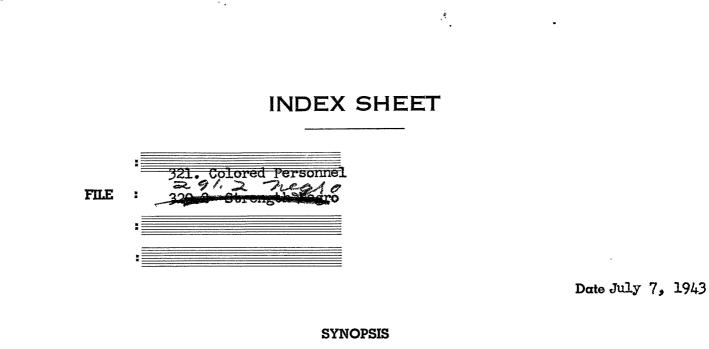
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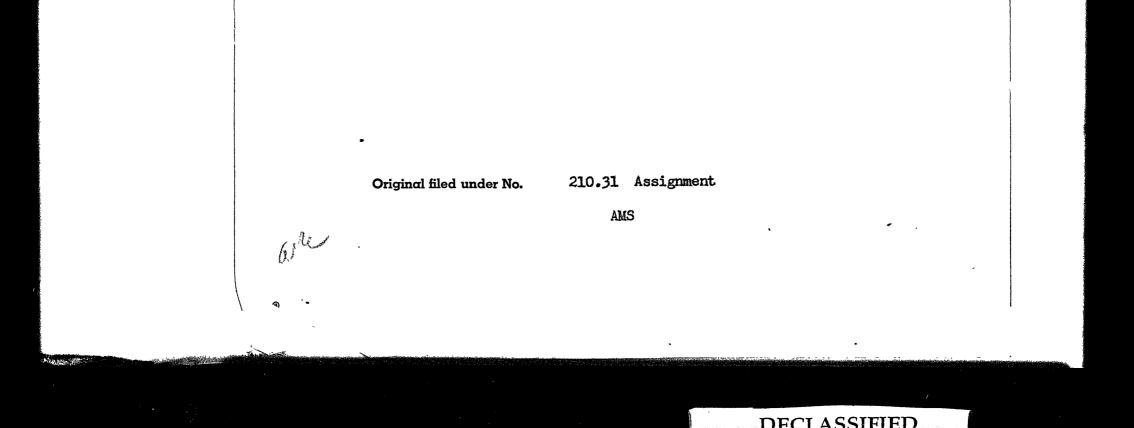


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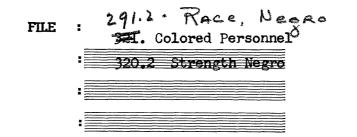


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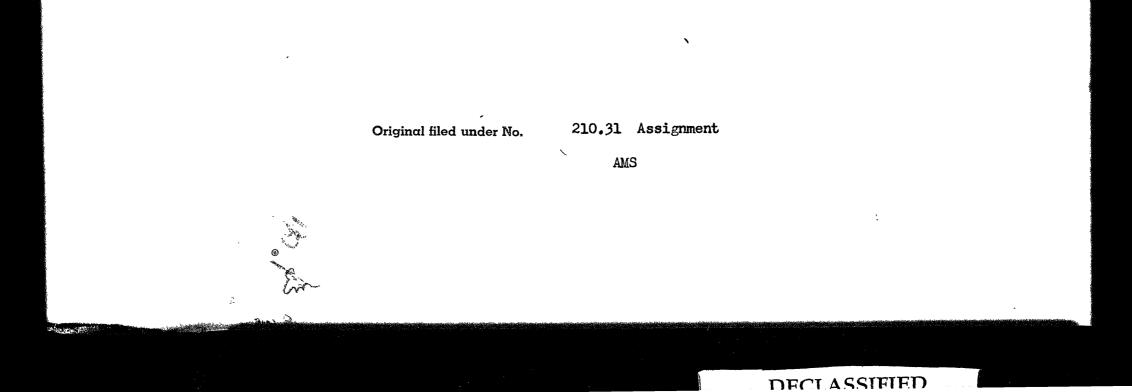
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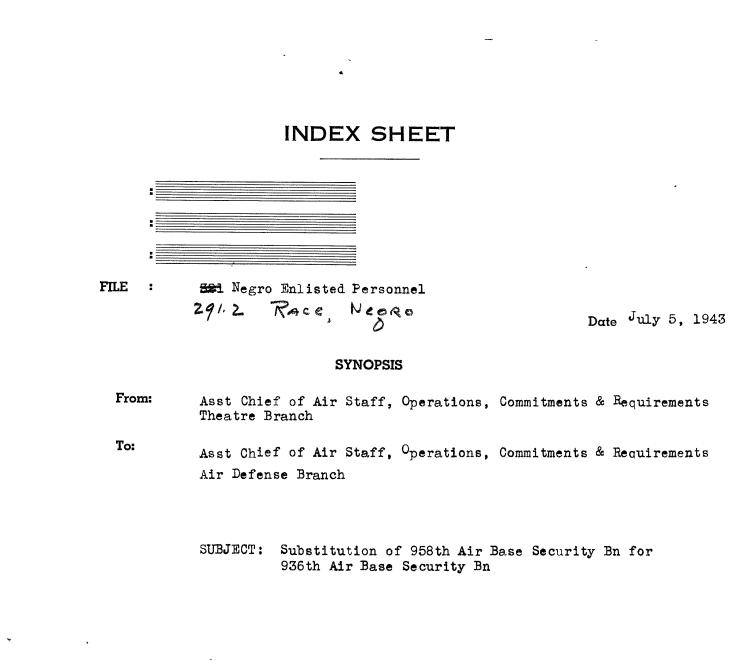
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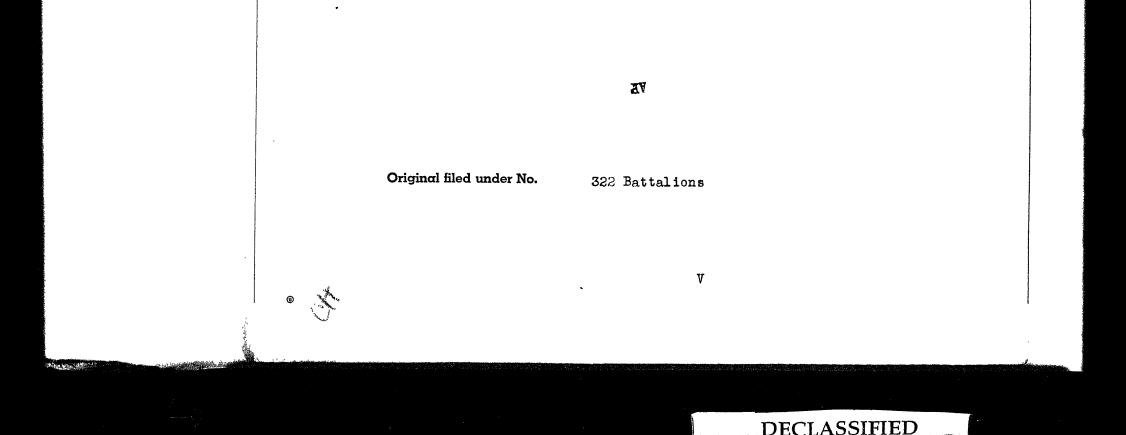
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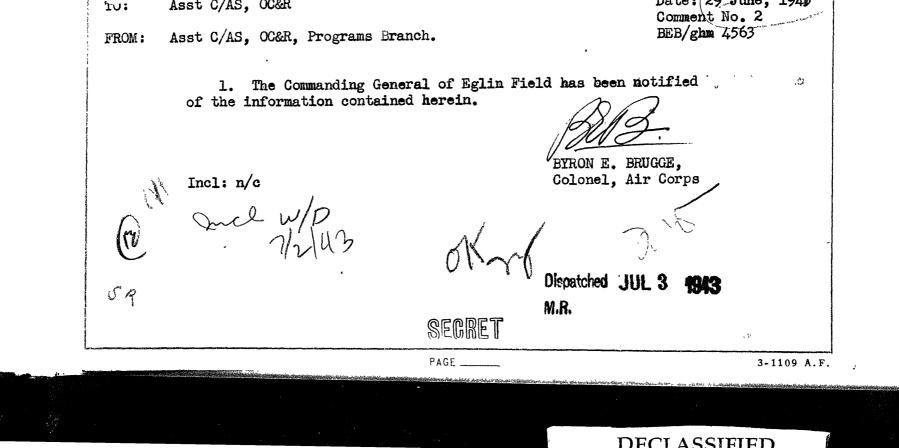
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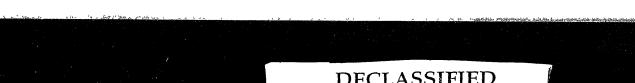
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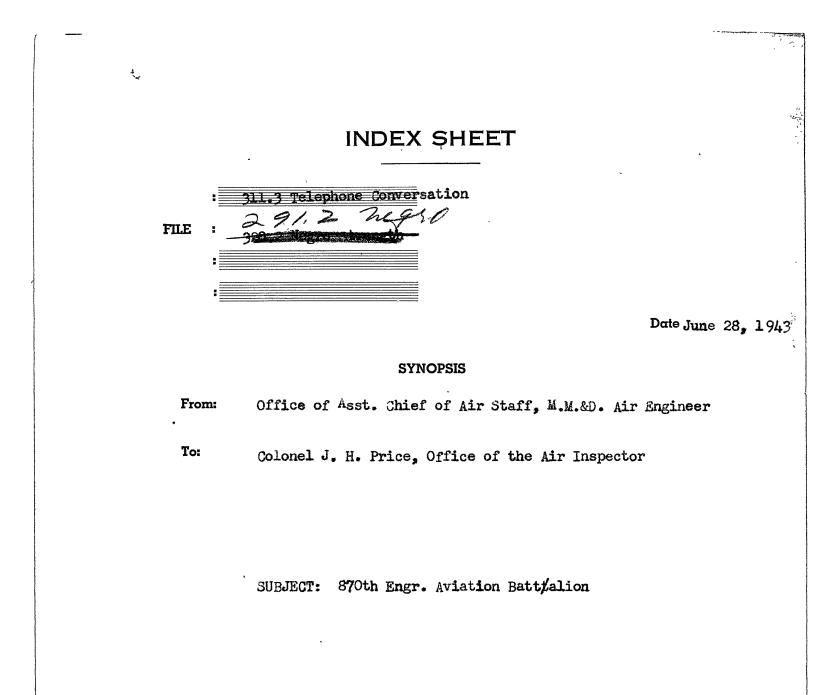
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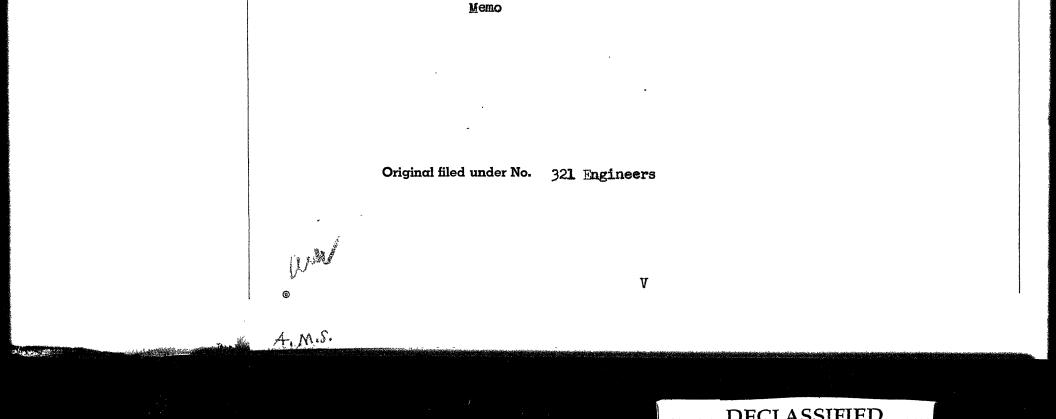
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From: Asst. Chief of Air Staff Personnel

To: Commanding General, Third Air Force, Tampa, Florida.

SUBJECT: Assignment of Colored Engineer Personnel.

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES, OFFICE OF THE AIR OLDNANCE OFFICER, WASH-INGTON 25, D. C.

TO: Chief Ordnance Officer, Headquarters Eighth Air Force.

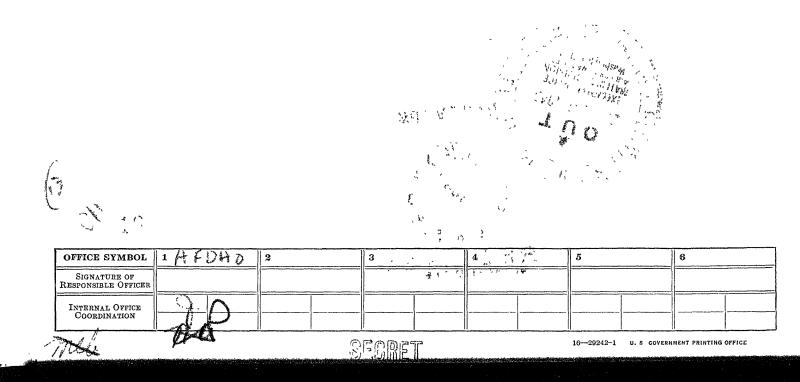
1. The following listed colored Ordnance units have been committed to your theater:

1902 Ordnance Ammunition Company, Aviation. 1912 Ordnance Ammunition Company, Aviation. 1951 Ordnance Depot Company, Aviation. 1962 Ordnance Depot Company, Aviation.

2. The Mar Department, Operations Division has advised this office informally, that these units cannot be deleted from this commitment list. Approximately 10% of the total Air Force is made up of colored personnel and this personnel is being assigned to the overseas stations in accordance with classified letter, AG 291.21 (3-31-42) MB-A, dated May 13, 1942, subject: "Assignment of Colored Troops to Theaters of Operation and Overseas Stations", copy of which is inclosed.

For the Air Ordnance Officer:

l Incl. - Ltr. AG 219.21 (3-31-43) dtd 5-13-43. H. V. JONES Major, Ord. Dept., Assistant.

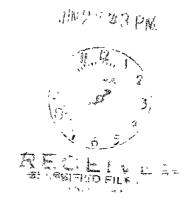


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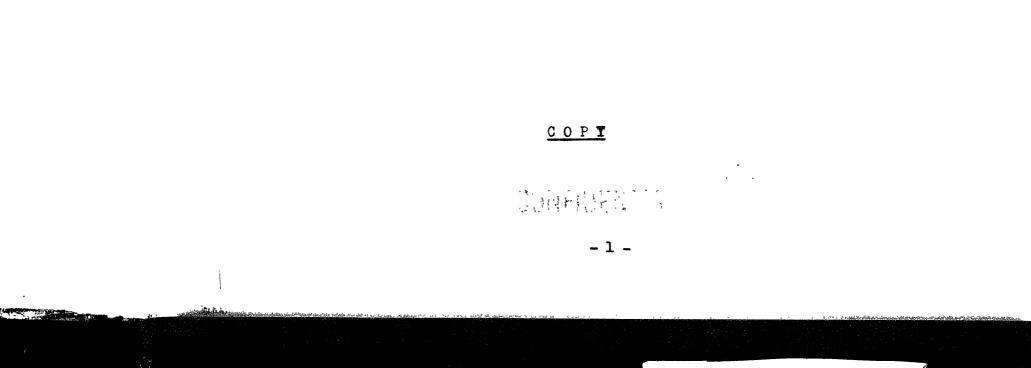
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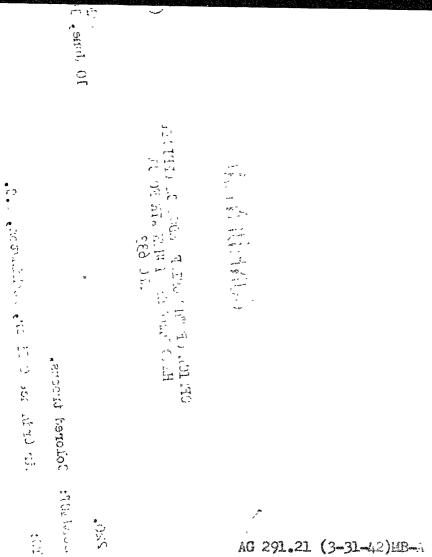
TO: Air Ordnance Officer, Washington, D.C.

Many problems pertaining to colored troops have been encountered in this theater which makes it very desirable that no additional colored troops arrive here. It is noted that colored Ammunition Companies and perhaps colored Depot Companies are being sent to this theater. These Companies cannot be used as efficiently as white Companies. It is requested that every effort be made to have only white Ordnance Companies sent to this Air Force.

> P. SCHWARTZ, Colonel, Ord.Dept., Chief Ordnance Officer.



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1. In the formation of tech forces and the distate of additional waits to theaters of Cherstion, or stations outside the confinental United : tates, the following policy will govern:

a. Colored proops will not be employed in extreme northern stations where conditions preclude a desirable dispersion of personnel.

b. Colored troops will not be utilized in a country against the will of that country&s Government, when the United states Government is the petitioner with respect to the stationing of troops in the country concerned.

c. In all other cases, except as noted in d below, the dispatch of colored troops will be accomplished without prior request or agreement on the part of the theater or other commander who is to receive the troops. Euch commanders will, however, be informed of orders concerning the movement of colored troops to their cosmand, and whether units so ordered are commanded by white or colored officers.

d. There will be no positive restrictions on the use of colored troops in the British Isles, but shipment of colored units to the British Isles will be limited, initially, to those in the cervice category.

e. The Commanding General, Army Sir Forces will insure that colored troops are ordered overseas in a proportion not less than the percentage of such troops in his command.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ Louis Lippman Adjutant General.

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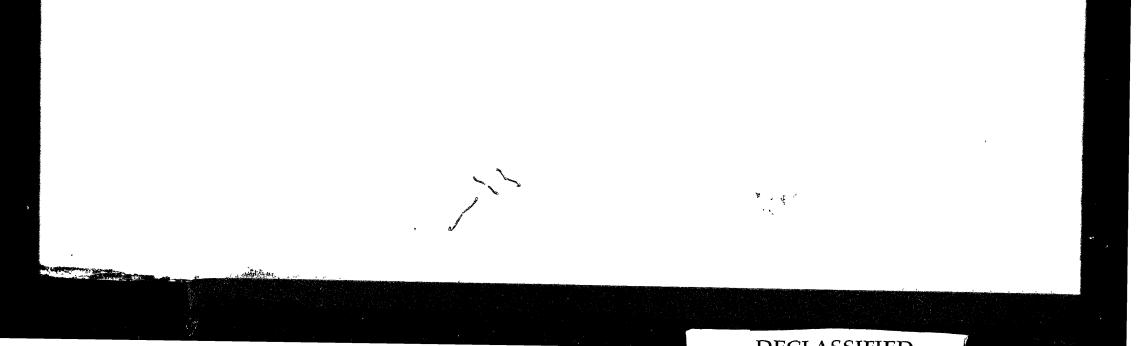
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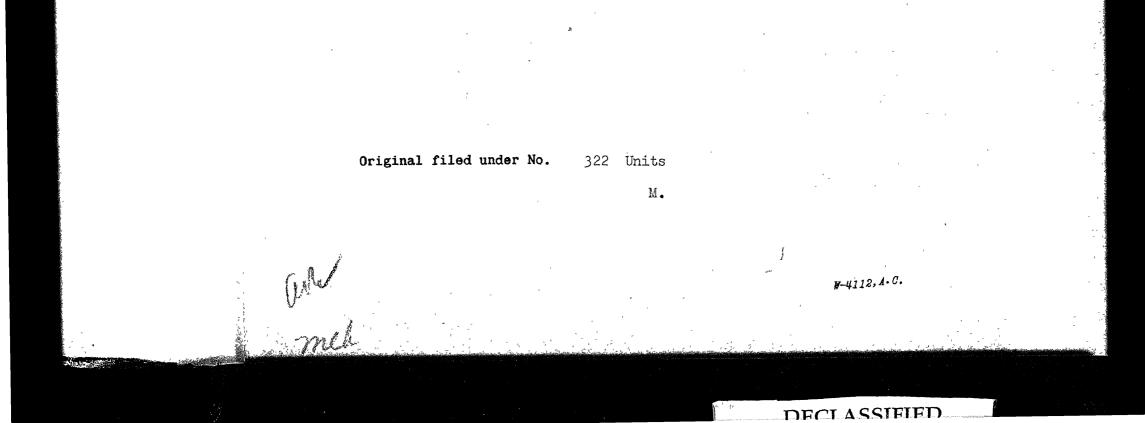
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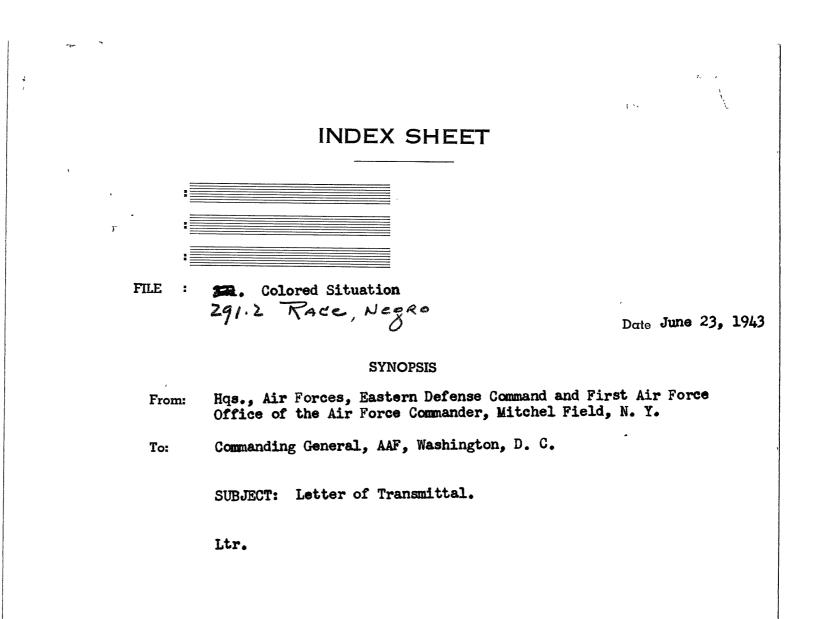
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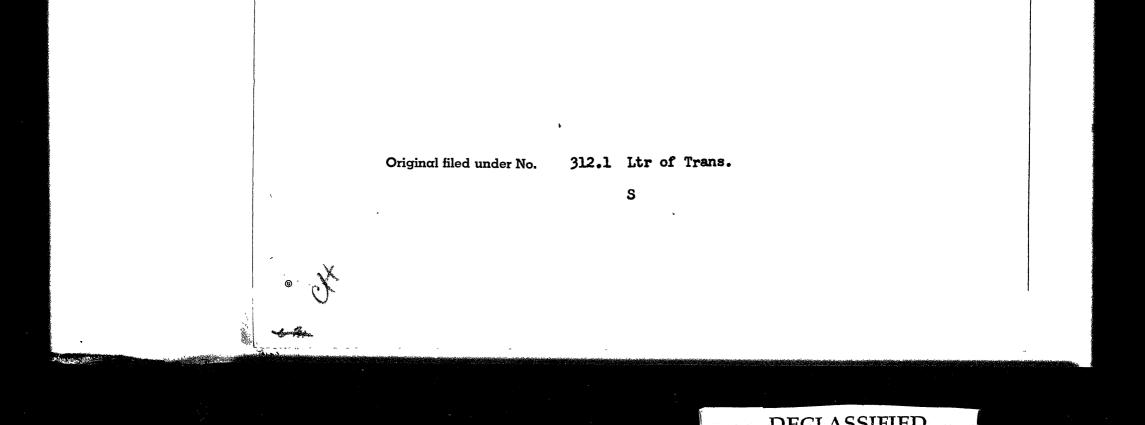
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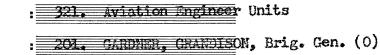
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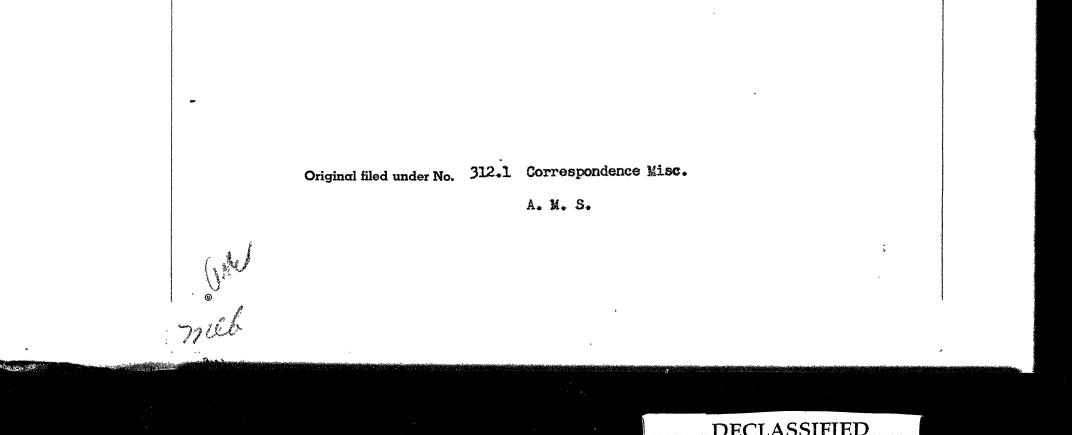
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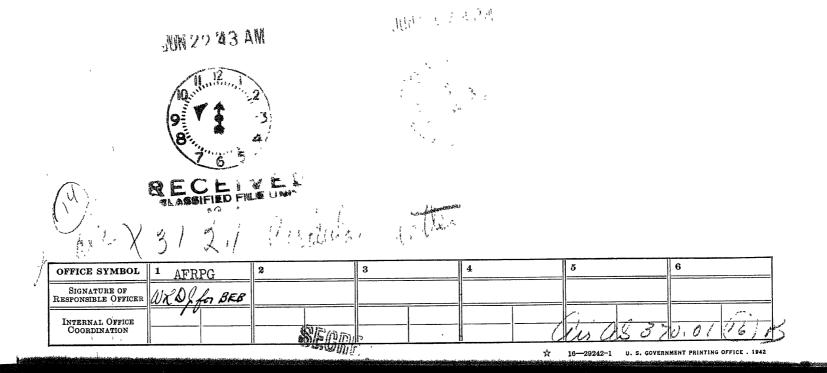
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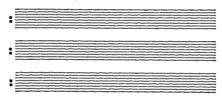
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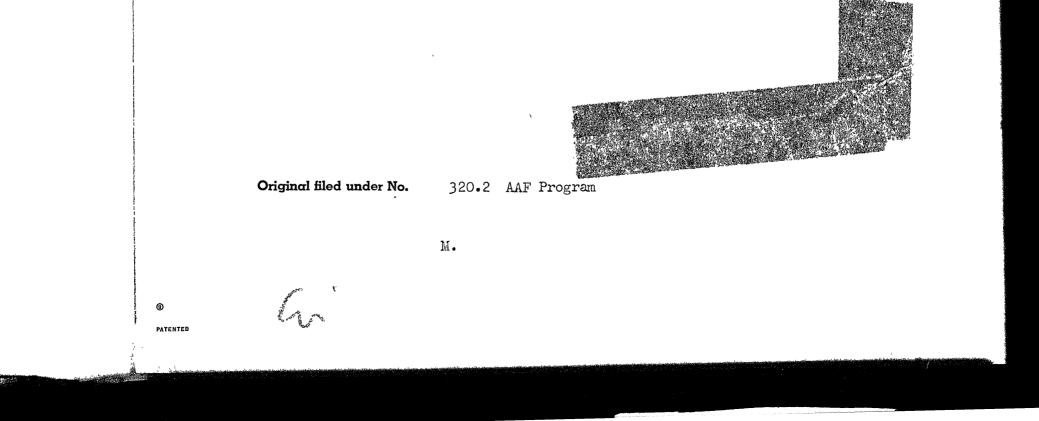
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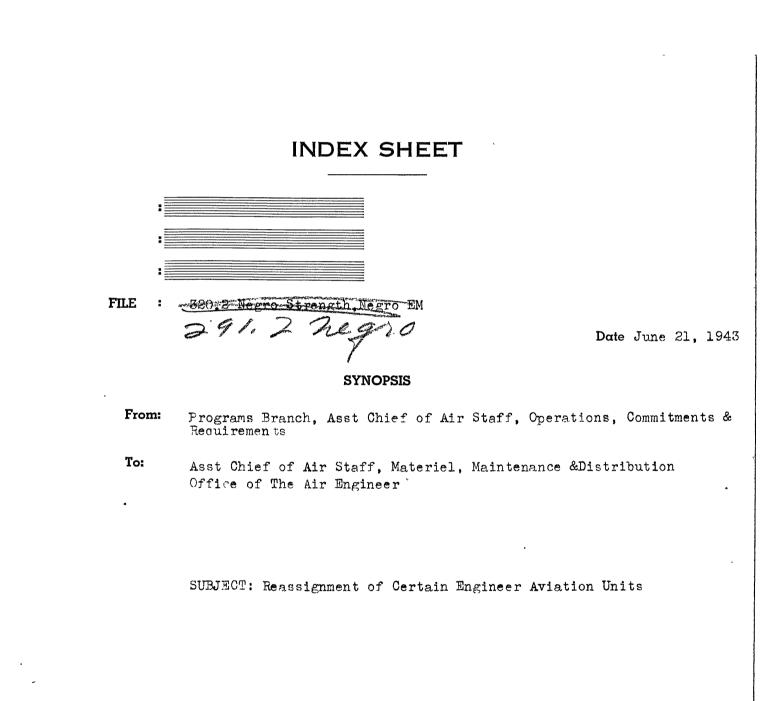
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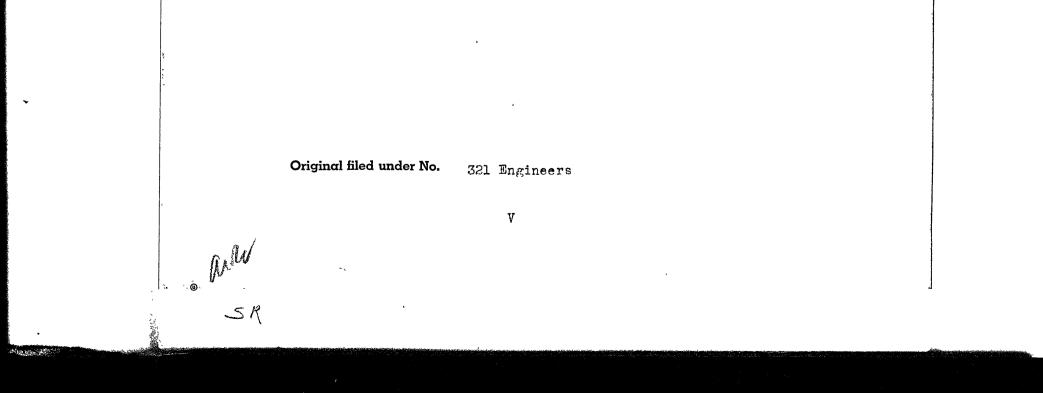
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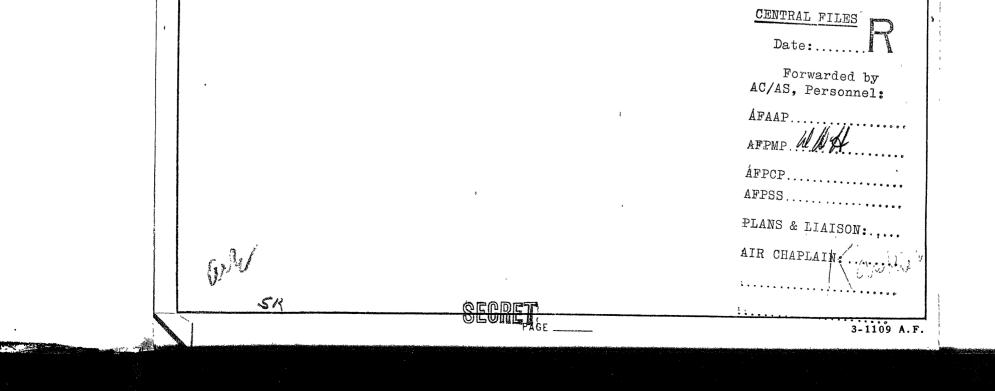


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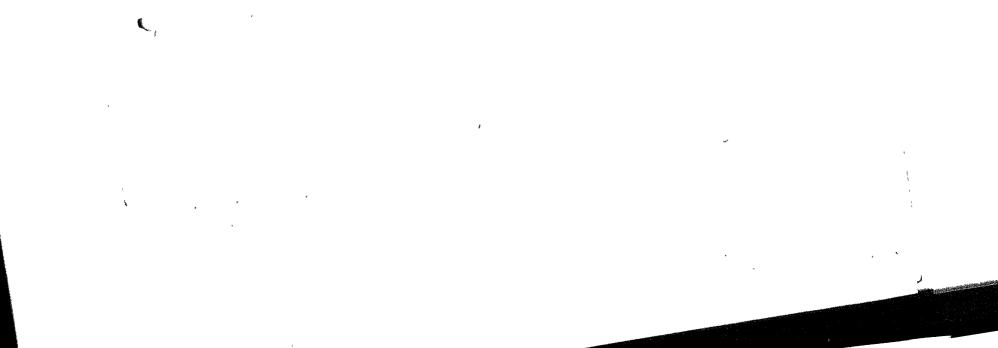
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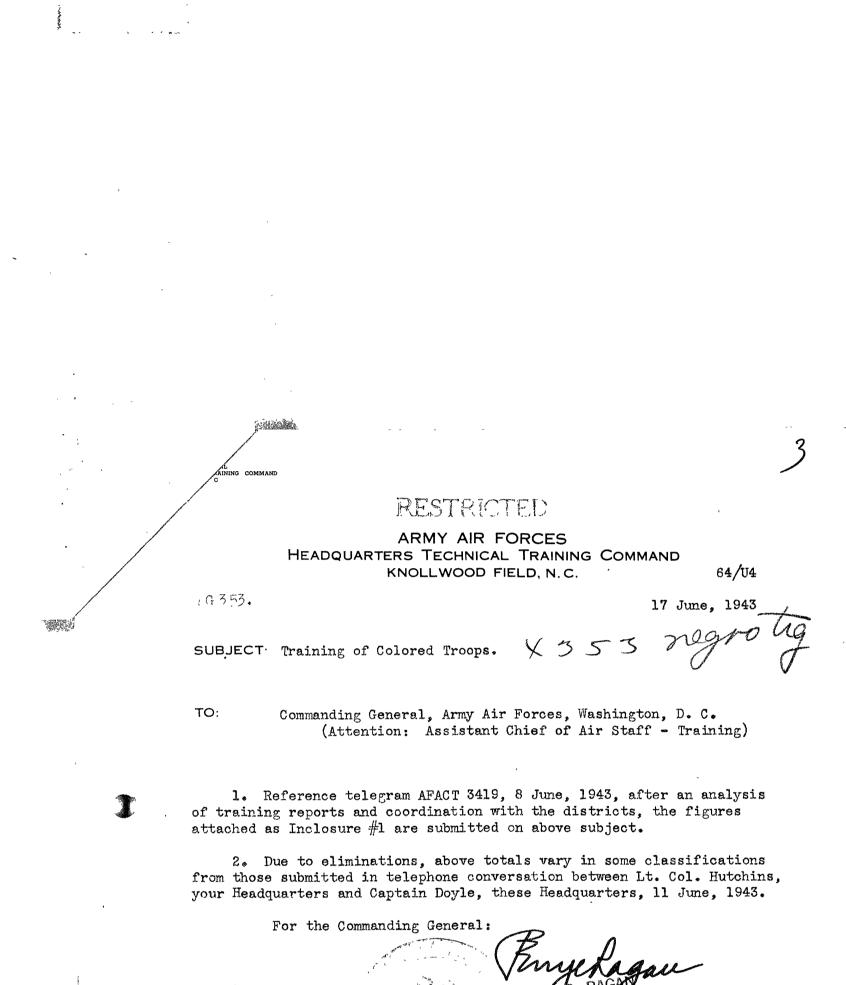
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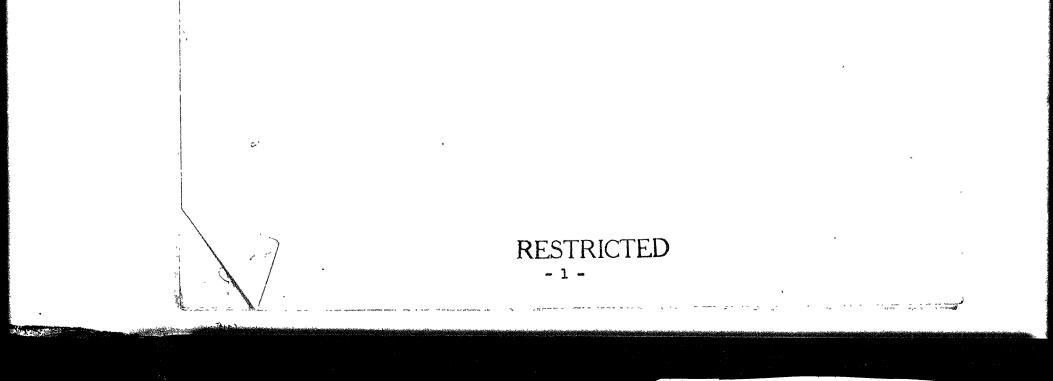


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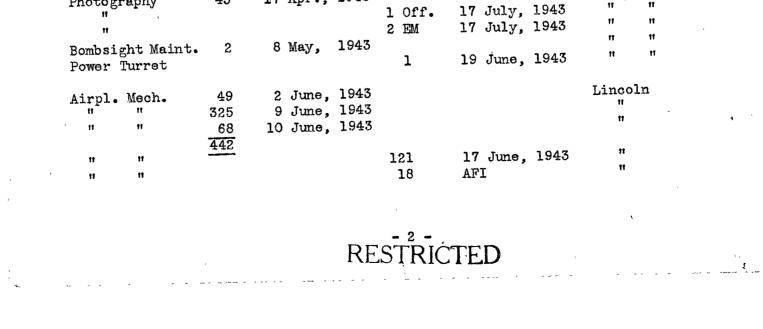
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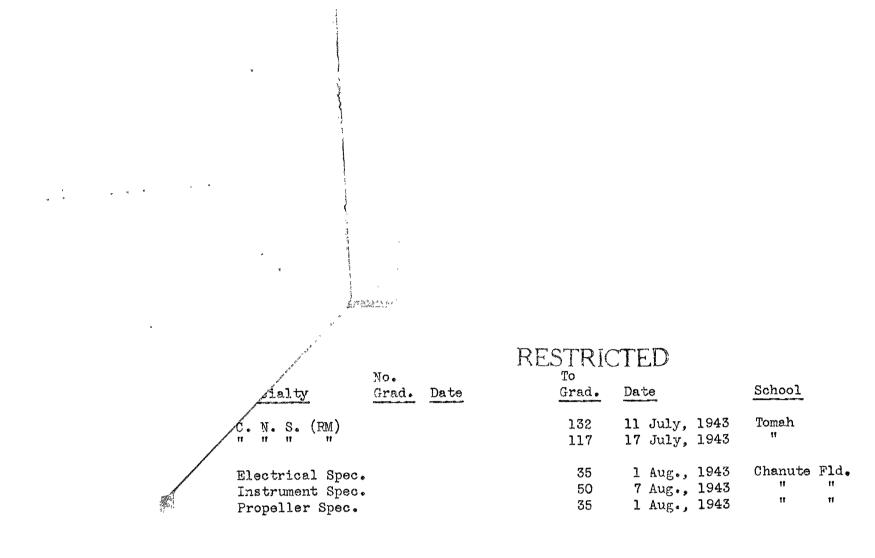
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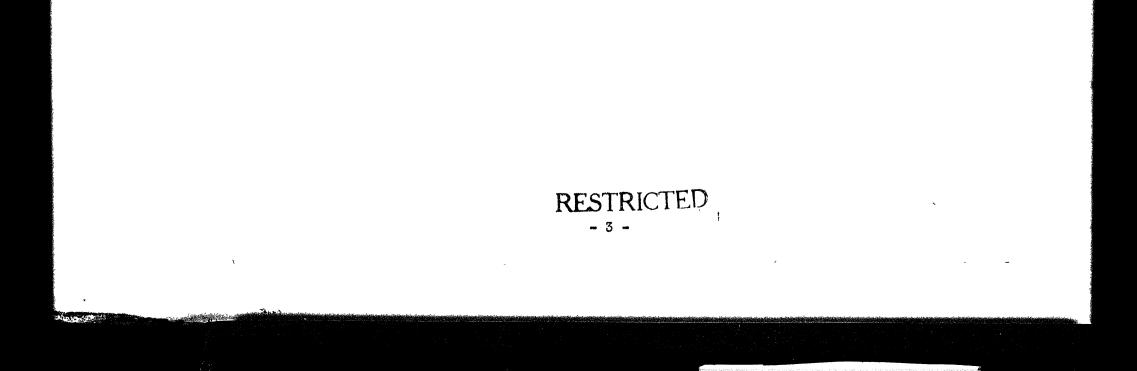


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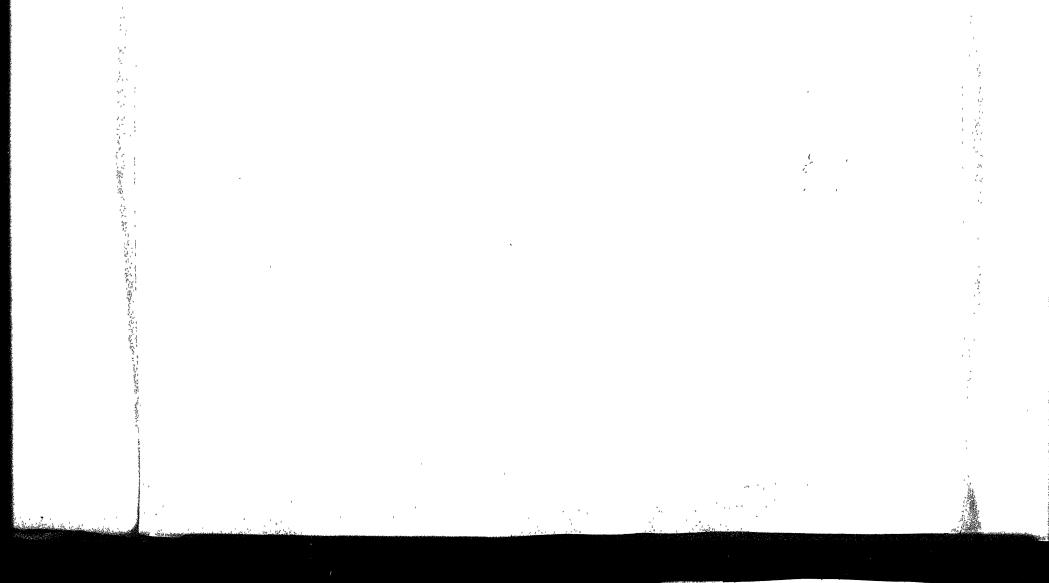


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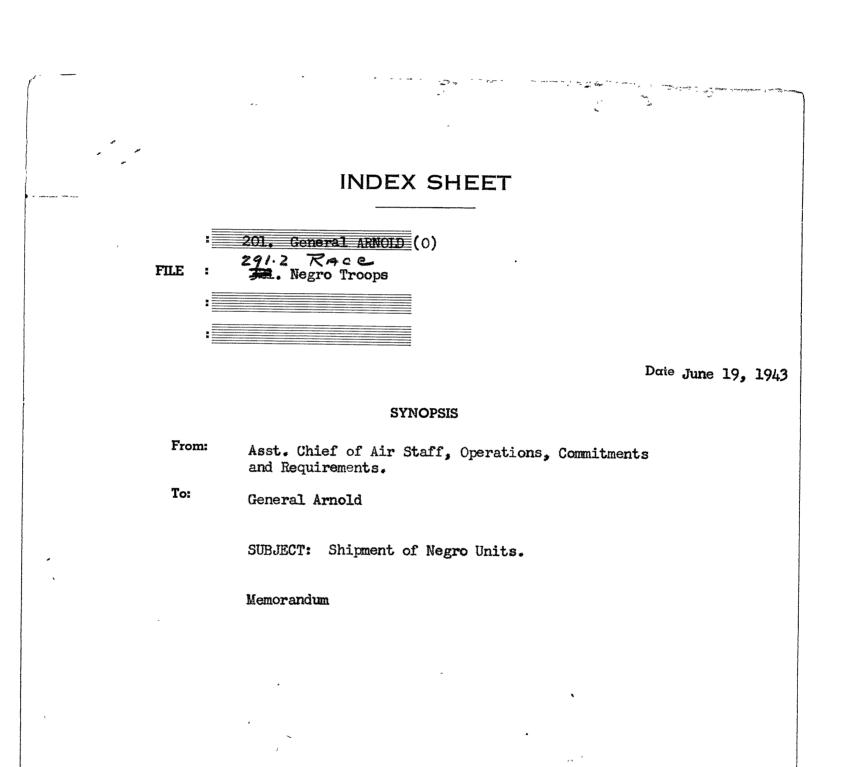


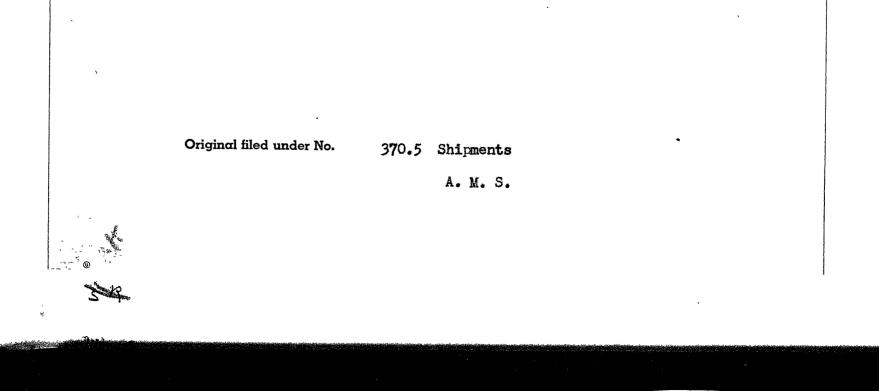
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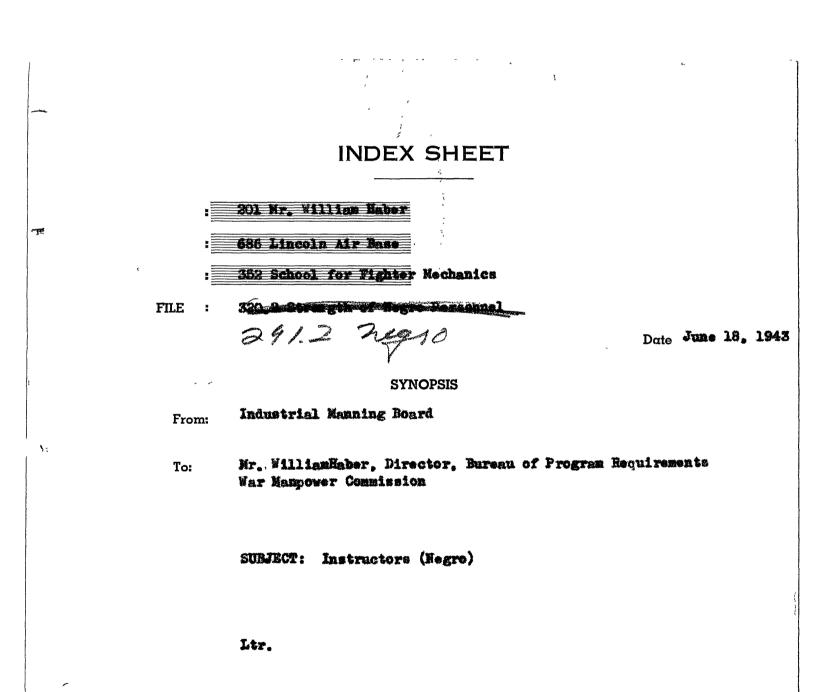
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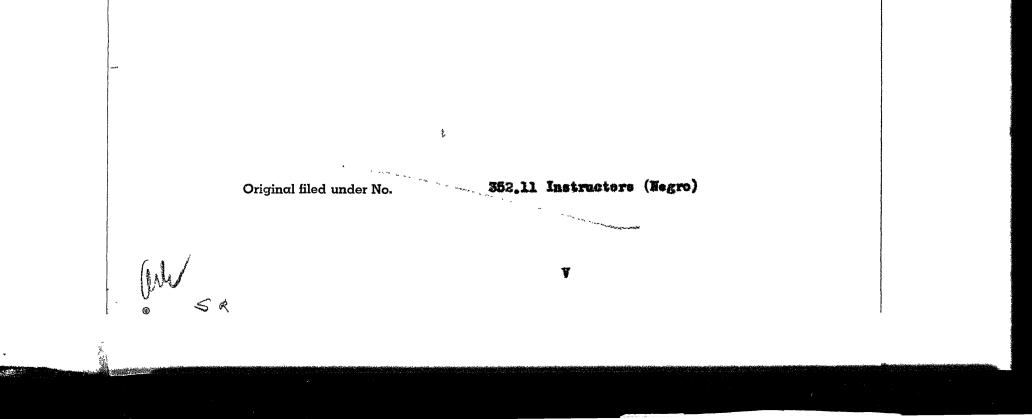
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FROM: Asst C/AS, OCR (Air Defense Branch)	COMMENT NO. 1 Lt. Col.Kaiser/mc/72503
1. A telephone call from Major Post, Headq duty at Headquarters, Third Air Force) to Lt. Co- manding General, Third Air Force has not received Department in a secret memorandum for the Comman Commanding General, Army Service Forces, file OP May 1943, subject "AMS Troops for Asiatic Theater dated 31 May 1943 to the Assistant Chief of Air A Division from the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, ments, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch	lonel Kaiser reveals that the Com- d orders as directed by the War ding General, Army Air Forces and D 370.5 CTO (26 May 43) dated 26 r," and requested in a secret R&R Staff, Personnel, Military Personnel Operations, Commitments and Require-
2. It is requested that action be expedited referred to in paragraph 1 above directs shipmen	
3. It is requested that the Assistant Chies and Requirements, Requirements Division, Air Defe taken on R&R mentioned in paragraph 1/1/1/23743P	f of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments ense Branch be advised of the action
10 11 12 miles	WILLIAM F. AcRAE Ce. Colonel, Air Corps
TO: AC/AS, OCR (Air Defense Branch)	Date June 18, 1943
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1. Orders issued from this Meadquarters, June 2, 1943, directing that the Commanding General, 3rd Air Force assign the personnel referred to in paragraph 1, Comment 1, to Shipment Number pending movement overseas by air transportation and telephone coordination with Office of the A-1, 3rd Air Force, this date, has confirmed that the orders of this Headquarters were received and complised with. 2. Priority for air transportation has been established, movement orders have issued and co-ordination with Foreign Air Priorities and Traffic Division, Air Transport Command has determined that movement to destination is expected to begin between June 28th and July 1, 1943. ) movement JUN 23 1943 Dispat M R WHAK 2 3-1109 A.F. 02-2-2-

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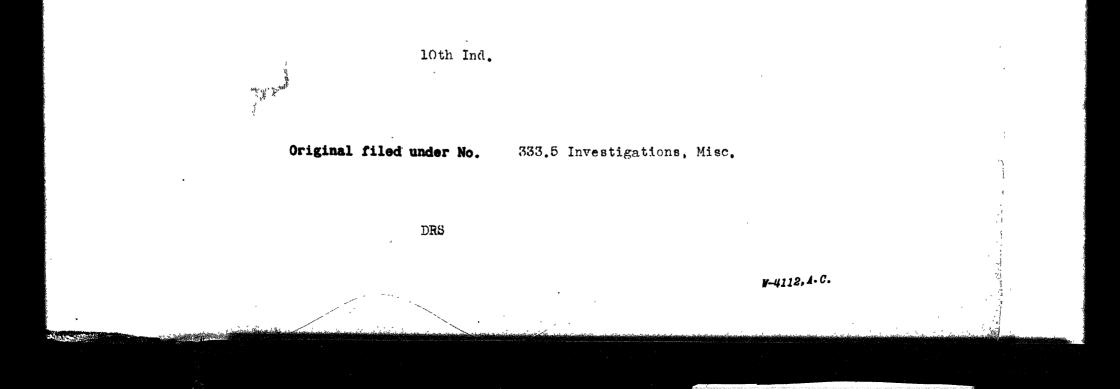
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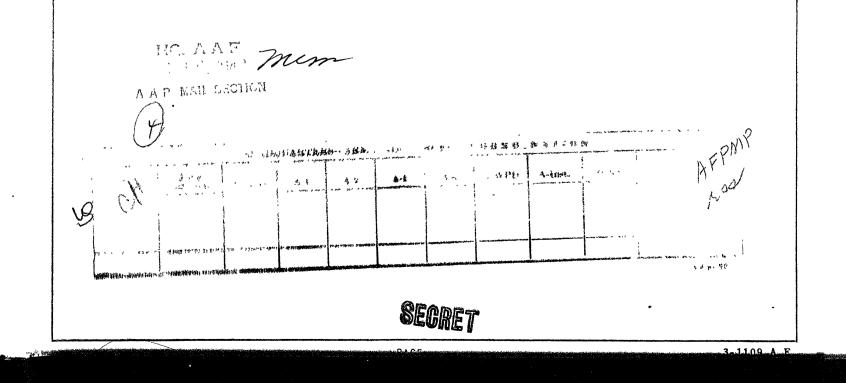
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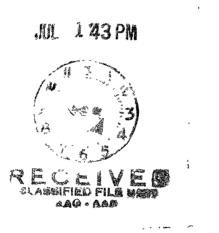
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Stockton Field, California.



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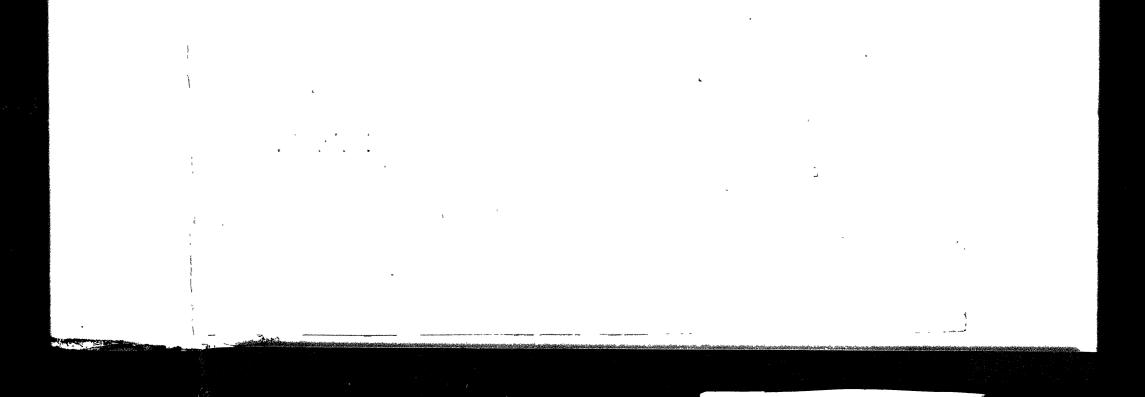


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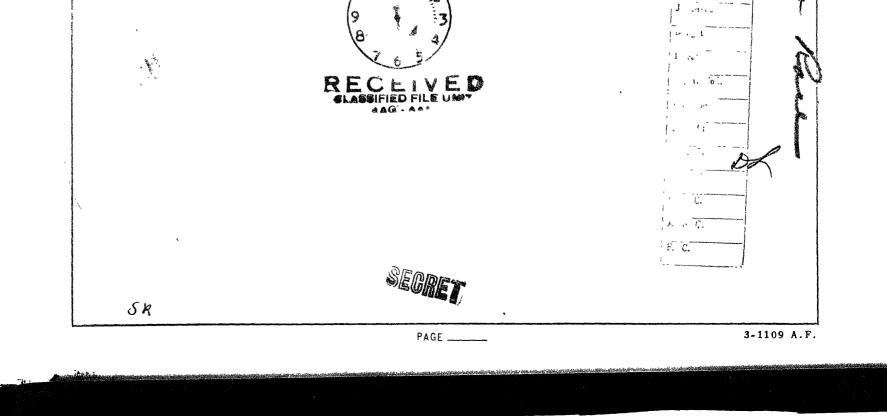
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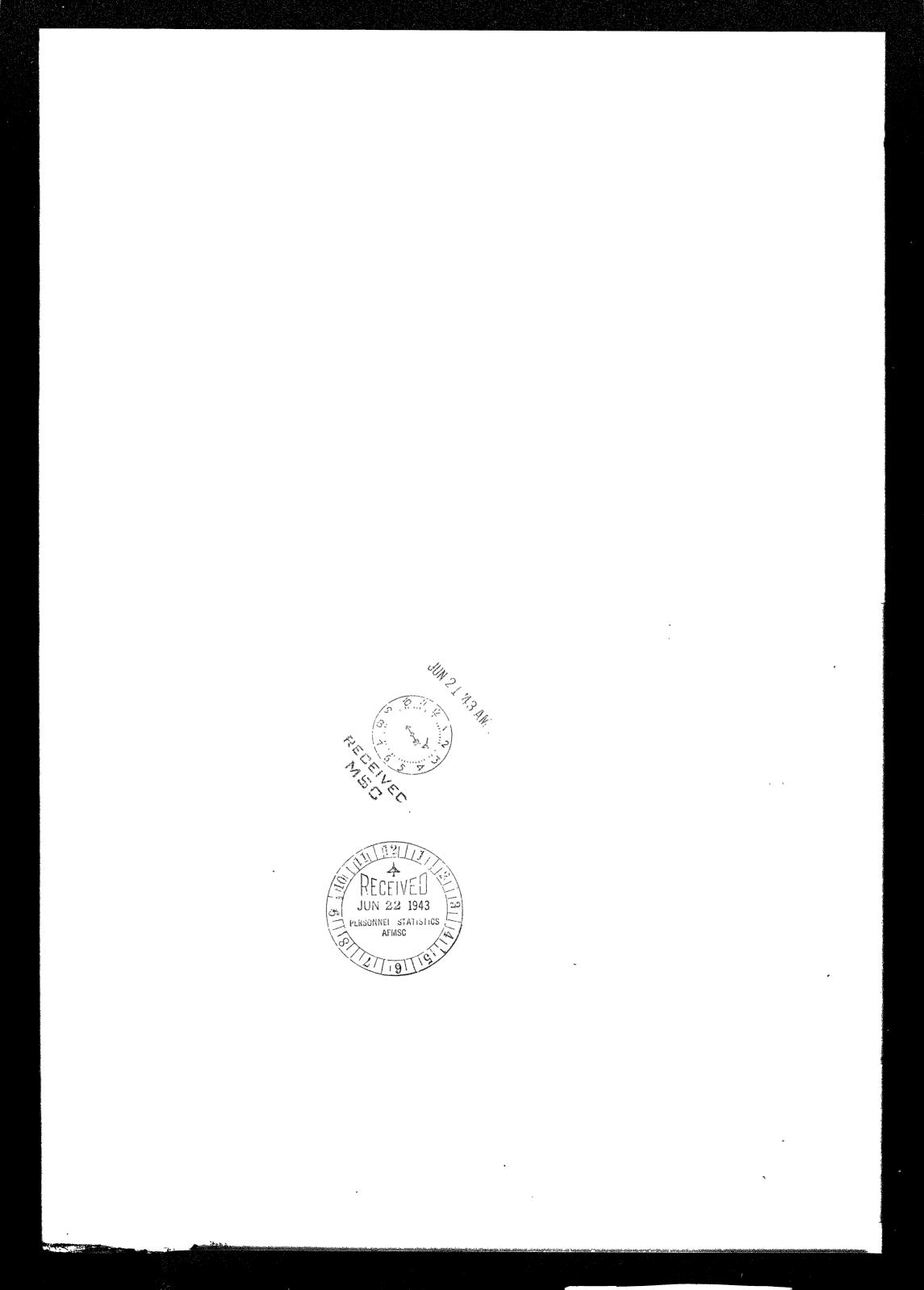


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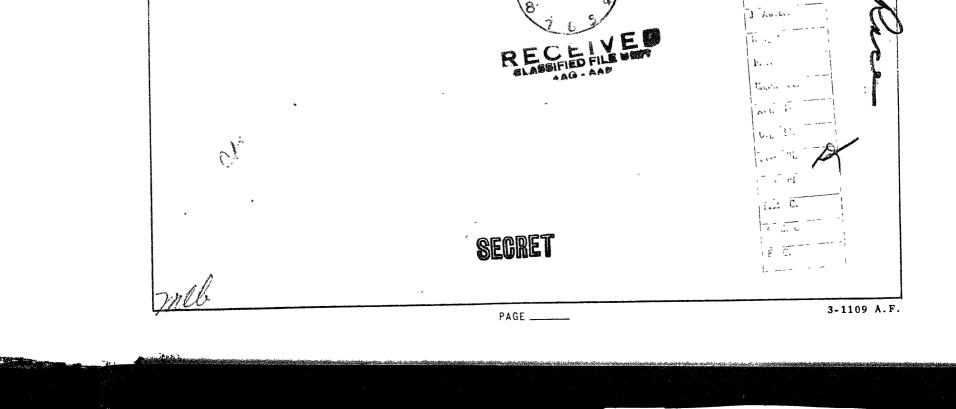
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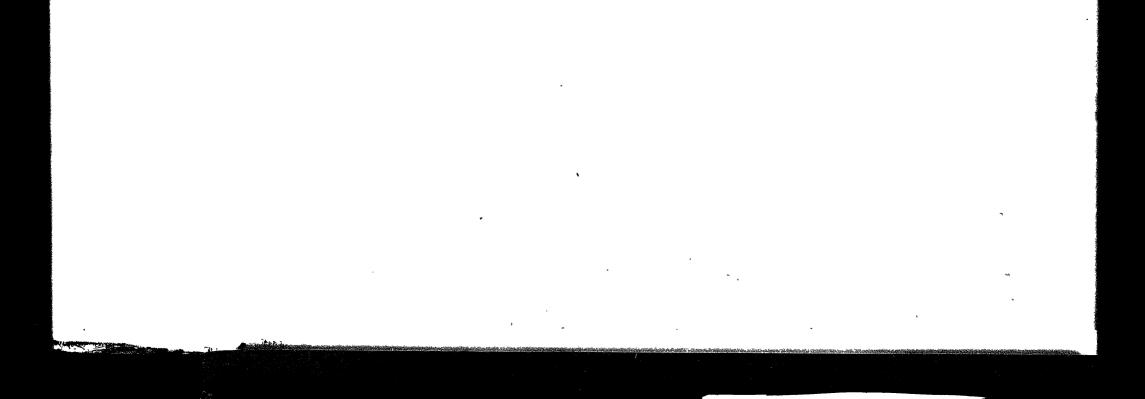
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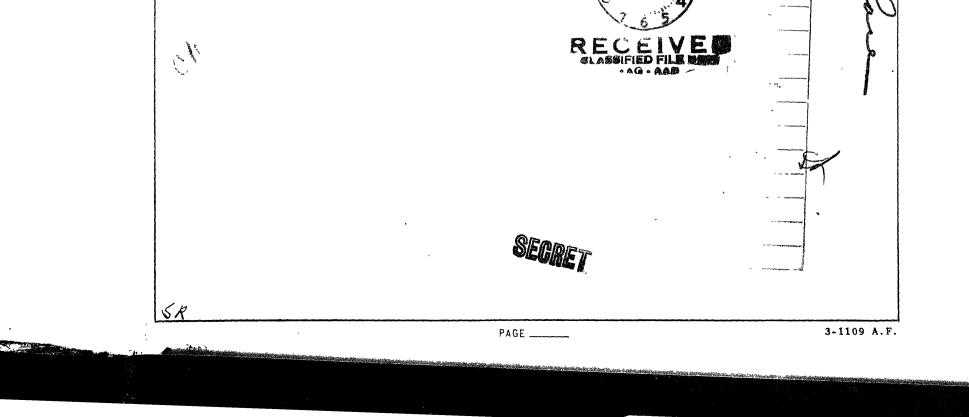


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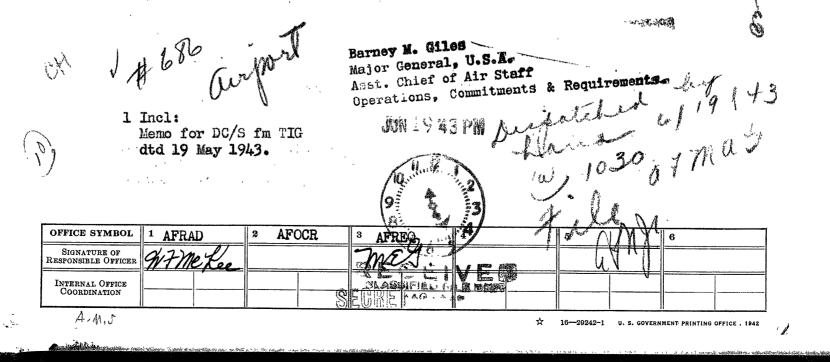
1. The following action has been taken to alleviate the situation at Grenier Field discussed in the attached memorandum:

a. The Commanding General, First Air Force, was informed by letter From this Hestiquarters 19 may 1943, that five fir face Security mathelions at Grenier Field were deferred and could properly be moved elsewhere in his area.

b. as of 16 June 1943, two of the subject battalions had been Loved from Grender Field, two were to be moved within a few lays, and one was to remain. The Commanding Lengral, First Air Force, states that the facilities at Grenier Field are sufficient to handle one Negro Air Ease Decurity Battalion.

2. Attention is invited to the fact that this perticular instance is only a forerunner of what we may expect as colored units continue to pile up in the continental United States. In this connection, the whole subject of Air Base Security Pattalions was submitted by this Headquarters to your office by memorandum dated 20 May 1943, cubject: " ir Base Security Battalions." A decision on the questions raised in this memorandum would Facilitate the handling of the Air mase Security Battalion problem.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:



WAR DEPARTMENT Office of the Inspector General Washington

May 19, 1943.

MEMORANDUM for the Deputy Chief of Staff.

Subject: Facilities for Negro Troops, Grenier Field, New Hampshire.

1. During the course of a special inspection of units stationed at Grenier Field, New Hampshire, by Major Lawrence K. Blanchard, I.C.D., of this office, the question of recreational facilities for negro troops thereat was brought to his attention. His report is as follows:

a. The base was originally built to accommodate 2,200 but 5,000 troops were here at the date of this inspection; at least 2,700 of these are negroes. Hence, housing and recreational facilities are inadequate. The Camp Exchange Service is seriously overcrowded. There are four small branch camp exchanges, but these are insufficient. The Post Theater has a capacity of 300. The Base Commander has found it necessary to have performances in the afternoons to offer an opportunity to all those desiring to see the shows. There is no adequate service club on the base for either white or colored troops, nor is there a gymnasium or field house.

b. As a result of the crowded conditions, no attempt has been made to provide separate recreational facilities for white and negro troops.

c. As unfortunate as is the situation with regard to white troops, it is aggravated for negro units by reason of the lack of outside activities. In the city of Manchester, New Hampshire, and vicinity there are no colored sections. Before the base was constructed there were only two colored families in this territory. As a consequence, it is necessary to transport the negro troops in small details to Boston, over 60 miles away, for any social activities.

d. The Post Executive, Colonel Black, Air Corps, stated that several requests had been made for additional facilities but without results.

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2. On December 19, 1941, this office submitted a report covering a situation involving negro troops at Manchester, New Hampshire, and pertinent extracts therefrom showing the attitude of the civilian community are as follows:

"The attitude of the Chief of Police of Manchester was most cooperative and fair. The investigating officer considered his testimony as true and unbiased. The person who initiated the complaint in this case through the medium of a telegram to Senator Bridges of New Hampshire, Mr. Robert M. Blood, Managing Editor of the Manchester Union Leader, acted as a representative of the community. His attitude, although not spoken in a malicious manner, was that the community did not want colored troops present and were not going to have them present. The testimony of Mr. Blood, which was corroborated by statements of other influential citizens, was to the effect that their people are not accustomed to the presence of negroes and that the presence of this large detachment in town created a general spirit of confusion, fear in some instances, and a general uneasiness that, through some incident, racial trouble might occur at any moment."

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3. The majority of the negro personnel of the garrison consists of five air base security battalions, although there are approximately 300 others in the base detachments. These battalions were sent to Grenier Field in March preparatory to movement overseas, but it is understood that their departure has been indefinitely postponed. If this be the case, it is believed that they should be transferred to some post where facilities are available or adequate facilities should be provided at Grenier Field.

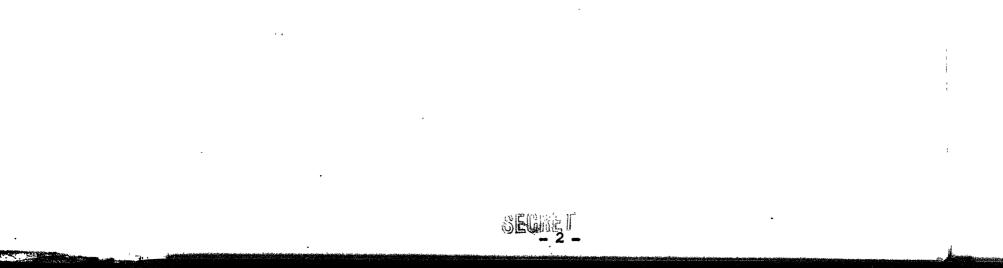
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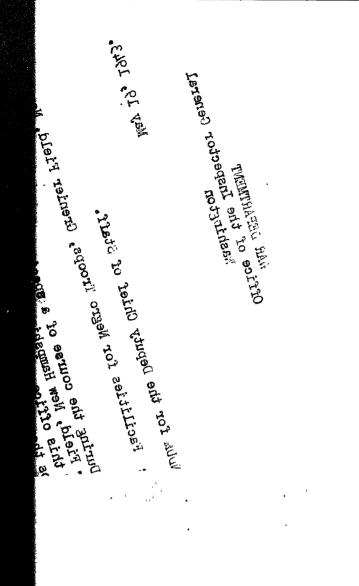
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Memorandum for the Deputy Chief of Staff reporting action taken with gard to inadequate facilities for negro troops at Grenier Field is attached signature.

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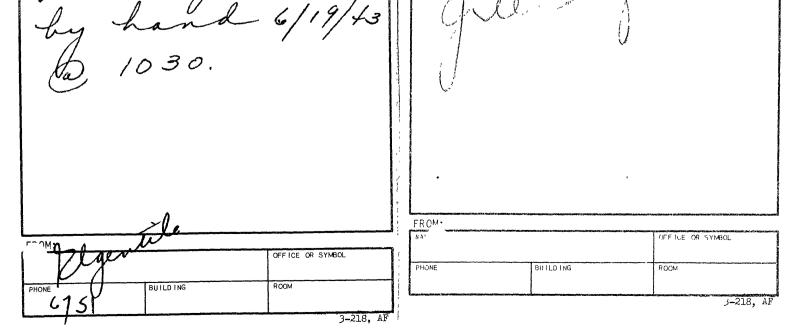
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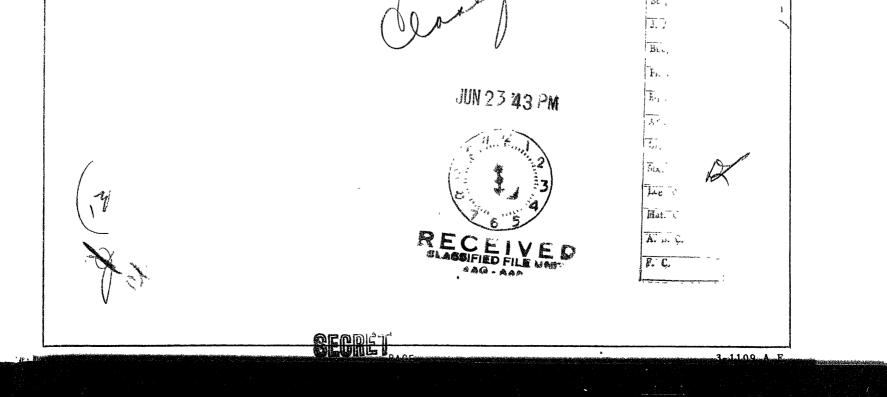
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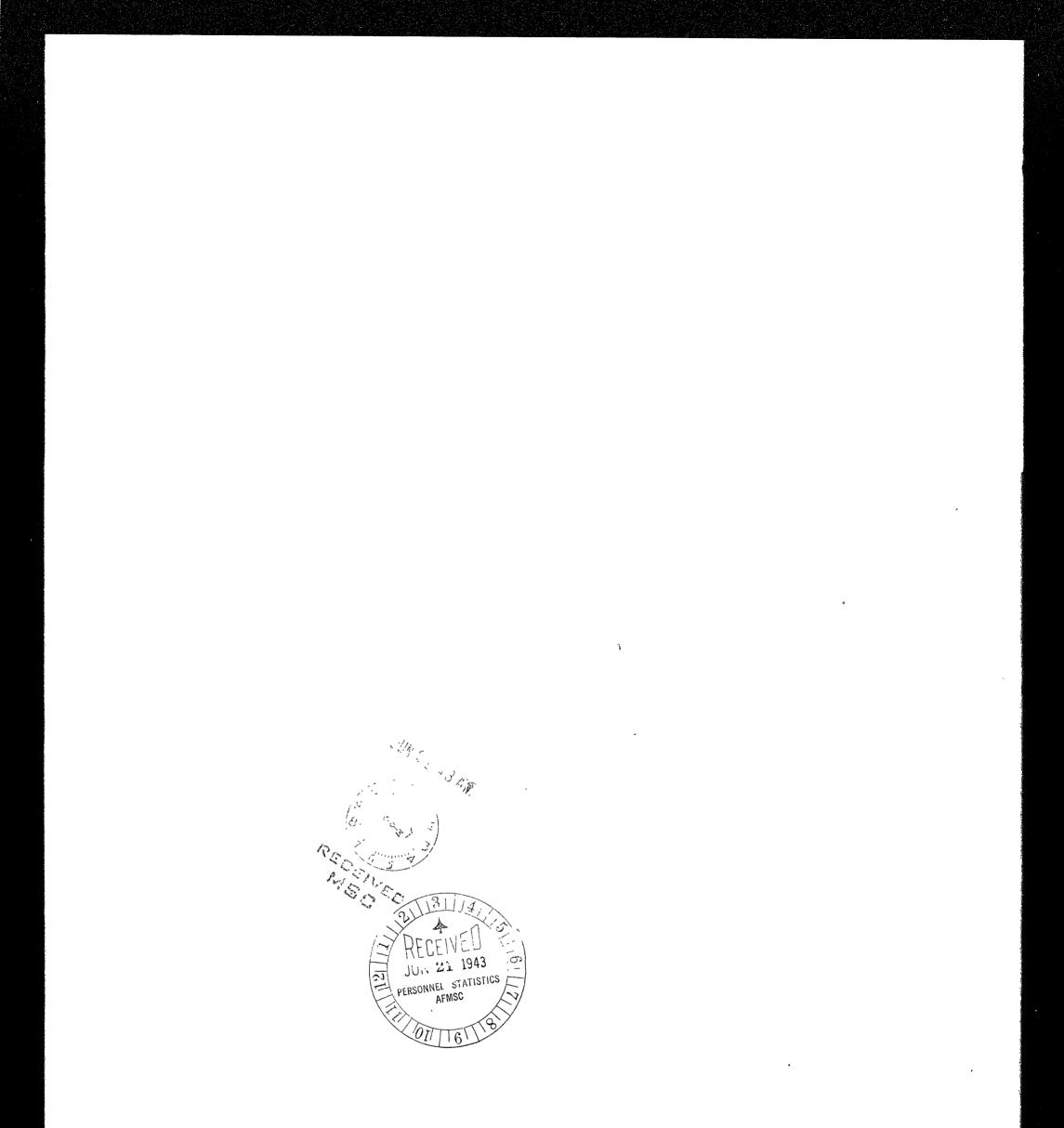
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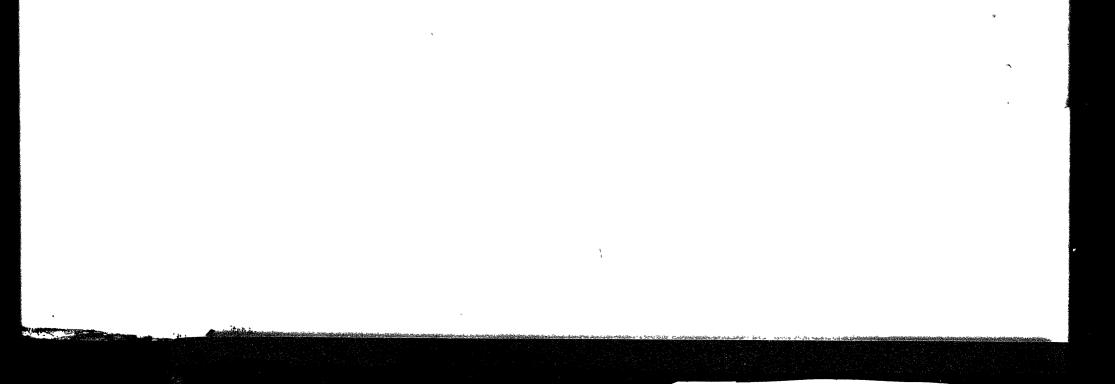


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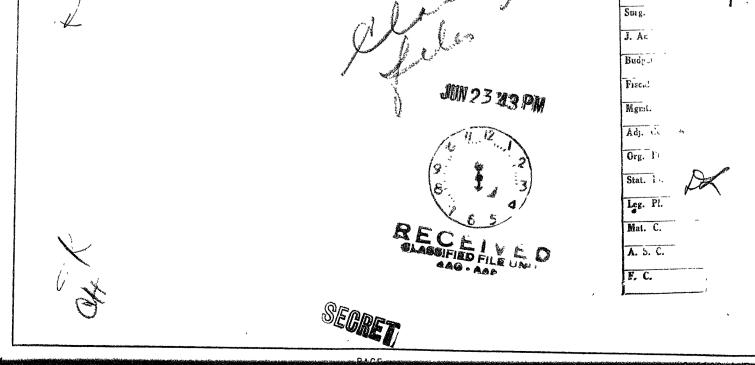
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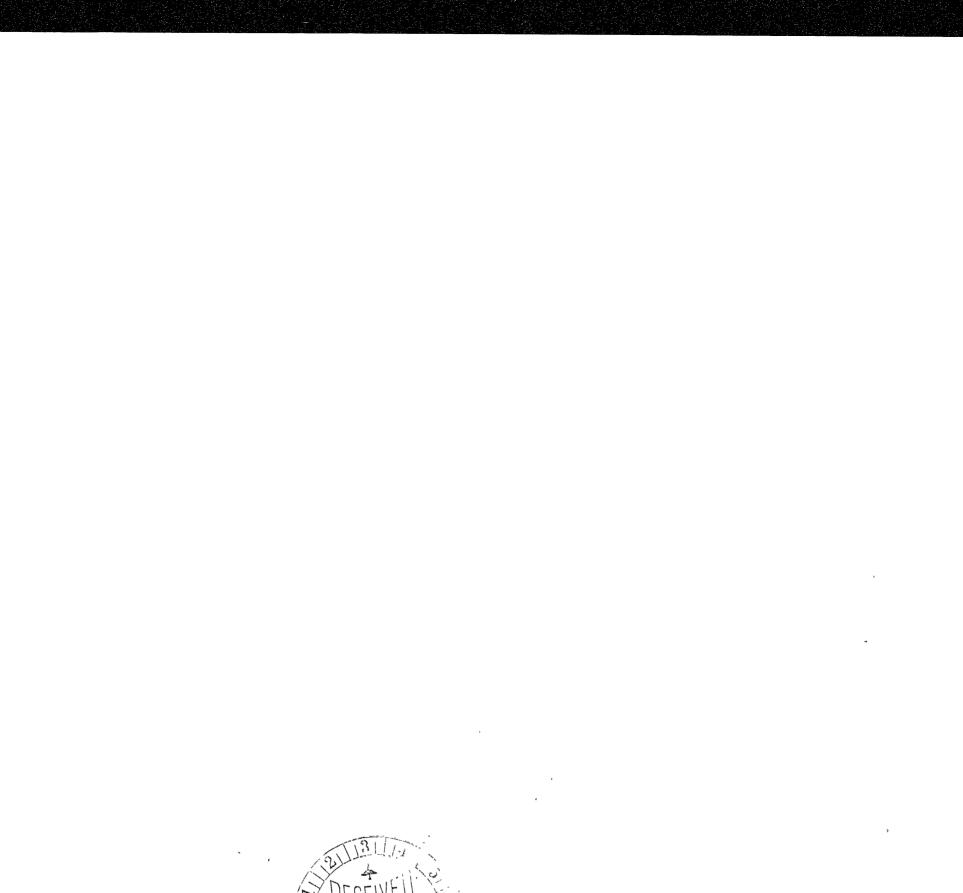






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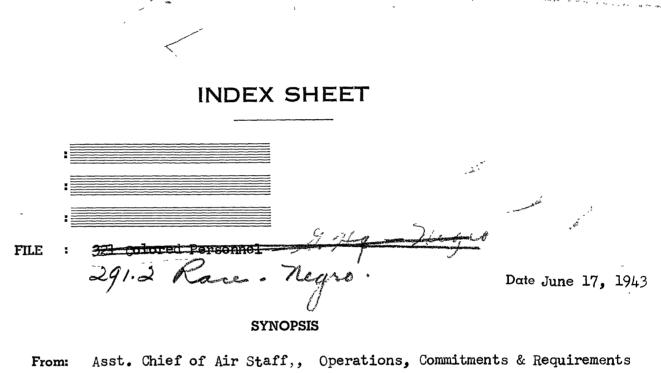
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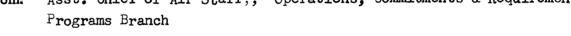


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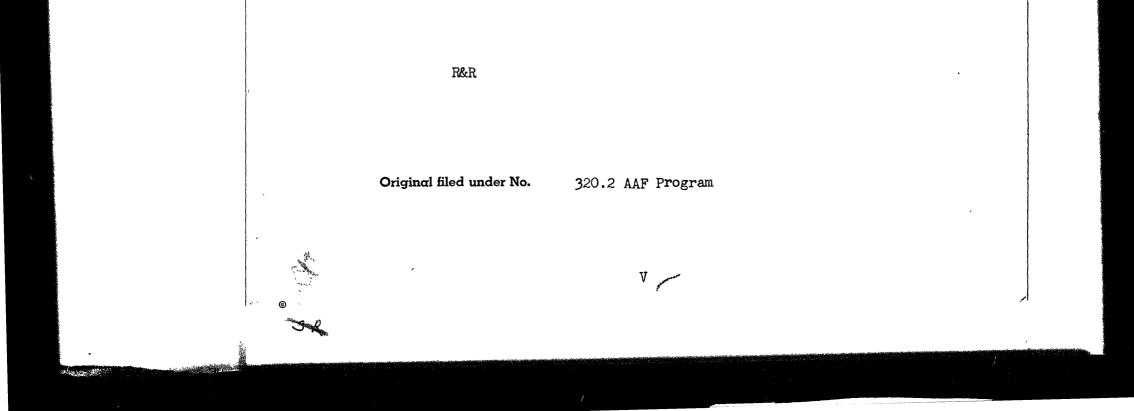
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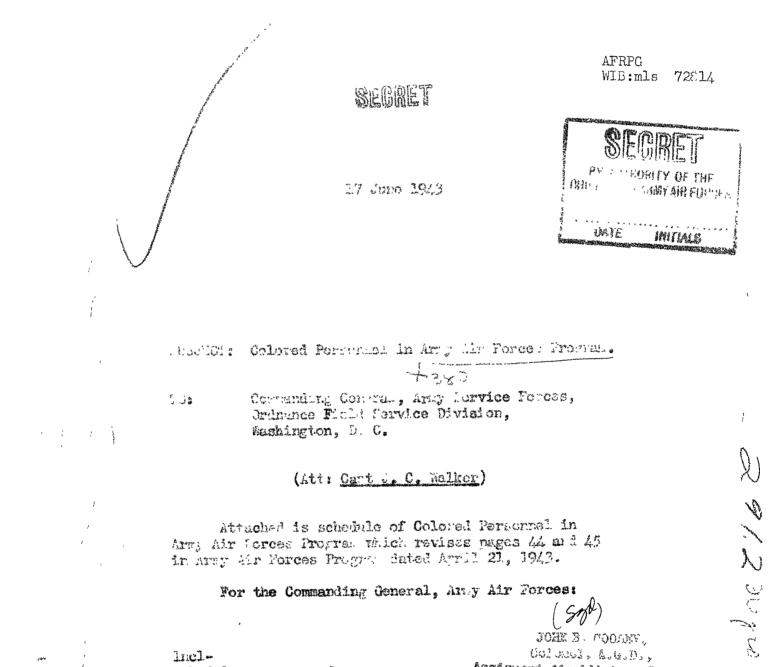


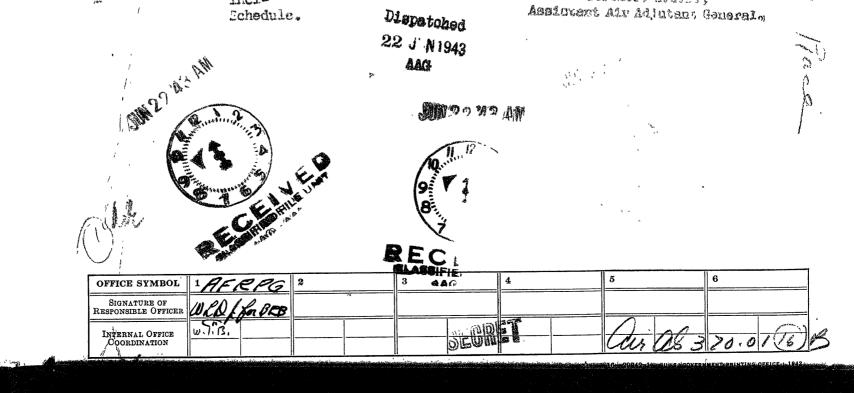


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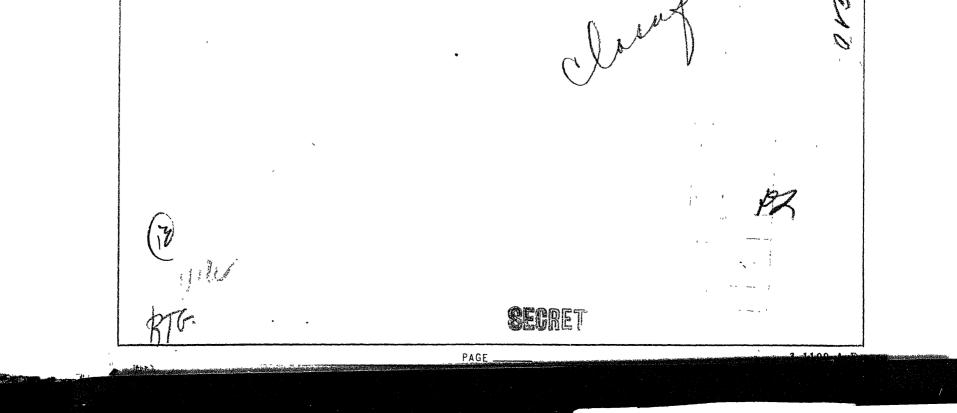
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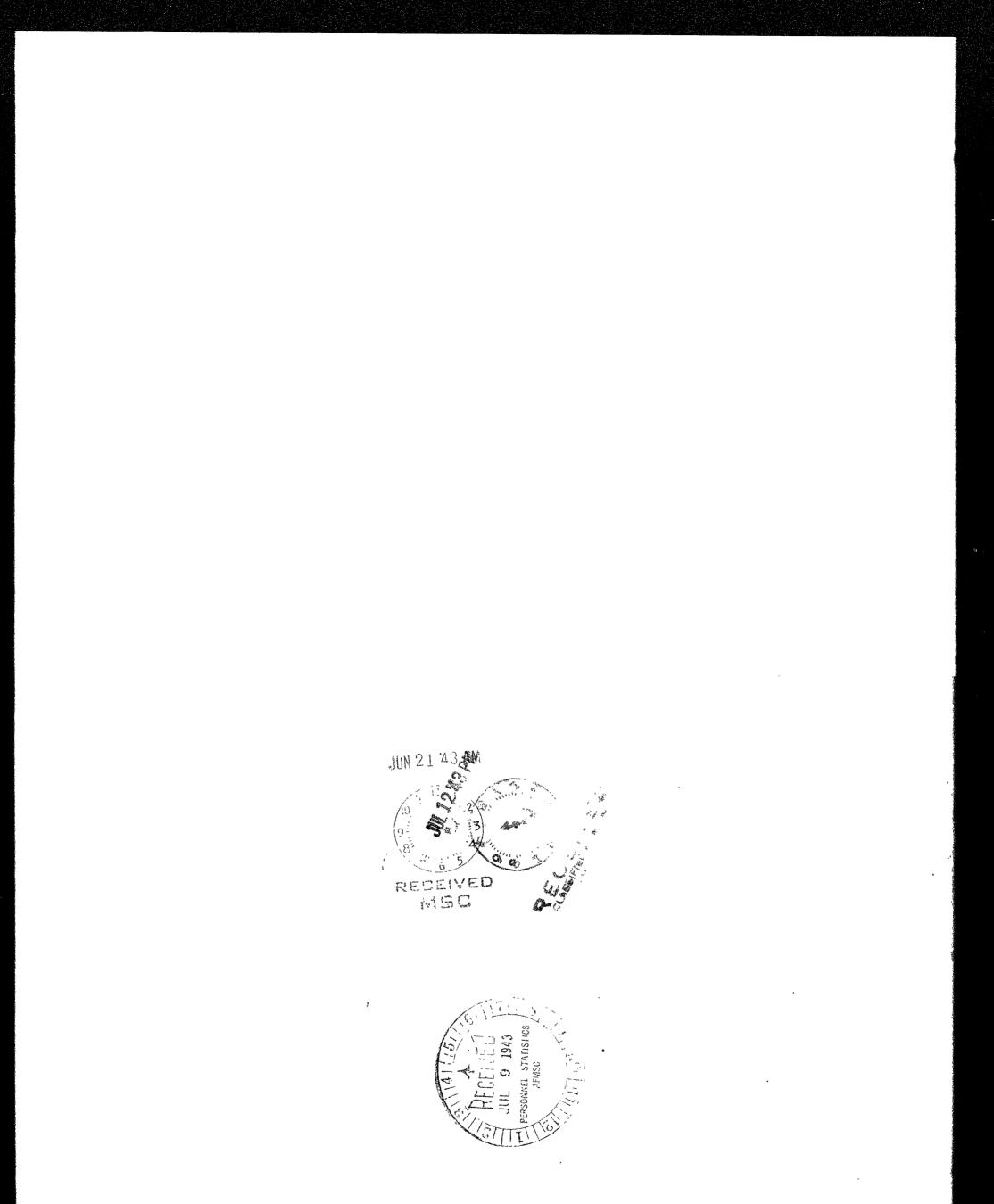






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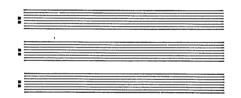




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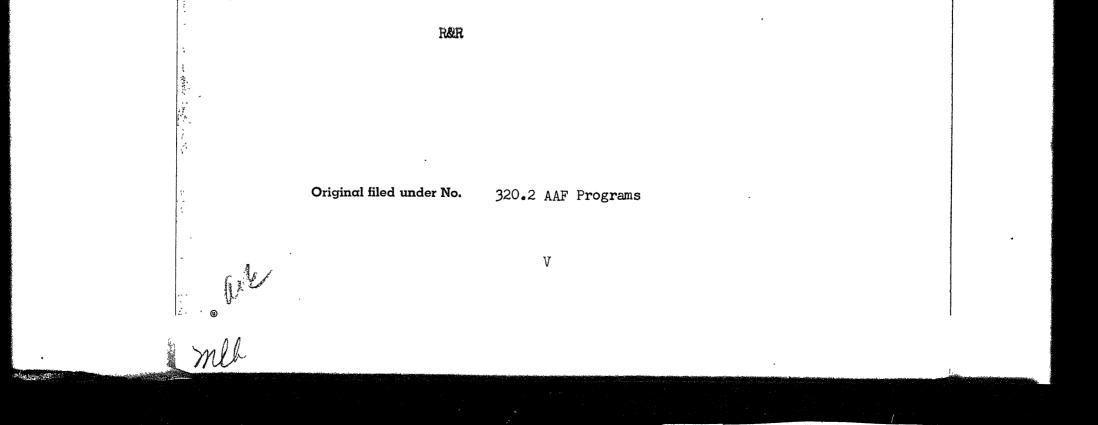
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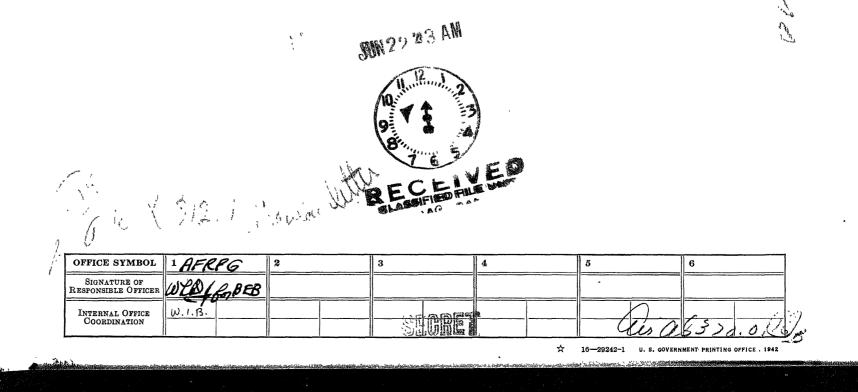
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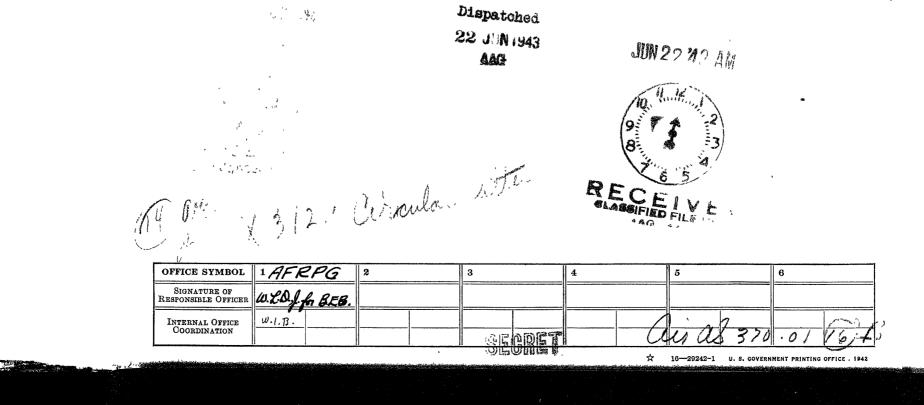
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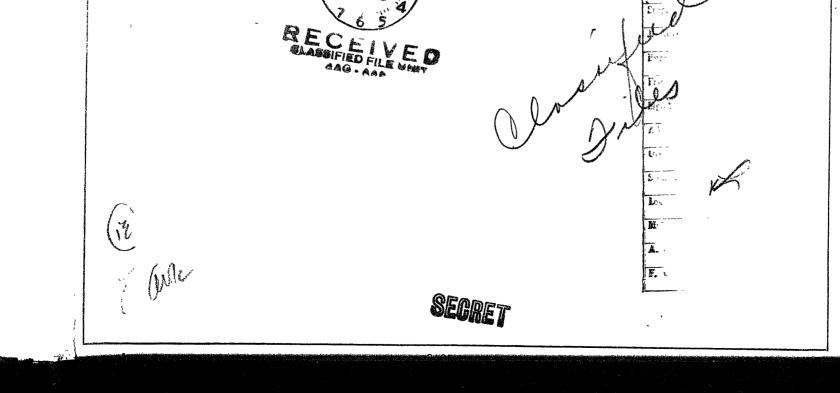
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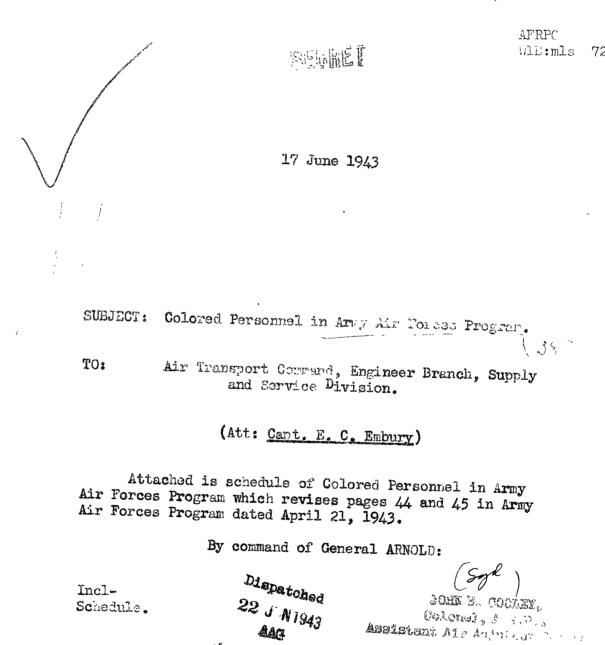




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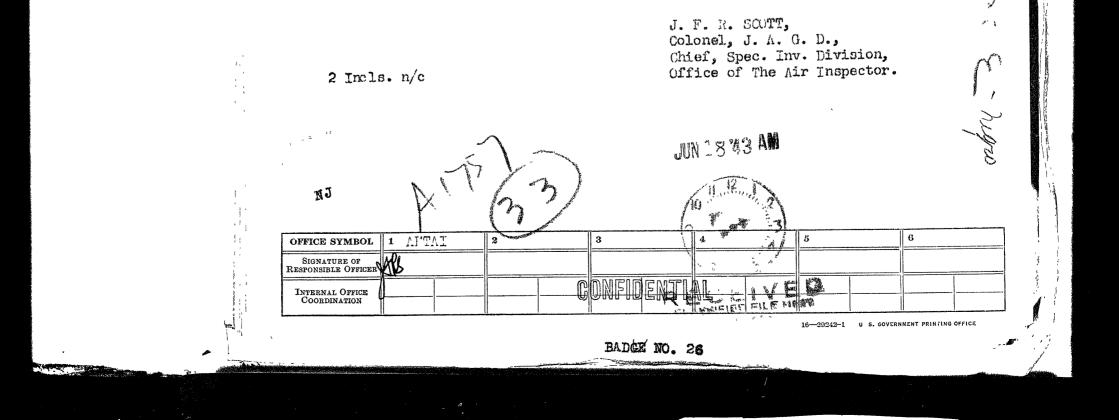
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:



330.149th Ind.3W/mwHeadquarters, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command, Fort Worth, Texas,<br/>JUN 1 1 1943To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C. Attention:<br/>The Air Inspector.

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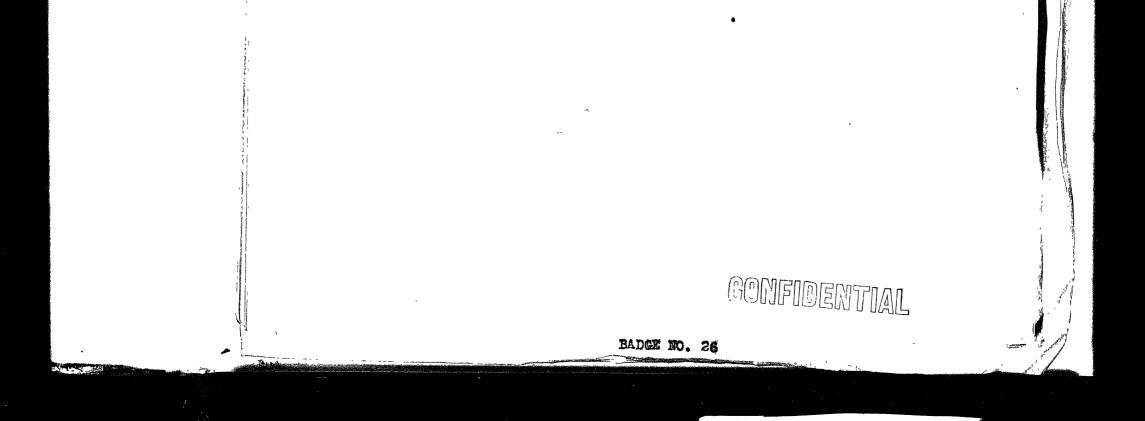
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Headquarters, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command, Fort Worth, Texas.

To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center, Santa Ana, California.

For explanation requested in Paragraph 3 of 6th Indorsement and return through this Headquarters.

By command of Major General YOUNT

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/s/ JRThorn JAMES R. THORN Major, A.G.D. Assistant Adjutant General

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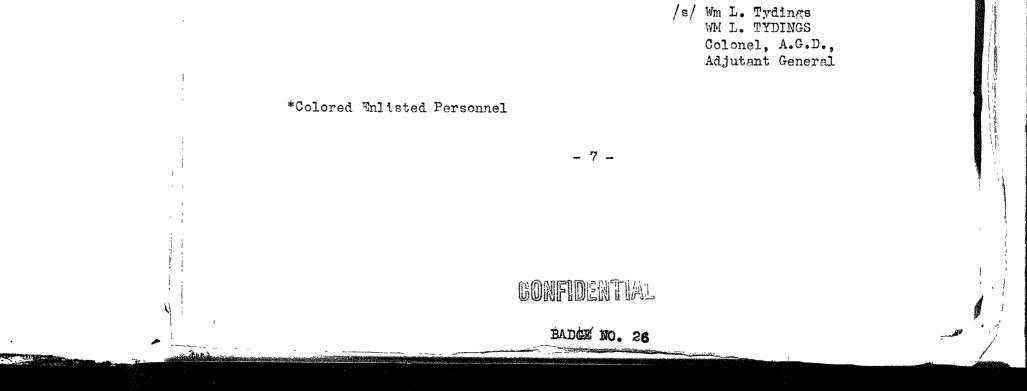
HQ, ARMY AIR FORCES WEST COAST TRAINING CENTER, 1104 West 8th Street, Santa Ana, California. 8 June 1943.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command, Texas & Pacific Railway Building, Fort Worth, Texas.

1. The facts as shown in the report of the Inspector General are correct.

2. The evidence accompanying the report is at fault in that all testimony should have referred to members of the \*55th Aviation Squadron and \*971st Quartermaster Platoon.

For the Commanding General:



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Subject: Aleged discrimination against Negro soldiers at Stockton Field, California.

#### 6th Ind.

VD HQ Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C., May 26, 1943.

To: The Commending General, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command, Fort Forth. Texas.

1. It is noted that, by your 3rd Indorsessent, you requested from the Commanding General, Army Mir Forces West Coast Training Center, information whether the instructions on the use of recreational facilities at Stockton Field are in compliance with policy outlined in letter, Adjutant General's Office, No. 353.8, March 10, 1943, to which that officer in 4th Indorsement advised that these recreational facilities were in compliance with that policy.

2. It is noted that the above mentioned policy states that where two or more races are included in the garrison, recreational facilities will not be designated for any particular race. It is further noted, in Exhibit B-3, that at Stockton Field there is a branch Post Exchange exclusively for colored personnel and also a separate theater for colored soldiers.

3. The evidence found herein would indicate that the reply of the Commanding General, West Coast Training Center, in 4th Indorsement is not in accord with the facts and that it is requested that this inconsistency be explained.

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J. F. R. SCOTT. Colonel, (JAGD) A. C., Chief, Spec. Inv. Div., Office of The Air Inspector. Ef.

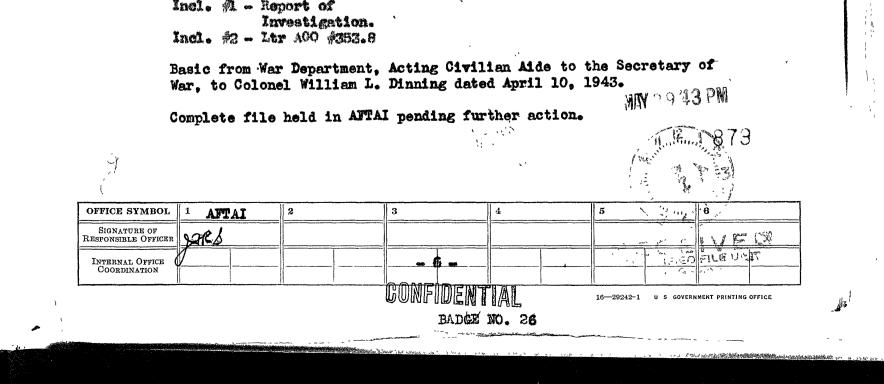
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To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center, 1104 West 8th Street, Santa Ana, California.

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By order of the Secretary of War: /s/ H. R. Hickman Adjutant General.

330.14 WCTCX 2nd Ind. LAW/hj HQ, ARMY AIR FORCES WEST COAST TRAINING CENTER, 1104 West 8th Street, Santa Ana, California. April 27, 1943.

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C. (THRU: Channels)

Investigation has been made by Inspector General assigned this Headquarters. His report and recommendations which are concurred in, are attached (Incl 1).

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Washington, D. C.

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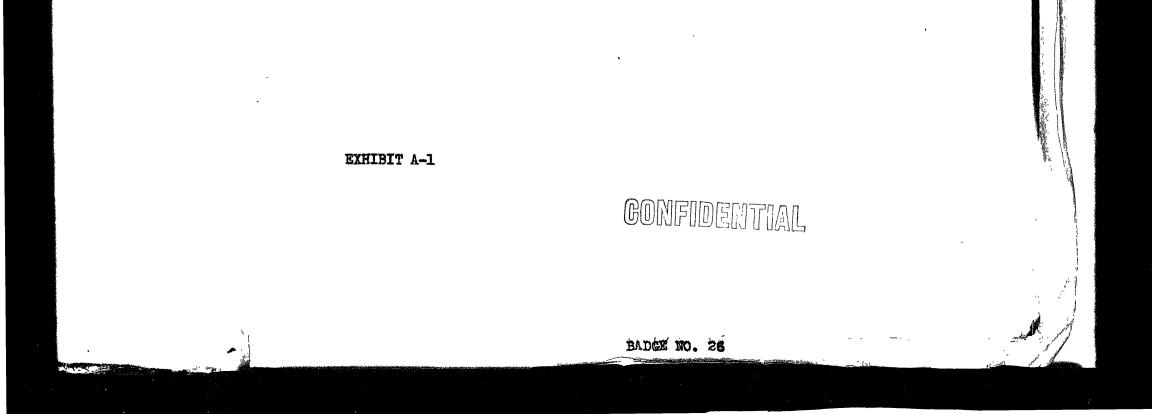
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## Colonel William L. Dinning

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It is requested that a report be obtained on conditions at this post, with particular reference to the matters set out above.

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ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NEGRO SOLDIERS

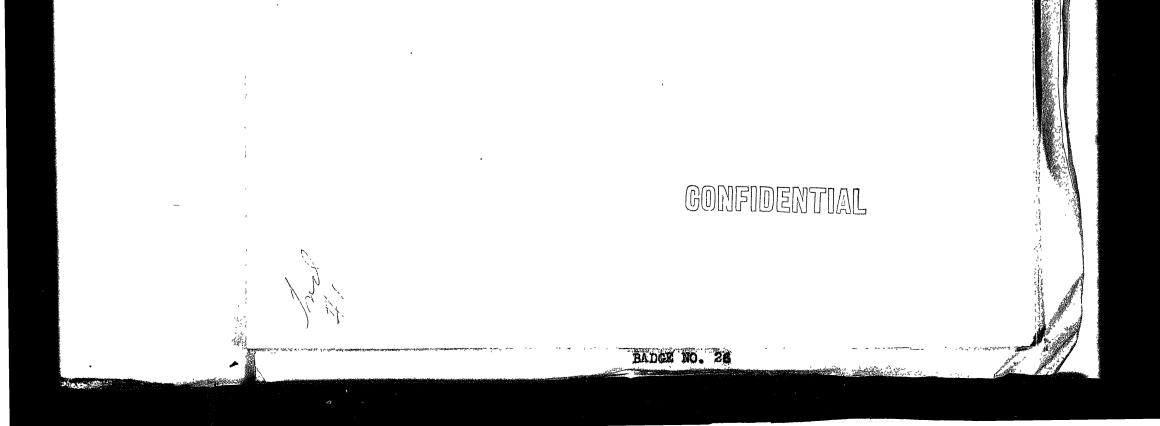
ARMY AIR FORCES ADVANCED FLYING SCHOOL STOCKTON FIELD, STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA

MADE BY

LIEUTENANT COLONEL J. D. PETTY, I.G.D.

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### May 15, 1943

SUBJECT: Report of Investigation regarding Alleged Discrimination Against Negro Soldiors at Fort Stockton, California.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center, 1104 West 8th Street, Santa Ana, California.

#### I. AUTHORITY:

1. This investigation was conducted on April 23, 1943, by Lt. Colonel J. D. Petty, I.G.D., at Stockton, California, and Stockton Field, California, pursuant to a directive by the Secretary of War, dated April 12, 1943, Exhibit A-2, as a result of receipt of basic communication in the form of a letter addressed by Truman K. Gibson, Jr., Acting Civilian Aide to the Secretary of War, to Colonel William L. Dinning (no address given) under date of April 10, 1943. (Exhibit A-1.)

II. <u>MATTER INVESTIGATED</u>:

2. This investigation arose as a result of a communication addressed to Colonel William L. Dinning (no address given) by Truman K. Gibson, Jr., wherein he alleged that a California newspaper had requested a report on conditions at Stockton Field, Stockton, California.

3. The matter originally alleged and arose during the course of the investigation concerned.

a. The alleged discrimination against serving colored enlisted personnel in the white post exchange.

b. The alleged discrimination against serving colored enlisted personnel at the regular motion picture theatre.

c. The alleged lack of recreational facilities for colored enlisted

personnel.

d. The acute lack of recreational facilities in the town of Stockton, California.

### III. FACTS:

4. Upon investigation it was found that recreational facilities, such as motion picture theatres, Post Exchanges, etc., were found to be adequate for all enlisted troops at Stockton Field, California, and in accordance with policy outlined in letter, Adjutant General's Office, No. 353.8 (3-5-43) OB-S-A-M, dated March 10, 1943. An Exchange, located within the \*55th Aviation Squadron and \*971st QM Plat. area, handles all items carried in other Exchanges on the station.

5. The seating capacity of the motion picture theatres is adequate. 6. The recreational area consists of baseball diamond, softball diamond, basketball and horseshoe courts, with all equipment, and a swimming pool, and is assigned as directed in accordance with policy in letter, Adjutant General's

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Office, No. 353.8 (3-5-43) OB-S-A-M, dated March 10, 1943.

7. Located within the \*55th Aviation Squadron and \*971st QM Plat. area are two (2) day rooms, very comfortably furnished with easy chairs, writing desks, pool tables, divans, floor lamps, ping pong tables, etc. (Exhibits B-1, 2, 3, and 4.)

8. The Post Chapel is available for colored personnel each Sunday morning.

9. The recreational facilities in the city of Stockton, California, for colored troops is very limited and the colored civilian population is very scattered. (Exhibits B-5, 6, and 7.)

10. The USO has been approached several times by the Commandant and the Public Relations Officer regarding a USO building for colored troops. As yet the building to be used as such, has not been completed. There have been several USO dances for colored troops at the white USO Chub in Stockton, supervised by Officers from Stockton Field and the USO Supervisor. (Exhibits B-5, 6, and 7.)

11. In no way were the colored troops from Stockton Field, Stockton, California, responsible or did they take any major part in the actual rioting in the city of Stockton, California, on the night of March 31, 1943.

12. All soldiers from Stockton Field, Stockton, California, were completely experience from any blame by Military Police investigation and Civil authorities. (Exhibits B-G, 9, 10, and 11.)

13. Equal and adequate recreational facilities for enlisted colored persound and white personnel exists at Stockton Field, Stockton, California.

#### IV. DISCUSSION:

14. At Stockton, California or in the immediate vicinity of Stockton, California, there are several Army Stations. The two in question are the Army Air Forces Advanced Flying School, Stockton Field, Stockton, California (the place of this investigation), and Camp Stockton, San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, Stockton, California. These stations are separate and distinct. Colored enlisted personnel from the latter station were responsible for a disturbance in downtown Stockton, California, on the night of March 31, 1943.

15. One soldier from the Army Air Forces Advanced Flying School, Stockton Field, Stockton, California, was injured in this disturbance while attempting to prevent a soldier, of Camp Stockton, from attacking a Peace Officer with a knife. (Exhibits B-G, 9, 10, and 11.)

16. The matter of providing off-station recreational facilities for soldiers is not exactly the duty of a Station Commander.

V. CONCLUSIONS:

17. That an adequate exchange in the \*55th Aviation Squadron and \*971st QM Flat. area, complete with barber shop and all other items handled in other exchanges on this station, is available.

18. That a motion picture theatre located in the \*55th Aviation Squadron and \*971st QM Plat. area is available.

19. That equal and adequate recreational facilities is available for colored and white enlisted personnel.

20. That the Post Chapel is available for religious services each Sanday morning for the colored onlisted personnel.

21. That off-station recreational facilities in and around Stockton, california, for colored enlisted personnel, is very limited.

22. That the Commandant of Stockton Field, Stockton, California, the Public Relations Officer and the USO Supervisor in downtown Stockton are continuing in their efforts to arrange a USO club for off-station recreational facilities for colored enlisted personnel.

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23. That even though two or three colored enlisted men from Stockton Fueld, Stockton, California, were in the vicinity of the riot that took place on the night of March 31, 1943, they were in no way responsible and were completely explorated by the military police authorities and civil police authorities.

24. That the colored enlisted personnel of Stockton Field, Stockton, Callfornia, are thoroughly satisfied with all arrangements in their behalf at this station (Exhibit B-1).

25. That the allegations set forth in basic communication are without foundation.

26. That the Commandant acted within the provisions of existing Army Regulations and directives in providing adequate and equal recreational facilities for colored and white enlisted personnel at Stockton Field, Stockton, California and emercised good judgement in so doing. (Exhibit C-L.)

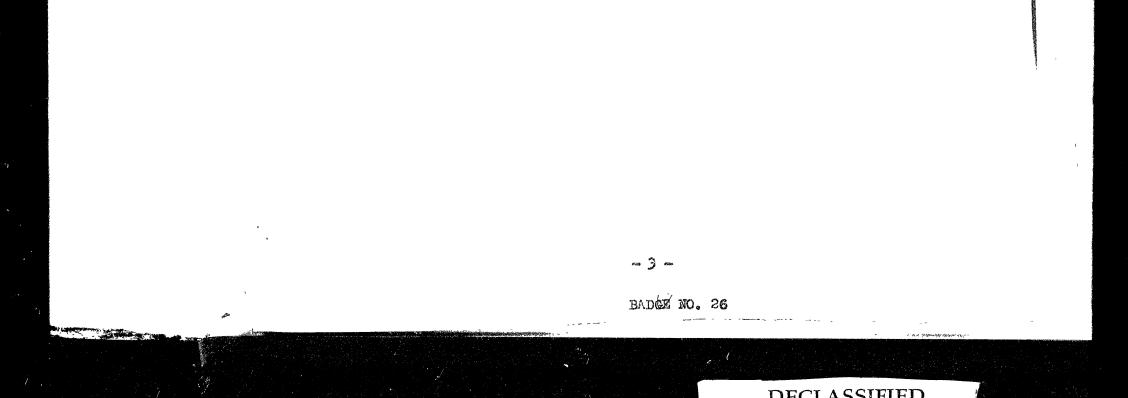
#### VI. RECOMENDATIONS:

27. That no further investigation is necessary at this station and the case be closed.

28. That the writer of the basic communication be informed of the find-

14 Inclo: Exhibits A-1 - C-1 (See list) J. D. PETTY Lt. Colonal, I.G.D. Asst. Inspector General

\* Colored enlisted troops.



### LIST OF EXHIBITS

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Basic Communication to Colonel William L. Dinning Exhibit A-1 fr Truman K. Cibson, Jr., Acting Civilian Aide to the Secretary of War, dated April 10, 1943. 1st Ind. fr War Department, A.G.O., to: Commanding Exhibit A-2 General, AAFWCTC, dated April 12, 1943. Exhibit B-1 Certificate of enlisted colored personnel. Exhibit B-2 Certificate of Field Director American Red Cross Certificate of Public Relations Officer, Stockton Exhibit B-3 Field, California. . . . . . . . Certificate of Commanding Officer, \*55th Aviation Exhibit B-4 Squadron, Stockton Field, California. Letter fr Regional Supervisor, The National Exhibit B-5 Council of the YMCA, to: Executive Officer, Stockton Field, Stockton, California. Letter fr USO Director, to Major E.J. Nolan, Exhibit B-6 Stockton Field, Stockton, California. Testimony of Special Service Officer, Stockton Exhibit B-7 Field, Stockton, California. Certificate, Commanding Officer, 749th MP Bn., Exhibit B-8 Stockton Field, Stockton, California. Clipping fr the April 2, 1943 Stockton Daily Exhibit B-9 Evening Record. Letter fr Police Department Arresting Officer, Exhibit B-10 Stockton, California. Exhibit B-11 Letter fr Police Department Arresting Officer, Stockton, California. Cpy AG Ltr 353.8 (3-5-43)0B-S-A-M, subject: Exhibit C-1 Recreational Facilities., dated March 10, 1943.

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WAR DEPARTMENT Washington, D.C.

April 10,1943

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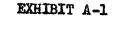
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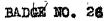
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FREDERICK W. TOOMEY, Lt.Col., Air Corps, Administrative Inspector, Stockton Field, California.





SUBJECT: Alleged discrimination against Negro soldiers at Stockton Field, California.

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TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center, 1104-West 8th Street, Santa Ana, California.

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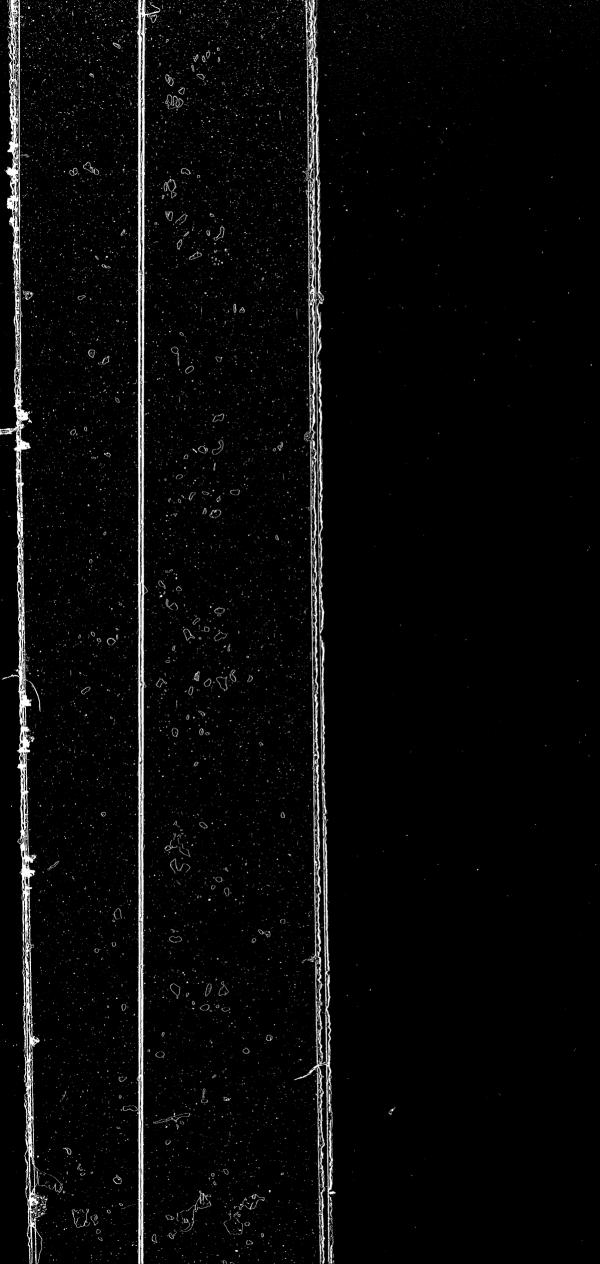
/s/ H.R.HICKAM Adjutant General

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FREDERICK W. TOOMEY,

Lt.Col., Air Corps, Administrative Inspector, Stockton Field, California.





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Stockton Field Stockton, California April 25, 1943 Ex. B-1 E. E. B-3

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The following enlisted colored personnel of this station appeared before the Inspector General this date:

Pri. Lee Taylor (34228492) 55th Aviation Squadrom PFC C. B. Jackson (34383167) 55th Aviation Squadrom Sgt. James C. Tate (36393449( 55th Aviation Squadrom PFC Clarence Bowman (36394046) 55th Aviation Squadrom Pri. Erskin Atkins (36067085) 55th Aviation Squadrom Pri. Julius Taylor (34229124) 55th Aviation Squadrom Private Zero E. Poe (34226396) 55th Aviation Squadrom Pri. Wade T. Wilkerson (34203144) 55th Aviation Squadrom PFC Fred Williams (34301852) 971st QM Plat. T

The men listed above testified in effect as follows:

That the recreational facilities provided on this station for colored enlisted personnel is adequate in that they are provided with two day rooms, post exchange, athletic facilities, and a swimming pool is now under construction; they are also afforded special church privileges; that all men appeared well satisfied with the jobs they are doing; that they have been accorded excellent treatment by both their officers and non-commissioned officers.

All were questioned with reference to the disturbance and fight that occurred in the city of Stockton in the colored section a short time back, on or about March 31, 1943, and each stated that the seat of the trouble was occasioned by colored enlisted personnel from Camp Stockton and not colored enlisted personnel from this station. As a result of this altercation, a certain area in this district has been restricted pending approval of higher authority. This was done as a procautionary measure by the Commanding Officer of this station to prevent any future trouble in this area. All were of the opinion that this restriction should be lifted due to the fact that it was most frequented by them formerly.

All felt, without exception, that they had been afforded equal recreational facilities on this station.

All soldiers appearing before the Inspector General were soldierly in their demeanor, and reflected favorably the training they have received at this station.

EXHIBIT B-1

J. D. PETTY Lt. Colonel, I.G.D. Asst. Inspector General

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FIELD DIRECTOR AMERICAN RED CROSS Stockton Field, California April 23, 1943 CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that I have been the American Red Cross Field Director at the Air Force Advanced Flying School, Stockton Field since December 29, 1942 and since that time I have had on numerous occasions in my official capacity, observed and worked with the colored enlisted personnel and their officers.

I further certify the services of the Office of Field Director are and have been, at all times, available to the colored enlisted personnel, that the colored enlisted personnel avail themselves frequently of our services and that their officers do refer these men to us for our services.

I further certify that according to my observation the relationship between the colored enlisted personnel and their officers is good. Their morale appears high. On one occasion I ate at their mess and found the food served to be palatable and adequate.

I am aware of the following recreational facilities open to the colored enlisted personnel at this post.

- 1. Motion picture theater exclusively for their use.
- 2. Well equipped day room.

3. Swimming pool for their exclusive use now in process of construction.

The Office of Field Director recently obtained two ping pong tables with

the necessary paddles, nets and balls, for their use. We also obtained several musical instruments for them.

I have found the colored enlisted personnel to be courteous, cooperative

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and friendly with this office at all times. During the recent Red Cross War Fund

Drive an extremely high percentage of these men made voluntary contributions and

supported us exceptionally well.

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ARMY AIR FORCES ADVANCED FLYING SCHOOL Stockton Field, Calif.

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## CERTIFICATE

1. I, JOHN C. MOTHERAL, 1st Lieutenant, Air Corps, Public Relations Officer, certify that the enlisted colored personnel on Stockton Field have the following recreational and exchange facilities:

a. A branch Post Exchange is maintained exclusively for the colored personnel.

b. Colored troops have well furnished day rooms.

- c. A separate theater (Post Theater No. 2) is maintained exclusively for colored soldiers. The same films procured for the white troops are shown hore.
- d. When Stockton Field's swimming pool opens about May 1st it will be scheduled for the colored organizations on the same basis as for the white organizations.

2. I further certify that recreational facilities for the colored personnel are limited in the city of Stockton. Most of the clubs and other establishments in which colored men are welcome, are in a district from which all military personnel are restricted. I have heard the Commanding Officer of Stockton Field, Colonel Lloyd H. Tull, ask the directors of the Chamber of Commerce for the speedy completion of a building to be used as a colored U.S.O. Outside of this proposed U.S.O., officors of Stockton Field have no control over the recreation for colored soldiers in the city of Stockton.

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Public Relations Officer

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## CERTIFICATE

Stockton Field, California April 23,1943

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This is to certify that I, Frank S. Cerny (0324304) Captain,Air Corps, have been Commanding Officer of the \*55th Aviation Squadron since September 2,1942, consisting of approximately 250 enlisted personnel. The 971st Q.M.Platoon, consisting of 50 soldiers was attached to my organization for command April 13,1943.

It has always been my policy to train, administrate and discipline my command in the same manner as if I had white soldiers, jiving them equal opportunities for training and personal advancement, recreation and roligion. We have taken such efforts to avoid disting of discrimination that drass, and as a result the colored soldiers now in many instances have the best recreational facilities of any soldiers on the Post.

The following facilities are afforded:

1. Training and personal advancement.

a. One man to Officer Candidate School, March 30,1943.

- b. Nine men to Technical Schools, January 16 to 19,1943.
- c. One man to Flying Cadet Training School March 5,1943.
- d. Five men to Cooks and Bakers School since September 1942.
- e. Typing School: About 15 soldiers have been attending typing school (civilian) Schneider Vocational High School in Stockton since October 1942.
- f. Many soldiers have been offered opportunities to go to technical schools but have declined stating they would prefer to wait.
- g. Also many soldiers were given the opportunity to take another Army General Classification test in an effort to raise their grade so they would become eligible for technical schools.

#### 2. Recreation.

- a. Motion Picture Theatre: My men have for their own use Post Theatre No. 2 which is open every evening, seven days a week and shows the same bills as the theater No. 1 used by other soldiers.
- b. Post Exchange No. 2: Men of this organization have available for their use a post exchange located in the squadron area which in my opinion is adequate and serves all the popular items handled in post exchange No.1. Exchange No. 2 is smaller, but it serves only 310 soldiers where as the other exchange serves approximately 2700 soldiers.
- c. Barber Shop: We have our own barber shop which is operated in the squadron area with better facilities and cheaper rates than the main Post Barber Shop furnished for the other soldiers.

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d. Swimming Pool. A swimming pool now under construction, is located directly across the street, west of the squadron area, will be completed about June 1st. Size of the pool is 40' x 60'.

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- e. Athletic Field. Located across the street directly north of the squadron area includes baseball field, volleyball court, basketball courts, horse-shoe courts, etc.
- f. Dayroom. In my opinion we have the best dayroom facilities on the Post, consisting of two buildings of normal dayroom size. We now have four pool tables, and have spent about \$414.00 for other furniture. About \$75.00 has been expended for newspaper and magazine subscriptions.
- G. U.S.O. The colored U.S.O. located at 625-Fast Market Street in Stockton, California, although incomplete due to lack of materials and priorities has been in use since March 15. Dances have been given on an average of three each month. Prior to opening of the U.S.O., dances were held in a local school building in Stockton.

#### 3. Religion.

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a. The Post Chapol is available for use every Sunday at 0830. Arrangements are being made with Post Chaplain for one night a week song fest in the open air Band Shell.

Since this organization has been activated, I have kept in contact with the leaders of the colored population in town. And I am personally acquainted with Mrs.Lloyd, President of the SanJoaquin Colored Women's Society; Rev. Holmes, minister of the Baptist church; Mr.Johnson, U.S.O. representative. There is a very limited population of Negro people in Stockton. This is felt mostly when the men have a dance and the small number of eligible single girls that attend to act as partners. This has caused some dissatisfaction among the soldiers. Colored girls now come in from nearby towns, but the number is still inadequate to take care of the soldiers.

Housing facilities in Stockton are inadequate for the married soldiers of this organization.

On March 31st, a disturbance occured in Stockton on Center Street near Sonora. I investigated this in an effort to determine if any of my soldiers were involved. I found that the trouble was caused by soldier members of the colored organization stationed at Camp Stockton, and that five of my men who were picked up by civilian police, were innocent bystanders. I found no cause to mete out disciplinary action on any of the members of my organization. Subsequently in the resulting investigation made by Headquarters, 749th Military Police Bn., Presidio of San Francisco, California, all of the men from Stockton Field were exonerated of any blame whatsoever.

Signed this 23rd Day of April, 1943.

\*Colored Enlisted Personnel.

FRANK S. CLENY, Captain, Air Corps, Commanding.

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## ARMY and NAVY DEPARTMENT

#### THE NATIONAL COUNCIL of the YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION of the United States of America

October 26,1942

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Major E.J.Nolan Executive Officer, Air Corps Air Force Advanced Flying School Stockton Field Stockton, California.

#### Dear Sir:

Your letter of October 17th I found awaiting me on my return to the office. As Mr.Mack of our USO in Stockton has already informed you, a recommendation regarding the establishment of a Megro Unit in Stockton is already before our executive committee, and there is nothing more that we can do locally regarding the establishment of such a unit, until we have the approval of this committee, which I trust will be very shortly. We are already on the lookout for a suitable building in which to operate and have our lines out for suitable personnel for this unit, if and when it is approved.

While we will act as quickly as possible on receipt of approval to do so, I think you should know at this time that it will take some time to get the quarters in readiness and have the Director on the field. We will, however, work as rapidly as is consistent with efficient organization.

Cordially yours,

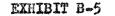
/s/ GEO. S. MARTIN GEO. S. MARTIN Regional Supervisor Pacific Region





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FREDERICK W. TOOMEY, Lt.Col., Air Corps, Administrative Inspector, Stockton Field, California.



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Member Agency-The Youn; Man's Christian Association

446 H. Stockton Street Stos. ton. California January 25,1943

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Dear Sir:

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I am happy to report that the three ventures made to date by the Market Street U.S.O. Howard entertaining the men under your direction have been quite successful.

We are especially impressed by the conduct of the men in all instances. Such splendid cooperation from your staff and the men will assure a successful program, which is designed for the ultimate in pleasure and entertainment for all service men.

I ar confident that dances conducted as was last faturday's will attract many more young ladies in this vicinity. As often as possible, we will augment the number of Junior Mostesses by dispatching busses to neighboring towns.

Please convey our thanks and congratulations to your entire personnel for this maximum cooperation. Also, know that we are anxious to do anything we can to serve you, therefore we welcome your suggestions and advise.

Yours vor truly

/o/ HENRY T. JOHESON HEURY S. JOINSON, Director THE MARKET STREET U.S.O.

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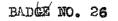
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FREDERICE W. TOOLEY. Lt.Col., Air Corps, Administrative Inspector, Stockton Field, California.

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## AFFIDAVIT

Stockton Field Stockton, California April 23, 1943

County of San Joaquin ) SS State of California

EXHIBIT B-7

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority to administer oaths of this character, Captain Charles W. King, Special Service Officer at this station, who, after being warned of his rights as a witness under the 24th Article of War which was read and he was questioned as to his understanding of its provisions, deposes and says as follows:

- Q: Will you give me your name, rank, serial number, organization, and duties on this field?
- A: Charles W. King, Captain, 0-425105, Special Service Department, and I am Special Service Officer.
- Q: Captain, will you tell me anything you know with reference to colored enlisted personnel not being served in the white Post Exchange of this station?
- A: The only thing that I can say, sir, is that we have set up a separate Post Exchange for the colored troops in their own area; they have everything for sale there that the white troops have. There is also a suggestion box for their use where they can make suggestions as to things they would like to purchase, if they are not already available.
- Q: Do you know enything about the colored enlisted personnel not being ar motion picture theater a this station? awad in th

- A: Yes sir. I have orders directed from Post Headquarters that no colored personnel this field will be allowed in Theater No. 1 under any circumstances; however, we do have at Stockton Field a separate theater designated as Theater No. 2 for the exclusive use of the colored personnel at Stockton Field.
- Q: Bo they have equal motion picture facilities there for them?
- A: Yes sir. The equipment in Theater No. 2 is the same type as in Theater No. 1 and the same film is shown every night. There are two showings in Theater No. 1 and only one at Theater No. 2 for this reason: There are only a small number of colored troops at this station and the seating capacity in Theater No. 2 is adequate to take care of all colored personnel at one showing; while there are approximately 3,800 white

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enlisted personnel, and with one theater this naturally necessitates more than one showing, and even that is hardly adequate.

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Q: Would you say the recreational facilities for colored enlisted personnel at this station are exceedingly limited?

A: No sir, I would not. Every facility available to the white man at Stockton Field is available to the colored personnel stationed at this post. The Special Service Section purchased approximately \$400 worth of band instruments for the use of the colored detachment. We furnished their day room completely upon activation at this station; they have the use of the facilities of the gymnasium at this field, the bowling alley, and there is at present under construction a swimming pool for the use of the colored troops upon completion. At the present time there is only one pool in operation, and the colored enlisted personnel are scheduled to use it as often as the white troops.

Q: What would you say about the recreational facilities for colored troops when they are off the station?

A: The limited number of desirable colored people in the vicinity of Stockton limits outside recreational facilities; however, there is under construction at the present time U.S.O. facilities to include a dancehall for these colored troops downtown.

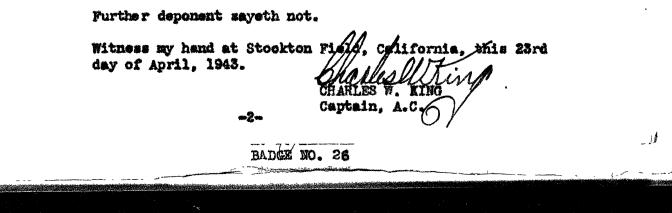
Q: Do you know anything of a general riot near this post as the result of inadequate represtional facilities?

A: The section of the city where the colored people live, where these men must go, is on the restricted list in the city of Stockton.

Q: Would you say the City of Stockton authorities have made any effort to provide recreational facilities for the colored personnel of this station?

A: None other than the help they have given us toward setting up the U.S.O. Recently I engaged a colored U.S.O. show to come here for the benefit of the enlisted personnel, and I experienced great difficulty in getting accommodations for this troop in the city of Stockton. Due to my own efforts I finally succeeded in getting accommodations for these people.

- Q: Do you have anything further to state or information to give?
- A: Nothing other than that I would like to add that I believe we are doing everything possible for the colored troops at this station. We give them special attention to see that they have programs.



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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of April, 3943.

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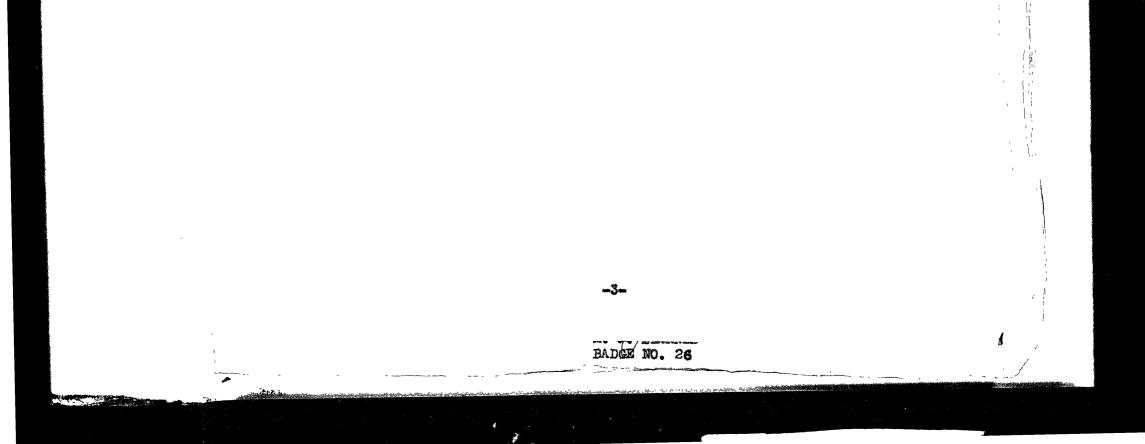
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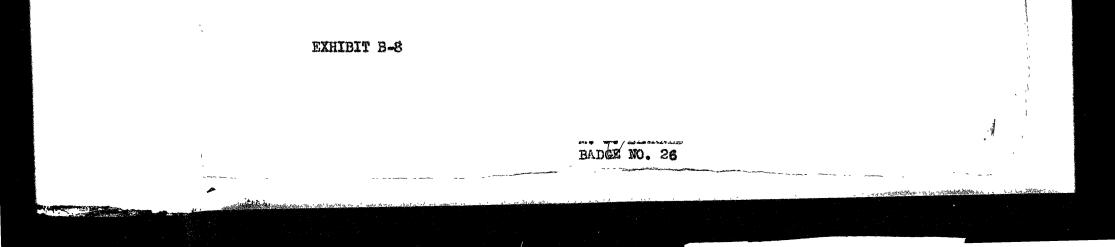
On the night of 31 March 1943 at approximately 2125 FWT, the Civilian and Military Police quelled a disturbance in the 300 Block, South Center St, Stockton, California, in which there were about 75 Megro Suldiers involved, consisting of members of 1950 M Trk Co, Camp Stockton and members of 55th Awn Sq and 971st & Pl, Stockton Field. The disturbance started in Jackson's Place, 317 5 Center St, Stocklos, California, after the Civilian Police had arrested one Lewis Hawkins (colored civilian) for breaking a window. Immediately after the above arrest was made a fight started in Jackson's Flace precipitated by one ful L. F. Tyson, 18040309, 1950 and Trk Co, Camp Stockton, who attempted to assault a civilian, Eddle Kovaniel (colored), 337 Larayette St, Stockton, with a knife. He was disarued by Officer M. Learneu (civilian Folice Officer). The Civilian and Military Police cleared Jackson's Place and then the flyhts started outside. Several Soldiers (Negro, had Officer H. Grau (Civilian Police) down on the sidewalk and Officer Learned went to his rescue and struck a foldier (Negro) with his club. About then a call was sent to the Police Dept and MP Hy for help. All available Civilian Police and ten MPs were sent to the scene. At about this time Officer Learned, who had Put Tyson under arrest and was walking South on Center St, drew his gun and had it in his hand. He was struck on the left shoulder by T/5 matthews Paul's right arm and iumsdiately hit Matthews Paul with his gun which discharged. Officer Johnson, who had arrived at about that time, grabbed fatthews Faul and took a knife away from him. Then it was noted that Pvt Lallace (bodwin (colored), 971st di Fl, Stockton Field, had been cut on the jaw and ne was taken to the Emergency Auspital for treatment. The Civilian and Military Police broke up the crowd and arrested eleven members of the 1950 and Trk Co, Camp Stockton; two members of 971st . If Pl, Stockton Field; and two members of 55th Avn Sq, Stockton Field, and held them in jail for questioning. All of the above were released at about 0400 For April 1, 1943, after questioning by Capt Kiber, Co C, 749th MP Bn. Subsequent investigation shows that the disturbance was instigated by members of 1950 LM Trk Co and although some of the Personnel of Stockton Field participated in a small man, after being questioned again 1 April 1943 by Lt Boyd A. Hershey, Co C, 749th Mr bn, they were completely



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exonerated. The entire disturbance was of approximately 45 minutes duration.

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There " will be no civilian action taken " gainst any of the Negro " idlers involved in the Wednesday vening Center Street brawl, al-though military authorities are conducting a thorough investiga-tion, with court martial possible for a number of participants. Det. Sgt. R. C. Parker of the Stockton Police Department War Detail and Assistant District At-torney Robert Sullivan dropped consideration of civilian criminal action yesterday, stating "we are perfectly satisfied that the men will be properly handled by the military authorities." STATION OF MEN

military authorities." **STATION OF MEN** Yesterday's account of the fracas, in which Negro soldiers participated after it was precipi-tated by a civilian's breaking a window in Jackson's Place, 319 South Center Street, indicated that all men involved were from 'tockton Field. Official investigation revealed, however, that the majority of the group were from Camp Stockton, at the Fairgrounds. Of the five injured and 10 jailed, two of the injured men and eight of those jailed were from Camp

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A Stockton Field soldier, commenting on the affair, said:
"We feel that the enlisted men from Stockton Field are getting
the blame for the fight. As a matter of fact, they were the ones
who tried to stop the trouble, as
shown by Pvt. L. Goodwin's getting cut to save a police officer.
The trouble was started by colored soldiers from Camp Stockton, and not from Stockton Field."
Chief of Police Harold A. Vogelisang and military authorities were conferring today on the possibility of declaring the area out of bounds.

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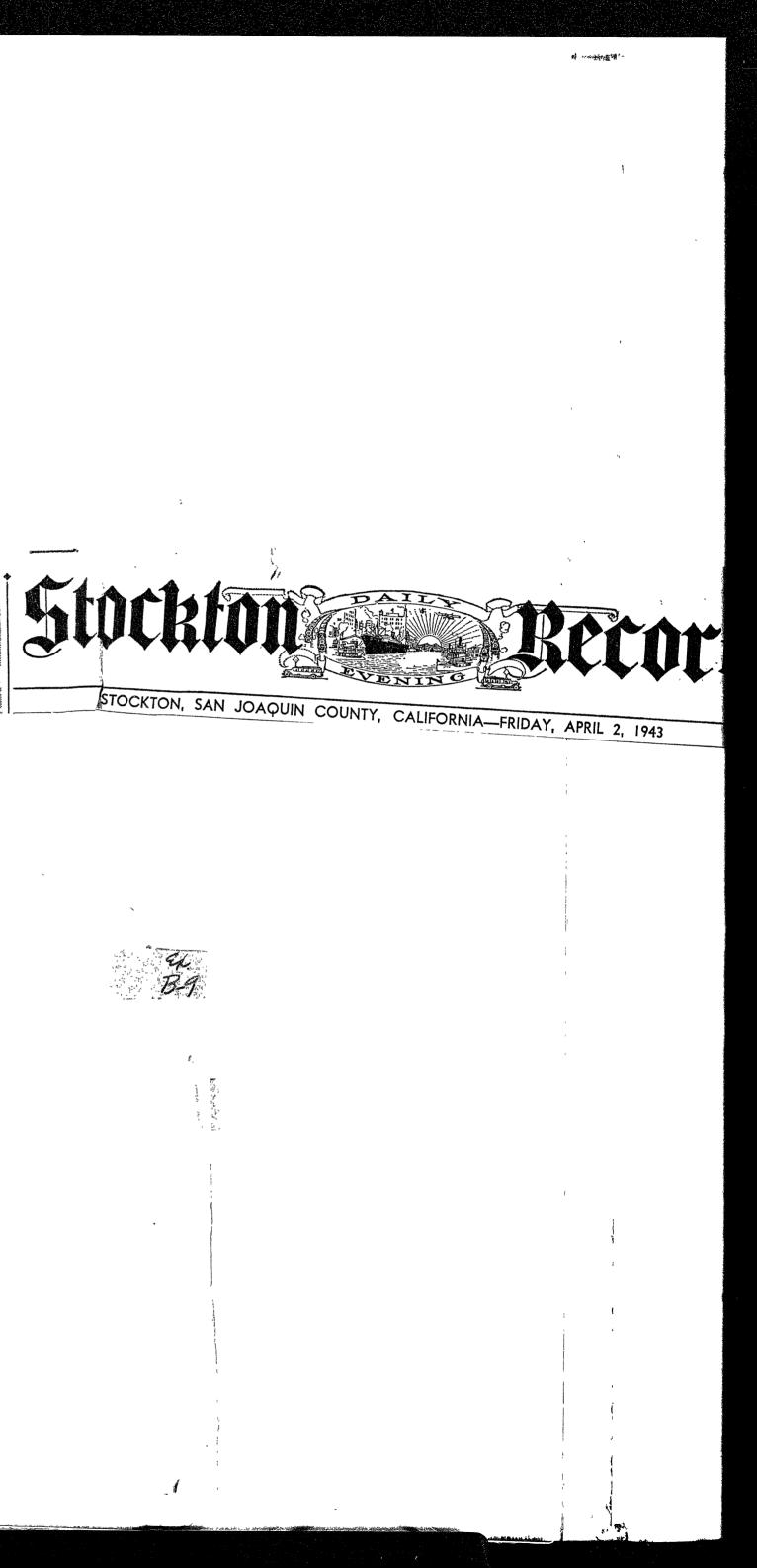




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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I cannot commend too highly Private Lallace Goodwin of Stockton Field for the brave act, beyong the line of duty, which he performed on the night of March 31, 1943. Again I wish to express my personal thanks to him for saving me from a serious, and possibly fatal, knife wound.

At about 9 p.m., on the evening of March 31, patrolman H. P. Grau and I were contacted in our radio car and instructed to proceed to a negro bar called "Jackson's Place" on South Center Street, Stockton, California. We found that a window had been broken. Private Goodwin approached our car and identified the guilty party as Lewis Hawkins, a colored marijuana peddler. We immediately picked up Hawkins; then stood in the street and talked to Goodwin. He told us that he believed trouble was brewing between negro soldiers and civilians in Jackson's Place.

In a few minutes a colored soldier came out of the bar and told us that a man had pulled a gun on him and his buddies. Upon investigation, it appeared that Jackson, proprietor of the bar, was the gun wielder. After considerable argument, patrolman Grau and I were able to clear out Jackson's Place and lock it up. Just as we did so, however, an infuriated colored soldier kicked the door in. This act touched off a free-for-all fight in front of Jackson's.

The next I knew, patrolman Grau had been knocked to the pavement. Then I started swinging. The fight moved down the street several yards, and I went after a colored Sgt. who had drawn a knife. As I did so, another negre soldier, later identified as T/Sgt. Matthew Paul, came up behind me. He also was wielding a knife. Before he could strike, Pvt. Goodwin stepped in between us and received severe knife wounds on his lower jaw. and neck. I turned around, and as Paul came in again with his knife, I was able to stop him with a blow on the head.

The weapon Paul was using was a large fish knife with a 4-inch blade. It was perfectly capable of inflicting severe injury or even death.

Fvt. Lallace Goodwin was in no way involved in the instigation of the rict. I understand that he was a police officer before entering the army. On the night of March 31, he acted in the best tradition of police officers and proved himself a real credit to the army and to his race. I believe that his act should not go unrewarded and I should like to bring my commendation of him to the attention of the military authorities concerned.

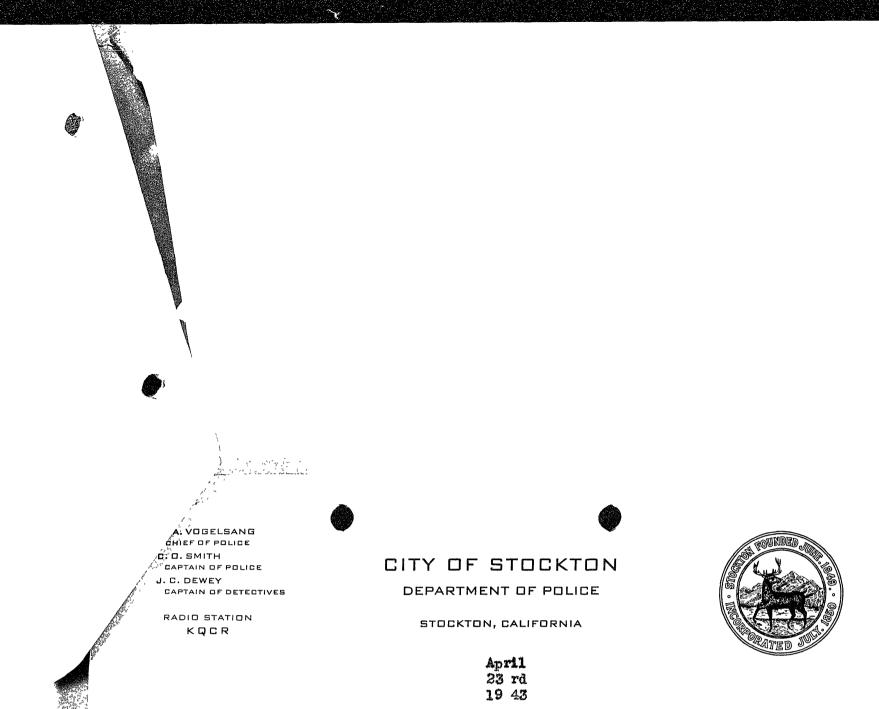
Yours very truly

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERNS

I was on duty in radio car No. 57 with patrolman M. J. Learned on the night of March 31, 1943. I, too. talked with Pvt. Lallace Goodwin before the riot between Negro soldiers and civilians started in Jackson's Place on Center Street. Stockton, California.

I can state from personal knowledge that the course of events as described by patrolman Learned in his letter of April 23, 1943, is correct in all respects.

I should like to add my personal commendation of Pyt. Lallace Goodwin of Stockton Field for unhesitatingly suffering painful wounds in order to save patrolman Learned from serious injury. I hope some recognition may be granted him for the fine thing he did.

Yours very truly.

H.P. Sean

H. P. GRAU

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Commanding Generals, All Service Commands. Chief of Engineers.

1. Letter, SPX 353.8 (8-14-42) MS-SPOP-M, August 15, 1942, subject: Recreational Facilities at Certain Posts, Camps and Stations, is rescinded.

2. At posts, camps, and stations where the garrison includes units of two or more races, recreational facilities, including theaters and post exchanges, will not be designated for any particular race.

3. Where necessary, recreational facilities may be allocated to organisations in whole or in part, permanently or on a rotation basis, provided care is taken that all units and personnel are afforded equal opportunity to enjoy such facilities.

By order of the Secretary of War:



## /s/ A. W. O'Leary

Adjutant General

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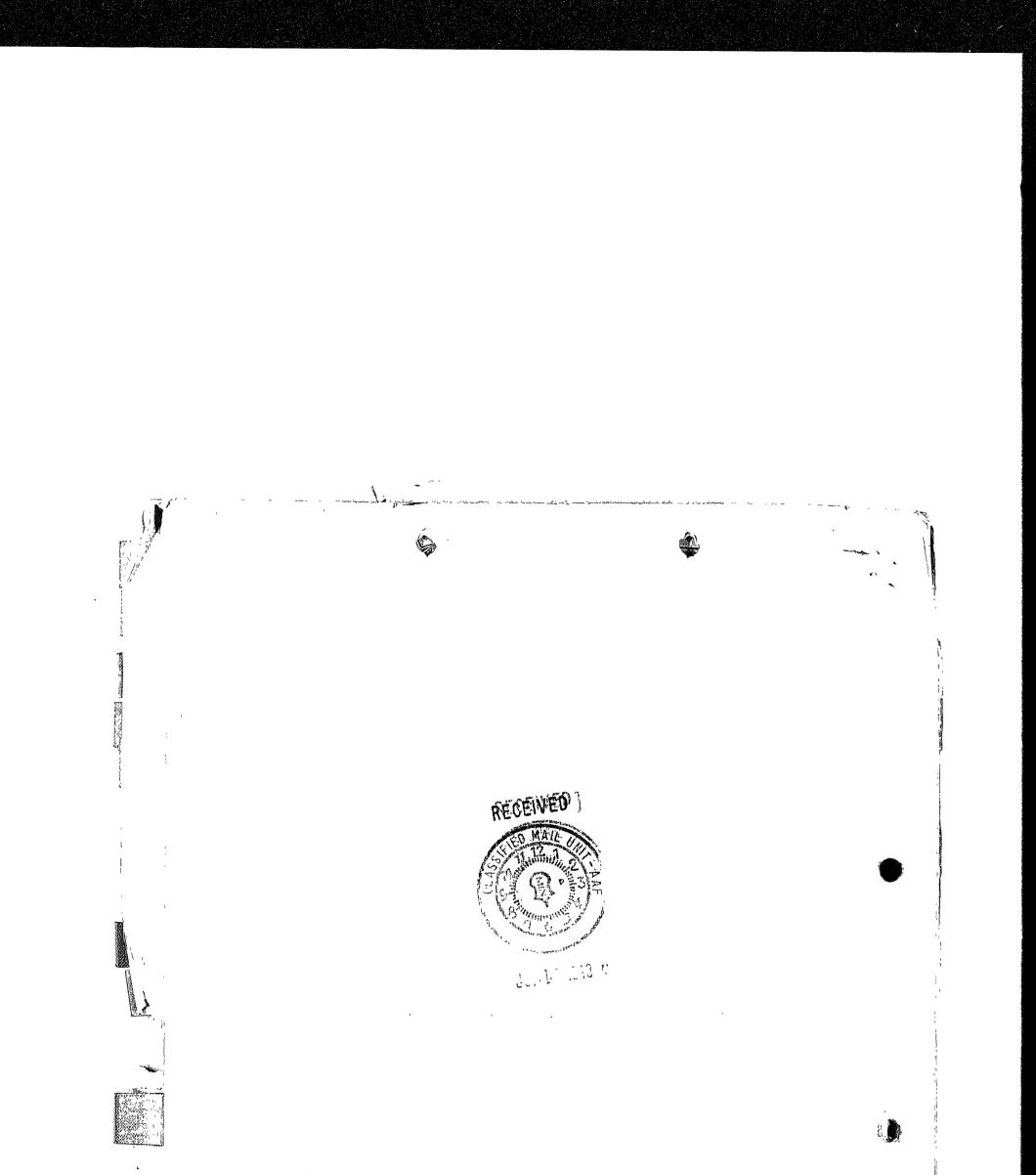
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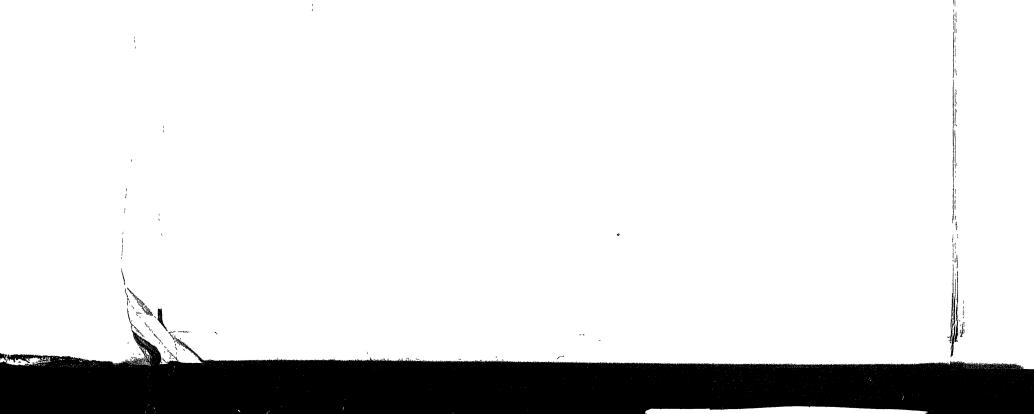
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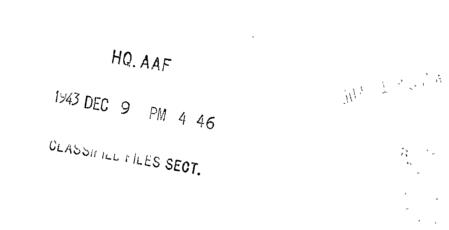
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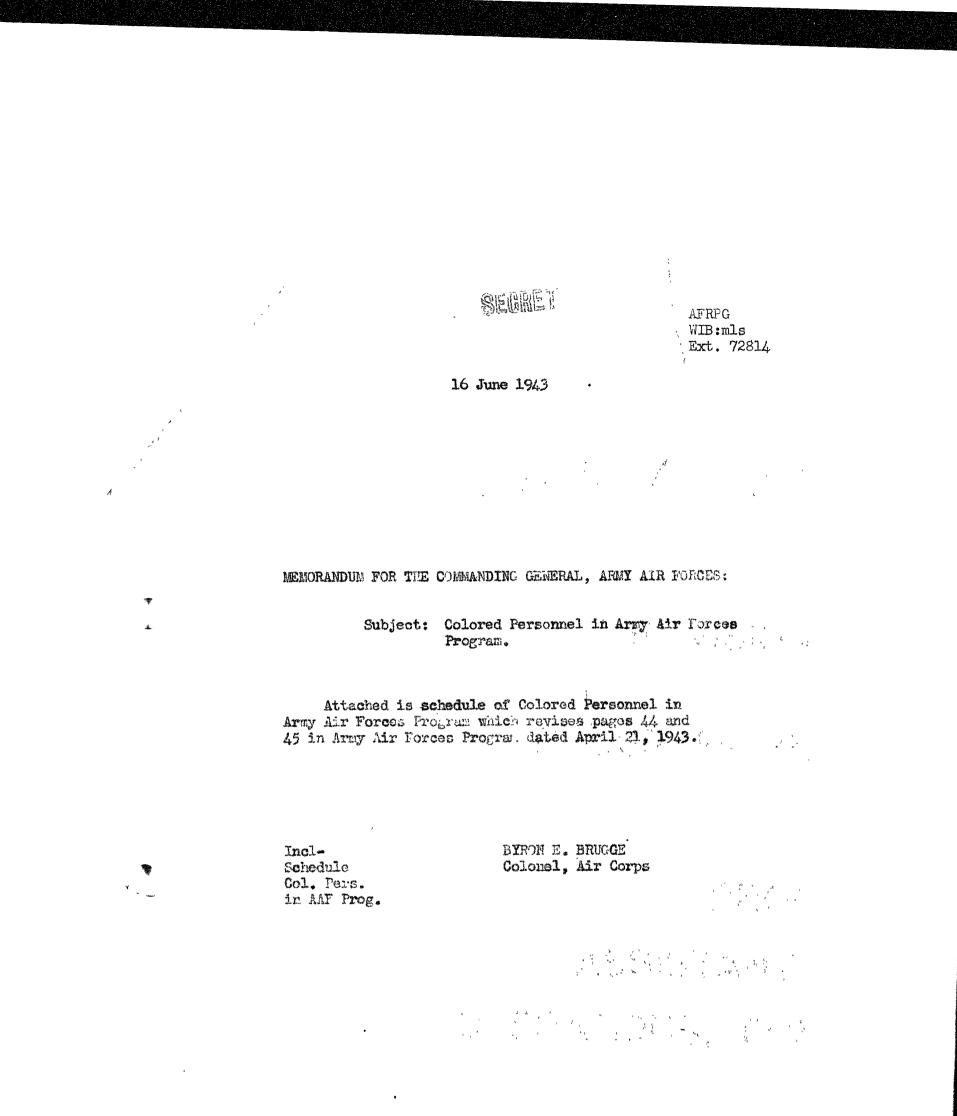
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- 1 Service Gp Hq & Hq Sq
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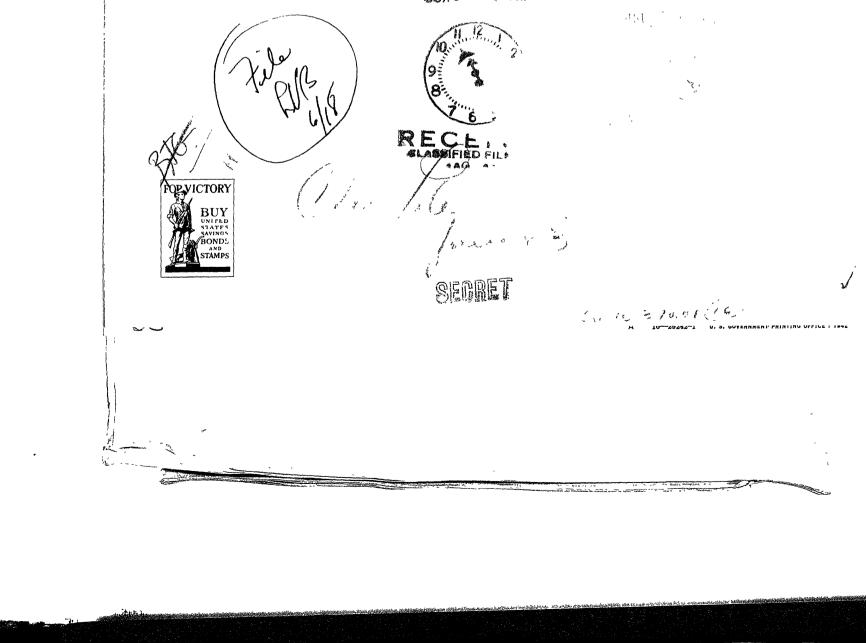
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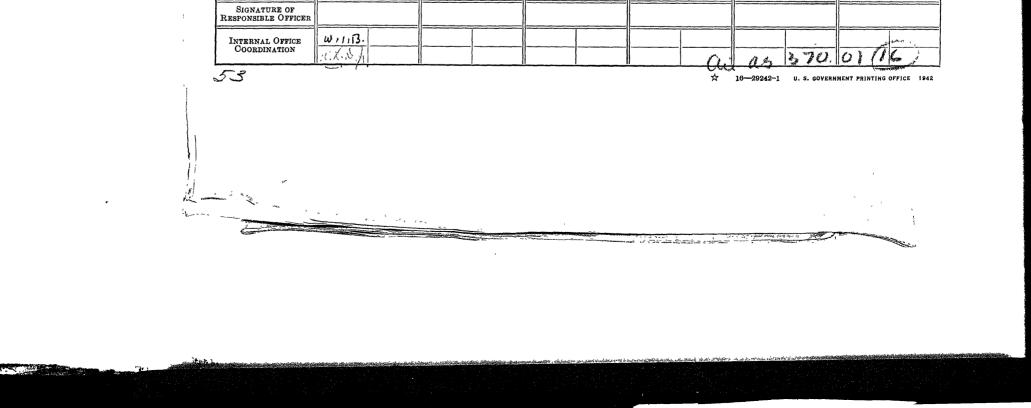
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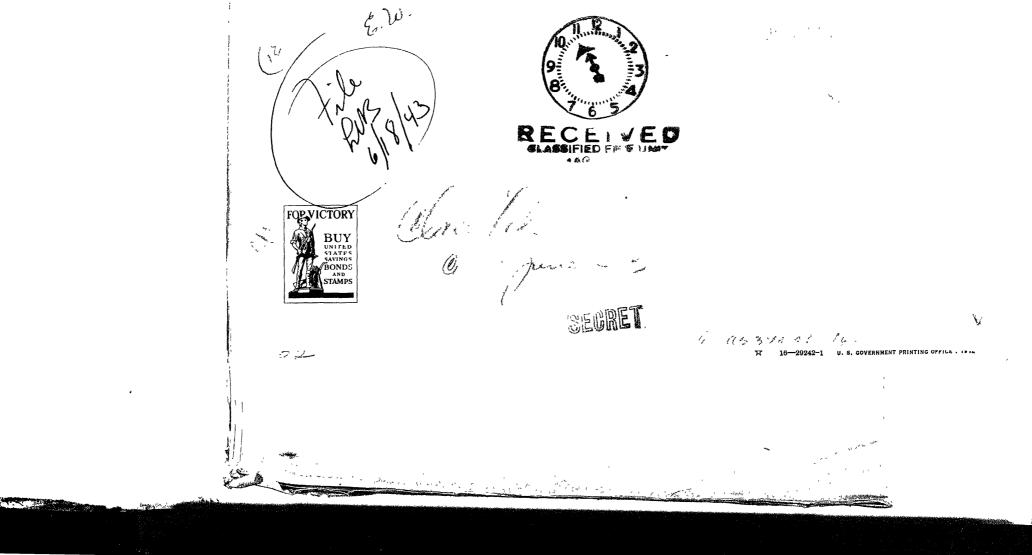


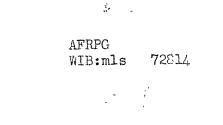
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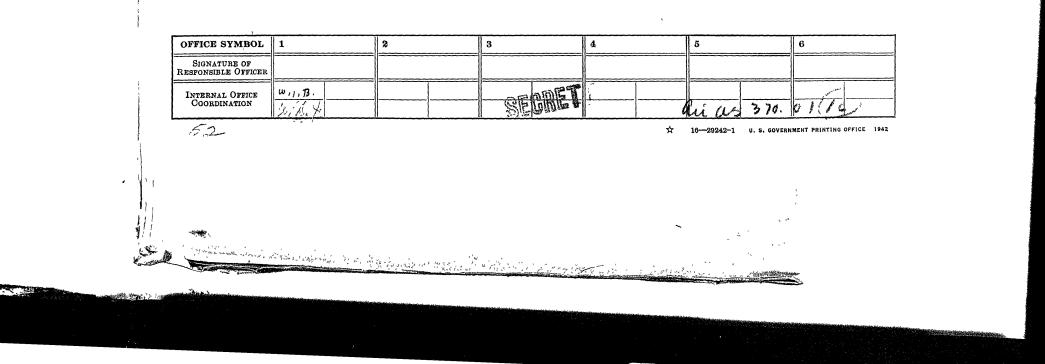
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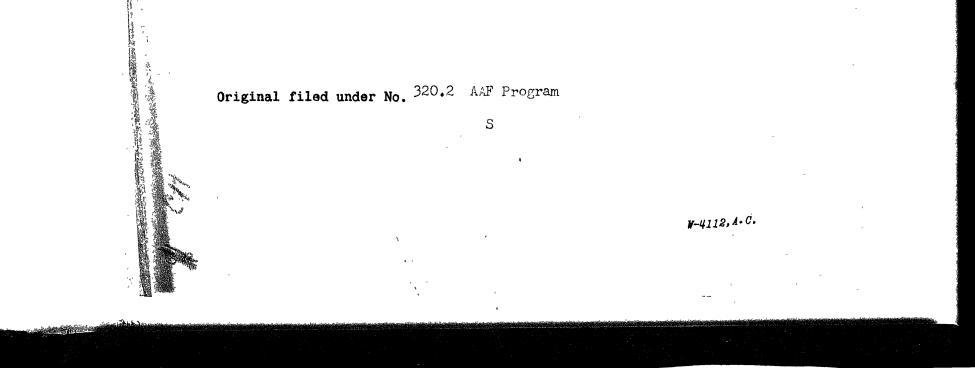
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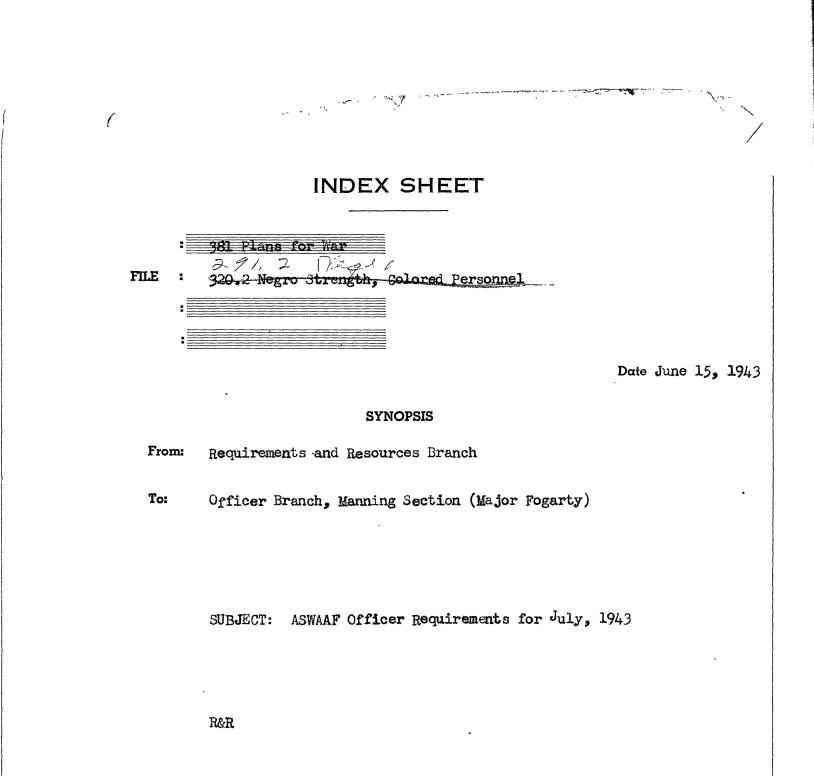
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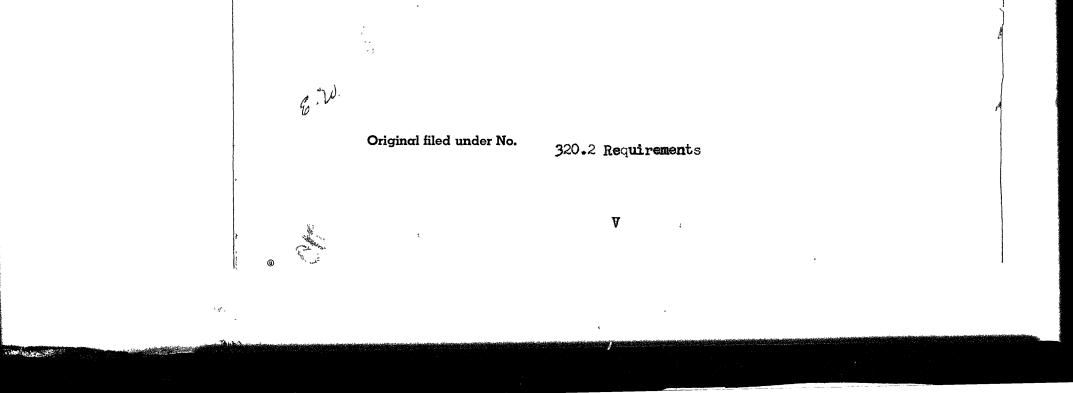
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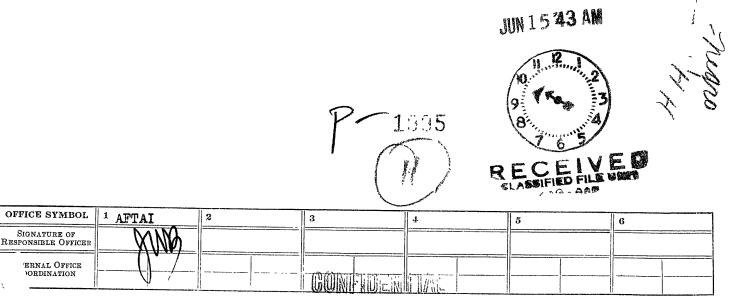
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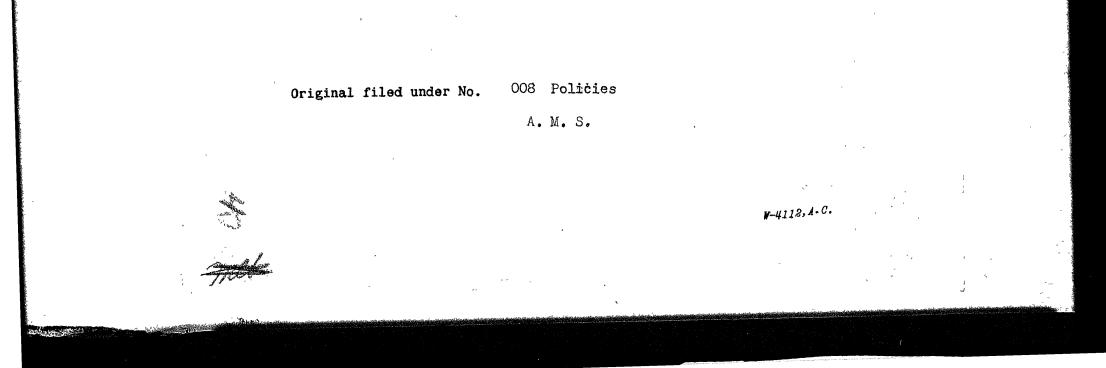
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From: War Dept., The Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C.

To: Mr. John J. McCloy, Assistant Secretary of War, Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Advisory Committee on Negro Troop Policies.

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES (TALLY <u>ויהי</u> DNO: ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET ithdil 46f By A CNO. Army Alr Forces SUBJECT: 3 2 Personnel for the 96th Service Group mirais Date DATE June 1, 1943 TO:, Asst Chief of Air Staff, Training, Technical Training Division COMMENT NO. 1 FROM Asst Chief of Air Staff, Personnel, √RNH: jpc 71379 Military Personnel Division (AFPMP-2) 1. Reference is made to R&R Comment No. 3 dated January 30, 1943, (copy attached) with reference to the availability of trained colored personnel from the Technical Schools. 2. To date, this office has not been furnished such information. VĽ JOHN HAVIVES Colonel, Air Corps 1 Attach Actg Chief, Military Personnel Division Cpy R&R 3 fr AFRIT to AFPMP dtd Jan. 30, 1943 X353 need us DATE June 10, 1943 Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel TO: Atten: Military Personnel Division. COMMENT #2 Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training, FROM: Technical Training Division. AFACT-3/B/PCH-py Ext. 71028 1. AFTTC advised this office by phone this date that colored personnel trained in the Technical Schools has been made available and will be made avail able in accordance with the following tabulation: Colored Technical Training In Training Graduated CHONTRAL Dates va ilable School Specialty 32Date: 8 OCS, Miami 50 Administrative Officers

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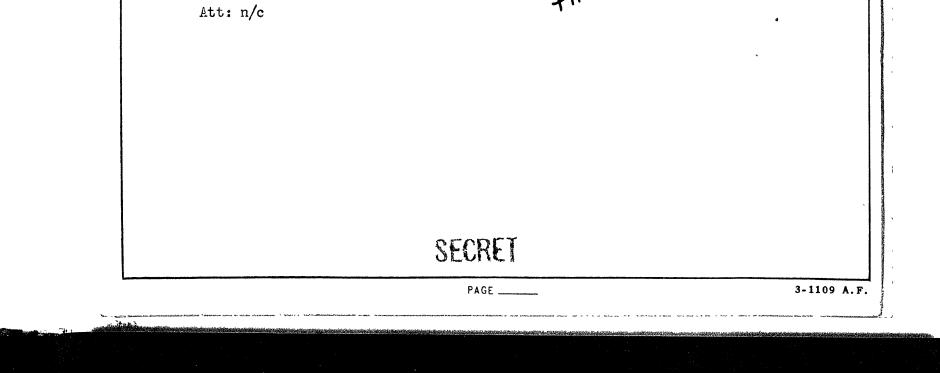
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Director of Individual Training, Tech. Training Div.

Dir. of Personnel, Att: Military Personnel Div.

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TO:

FROM:

1. Inviting attention to correspondence, copy of which is attached herewith as Inclosure #1. You will be promptly advised as soon as this information becomes available to AFRIT. At the present time availability of trained colored personnel from the Technical Schools is dependent upon ability of AFTTC to secure qualified student personnel from the Basic Training Centers and from sources of assigned personnel.

2. Attantion is invited to secret chart entitled "Army Air Forces Non-Rated Personnel Requirements (Colored)", AFRIT-3, 8-27-42, copies of which have been furnished to you previously.



Personnel for the 96th Service Group. (Cont'd) Dir. of Personnel, Att: Military Personnel Div.

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3. Further attention is invited to copy of secret R&R from the Director of Air Defense to the Director of Military Requirements, January 20, 1943, subject: "Negro Policy". At the present date the recommendations contained therein have not been approved. The 99th Fighter Squadron has now been completely filled with qualified personnel. It is believed that priorities in filling colored units should be established as follows:

a. Attrition and loss replacements for the 99th Fighter Squadron.

b. Filler Replacements and attrition for the reorganized 332nd Fighter Group.

c. Filler replacements and attrition for Flying Training organizations located at Tuskegee, Alabama.

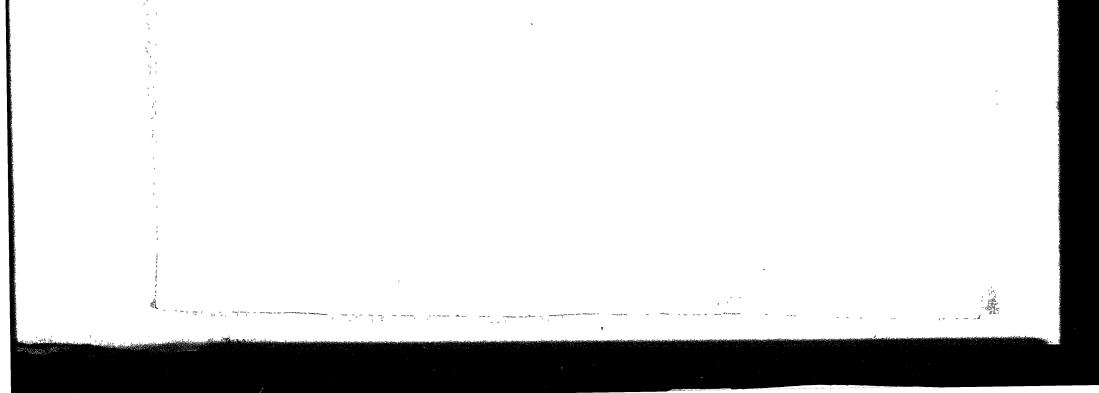
The 917th Technical School Squadron, formerly intended for providing administrative and instructor personnel for the Technical Training Program for colored personnel, has now been converted into a School Squadron for basic training at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri and is no longer needed for the technical schooling program inasmuch as colored technicians are now being trained with white technicians.

> L. S. SMITH, Brig. Gen., U.S.A.

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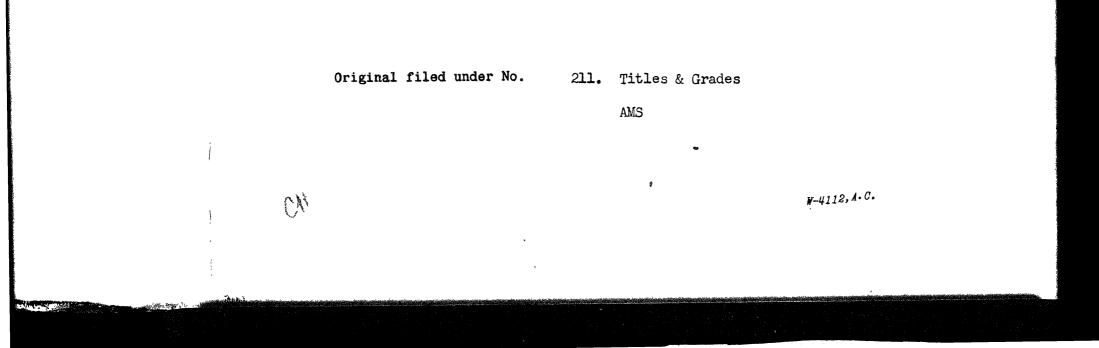
To: Director of Military Personnel.

SUBJECT: Administrative Officers for Tuskegee, Alabama.

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WE I fray the Forces, Anhington, D. C., May 29, 1943.

To: The Communiting General, Third Mir Force, Tamps, Florida.

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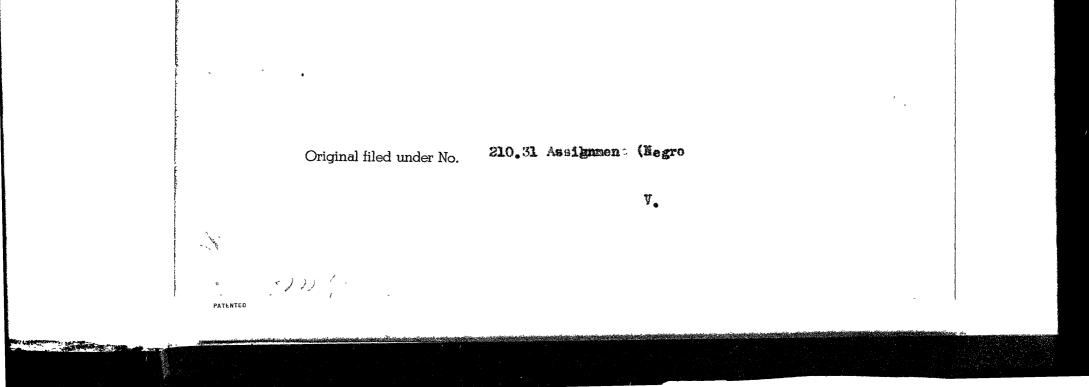
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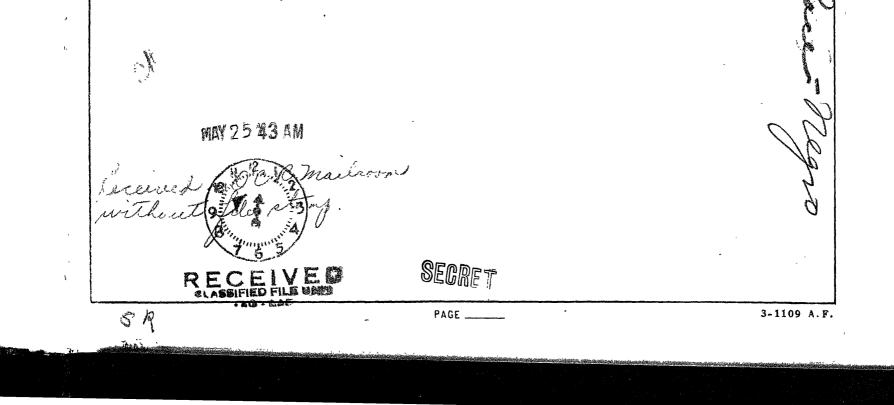
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command and First Army, Governors Island, New York

SUBJECT: Assignment of Negro Officer Personnel, Cuartermaster Truck Companies, Avn

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NDOOT 291.21 (3-31-43)

Marcl 31, 1943.

MEMOTANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ADVY AIR FORCES: AMMY GROUND FORCES: ARXX SERVICE FORCES:

Subject: Station Assignments of Negro Troops.

1. It is desired that a list of current and proposed station assignments for all Negre units under your control in the continents) United States be submitted each month to the Commanding General, Special Sorvice Division, Army Service Forces. The list will be submitted as early as practicable in the month proceeding the month of proposed assignment.

2. The Special Service Division, A my Service Forces, will distribute the information contained in the reports as directed by the Commanding General, Army Service Forces to the Federal Security Agency and the Office of Defense Health and Welfare. These two agencies have requested this information to assist them in advanced planning in preparation for community activities for Negro troops.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ I. H. Edwards

1. J. EDWARDS Major General, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.



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From: Program Planning

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SUBJECT: Use of Negro Troops in Guard Squadrons

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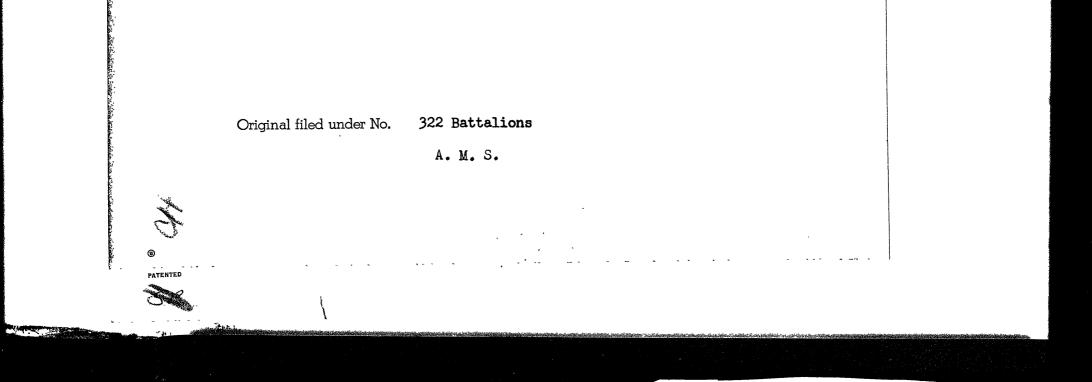
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- From: Asst. Chief of air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements. Air Defense Branch.
- To: Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements.

SUBJECT: Air Base Security Battalions

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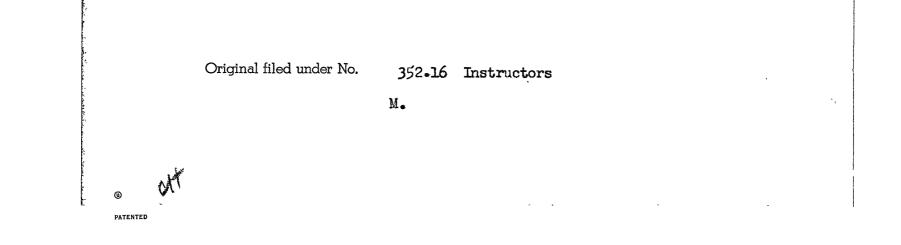
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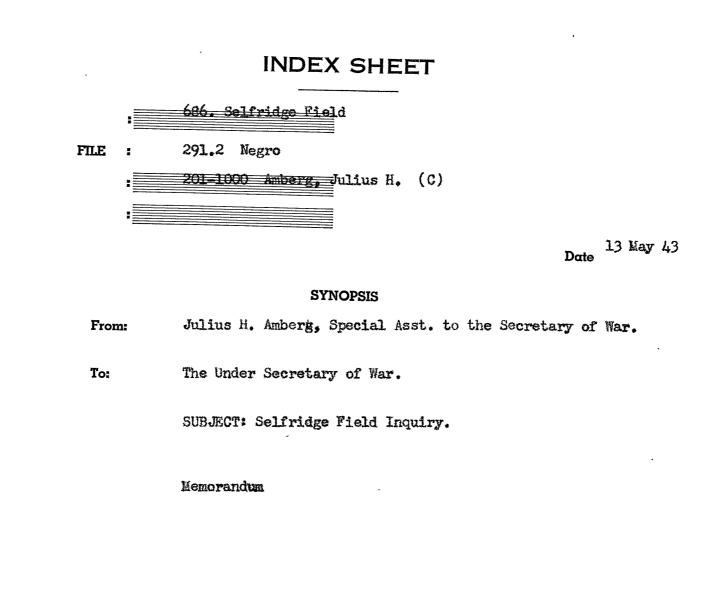
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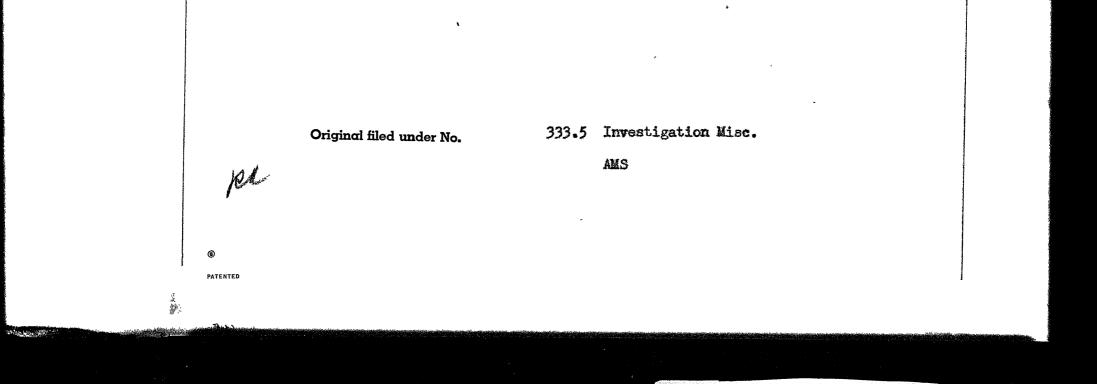
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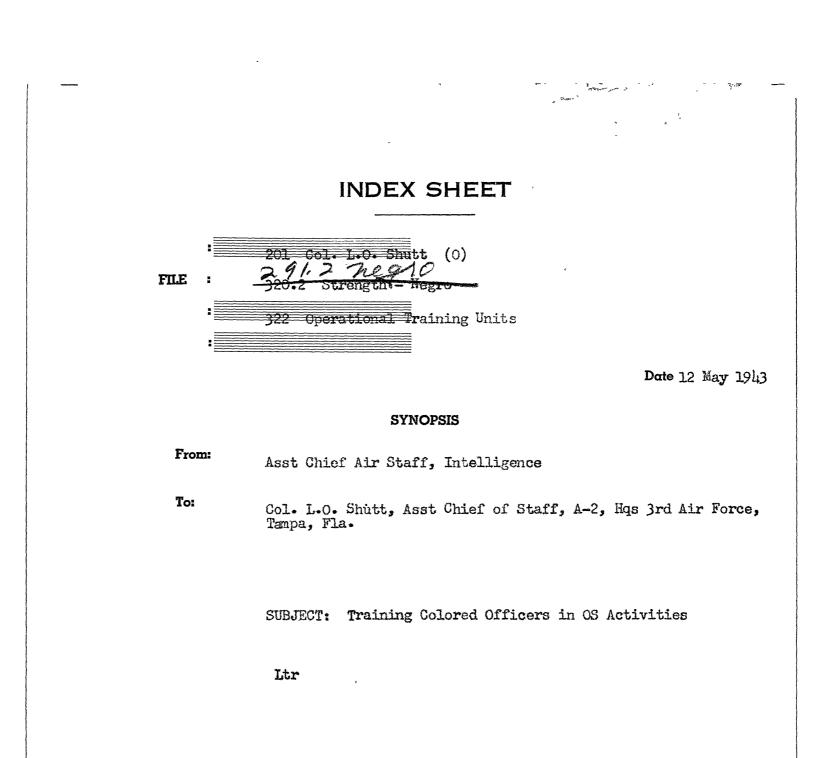
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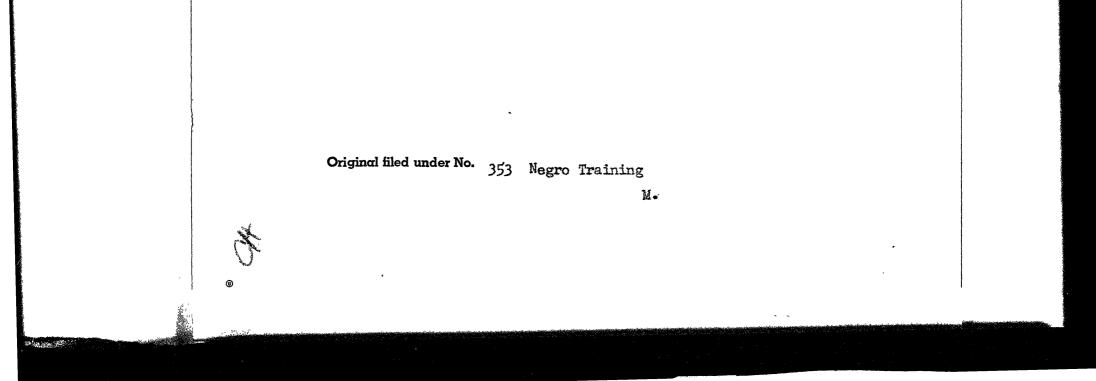
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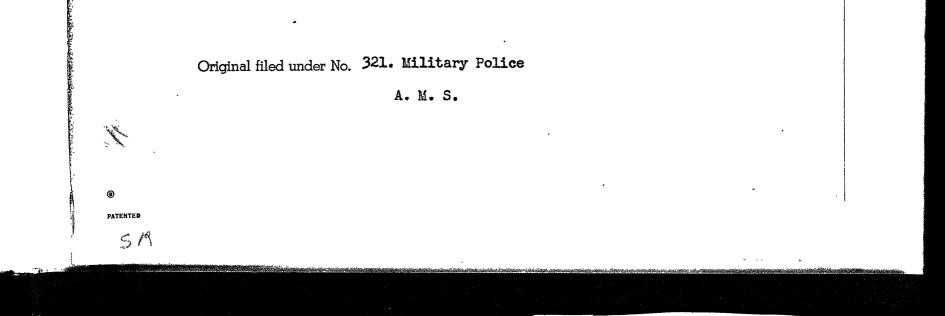
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From:Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements, Theatre Branch.

- To: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements, Requirements Division, Asst. for Personnel and Organization.
  - SUBJECT: Study of Military Police Companies, Avn. and Air Base Security Bns. in Theatre of Operations.

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Negro Civilian Instructors in Technical Schools

May 6, 1943

Asst Chief of Air Stoff, Personnel

Asrt Chief of Air Staff, Training

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1. A canvass has been made of other Commands of the Army Air Forces who have use for instructors capable of instructing in the fields covered by the one hundred and eleven (111) negro instructors concerned.

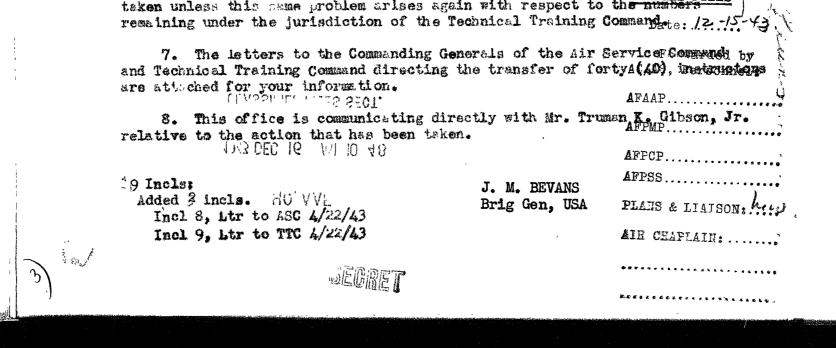
2. As a result of this investigation the Air Service Command wes directed to initiate the transfer of forty (40) of these instructors from the Technicel Training Command. The Air Service Command plans to use these individuals as instructors on the subjects they have been trained to teach. They will be employed in the training section of depots and generally will be distributed over 6 wide area. In the southern depots the classes are 'aught on a segregated basis and in the northern depots the classes are interminded.

3. The dir Service Command can only absorb a limited number of these Ninstructors at Selfridge Field.

4. Endeavors were made to place an additional number with the Materiel Command for employment as instructors in the modification centers. However, the modification centers are operated by private concerns under contract to the Army Air Forces and it has been impossible to prevail on these concerns is to take these individuals, even on v loan basis.

5. It is believed that the reduction in number from one bundred and eleven (111) to seventy one (71) will considerably alleviate the problem in the Technical Training Command.

6. Further distribution could be made both in the Air Service Command and the Materiel Command if these employees were transferred from instructor duty to mechanics duty. However, it is recommended that this step not be Command the this step not be



Negro Civilian Instructors in Technical Schools.

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Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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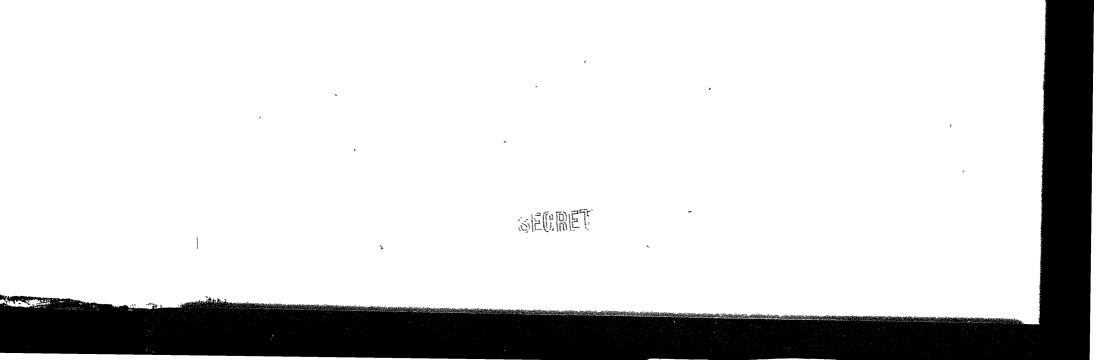
1. Referred for action in the placement of colored personnel concerned.

2. The possibility of utilizing all these men in the sub-depot at Selfridge Field, Michigan, arose in the discussion of this problem and is suggested for your consideration.

3. This division has replied to the communication from T. K. Gibson (inclosure No. 1)

ROBERT W. HARPER, Brigadier General, U.S.A., Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training.

Incls. Memo fr T.K.Gibson, w/press enc⊥., Telephone Conversation btw Col. Cuyler and Gen Howard, 3-6-43, Memo to C/AS, 2-6-43, abv subj. Telephone Conversation btw Col. Davasher and Maj Harnish, 2-9-43. Cy Memo to T.K.Gibson, fr Training Div. 4-5-43 Cy Memo for Gen. Harper from Col. Ryan 4-1-43



#### WAR DEPARTMENT WASHINGTON

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March 30, 1943

#### MEMORANDUM

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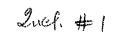
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Brigadier General Luther S. Smith

The enclosed press statement was carried by all of the Negro papers last week. For my own information I would like to know the present plans for the utilization of Negro civilian instructors.

> Truman K. Gibson, Jr. Acting Civilian Aide to the Secretary of War





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#### VERSATION BETWEEN JL. CUYLER AND GEN. HOWARD: March 6, 1943

This is Col. Cuyler of A--1 division of Col. Davison. This question of civilian negro instructors has come up as regards Texas. It's all come into the War Department, and we've received a similar directive as to the one we've received on Mississippi.

How: To take all the colored people out of Texas.

Cuy: That's right.

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- How: Where are you going to send them now? Who wants them now? Who wants them?
- Euy: The directive just says they have to be transferred to schools in the North, where their presence will ocasion less public criticism.
- how: Well, all right.
- Cuy: Well, I thought I'd better call you on it right away; and I'll get Col. Davison to sign a confirmatory letter, such as the one he signed in regard to Mississippi.
- How: All right, Weil, pretty soon we're going to have some of these northern schools with all white students and nothing but colored instructors, aren't we?
- Cuy: Yeh, I think it's a great shame. But of course you well know that when it first came up we tried to keep it just status quo, but this higher authority coming down on us.
- How: All right, Cuyler:
- Cuy: All right, fine! Gen. Howard.
- How: Thanks for the notification--thank you very much!
- Cu. All right, sir.
- How: Good-by!

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AFRIT-3

February 6, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of the Air Staff

SUBJECT: Negro Civilian Instructors in Technical Schools

1. General Smith has asked that the following matter be brought to your attention.

2. I was contacted by Lt. Col. Cuyler of A-1, who stated that he had a telegram from the Governor of Mississippi, addressed to the President, which had been referred to his section for action. The telegram was a protest from the Governor of Mississippi against the transfer of Negro civilian instructors to Gulfport, Mississippi and Keesler Field, Mississippi for use in the technical schools. Colonel Cuyler asked me for a statement as to whether or not these Negroes were being used to instruct white students. The Commanding Officer of Gulfport was contacted by phone, and he stated that he had received eight colored instructors and that since they were sent there for that purpose, they were instructing in the school. A similar call to the Commanding Officer of Keesler Field revealed that he had received, or would receive, a total of thirteen Negro civilian instructors. He stated that he was not using these instructors in classrooms but was using them in administrative and surply capacities. He also stated that the local situation was so "hot" that he did not dare use them as instructors. There are no Negro student: at Gulfport or Keesler.

3. Colonel Cuyler was given the above information. Some time later he called me and asked if it would not be possible to transfer these instructors to other technical schools, preferably in the northern part of the United States. The only mechanic school we have in the north is at Lincoln, Nebraska. Chanute Field is now on advanced school, giving courses for which these instructors are deemed incapable of teaching without their receiving additional instruction themselves.

4. In view of policies in regard to the handling of Negro personnel which have been announced from your office, instructions are

requested as to wheter or not it is your desire flat further action in this case be taken.

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G. L. DAVASHER ColoneL, Air Corps Chief, Technical Training Division

Gen, Hanley advised Col Davesher 2/7/43 that he (Gen Hanley) had advised Gen Howard 2/6/43 that Negroes would instruct whites.

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#### STATEMENT OF GENERAL HOWARD IN REG. RD TO NEGRO INSTFUCTORS IN TTC

The Negro instructors were all at Chanute Field. They were GEN. HOWARD: beginning to organize. There were 125 of them, or in that neighborhood. We had 7 schools. We divided the 1.25 by 7 and distributed them among those schools. That we considered in accordance with ou instructions for non-discrimination and non-segregation. There is no favoritism toward the white or toward the black. So, any upset in that policy is going to make a concentration of Negro instructors at one place and a discrimination in favor of the Negroes, if you put them in at that one place, which we do not care to do in view of our instructions from higher authority. If it is seen fit to send these men to Lincoln or Chanute Field, it will not - repeat notcause the discharge of whites. We are so short of instructors we cannot approach our ratio of one to eight, which desire, but we are under the ratio of one to fifteen, which is official. Inst is the story that A-1 should know and understand.

COL. DAVASHER: If these Negro instructors were transferred to Lincoln, would that make a sufficient number of Negroes at Lincoln that there would be many more whites being insteucted by Negroes than you think desirable?

GEN. HOWAFD: Yes, absolutely.

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Policy in regard to Negro Civilian Instructors

\_ Asst. Chief of the Air Staff, A-1

Director of Individual Training

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Feb. 9, 1943

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1. Attached hereto is a statement of the Chief of Staff, Technical Training Command, which it is desired to place in the record concerning the movement of Negro instructors from Gulfport, Mississippi and Keesler Field, Mississippi.

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1 Incl. - Statement of L. S. SMITH Ben. Howard, C/S, TTC. Brig. General, U.S.A. CONVERSATION BETWEEN COL. DAVASHER AND MAJ. HARNISH: Transcribed February 9, 1943 before we could get to Gen. Howard and get his decision on the matter.

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Yeh, well--

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We tried to get you, and we stuck around for--till about 7-30 I guess it was; and finally decided that perhaps the Air Staff went home and you went hom with them.

Dav: Well, that's it. They took off, and then I left. Wait just a minute--I can't hear you--a plane going over. OK.

Har: I'm sorry we couldn't get the information back to you sooner.

Dav: All right, what's the dope.

Har: Gen. Howard would like to have any one who wants to discuss that problem to talk with him personally. So that's the dope on that right now.

Dave OK! I've got two or three things for you here, and then I'll switch to him.

Har: All right, Sir.

Dav: First, here's their class at the OTS2\*\*\*\*-----

Howard Hello!

lar:

Dav: This is Davasher, General.

How: Yes?

Dav: I'm calling you in regard to those instructors, sir.

How: What about them?

Dav: Well, they have A--1. They are preparing a memorandum for Gen. Stratemeyer to send to the Secretary of War, and he has this statement. I just wanted to know whether it is right or wrong. It says, "It would be possible however to transfer them, the negros, to the only Technical Training Command mechanic school in the North, that being at Lincoln, Nebraska. This would create a surplus of instructors at Lincoln, which would cause the transfer of instructors therefrom to other stations of the Technical Training Command".

How: Yeh. Have you got a recorder on ther?

Dav: Yes, sir.

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How: All right. Now get this on it: The negro instructors were all t Chanute Field, They were beginning to organize. There a hundred and twentyfive of them, or in that heighborhood. We had five schools. We didvided the hundred and twenty-five by fively and distributed them amongst those schools. That, we considered in accordance with our instructions for nondiscrimination and nonsegregation. There is no favoritism toward the whites nor toward the blacks. So any upset in that policy is going to make a concentration of negro instructors at one place and a discrimination in

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- All right. Thank you.

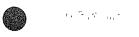
One other think, I'd Like to have a statement from you on this General. now: If these were transfered to Lincoln, it would make a preponderance of negro instructors at that point. Would it, or not? Do you know? Dav:

- Wh.t do you mean by a preponderance? A majority? How:
- Oh ng!' No, maybe that's not the word that I mean. Dav:
- There'd be more colored people than at other stations. \_\_\_\_JW:
- Yes, sir. Da :
- There'd be a concentrating of them. That's the thing we had to break up at How: Chanute. There was beginning to be organization. They were beginning to organize on us. We distributed them in the fairest way, without discrimination, and withoug segregation, that we possibly could do it; and we think it was highly in accord with the instructions of higher authorities, and also in accord with the request of that group that they've had out there. And also this group they were organizing at Chanute, that was one of the points they made, that they couldn't be distributed. They couldn't get out to these various places. They were being held concentrated there; and we did this in accordance with their desire, we think.
- Well, what I meant by a preponderance a while ago is this: that there Dav: would be a sufficient number of negros at Lincoln, that there would be many more whites instructed by negros than you think desirable.
- Oh indeed! Yes. How:
- Well, that': the pointI'm tring to get Dav:

Well, that statement goes, yes. Andy by the way! Let me correct myself in How: the previous pecord. I said there were five schools, and we divided a hundred and twenty-five by five. The e are seven schools. We divided a hundred and twenty-five by seven; and distributed them in that ration. Got it?

Yes, sir. Thank you, sir. Dav:





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April 5, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Truman K. Gibson, Jr., Acting Civilian Aide to the Secretary of War.

SUEJECT: Negro Civilians.

1. In reply to your memorandum of March 30, 1943, I wish to advise you that your question has been referred to the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel.

2. It is my belief that this metter is a problem regarding rensonnel rather than training, and, therefore, it can be solved more readily by the Personnel Division.

ROBERT W. HARPER, Brigadier General, U.S.A., Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR: BRIGADIER GENERAL BOBERT W. HARPER

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Subject: Policy regarding use of Negro Civilian Technical Instructors.

1. The Officer at Headquarters, Army Air Forces, who has the best background and most of the files on this subject is Lt. Colonel Lewis B. Cuyler, War Department Extension 5309, now assigned in the office of Ass't. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel.

2. Briefly, the background for the trouble is as follows:

<u>a.</u> In accordance with instructions to AAFTTC from this Headquarters that there be no discrimination and no segretation of Negroes in the training program, AAFTTC trained 125 civilian Negro instructors at Chanute Field, There are 7 Technical Schools giving the type of training for which this personnel was qualified, and so the 125 civilian instructors were divided among the 7 differend schools - 4 of which are located in the South, e. g., Sheppard Field, Amarillo Field, Keesler Field, and Gulfport Field.

b. Various communications were received in the Office of the President and by the War Department from local citizens in the area where there 4 Southern schools are located, objecting strenuously to the use of Negroes as instructors for White students, among others, the Governor of Mississippi. The War Department turned these objections over the Army Air Forces asking them to solve the problem. Genral Hanley put the question back in the Lap of the War Department with the statement that he believed that this was a matter of high policy and reque ting a more clear cut policy

from the War Department.

<u>c.</u> War Department, G-1, came back with instructions to the Army Air Forces that it should be the policy to keep Negro instructors out of Technical schools located in the South and that all Negro civilian instructors now employed to be used in Northern schools with the exception of the Flying Training School at Tuskegee, Alabama.

<u>d.</u> A-1, of this Head uarters, issued instructions to TTC based on  $\underline{c}$ , above.

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3. As a result, all of these civilian negro instructors were moved North to the Technical Schools at Lincoln, Nebraska, and at Chanute Field, Illinois, which were the only schools giving training the specialties for which these Negro instructors are qualified. As a matter of fact it was nece sary to train the Negro instructors sent to Chanute Field all over again, inasmuch as only advanced and special courses are given atChanute Field and airplane mechanics is not taught at Chanute Field.

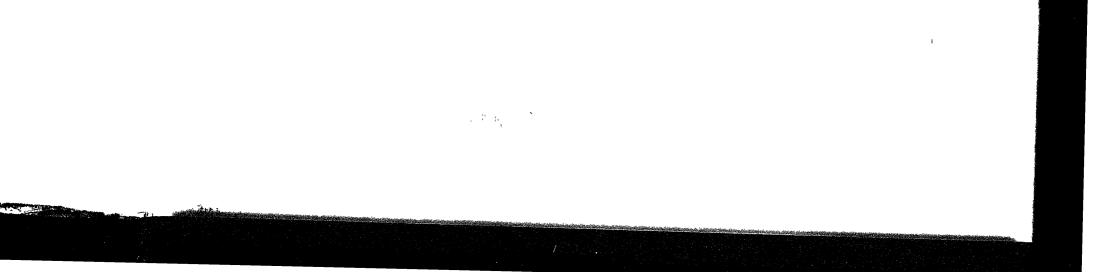
4. In addition to the trouble at Chanute Field, as indicated in the inclosed press statement, the TTC advised us informally that they are also having trouble with the Negro instructors at Lincoln, Nebraska. The Negro instructors are having difficulty finding places to live which suit them and they are sleeping in their automobiles.

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L. O. FYAN Colonel, Air Corps Chief, Technical Training Section



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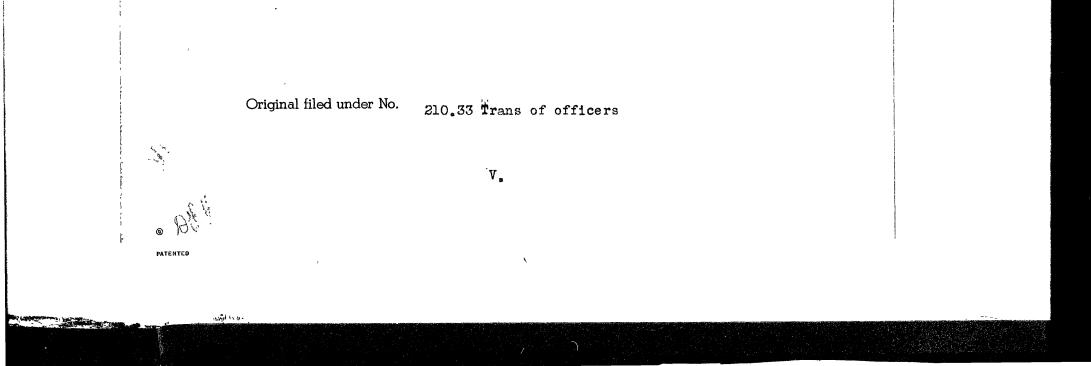
#### SYNOPSIS

From: Military Personnel

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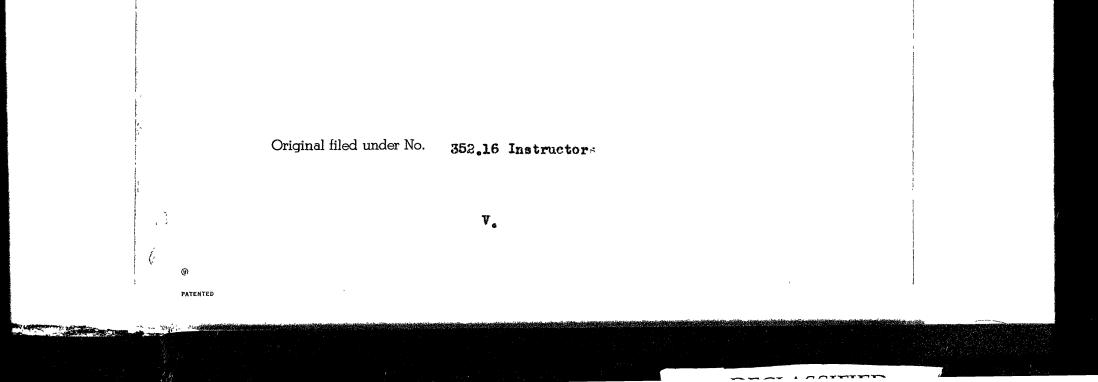
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To: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Training

SUBJECT: Negro Civilian Instructors in Technical Schools



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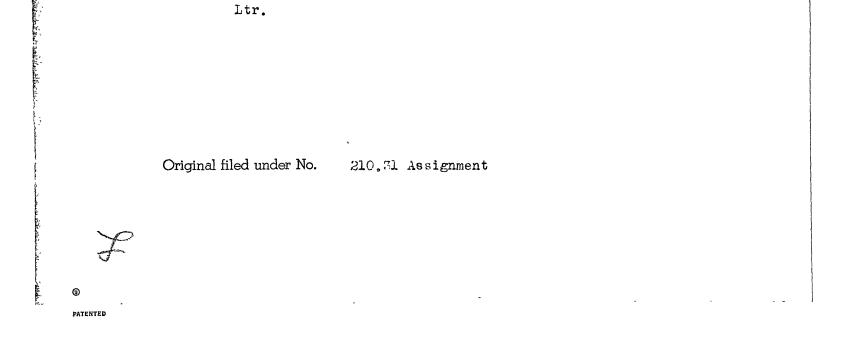
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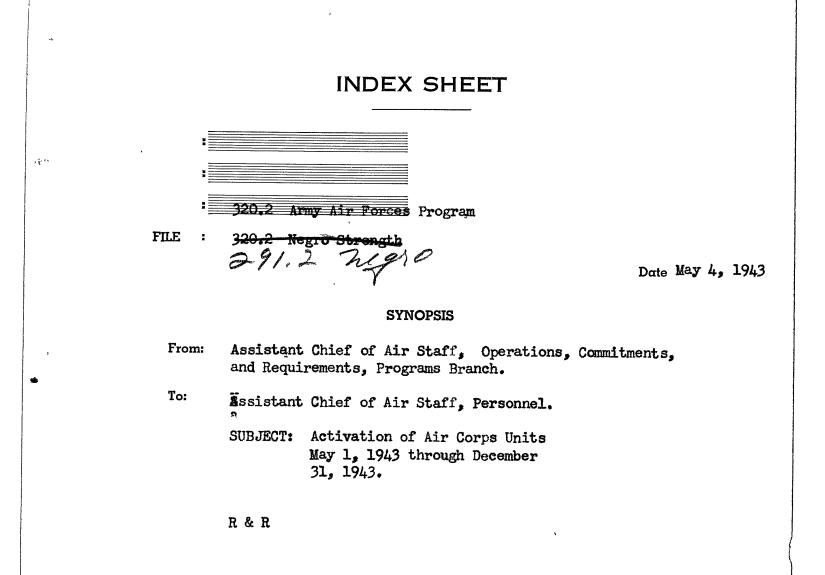
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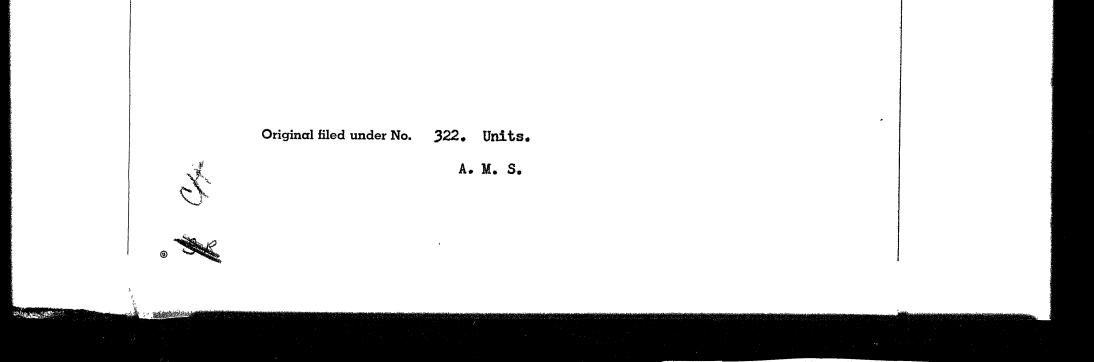
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To: The Adjutant General

> SUBJECT: Orders, Assignment Policy on Assignment of Negro Officer Personnel







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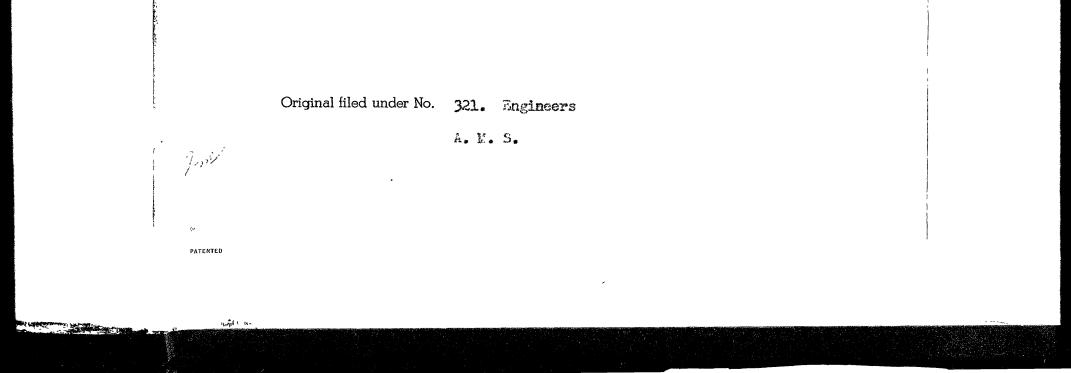
#### SYNOPSIS

From: Asst., Chief of Air Staff, N. H. &D.

To: General STREETT, CG, Third AF Hqs Tampa, Florida.

SUBJECT: Regarding race notes on the performance of race of our colored Aviation Engineers, that could be used to build morale.

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Air Adjutant General

To:

From:

Mr. Edward J. Cox, Pres., Nat'l Asso. for the Advancement of Colored People, Columbus, Ohio

SUBJECT: Negroes being excluded from Post Exchange

