

269th AERO SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

269th Aero Squadron
Organized, Feb 1918
Demobilized, Jul 1919

STATIONS

Gerstner Field, LA
Garden City, NY, Jul 1918
Port of Embarkation, Hoboken, NY, Aug 1918
AEF, Aug 1918
Mitchel Field, NY

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

Between December 15 and April 1, flying ceased at Chanute Field, and all instructors and students were transferred to southern camps to continue training during the winter months. Instruction of ground crews and administrative personnel from various aero squadrons continued as before. The training planes, though unused, were serviced and maintained by student mechanics, riggers, and electricians just as they had been during the busy flying season.

Early in January, the 153d and 210th Aero Squadrons received orders to prepare for overseas shipment, and two more squadrons left the Kelly Field depot to train at Rantoul. Before the end of that month, all but the 38th, the headquarters squadron, were alerted for shipment. In spite of the steady drain of units and personnel, the number of men at the field did not fall below 500. After the 83d, 268th, and 269th Aero Squadrons were organized in February and were followed to Chanute by the 831st and 832d Squadrons, the field reached its capacity of 1,500 men.

269 Squadron Activated Jefferson Barracks, Saint Louis Mo. Trained As Service, Repair Squadron At Camp Custer, Battle Creek Mi And Gerstner Field, Lake Charles La. Trained On Thomas Morse Scout Aircraft And Curtis Jn-4 Aircraft. Embarked For France. Arrived First Air Depot, Folcombry Les Belles, France, and became operational. Squadron broken up with personnel variously assigned.

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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Sources

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