

# 457<sup>th</sup> PURSUIT SQUADRON

## MISSION

## LINEAGE

457<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron (Construction) organized, Feb 1918

Redesignated 73<sup>rd</sup> Spruce Squadron, Jul 1918

Demobilized, Jan 1919

457<sup>th</sup> Squadron (Pursuit) constituted in the Organized Reserve, 15 Oct 1921

Initiated, 25 Apr 1922

Redesignated 457<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Squadron, 25 Jan 1923

73<sup>rd</sup> Spruce Squadron reconstituted and consolidated with 457<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Squadron, 25 Nov 1936. Consolidated organization designated 457<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Squadron.

Disbanded, 31 May 1942

## STATIONS

Vancouver Barracks, WA

Youngs Falls, OR, Apr 1918

Clatsop, OR, OR, Jul 1918

Vancouver Barracks, WA, Nov 1918

Not initiated 1921-1922

Candler Field, Atlanta, GA, 1922-1941

## ASSIGNMENTS

316<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Group

## COMMANDERS

1Lt Robert B. Snowden, 25 Apr 1922-May 1922

Unknown, May 1922-Sep 1924

Cpt Harvey N. Pye, Sep 1924-27 Jan 1925

Cpt Henry U. Farnsworth, 27 Jan 1925-Feb 1925

Unknown, Feb 1925-May 1930

Maj Paul N. Montague, May 1930-Sep 1930

Unknown, Sep 1930-Sep 1935  
Maj William L. Plummer, Sep 1935-28 Mar 1938  
Maj George Wiggs, 28 Mar 1938-Apr 1938  
Unknown, Feb 1925-May 1930  
Unknown, Apr 1938-7 Dec 1941

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

### **EMBLEM**

### **MOTTO**

### **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 15 October 1921 as the 457th Squadron (Pursuit), assigned to the 316th Pursuit Group (GHQR), and allotted to the Fourth Corps Area. Initiated on 25 April 1922 at Atlanta, GA. Redesignated as the 457th Pursuit Squadron on 25 January 1923. Relocated in February 1926 to Candler Field in Atlanta. Relieved 1 October 1933 from the 316th Pursuit Group. Consolidated on 25 November 1936 with the 457th Aero Squadron (Construction) (a WWI unit organized in February 1918 at Vancouver Barracks, WA; redesignated as the 73rd Spruce Squadron in July 1918; demobilized in January 1919 at Vancouver Barracks; reconstituted on 25 November 1936). Conducted summer training at Maxwell Field and Candler Field. Designated mobilization training station was Camp Joseph E. Johnston, FL, (later redesignated Camp J. Clifford R. Foster) 1922-30 and Maxwell Field, AL, 1930-41. Status: Disbanded on 31 May 1942.

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### Sources

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