

918 COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

MISSION

The Reserve mission of the 918th Combat Support Squadron is to provide base and mobility support for the 94th TAW and 918 TAG and to fully qualify all assigned personnel in their assigned AFSCs and additional duty assignments. Active duty missions of the Squadron is to operate the Dobbins AFB, Ga.

LINEAGE¹

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Redesignated 918 Support Squadron, 1 Dec 1965

918 Combat Support Squadron Inactivated, 1 Sep 1975

STATIONS

Dobbins AFB, GA, 15 Jan 1963-1 Sep 1975

ASSIGNMENTS

918 Tactical Airlift Group

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Charles K. Chamblee

Lt Col Jackson W. Dobbins

Lt Col Stobard K. Hood

Maj Franklin E. Glass, Jr., 6 Jun 1973

Maj Charles H. Hendry

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

¹ Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Effective 1 April 1973, the 918th Combat Support Squadron was reorganized under a new UDL which changed the strength of the unit from 129 enlisted, 11 officers authorized with 14.6 enlisted and 18 officers assigned to 299 enlisted, 26 officers -authorized with 14.6 enlisted and 23 officers assigned.

The 918th Combat Support Squadron picked up new responsibilities in some areas of operations and expanded operations in others while some areas were reduced because of the reorganization. New areas include Information; Safety; Civil Engineering; Personnel Services; Supply Services; Survival & Protection Equipment. Expanded areas include Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Commercial Transportation, Security Police and Dining Hall. Reduced areas include Comptroller which lost two officer positions and Supply which also lost two officer positions.

During the reporting period, reorganization of the 918th CSS Civil Engineering Section and the 918th CE Flight was completed. The Civil Engineering Section was set up functionally along shop lines with an officer-in-charge and a non-commissioned officer-in-charge for each shop area. Following reorganization, the section has been combining training with accomplishing needed Civil Engineering jobs around the base. All shop personnel have been issued tool boxes and draw materials as needed. Heavy equipment is supplied by the Base Motor Pool. In addition, the Navy provides heavy equipment on an as needed basis. The section completes Job Orders developed between UTA's and also handles service calls on UTA weekends. Service calls have included such items as relamping buildings, sweeping pavements, collecting refuse, performing emergency plumbing repairs, repairing roof leaks, plus performing electrical and mechanical repairs. Several major job orders have been undertaken and completed or are close to completion including construction of the Barbeque Shed at the airman's barracks; construction of a basketball court at the airmen's barracks; construction of a jogging track at the base gym; replacing of fencing at the base number; Resign of a parking lot addition for the Officer's Club; removal of Quonset Huts; construction of a storage area in the BCE building and the securing of two rooms in Hanger #2.

The unit served its annual active duty for training tour, during which the Law Enforcement Section was divided into three shifts to supplement the base security force. The Law Enforcement Section was instrumental in providing for the orderly flow of traffic on the base during the air show. During the open house, this section, assisted by the 918th Weapons Systems Security Flight, directed traffic, directed the parking of private automobiles, supervised the unloading and loading of spectator busses, and provided security. Both sections also completed their annual weapons qualification requirements during summer camp. In addition to conducting the awarding of contracts for the airfield lighting project and the new dining hall for the base, the procurement

personnel were involved in various activities, such as mail runs, handling office visitors, filing documents, and coding for the computer reports for the office.

The unit has stressed the getting of training folders current and accurate. The staff assistance visits reported in the previous unit history have been completed. These included an audit of files and publications by the Administration Section and a check of sign-in and sign-out procedures by the Personnel Section. The Law Enforcement personnel have completed the move to new quarters and the remodeling of the new facilities. Accounting and Finance personnel participated in training classes conducted by their civilian counterparts. They received instructions on new forms and procedures used in the travel section. Several major work orders were performed or are nearing completion. A few of these are installation of fencing at the Base nursery, construction of a frame for a barbeque shed and a cement walkway, and extermination at the Base Range. 1975