

# **1300 AIR BASE WING**

## **MISSION**

## **LINEAGE**

1300 Air Base Wing, 1 Nov 1951

## **STATIONS**

Mountain Home AFB, ID, 1 Nov 1951-30 Apr 1953

Great Falls AFB, MT, 1 May 1953-1 Feb 1954

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

Col Herbert S. Beeks

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Colonel Herbert S. Beeks arrived on 16 Feb 1951 with a cadre of thirteen officers and twenty-four airmen. Their eyes were greeted by a forlorn and discouraging prospect. Buildings were roofless and floors were covered with piles of dirty snow. Litter was strewn from one end of the field to the other. Weeds grew everywhere. There were no mess facilities and meals had to be eaten in Mountain Home. There was no firefighting equipment. Water pumps were operating, but leaky. Only one runway was usable. All personnel lived in permanent type officer's quarters, which were in a fair state of repair, until four barracks and a small mess hall could be patched up. Bennett Housing Project in Mountain Home was rehabilitated so that some airmen could have their families with them.

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