

26th BALLOON GROUP

MISSION

LINEAGE

HQ, 26th Balloon Group constituted, 6 Feb 1923

Organized, 14 Jul 1926

Demobilized, 28 Feb 1927

Reconstituted, 18 Oct 1927

Inactivated, Jun 1933

Redesignated Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 26th Balloon Group 1 Oct 1933

STATIONS

Not organized 1923-1926

Chicago, IL, 1926-1933

Inactive 1933-1936

Oklahoma City, OK, 1936-1941

ASSIGNMENTS

Hawaiian Department

VIII Corps, 1 Oct 1933

COMMANDERS

Cpt John H. Engelbrecht, 14 Dec 1936-Feb 1936

Cpt Elmer R. Norris, Jun 1937-Aug 1937

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Constituted in the Regular Army on 6 February 1923 as Headquarters, 26th Balloon Group and assigned to the Hawaiian Department. Designated Active Associate was the 5th Composite Group. Designated mobilization training station was Luke Field, TH, 1923-27 and Scott Field, IL, 1927-33. Organized on 14 July 1926 with Organized Reserve personnel as a RAI unit with headquarters at Chicago, IL. Demobilized on 28 February 1927. Reconstituted 18 October 1927, allotted to the Sixth Corps Area, and concurrently reorganized as a RAI unit with headquarters at Chicago. Inactivated by June 1933 in the Sixth Corps Area by relief of personnel. Withdrawn from the Sixth Corps Area 1 October 1933 and allotted to the Eighth Corps Area. Concurrently, redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 26th Balloon Group and assigned to the VIII Corps. Organized on 14 December 1936 with Organized Reserve personnel as a RAI unit with headquarters at the Municipal Airport, Oklahoma City, OK.

Subordinate Squadrons: 1st Balloon Company 1929-33; 1st Balloon Squadron 1933-37; 2nd Balloon Company 1930-33; 3rd Balloon Company (RAI) on 1923-33; 3rd Balloon Squadron 1933-37; 4th Balloon Company (RAI) on 1929-33; 4th Balloon Squadron 1933-41; 21st Balloon Company 1923-27; 26th Balloon Service Squadron 1933-36; 31st Balloon Service Squadron 1929-33 & 1936-41; 3rd Photo Section 1929-33

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Sources

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