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DISTINCTIVE INSIGNIA FOR
1905TH ENGINEER AVIATION BN.

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COAT OF ARMS OF
1905TH ENGINEER AVIATION BATTALION

FEB. 27, 1952

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1905th Engr (Avn) Bn,
Camp 1000

17 July 1952

Subject: Distinctive insignia for the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion
California & Oregon National Guard

To: Chief, National Guard Bureau
Washington 25, D. C.

From: Lieutenant Colonel
1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion
Beale Air Force Base, California

1. The drawing to be used by the manufacturer of the distinctive insignia for the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, California & Oregon National Guard, approved by letter GDNB M2h.2 & M2L.4 1905th Engr Bn on 11 July 1952, this office, 6 May 1952, is inclosed.

2. The distinctive insignia for wear upon the uniform will be manufactured in silver color metal and hard fired enamel in one side, as shown by the drawing. Two exact samples of the distinctive insignia are to be provided this office for approval before the manufacturer completes the order of the insignia. The approved drawing of the distinctive insignia is to be returned with the samples for the records of this office.

In order to complete the records and for future reference, it is requested that this office also be advised the name of the manufacturer of this insignia.

FOR RELIANCE THE UNTERMINATED COVER:

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1905th Engr Avn Bn,
Camp 1000

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Chief, Heraldic Branch
Research & Development Division

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MG-IN 421.4 Gen 1st Ind
(17 Jul 52)

SUBJECT: Distinctive Insignia for the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion,
California & Oregon National Guard

TO: Depts of the Army and the Air Force, National Guard Bureau, Washington
25, D. C., 21 July 1952

FROM: Commanding Officer, 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, Camp Beale,
Marysville, California

1 Incl
n/c

/s/ S. H. W.

421.4 (BNGO)(17 Jul 52)

2d Ind.

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HEADQUARTERS, 1905TH ENGINEER AVIATION BATTALION, BEALE AIR FORCE BASE,
CALIFORNIA, 3 November 1952

TO: Office of the Quartermaster General, Department of the Army,
Washington 25, D. C.

Herewith two exact samples of the distinctive insignia for this
battalion as directed in paragraph 2, basic communication. The name
of the manufacturer is shown on the enclosed card.

DEAN BONESTELL
Major CE(USAF)
Commanding

2 Incls:
1 Incl n/c
1 Incl Added
Card bearing insignia from Manufacturer

1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion
1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion

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M.C. BONGAY

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
SUBJECT: Distinctive Insignia for the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion,
California & Oregon National Guard

1. Dept of the Army, OCSG, Washington 25, D. C., 18 November 1952

2. TO: Chief, National Guard Bureau, Washington 25, D. C.

3. FROM: Commanding Officer, 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, Beale Air Force Base, California

1. The two samples of distinctive insignia for the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, California & Oregon National Guard, submitted above, are approved as they are in conformity with approval letter OCSG 424.2 & 421.4 1905th Ingr Avn Bn, Calif & Ore NG, this Office, 6 May 1952.

2. Receipt of the manufacturing drawing is acknowledged.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Withdrawn 2 Incls

ARTHUR E. DUBOIS
Chief, Heraldic Branch
Research & Development Division

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11 Nov 52
13 PM '52
J. D. M. G.
Heraldic Branch

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MEMPH 424.2 & 421.4
1905th Engr Avn Bn,
Calif & Ore NG

6 May 1952

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia for the
1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, California and Oregon
National Guard

THRU: Chief, National Guard Bureau
Washington 25, D. C.

TO: Commanding Officer
1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion
Beale Air Force Base, California

1. The coat of arms for the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, California and Oregon National Guard, is approved. The blazonry and description are as follows:

BLAZONRY

SHIELD: Per bend argent and gules, in chief a Malayan bear's head affronté erased proper and in base the Burmese insignia of six stars of the first.

CREST: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the California National Guard: On a wreath of the colors (argent and gules) the setting sun behind a grizzly bear passant on a grassy field all proper.

CREST: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the Oregon National Guard: On a wreath of the colors (argent and gules) a demi disc gules charged with the setting sun with twelve light rays or (the shoulder sleeve insignia of the 41st Division), behind a beaver sejant proper.

MOTTO: Earnest Endeavor.

DESCRIPTION

The colors red and white are for Engineers. The Burmese stars indicate one battle honor awarded the organization for service in that area, while the Malayan bear, indigenous to Burma and the Malay Peninsula, represents the other battle honor.

QMHB 424.2 & 421.4
1905th Engr Avn Bn,
Calif & Ore NG

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia for the 1905th Engineer
Aviation Battalion, California and Oregon National Guard

2. The distinctive insignia for the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, California and Oregon National Guard, is approved. The distinctive insignia consists of the shield and motto of the coat of arms for this organization, which is described in paragraph 1.

TO BE WORN: As prescribed by current regulations.

3. The painting of the coat of arms for the records of the organization and the approved drawing for use in the manufacture of the distinctive insignia will be forwarded on or about 18 July 1952.

4. This approval letter is in accordance with "Official Statement of Lineage and Battle Honors," dated 4 December 1951, copy of which, it is understood, was furnished your organization by Office of Military History.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

ARTHUR E. DUBOIS
Chief, Heraldic Branch
Research & Development Division

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO

QMGB 424.2
1905th Engr Avn Bn,
Calif & Ore NG

20 March 1952

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia for the 1905th
Engineer Aviation Battalion, California and Oregon
National Guard

THRU: Chief, National Guard Bureau
Washington 25, D. C.

TO: Commanding Officer
1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion
Camp Beal
Marysville, California

1. Reference is made to letter 421.4, your Headquarters, 17 September 1951, and to 1st Indorsement QMGB 424.2 - 1905th Engr Avn Bn, this Office, 15 October 1951, above subject.

2. The design submitted is not satisfactory in that it takes the form of caricature. Designs embodying caricature or humorous approach are not considered appropriate for use in the design of a coat of arms and distinctive insignia which is used on the organizational flag and worn on the uniform of the United States Army.

3. A suggested design is forwarded for concurrence. It is described as follows:

SHIELD: Per bend argent and gules, in chief a Malayan bear's head affronté erased proper and in base the Burmese insignia of six stars of the first.

CREST: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the California National Guard: On a wreath of the colors (argent and gules) the setting sun behind a grizzly bear passant on a grassy field all proper.

CREST: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the Oregon National Guard: On a wreath of the colors (argent and gules) a demi disc gules charged with the setting sun with twelve light rays or (the shoulder sleeve insignia of the 41st Division), behind a beaver sejant proper.

MOTTO: (To be chosen).

QMCHB 424.2

1905th Engr Avn Bn,
Calif & Ore NG

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia for the 1905th Engineer
Aviation Battalion, California and Oregon National Guard

The colors red and white are for Engineers. The Burmese stars indicate one battle honor awarded the organization for service in that area, while the Malayan bear, indigenous to Burma and the Malay Peninsula, represents the other battle honor.

4. As the motto is chosen by the organization, it is requested that three mottoes, with translations if expressed in language other than English, be selected by the organization in the sequence of preference so that this Office may select the first one not approved for any other organization.

5. It is also requested that indication be made as to whether the distinctive insignia is to consist of the shield or shield and motto of the coat of arms. See designs A and B attached to suggested design of coat of arms.

6. Upon receipt of concurrence by the organization in the design and return of correspondence with the design, this Office will process approvals of a coat of arms and distinctive insignia.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl
Sug. design, c/a & d/1,
1905th Engr Avn Bn


ARTHUR E. DUBOIS
Chief, Heraldic Branch
Research & Development Division

NG-IN 421.4 Gen
(20Mar52)

1st Ind

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia for the 1905th
Engineer Aviation Battalion, California and Oregon
National Guard

Hq, Depts of the Army and the Air Force, National Guard Bureau, Washington
25, D. C., 25 March 1952

TO: Commanding Officer, 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, Camp Beal,
Marysville, California

1. Your attention is invited to basic letter.
2. The National Guard Bureau will advise The Adjutants General of California and Oregon of a design finally adopted.

FOR THE CHIEF, NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU:

Stephen H. White

1 Incl
n/c

STEPHEN H. WHITE
Major, NGB
Acting Chief, Information Office
National Guard Bureau

421.4 (20 Mar 52)

2nd Ind

EMD/rlg

Headquarters, 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, U.S. Air Force, Camp Beal,
Marysville, California, 16 April 1952

TO: Chief, National Guard Bureau, Washington 25, D.C.

1. In compliance with paragraph 4, basic communication the following
are submitted as suggested mottoes:

- a. "ADIFICAMUS", Latin word meaning: "We Build"
- b. "Earnest Endeavor"
- c. "Ability, Industry"

2. The distinctive insignia is to consist of shield and crest of the
Coat of Arms as shown on design "B" of attachment.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Core J. Dilliey

1 Incl
n/c

CORE J. DILLIEY
Captain CE (DEAN)
Adjutant

MG-IN 421.4 Gen
(20Mar52)

3d Ind

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia for the 1905th
Engineer Aviation Battalion, California and Oregon
National Guard

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Hq, Depts of the Army and the Air Force, National Guard Bureau, Washington
25, D. C., 25 April 1952

TO: The Quartermaster General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C.

Attention invited to 2d indorsement.

FOR THE CHIEF, NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU:

1 Incl
n/c

Shellen H. Hart

Major *WLB*
STEPHEN H. WHITE

Major, NGB

Acting Chief, Information Office
National Guard Bureau

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HEADQUARTERS
1905TH ENGINEER AVIATION BATTALION
FORT LEONARD WOOD, MISSOURI

421.4

14 November 1950

SUBJECT: Request for Unit Insignia Authorization

TO: Commanding Officer
347th Engineer Aviation Group
Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 67 Army Regulation 600-40, request the attached insignia of Barney Bear, be authorized as the insignia of the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion.

2. Enclosed is a license authorizing the use of this cartoon caricature for this organization signed by an official of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures Studios.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Earl M. Dilley
EARL M. DILLEY
Captain CE
Adjutant

2 Incls

1. Insignia
2. License

421.4

1st Ind

Hq 347th Engineer Aviation Group, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., 15 Nov. 50

TO: Commanding Officer, 20th Engineer Brigade, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Recommend approval.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Lebert A. Reaves
LEBERT A REAVES
Captain CE
adjutant

2 Incls:
n/c

EBADM 421.4 (14 Nov 50) 2nd Ind
SUBJECT: Request for Unit Insignia Authorization

Hq 20th Engineer Brigade, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri NOV 21 1950

TO: Commanding General, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

Recommend approval.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Richard I Young
RICHARD I YOUNG
Capt CE
Ass't Adjutant

2 Incls:
n/c

421.4 ALWAG 3rd Ind

Hq Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri 22 Nov 50

TO: Commanding General, Fifth Army, 1660 E Hyde Park Blvd, Chicago 15, Ill.

Recommend approval.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ C. Townsend
C TOWNSEND
Major, AGC
Adjutant

2 Incl
n/c

Basic: Ltr Hq 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.
file 421.4, dated 14 November 1950, Subject: Request for Unit Insignia
Authorization

AG 421.4 ALFQM-S

4th Ind

HQ FIFTH ARMY, 1660 E Hyde Park Blvd, Chicago 15, Ill. 6 December 1950

TO: The Quartermaster General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C.

Approved.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incl
n/c

cc: Commanding General
Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

MELVIN D. BROWN
Colonel 100
AG 421.4



QAGHB 424.2

5th Ind

1905th Eng (AVA) Bn

SUBJECT: Request for Unit Insignia Authorization

Dept of the Army, OCSG, Washington, 25, D. C., 15 December 1950

TO: Commanding General, Fifth Army, 1660 E. Hyde Park Blvd., Chicago 16,

1. The drawing submitted in basic correspondence is being retained in this Office for future reference.
2. Records of this Office disclose that the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion does not have an approved coat of arms or distinctive insignia.
3. Material for use in development of coats of arms and distinctive insignia currently is being compiled. Organizations entitled to coats of arms and combat honors are given first attention under established priorities. After research is completed in each case, organizations are informed and the next step to be taken is indicated.
4. The coat of arms and distinctive insignia for the 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion will be considered under this program.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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Withdrawn 2 Incls

B. E. KENDALL
Lt Colonel, QMC
Ass't Chief, Military Planning Division

Memo for record: No history on record.

VX 424.4 - 1905th Eng. Avn Bn

DEC 16 4 57 PM '50
G. B. L. G. I.
MAIL SERVICE DIVISION

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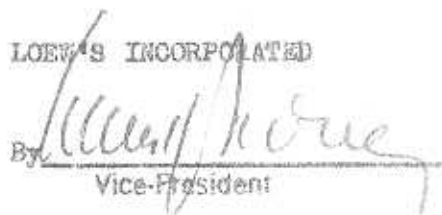
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- (a) 1905th Engineer Aviation Battalion, Alameda, California;
- (b) 1810th Engineer Aviation Company, Portland, Oregon;
- (c) 1811th Engineer Aviation Company, Alameda, California;
- (d) 1812th Engineer Aviation Company, Van Nuys, California.

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By 
Vice-President

Dated: April 12, 1950.



THE INSTITUTE OF HERALDRY, UNITED STATES ARMY

APPROVED DISTINCTIVE INSIGNIA

1905 Engineer Bn (Calif. ^{7 JUL 1965} _{unit} & Co.)
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Sample Number _____

Number of Samples 2

Approval Date 18 Nov 52

Manufacturer NS Meyer

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Manufacturer _____

Sample Number _____

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BATTLE HONORS ON STREAMERS
Asian-Pacific Theater (World War II)
India - Burma
Central Burma

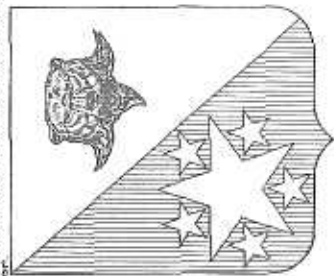
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Base drawing of eagle	CE 5-6-1
Base drawing with color specifications	CE 5-6-2
Streamers	CE 5-3-2
Crest For California National Guard	CE 5-8-6
Crest For Oregon National Guard	CE 5-8-5



SHIELD: Fur band ermine and quills, in chief a Malayan bear's head affronted, erased proper and in base the Burrehead insignia of 24 stars of the First Cavalry.

CRESTS: On crests of big canoe (proper and gates) two Malayan (Quevedo) crests of California National Guard. On the left crest a Malayan bear's head affronted (1905th Engineer Battalion - California). The sailing sun behind a grizzly bear (assault on Grassy Field all proper - Oregon). A dove discus (as she fled with the setting sun) with twelve lights represent the shoulder sleeve insignia of the 4th Division behind it (batter adjutant proper).

MOTTO: EARTH'S ENGINEER.



1905th ENGINEER BATTALION

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
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COAT OF ARMS FOR THE
STANDARD OF THE
1905th ENGINEER BATTALION

SCALE: Full Size DATE: 6 Oct. 1952

OFFICE: USA APPROVED: CHAIRMAN:

DESIGNED BY: Charles E. Durbin

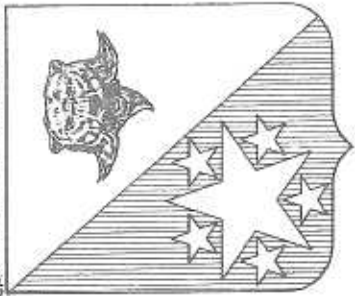
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SLAZON

SHIELD: Paw-band argent and gules, in chief a Malayan bear's head affronted, erased
 Oregon and the State of California, and the State of Washington, and the State of
 CRIBS: The arms of the Oregon National Guard, the National Guard of California
 and Oregon placed from distance similar in the angle in which they were admitted to
 the Union: California: The setting sun behind a grizzly bear passant on a grassy field
 all proper. Oregon: A dam, disc gules charged with the setting sun with turrets light
 argent and above the dam three wreaths of the A. H. Benson's banner a broken engine proper.

MOTTO: DIVERSITY, INTEGRITY, COURAGE.



1905th ENGINEER BATTALION

BATTLE HONORS ON STREAMERS
Asiatic-Pacific Theater (World War II)
India-Burma
Central Burma

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Crest For Oregon National Guard	CE 3-6-3

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