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**U.S. Air Force, 419th Engineer Aviation Brigade: Records**

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Scope and Content Note

The records of the 419th Engineering Aviation Brigade (EAB), a United States Air Force (USAF) unit, consist of 8 volumes of the 419th EAB's unit history from 1953-1955. On January 9, 1953 the 419th EAB was transferred from Fort Huachuca to Beale Air Force Base (AFB). It remained the tenant EAB on Beale AFB until it was replaced by the 136th EAB on September 25, 1955. In addition to its traditional airfield engineering and construction duties, on Beale AFB, the 419th EAB's responsibilities were expanded to include training, supervision and coordination for the separate companies and detachments of the Engineer Aviation Groups. The 419th EAB was tasked with providing the Air Force with fully trained and equipped Aviation Engineer Units. The model that the 419th EAB established at Beale AFB became the training model for a new USAF EAB training structure.

For the three years of its tenancy at Beale AFB, the 419th EAB produced bi-annual history volumes, averaging around 100 pages each, as well as various appendices. In addition to reporting on the personnel, organization, and activities of the brigade for each six month period, the histories also provide information on morale, the on-base community (seen largely through documents relating to religious participation, sports activity, and other organized recreational pursuits), and interactions with the local civilian population (parades, school field trips and the like). Each history contains the following sections.

Command: Mission, Organization, Command and Administration

Personnel: Officer, Enlisted

Engineering

Operations: Plans and training, Construction inspection and supervision, Construction management, Communications

Material: Supply and Maintenance, Food Service

Special Subjects: Judge Advocate, Headquarters Company, Religious activities, Inspector General, Comptroller

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