

Monday October 9, 1944

03:00 Breakfast 05:00 Briefing 06:00

04:00 Times changed to 07:00 and 08:00

06:30 Times changed to 06:00 and 07:00

07:30 Briefed 39 crews for T.O. on R/W 06

S.E. 09:43 YR Spare A/c 367-611

TAXI. 09:58 RY 369-185

T.O. 10:08 GG 10:07:15 " - 574 - PFF

L.T.T.O. 11:15 " 423-444

E.T.R. 16:51

R.F.F. 30:00

0810 Ops calls made for 09:45. Asphalt laying on R/W 30. Will start on 06 as soon as formation is off.

OFF WATCH

Lt. Klein

ON WATCH

Capt. Peterman

0930 Group ops. advises we have a lecture 1000 hrs. 10 October. 7 co-pilots - (fresh out of Advanced Flying School) lecture to be on airborne discipline, various flying

1040 Maj. Donagan Flc IBD advises us King Commander Blower, Central Flying Control will be visiting here on the 10th of October. ETA Thurs. 1100 hrs. Nature of visit - to check over our R/Lighting and ground equipment of Flc.

1115 Last op. A/c off R/W changed to 36 - Workers instructed to return to work on main R/W.

1120 Route of CIR - Base - Trenton on the sea - 5130N - 0230E cross out Trenton on the sea 1145 at 10,000' will be at 5130N - 0230E at 20,000' 1200 hrs. WIT = LQBL; EATING L cleared by Division 1100 hrs.

1205 On duty Lt. Carlile - Off duty Capt. Peterman

1230 Flc 418 "J" of the 443rd sqd called in and said #3 engine was on fire and he was about to bail out. Flc reported

- (1230 Con't) over Podington benches. M.P.15
Firestation, Hospital, Odname, and
Gp. ops. notified. Podington told of situation
- 1235 Gc 418 ⁵ called and said fire was
subsiding and wanted further instructions.
As no operations officers were present
I passed instructions that pilot was
to use own judgement and to take no
risk. Col. Williams O.K'd these instructions
later.
- 1238 Gc 418 requested that he come in
for landing. R/W ob was cleared after first
notice.
1244. Gc 418 landed and turned onto
perimeter. Crash Crews dispatched per Col. Wms.
to keep #3 engine cool. Div. informed of
all of above and told we did not have time
to notify sooner.
- 1300 St. Jones. requests that Gc be left
where it is until bombs are unloaded.
Gc will remain
- 1415 CESSNA 807 pilot. Lt. Col. Fitzgerald was
at marshalling point ^(36 R/W) when #2 engine
caught fire. Crash crew dispatched. Crew
of Gc had fire out by time crash crew
arrived, Gc took off for Ridgewell. Ridgewell
notified
- 1435 R/W changed to 06
- 1900 All ¹⁹ Gc. down except 196 "0" 369th Sqd.
which landed at Podington for fuel. 196
is to return tonight.
- 2140 Gc 196 landed O.K.
- 2145 We are alerted.

2140 7c 196
2145 We are alerted.

2220

M. P. Patrolman Weil reports that
jeep driven by T/Sgt. Donald J. Bourcett
of 23rd drove into stabilizer of 155-368th
sgd. at 2115 setting outside of hangar, one
7c had no lights around it.

2235

Checked 7c and found that jeep had
driven 2 ft. into left stabilizer. Called
hospital on condition of soldier found that
he had mild concussion and bad bruise back of head.
Sgt. ops & Engineering notified.

- 2245 Called div. about flashes seen to the east that looked like crashing ^{an} _{9c}
- 2255 Div. calls and said flashes came from Dakington, they are trying to locate an ^{an} _{9c}.