

249th MEDICAL DETACHMENT

303rd BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

MOLESWORTH, ENGLAND

1942-1945

The 249th Medical Detachment (Dispensary) was organized at Boise, Idaho with the formation of the 303rd Bombardment Group (H). We know that Captain **Abraham Black** was named the Group Surgeon and was aboard one of the aircraft that formed the initial echelon flying into Molesworth. At least two other enlisted men were assigned to the 249th Medical Detachment on 12 June 1942. They were S/Sgt **Charles E. Brahic** and Corporal **James W. Darrah**.

The 249th Medical Detachment (Dispensary) provided medical attention to the sick and wounded men returning from combat missions and for illness and accidents to base personnel. Seriously injured crewmen were transferred to the 303rd Station Hospital, which was located just about 3 miles off the base from Molesworth.

Captain **William F. Gerringer** commanded the 249th Medical Detachment (Dispensary), although there were other commanders over the period 1942-1945.

In addition to the officers and men assigned directly to the 249th Medical Detachment, there were medical personnel assigned to each Bomb Squadron, as well as a medical officer on the staff of the Commander of the 303rd Bombardment Group.

Headquarters Medical and Dental Personnel

Maj.	Abraham Black	0224958	Flight Surgeon (3162)
Capt.	William F. Gerringer	0430354	Medical Officer, Aviation (3160)
Capt.	Mullen	(Unknown)	Medical Officer, Aviation (3160)
T/Sgt	Leo D. Stewart	37086693	Medical Administrative NCO(673)
S/Sgt	Charles E. Brahic	37102055	Medical Administrative NCO(673)
Sgt	Nicholas Katusic	36304749	Medical Corpsman (AAF) (657)
T/4	Peter J. Gallagher	39839142	Medical Technician (409)
Corp	John Boryschuk	32189783	Medical Clerk (055)
Corp	Courtney T. Butcher	36164804	Medical Technician (409)
Corp	James W. Darrah	11023586	Medical Technician (409)
Corp	Louis L. Fischman, Jr	32817557	Surgical Technician (861)
Corp	Kenneth J. Moyer	36232611	Medical Technician (409)
Corp	Vernon W. Powell	17015500	Medical Technician (409)
Corp	Barton V. Pryor	39085856	Medical Technician (409)
Corp	Roy L. Taylor	37246528	Medical Corpsman (AAF)(657)
T/5	Arnold P. B'anchi	33305524	Medical Technician (409)
Pfc	Ralph D. Bicknell	35630539	Surgical Technician (861)
Pfc	Calvin B. Timulty	35805179	Medical Corpsman (AAF)(657)

358th Bombardment Squadron

Capt	Louis A. Lame	0368593	Flight Surgeon (3162)
Capt	Joseph R. Henry	024310	Flight Surgeon (3162)
Capt	Howard E. Baughman	046881?	Flight Surgeon (3162)
Capt	Harold Broady	0486518	Flight Surgeon (3162)
S/Sgt	Peter A. Benigno	32156526	Medical Administrative NCO (673)
Corp	William J. Fennesy	31051254	Medical Technician (409)
Pfc	Clarence B. Bohms	36307374	Medical Technician (409)
Pfc	Elmer L. Meeks	6298224	Medical Technician (409)
Pfc	Charles R. Lahey	7031508	Medical Corpsman (AAF) (657)
	(Transferred to MP unit, and his body was recovered after a severe snowstorm at Molesworth.)		
Pvt	Rosario Tarrusa	32178360	Medical Corpsman (AAF) (657)
Pvt	Porter A. Davison	35306616	Medical Corpsman (AAF) (657)

359th Bombardment Squadron

Capt	Robert H. Newell	0302365	Flight Surgeon (3162)
Sgt	Elvin F. Beckman	37129580	Medical Administrative NCO (673)
T/5	Julius W. Whitney	31339564	Medical Technician (409)
Pfc	Ivan R. Frick	33077129	Medical Technician (409)
Pfc	Thomas A. Labelle	11029062	Medical Technician (409)

360th Bombardment Squadron

Capt	Alvin L. Perry	0403081	Flight Surgeon (3162)
1Lt	Robert B. Whitehead	0562341	Ass't Flight Surgeon (3162)
S/Sgt	Charles E. Brahic	37102055	Medical Administrative NCO(673)
Sgt	Charles R. Bearden	39564082	Medical Administrative NCO(673)
Sgt	Howard M. Clarke	36307479	Medical Technician (409)
	(Found dead in a bombed out building in London.)		
Sgt	Henry T. Einkauf, Jr	18021133	Medical Technician (409)
Sgt	Edward J. Hannigan	11027334	Medical Technician (409)
Corp	Nesbett W. Foster	38057347	Medical Technician (409)
Pvt	Louis Zaitz	37096002	Medical Technician (409)

427th Bombardment Squadron

Capt	Ralph T. Anderson	0491674	Flight Surgeon (3162)
Capt	Albert Owers	0365009	Flight Surgeon (3162)
S/Sgt	John D. Conaghan	37010742	Medical Administrative NCO (673)
Sgt	William R. Smith	6954180	Medical Administrative NCO(673)
Corp	Kenneth D. Yea	35014244	Medical Corpsman (AAF)(657)

444th Sub Depot

Corp	Le Roy R. Connelly	19113687	Medical Secretary (213)
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