

TRANSLATION OF A DOCUMENT PREPARED
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ON 16 FIELD AIR REPAIR DEPOT.

1. WORKING PERSONNEL IN WORKSHOPS.

	OFFICERS	NCOs	ORs	CIVILIAN		LOCAL PERSONNEL		
				TOTAL ATTACHED	MEN	WOMEN	TOTAL	
Workshop Affairs	1	2	7	1	11	5	1	6
Air Frame Workshop	3	9	82	4	98	67	5	72
Aircraft-engine Repair-shop	1	6	48	4	59	56	27	83
Running Test Workshop	1	5	50	6	62	40	2	42
Propeller Repair-shop	1	0	10	2	23	23	0	23
Metal Plate & Wooden parts workshop	2	4	35	6	47	65	6	71
Electric parts & meter workshop	1	10	30	6	47	50	15	65
Hydraulic & Pump Repair shop	1	1	8	1	11	13	0	13
Spare parts workshop	1	15	137	19	172	75	0	75
Oxygen works	1	0	9	0	10	8	0	8
Forging workshop	1	2	6	1	10	3	0	3
Foundry	1	2	7	1	11	3	0	3

2. MACHINES IN WORKSHOPS AND WORKS.

a) Air Frame Workshop.

- (i) Machines:
- | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----------------------------|-----|
| Air-compressor | : 1 | Lathe | : 1 |
| Grinder | : 1 | Sewing Machine for leather | : 1 |
| Sewing Machines | : 3 | | |
- (ii) Number of Aircraft repaired monthly
- | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|----|
| Heavy Aircraft | - Regular maintenance repairs | 2 |
| | - Irregular maintenance repairs | 10 |
| Light Aircraft | - Regular maintenance repairs | 5 |
| | - Irregular maintenance repairs | 60 |
| Repair of Parachutes | | 90 |
- (iii) Kind and range of repair
- The exchange of new or repaired parts for damaged parts.
 - Repair of damaged parts.
 - When the main beams are not bent severely, fuselage and main wings may be repaired.
 - Exchange of cloth on AILERONS
 - Painting of body and wings.

b) Aircraft Engine Works.

- (i) Kind and range of repair
- Stripping
 - Washing
 - Repair
 - Exchange of damaged parts.
 - Exchange of bearing metal.
 - Tightening valves.
 - Running test of engine lasting about 5 hours.
 - Aircraft engines are tested on the testing table.
 - Carburettor is tested for petrol and quantity of flow.
- (ii) Machines
- | | | | |
|----------------|-----|---------------|-----|
| Air-compressor | : 1 | Grinder | : 1 |
| Valve Grinder | : 1 | Press Machine | : 1 |
| Testing table | : 7 | Boiler | : 1 |

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(iii) Number of aircraft engines repaired monthly

Regular 30
Irregular 15

c) Maintenance Workshop.

(i) Kind and range of repair

1. Removal and installing of aircraft-engines.
2. Running test of aircraft engines and adjustment after fittings.
3. Flying test.
4. Maintenance of aircraft using Depot.
5. Exchange of various auxiliary parts.
6. Adjustment of valve clearance etc.
7. Running test on the ground.
8. For heavy damage, the help of other workshops is required.

(ii) Number of aircraft fitted with aero-engines monthly

Heavy aircraft 10
Light aircraft 50

d) Propeller workshop.

(i) Kind and range of repair

1. Adjustment of propellers for heat and cold.
2. Stripping, cleaning and repairing adjustment.
3. Exchange of parts.
4. Painting of propeller blade.
5. Repair of governors.
6. Repair of bent propellers is possible to the extent of 60° of curvature when hot.
7. Balance test of fitted propellers.
8. Adjustment of pitch angle.
9. In ratio type propeller the control of pitch angle is tested.
10. Repair of ^{damage} caused by enemy fire is carried out only when the damage is confined to the outer covering.
11. Wooden propellers are repaired at the wooden part workshop.

(ii) Machines

Bending correctors (oil pressure) 2
Governor tester 1

(iii) Number of propellers and Governors repaired monthly

Propellers - Regular 15
- Irregular 20
Governors 30

e) Electric parts and meters workshop.

(i) Kind and range of repair

1. Stripping, cleaning, exchanging of parts, adjustment, and testing of all electric machines.
2. Stripping, cleaning and testing of plugs.
3. Charging and repairing of batteries.
4. Stripping, cleaning, testing, and repairing and adjustment of all meters.
5. Repair of high tension electric wires.
6. Removal of corroded portion, exchange of parts and adjustment for various optical instruments.

(ii) Machines

Magnetic Generator Tester 1
Aircraft Generator Testers 2
Inertia Starter Tester 1
Magnetizer 1
Table Lathes 2
Boring Machines 2

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Grinders	2
Plug Grinders	15
D. C. Generators	3
Air-compressors	2
Meter Testers	10
Optical Instrument Tester	1

(iii) <u>Number of instruments repaired monthly</u>	Electric Instruments	1,000
	Plugs	10,000
	Charging of Batteries	700
	Meters	800
	Optical Instruments	60
	High Tension Wire	100

f) Metal Plates and Wooden Parts Workshop.

(i) <u>Kind and range of Repair</u>	1. Manufacture and repair of metal plate parts.
	2. Manufacture and repair of rudders, elevators, ailerons etc.
	3. Repair of wooden parts.
	4. Repair of wooden propellers.
	5. Manufacture of parts which are to be renewed.

(ii) <u>Machines</u>	Lathes	2
	Grinders	2
	Boring Machines	2
	Cutting Shears	2
	Bending Machines	3
	Squeezing Machines	2
	Cutting-out Machines	2
	Press Machines	1
	Air-compressors	2

(iii) <u>Number of parts repaired monthly</u>	Metal plates and wooden parts	600
	Repair of wooden propellers	5
	Repair of various ailerons	10

g) Hydraulic and pumps workshop.

(i) <u>Kind and range of works</u>	1. Repair and test for all kinds of Oleo (landing carriage), oil pumps, petrol pumps, vacuum pumps, etc.
	2. Test for leakage, tightness of instruments under pressure.
	3. When sliding parts are bent or there are breakages, large instruments are not repaired in this works.

(ii) <u>Machines</u>	Lathe	1
	Petrol Pump Tester	1
	Oil Pump Testers	2
	Suction Pump Testers	2
	Oxygen-inhaler Tester	1

(iii) <u>Number of parts repaired monthly</u>	Oleos	90
	Other parts	400

h) Parts workshop.

(i) <u>Kind and range of work</u>	1. Manufacture of parts for airframe and aircraft engine.
	2. Manufacture of various instruments.

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(ii)	<u>Machines</u>	Lathes	80
		Boring Machines	6
		Milling Machines	6
		Shapers	6
		Grinder	3
		Slotters	1
(iii)	<u>Number of parts made or repaired monthly</u>	Aircraft Parts	made 8,000 repaired 400
		Instruments	made 160 repaired 140
i)	<u>Oxygen works</u>		
(i)	<u>Kind and range of work</u>	Manufacture of oxygen and nitrogen.	
(ii)	<u>Machines</u>	100 horse power oxygen manufacturing machine	
(iii)	<u>Oxygen and Nitrogen made monthly</u>	Oxygen	3,000 cylinders
		Nitrogen	100 "
		Each cylinder contains 40 liters under 150 Atm. Pressure.	
j)	<u>Forging works</u>		
j)	(i) <u>Kind and range of works</u>	1. Forging and heat treatment of aircraft parts. 2. Heat treatment of various metal materials. 3. Carburizing of steel parts and bars.	
	(ii) <u>Number of products forged monthly</u>	Products manufactured	254
		Products repaired	60
		Heat treatment	2,200 lbs forged by $\frac{1}{2}$ ton hammer.
k)	<u>Foundry</u>		
(i)	<u>Kind and range of works</u>	1. Casting of aircraft parts. 2. Casting of instruments	
(ii)	<u>Number of products casted monthly</u>	Products	340

3. PERIOD REQUIRED FOR THE REPAIR OF AIRCRAFT AND ENGINES.

KIND OF AIRCRAFT	REGULAR MAINTENANCE REPAIR	IRREGULAR REPAIR	WORKING SQUAD	
	Days	AVERAGE Days	Japanese	Local P.
Fighter Model "1" (OSCAR, 1, 2, 3) Type 1.2.3.	45	12	2	3
Fighter Model "2" (TOJO 1 (TOJO 2) Type 1.2. Ki-44	45	11	2	3
Fighter Model "2" (NICK 1) Ki-45	60	14	2	3
Fighter Model "3" (TONY 1) Type 1.2.3. Ki-61	45	12	2	3
Fighter Model "4" (FRANK 1) Type 1.2. Ki-84	45	13	2	3

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KIND OF AIRCRAFT	REGULAR	IRREGULAR	WORKING SQUAD	
	MAINTENANCE REPAIR Days	REPAIR AVERAGE Days	Japanese	Local P.
Recce Model "98" (IDA 1)	33	9	2	3
Recce Model "99" (SONIA 1)	46	9	2	3
Recce Model "100" (DINAH 1, 2, 3)	60	16	2	3
Light Bomber M "97" (SALLY)	49	13	2	3
Light Bomber Model "99" (LILY)	59	21	2	3
Bomber Model "97" Type 2 (SALLY 2)	89	33	3	3
Bomber Model "100" (HELEN)	89	33	3	3
Bomber Model "4" (PEGGY)	unknown	35	3	3
Transporter Model "97" (THORA)	61	15	3	3
M.C. Ki-57 (TOPSY)	87	30	3	3
Transport aircraft Model "I" A.T. (THERESA)	91	32	3	3
Trainer Model "99"	31	9	2	3
Trainer Model "I"	80	24	3	3
Trainer Model "2"	24	12	3	3

KIND OF ENGINES	REGULAR	IRREGULAR	WORKING SQUAD	
	MAINTENANCE REPAIR Days	REPAIR AVERAGE Days	Japanese	Local P.
Model "97" 650 HP	12	10	2 - 3	3 - 4
Model "98" 450 HP	7	7	"	"
Model "98" 850 HP	12	10	"	"
Model "99" 900 HP	12	10	"	"
Model "99" 950 HP	12	10	"	"
Model "100" 1050 HP	11	9	"	"
Model "100" 1450 HP	14	12	"	"
Model "I" 1100 HP	unknown	unknown	"	"
Model "2" 1150 HP	13	11	"	"
Model "2" 1450 HP	15	13	"	"
Model "2" 1250 HP	14	13	"	"
Model "4" 1850 HP	15	13	"	"

- Remarks:
1. Working ability of local people is 3 men to 1 Japanese soldier.
 2. Actual working hours per day is 7 hours.
 3. Regular maintenance is carried out regularly, irrespective of whether there is trouble or no trouble.
 4. Irregular repairs are made when sudden faults occur.

4. LIST OF OFFICERS WORKING AT THE REPAIR SHOPS

Name	Rank	Duty	Education	Service Years as Aero-Technician	
				Year	Month
HASHIMOTO, Kikutaro	Maj	A.D Repair-shops	Military College	12	3
OTSUBO, Masanori	Engr Capt	OC Repair shops	University, Engr	3	5
MURAKAMI, Motoo	Engr Capt	OC Airframe Workshop	Technical College Aeronautical Dept	3	5
SANO, Hideo	Lt	Att. Airframe W.	Technical College	2	0
ITO, Toshio	Cadet	-do-	-do-	1	3
KAWAMURA, Kenji	Lt	OC Metal Plate W.	-do-	2	0
KUROZAWA, Jun	Engr 2 Lt	OC Maintenance W.	-do-	1	6
FUKUYA, Itsuro	Engr Lt	OC Engine W.	" Applied Chemistry	1	6
KURODA, Keiso	Cadet	OC Wooden Parts W.	Technical College	1	3
KATO, Yoshio	Engr Lt	OC Propeller W.	" Machinery Dept	2	0
TAKIMOTO, Masaaki	2 Lt	OC Ele M & Meter W.	" -do-	2	0
WATANABE, Minoru	2 Lt	OC Parts W., Foun- dry, Forging W.	" -do-	1	6
HAYASHI, Torao	Engr Lt	OC Oxygen W.	University Metallurgical Dept	4	0

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5. THE LIST OF TOWN WORKSHOPS USED.a) Japanese owned.

NAME OF WORK SHOP	SITUATION	TYPE OF PRODUCTS	NO. OF PRODUCTS MONTHLY
Osaka Steel Plate Co.	Bukit Timah Rd.	Rotary Pumps	40
Shonan Iron Works	Jalan Eunus	Exhaust Pipes	420
		Tail Wheel Boss	100
Hattori Watch Shop	High Street	Oxygen Inhaler Gauge	100
		Aero-watches, Meters	60 (Repaired)
Tohyo Mining Co.	Ipoh	Tin Pipe	1,000 Metres
Yokohama Rubber Co.	Alexander Rd.	Tyres for Aircraft	100
		Various Rubber Packings	3,000
		Tail Wheels	200
Central Rubber Co.	Bukit Timah Rd.	Rubber Balloons for Meteorology	1,000
		Rubber Sheet Engine Covers	20
		Tail Wheels	100
Miki Steel Works	Lavender St.	Tail Wheels	100
		Hand Tools	1,000
Nomura Iron Works	Lavender St.	Torch Lamps	20
		Generator Tools	30
Toho Iron Works	Orchard Rd.	Bomb Hooks	30
		Bolts and Nuts	1,000
Shiroki Products Co.	Tanjong Katong Rd.	Various Leather Packings	1,000
		Dyeing of Camouflage Nets	100
		Tanning Sheep Leather Sheets	150
Nippon Leatherite Co.	Lavender St.	Various Packings	200 Sq. Metres
		Camouflage Nets for aircraft	200 "
Nippon Fish Net Co.	Geylang Rd.	Camouflage Nets for aircraft	30
		-do- vehicle	10
Nippon Oil Co.	Pasir Panjang Rd.	Various Paints	3 Ton
		Helmetic	500 Kg.
Kurozaki Pottery Co.	Pasir Panjang Rd.	Fire Proof Bricks	2,000
Toyoh Rubber Co.	Geylang Rd.	Bicycle Tyres	300
Kobe Steel Works	Ipoh	Casting Mould	As needed
		Ferro-silicon	1 Ton
Shonan Iron Works	Jalan Besar	Nails	100 kg.
Matsuzakaya Co.	Raffles Place	Wooden Mould	As needed
		Wooden Parts	100 Pieces
Nippon Farm Tools Co.	Kuala Lumpur	Farm Tools	1,000
Nissin Veneer Co.	Geylang Rd.	Veneer	200 Sq. Metres

b) Local owned.

Kohjung	Jalan Besar	Jettisonable Tank Parts for	20 aircraft
Chin Ah Soh	Jalan Besar	Tail Wheel Parts	200
		Pistons for Engine Generator for	10 engines
Eng Toh	Jalan Besar	Metal Parts of cover of electric wire	20
Shing Gyo Sei	Middle Rd.	Repair of vehicle	10
Fuku Gen	Victoria St.	-do-	10
Koh Fuku Shoh	Kallang Rd.	Saw Mill, wooden plate and timber	100 tons
Sho Ki	Victoria St.	Canvas Products (Streamer, Sacks)	100
Nan Yoh Printing Co.	Raffles Place	Various Printing	2,000 sheets

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Remarks: 1. Method of payment.

When there was something to be made by a town workshop, the sample or blue print was sent together with the voucher. Estimation and price was requested upon this. The supply of material, variety and amount, also manufacturing price, was decided. Manufactured articles were handed in as they were made and the 20th of every month was the closing date. The payment was made at the beginning of the next month.

2. Provision of materials.

The materials for arms manufactured were usually government issued, but where materials were easily obtainable, firms were self-supporting.

Main government issued materials were steel bars, duralmin, brass, metal wire, canvas, coke, oil, accelerator of sulphurization, etc.

6. TABLE OF AIRCRAFT AT THE END OF WAR (16 FIELD AIR REPAIR DEPOT).

	AIRCRAFT FOR SUPPLY			AIRCRAFT IN WORKS.			TOTAL			EQUIPPED ENGINE
	A	B	Total	A	B	Total	A	B	Total	Name
Reconnaissance										
Ki-36 (IDA I)	1	2	3	0	2	2	1	4	5	Model "98" 450 HP
Fighter Model "I"										
Ki-43 (OSCAR I)	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	2	Model "2" 1150 HP
Fighter Model "2"										
Ki-44 (TOJO I)	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	Model "2" 1450 HP
Fighter Model "2"										
Double Seat Ki-45 (NICK I)	0	3	3	0	1	1	0	4	4	Model "I" 1050 HP
Reconnaissance										
Model "100" Ki-46										
Type 2 (DINAH 2)	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	Model "I" 1050 HP
Reconnaissance										
Ki-46 Type 3 (DINAH 3)	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	Model "4" 1250 HP
Light Bomber Type I										
Ki-48 (LILY I)	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	Model "99" 950 HP
Bomber Model "100"										
Type I Ki-49 (HELEN I)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	Model "100" 1250 HP
Reconnaissance										
Model "99" Ki-51 (SONIA I)	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	Model "99" (900 HP)
Twin Engine Training										
Model "I" Ki-54 (HICKORY)	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	Model "98" 450 HP
Fighter Model "3"										
Ki-61 (TONY I)	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	Model "2" 1100 HP
Training Model "2"										
Ki-79 (NATE Trainer)	1	1	2	0	1	1	1	2	3	Model "98" 450 HP
Training Model "99"										
Ki-55 (IDA)	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	2	Model "98" 450 HP
Fighter Model "4"										
Ki-84 (FRANK I)	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	Model "4" 1850 HP
Bomber Model "97"										
Type 2 (SALLY 2)	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	2	Model "100" 1450 HP
T O T A L	4	14	18	0	10	10	4	24	28	

Remarks: 1. "A" denotes Aircraft that were ready to fly.
 2. "B" denotes Aircraft that would be ready to fly within 20 days.

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