

Memories of the Air Base – 5-8-08

She worked at the air base from the time it opened in 1943 until it closed.

She met Clark Gable when he came through.

Her job was to test the instruments in the planes to be sure they were working accurately.

Most of the first planes went to Africa. Few of the pilots had made transatlantic flights before. She implied that there were many fatalities and went on to say that persons were hired to fly the planes over.

The B17s pilots seemed to be younger and the B29 pilots were older. At first there was the B27 but it did not have as much protection. But they worked on it and came up with a plane that had better protection, the B29.