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GILKEY, Sigma A.	AC	Base Commander	CO	1	100	P-1
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COLONELS - LIEUTENANT COLONELS

On 14 October 1947, and again on 7 December 1947, Colonel S. A. Gilkey, the Base Commander, flew to Wright Field, Ohio, to discuss with personnel concerned with formulating policies at Command level, the personnel problems at Muroc Air Field and the Master Plan.

During the reporting period, Courts Martials were held at Muroc Air Field in the following numbers:

General Courts Martial - - - 0

Special Courts Martial - - - 6

Summary Courts Martial - - - 8

On 1 November 1947, the personnel of Squadron "A", 4144th AFBU, were moved to other quarters on the base. These new quarters are better than those previously occupied, but are still in the temporary type buildings. This move consolidated all the enlisted personnel into a smaller area nearer the orderly room and the consolidated mess.

On 19 November and 2 December 1947 there were Fire Prevention lectures and demonstrations at the Post Theater for all military and civilian personnel of MAFld. The demonstration and lecture were conducted by Fire Marshal Major P. E. Bates, Fire Chief E. Hensley, and Mr. White of Air Installations stove department. The general theme of the lecture was operation and servicing of stoves on the base. It was pointed out, and stressed, that the stoves were not to be tampered with, and any and all repairs would be made and checked by the Air Installations stove department, with final inspection by the Fire Inspectors.

On 22 December 1947, the Chaplains' Section sponsored a Children's Christmas Party. Letters were sent to all parents, both civilian and military, inviting them to bring their children. Approximate-