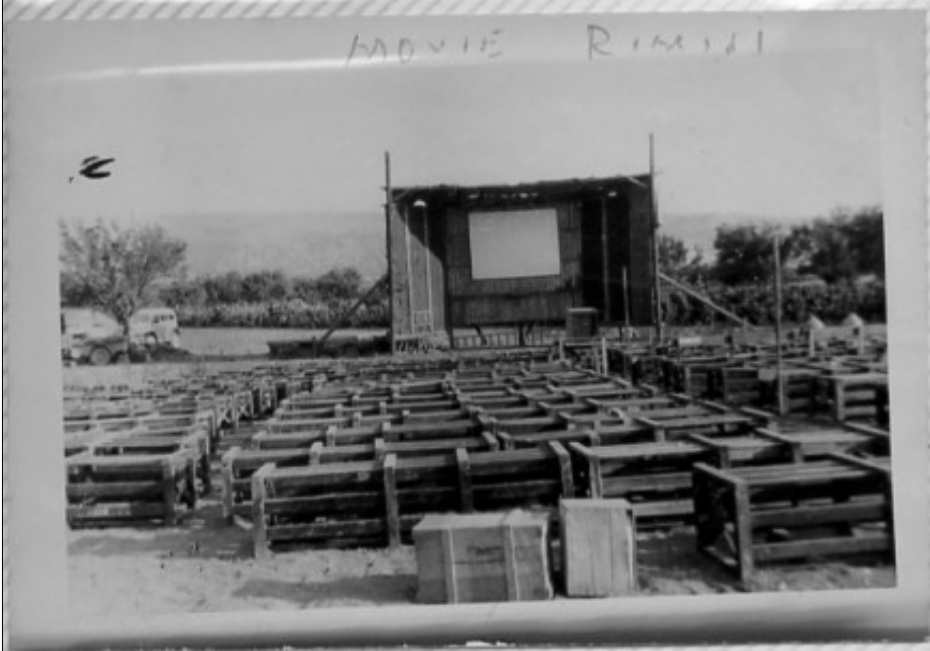


The 340 th Bombardment Group Goes to the Movies			
Movies shown to the 340 th as recorded in the War Diaries by:			
Sgt. James P. Shanley and Cpl. Richard C. Hurley; 487 th Bomb Squadron			
	Outdoor movie. Rimini, Italy April/May 1945 From Hymie Setzer's collection		
Date	Title	Stars	Review
Feb 1944	Jackass Mail	Wallace Beery; Marjorie Main	
	Song of the Islands		
	A Tale of Two Cities		A good picture in its day but unfortunately its day has long since past
	Parachute Battalion		

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	Honolulu Lu	Leo Carillo	In spite of much unfavorable criticism "Honolulu Lu" was again unreeled at the movies tonite.
	Friendly Enemies	Slim Summerville	Our own little theatre presented a picture that must have been knocking around Europe since the last war, with World War I favorite Slim Summerville
	Jane Eyre	Orson Wells; Joan Fontaine	..played to a satisfied crowd...
	High Explosives		
	Hey Rookies		
	Road to Morocco		..for about the 12 th time since we've been overseas
	The Amazing Mr. Williams		A good picture and thoroughly enjoyed...
	Lady Takes A Chance	Jean Arthur; John Wayne	An excellent picture that proved very entertaining and quite a change from those shown previously this month.
April 1944			
	Crystal Ball	Paulette Goddard	
	The Fallen Sparrow	John Garfield	
	Swing Out	Henry Aldrich	..unreeled to a jovial crowd...
	Intermezzo	Leslie Howard	
	As Thousands Cheer		..unreeled to an appreciative audience..
	The Man from Down Under	Charles Laughton; Donna Reid	
	Government Girl	Olivia De Haviland	A very entertaining comedy and an all around good performance.
	Song of Bernadette	Jennifer Jones	..played to a touched crowd.
May 1944			
	Swingtime Johnny	Andrews Sisters	Approval of the Andrews Sisters was unanimous
	Melody Parade		..featured a lot of good music plus many fine dance routines.
	Seventh Victim		
	Heavenly Body	Hedy La Marr	Ack-ack Battery presented [the movie] – needless to say the 340 th was well represented at our neighbors play house. The title of the picture speaks for itself and the enjoyment of the flicker goes without saying.
	Madame Curie	Greer Garson; Walter Pidgeon	
	Princess O'Rourke	Olivia De Haviland; Robert Cummings	..an excellent picture...

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	Holy Matrimony		..gave the boys a laugh..
	Swing Fever	Kay Kyser	We saw the picture before at Guado and weren't too impressed with it at that time.
	Whistling in Brooklyn	Red Skelton	..good entertainment..
	Sweet Rosie O'Grady	Betty Grable	..gave the boys a treat...
	a documentary played		The battles of Casino and Russia were shown to an interested crowd..
	Standing Room Only	Paulette Goddard; Fred MacMurray	
	Three Hearts for Julia	Ann Southern; Melvyn Douglas	Although it was presented by the Group on two evenings at Pompeii, it was worth seeing again.
	Honeymoon Lodge	Deanna Durbin	
June 1944			
	Johnny Come Lately		
	Corvette	Randolph Scott	
	Five Graves to Cairo		..its a wonderful picture and was enjoyed again tonite.
	Claudia	Robert Young; May McGuire	
	The Gangs All Here	Alice Faye	..unreeled to an appreciative audience..
	No movie shown		Special Service announced that the show-goers could wait around in case a picture popped out of a tree – Naturally no such thing occurred and a disappointed crowd returned to their tents after an hour or so wait to no avail
	Going My Way	Bing Crosby	
	Jam Session		
	Knickerbocker Holiday	Nelson Eddy	
	Lady Takes A Chance	Jean Arthur; John Wayne	..was the entertaining picture at Group...
	We've Never Been Licked		..unreeled to an appreciative audience..
	No Time for Love	Claudette Colbert	
	Coney Island		Betty Grable gave the boys a leg show tonite...
	The Bridge at San Luis Rey		[played] to a satisfied audience.
	Up in Arms	Danny Kay; Dina Shore	
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	True to Life	Dick Powell	
	Four Jills in a Jeep		
	Winter Land	Sonja Heinie	
	What a Woman	Rosalind Russell	
	Hit the Ice	Abbott & Costello	
	Two Sailors on Leave	Jimmy Durante	
	Mark Twain		
	Tampico	Edward G. Robinson; Lynn Bari	
	In Old Oklahoma		
	Nine Girls		..was the appealing picture..tonite
	Moon Over Vermont		
	Hers to Hold	Deana Durbin	
	Memphis Belle		
	Old Acquaintance	Bette Davis	
Aug 1944			
	Lady in the Dark	Ginger Rogers	
	Rosie the Riveter		
	A Guy Named Joe		
	Gas Light		
	Fired Husband	Diana Barrymore	
	Ladies Courageous		
	Her Primitive man	Walter Catlett; Edward E. Morton	
	Hi Good Looking		
	Sahara		
	Presenting Lily Mars		
	Crazy House	Olson & Johnson	
	Casanova in Burlesque	Joe E. Brown	
	Canterbury Ghost		
Sept 1944			
	Minstrel Man	Benny Fields	The picture was produced by an unknown who shall probably remain an unknown if [this] is an example of future productions.

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	Minstrel Man	Benny Fields	..was repeated to a very small crowd at the movie tonite. Word got around that it stunk.
	The Great Moment	Joel McCrea	
	A reel on the Vesuvius episode		Everyone was thrilled to see a short on the 340 th Group even if it did take the eruption of Vesuvius to bring it about.
	Captive Woman		
	No movie shown		..although "Old Acquaintance" played at the 324 th Service Squadron
	Around the World	Kay Kyser; Georgia Carrol	..and the gorgeous Georgia Carroll..
	Let's Dance	Belita	..played to an appreciative audience..
	Swinging the Blues		
	Three Men in White		
	Gamblers Choice	Chester Morris; Nancy Kelly	
	Shine on Harvest Moon		
	Bermuda Mystery		
	Desert Victory		..was shown at the movie tonite for about the tenth time since being overseas. However, it always goes over big with the veterans of the desert.
	Battle for Arabia [Action in Arabia?]		..shown to a meager audience...
Oct. 1944			
	I Dood It		
	The Navy Way		
	Chip off the Old Block		
	Background to Danger	Brenda Marshall; George Brent	
	You Can't Ration Love		
	Uninvited	Ray Milland	
	Andy Hardy's Blonde Trouble	Mickey Rooney; Lewis Stone	
	Roger Touby Gangster		..not too good.
	This is the Life		
	Meet the People	Lucile Ball; Dick Powell	
	Follow the Boys		..another entertaining show.
	So's Your Uncle	Billie Burke	

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	Gildersleeves Ghost	Harold Perry; Mariam Martin	
Nov. 1944			
	Starmaker		
	Beautiful but Broke	Joan Davis	
	Pistol Packing Mama		It is one of the worst pictures any Group has ever seen.
	Bride by Mistake	Lorraine Day	..entertaining picture...
	Once Upon a Time		
	Louisiana Hayride		
	Falcon in Mexico		
	Song of the Open Road		
	In the Meantime Darling		
	The Merry Monahans		
	National Barn Dance		
	Up in Mabels Room	Marjorie Reynolds; Dennis O'Keefe	
Dec. 1944			
	Tall in the Saddle		Many say it's the best western they've ever seen.
	Hail Conquering Hero		
	Barbary Coast Gent		
	Take It Easy		
	The Hair [Hairy?] Ape		
	Mazie Goes to Reno	Ann Southern	..rain prevented the last reel from going on.
	Ghost Catchers	Olson & Johnson	
	Crime by Night		This was the first time a show was held at the [E.M.] Club and it worked out pretty well.
	Our Hearts were Young and Gay		
	Step Lively		No one swooned when Frank Sinatra appeared on the screen, however...
	Atlantic City		
Jan 1945			
	My Gal Likes Music	Bob Crosby	
	Rhapsody In Blue		

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	Laura	Gene Tierney	
	Lost in a Harem	Abbott & Costello	After almost two years overseas the 487 th has finally succeeded in procuring a projector for their own use. ..shows in the mess-hall..
	Mrs. Parkington		
	The Mark of the Whistler		
	The Conspirators	Hedy Lamar	
	Nothing but Trouble	Laurel & Hardy	
	Saratoga Trunk		
	Animal Kingdom	Alexis Smith; Ann Sheridan	[Both actors] made the picture a success.
	Flame of the Barbary Coast		..was shown at the "Rialto" this evening following its run at the hospital. The hospital uses our projector and in return we get their film.
	Hollywood Canteen		The bevy of stars appealed and the picture was a success.
	The Falcon in Hollywood		
	Dark Waters	Merle Oberon	
Feb 1945			
	Strange Affair		
	Sunday Dinner for a Soldier		
	The Man on Half Moon Street		
	Several reels of the 340 th in combat action		
	Bowery To Broadway		
	Strike Up the Band		
	Step Lively	Frank Sinatra	Perhaps it was sour grapes, but nevertheless very few of the boys seemed to care much for the picture.
	Keys to the Kingdom		It is one of the best pictures ever shown in the Squadron.
	Stars On Parade		Half of the boys left after the first reel claiming that it was the worst they had ever seen. No one had anything good to say for the Columbia Production
	Old Acquaintance		An excellent picture that most everyone had seen at least once before.

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	Winged Victory		The picture was nothing more than two solid hours of flag waving.
	Conspirators	Hedy La Marr	..shown in the mess-hall tonite for the second time in less than two months. However, Miss La Marr is always a welcome sight in this outpost of civilization.
	Brazil		
	Ladies in Washington		
	Together Again		It was a new picture and one of the best we've seen in a long time.
Mar 1945			
	Enter Arsene Lupin		
	Meet Me in St. Louis		A line formed at the mess-hall over an hour before [it] was shown. By the time everyone was in, the mess-hall was packed all the way to the rear. Rather than have two showings the boys "sweat" it out in discomfort although most agree that it was light and entertaining to the war weary 487 th Veterans.
	A Tree Grows in Brooklyn		..shown to a jam packed mess-hall tonite. We always seem to acquire many guests when a good picture is on the program.
	The Thin Man Goes Home	William Powell; Myrna Loy	
	Lake Placid Serenade		
	Destiny	Gloria Jean	
	My Reputation	George Brent; Barbara Stanwyck	
	Hargrove Square		
	Girl Rush		
	National Velvet	Mickey Rooney	
	The Suspect		
	Objective Berma		
	A Song To Remember		Lovers of good music really enjoyed the performance.

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	Tonite and Everynite		..was shown at the outdoor theatre tonite. The outdoor theatre consists of a screen at the bottom of a hill with spectators sitting around the hill itself. It is not the most comfortable arrangement and was said to be quite chilly last evening.
April 1945			
	Buffalo Bill		
	Untold Glory		
	Marriage Is A Private Affair		
	Cover Girl	Rita Hayworth	
	Mrs. Skeffington		
	Double Indemnity		
May 1945			
	Mrs. Winkley Goes to Town		
	Greenwich Village		
	Summer Storm		
	Kansas City Kitty		..repeated at the Group movie tonite and the picture wasn't worth showing the first time.
	Lassie Comes Home		
	Combat America		..attendance was mandatory. It was the project for which Clark Gable was responsible and might have been appreciated by anyone without combat experience.
	To Have or Have Not		
	Sweet and Low Down		
	And the Angels Sing		
	When Irish Eyes are Smiling		
	San Diego I Love You		..was the poorer than mediocre picture shown at the Group movie tonite.
	Ministry of Fear		
	See My Lawyer		
	Barbary Coast		
	In Society	Abbott & Costello	

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	Woman in the Window	Joan Bennett; Edward G. Robinson	A very good picture...
	Blonde Fever		
	Princess and the Pirate		
	Between Two Women		