

Naval Construction Maintenance Unit 559

Historical Information



“Construimus, Batuimus”
“We Build, We Fight”



<u>DATE</u>	<u>ON BOARD</u>		<u>AUTHORITY</u>
	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>MEN</u>	
1 Feb'44	5	611	MoR
1 Aug'44	11	753	MoR & R
1 Sep'44	10	650	MoR
1 Oct'44	10	642	MoR
1 Nov'44	11	637	MoR
1 Dec'44	11	641	MoR
1 Jan'45	10	641	MoR
1 Feb'45	12	675	MoR
1 Mar'45		496	BNP625
1 Mar'45	10	572	MoR
1 Apr'45 (Curacao Det)	1	75	BNP625 & R
1 Apr'45 (Trinidad Det)	9	495	BNP625 & MoR
1 May'45 (Curacao Det)		73	BNP625
1 May'45 (Trinidad Det)	9	438	MoR
1 Jun'45	8	362	MoR & BNP625
1 Jun'45 (Curacao Det)		40	BNP625
1 Jul'45 (Curacao Det)	1	40	BNP625 & R
1 Jul'45 (Trinidad Det)	6	329	BNP625 & R
1 Aug'45 (Curacao Det)	1	38	BNP625 & R
1 Aug'45 (Trinidad Det)	7	325	BNP625 & R
1 Sept'45 (Curacao Det)	7	37	BNP625 & R
1 Sept'45 (Trinidad Det)		311	BNP625

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1 Oct'45 (Curacao Det)		26	BNP625
1 Oct'45 (Trinidad Det)		318	BNP625
1 Nov'45 (Curacao Det)	6	9	BNP625 & R
1 Nov'45 (Trinidad Det)	1	237	BNP625 & R
1 Dec'45	6	197	BNP625 & R
1 Jan'46	5	290	BNP625 & R
1 Feb 46	4	249	BNP 625 & R
1 Mar 46	4	221	BNP 625 & R
1 Aug 46	2	11	BNP 625 & R
1 Sep 46	1	64	BNP 625 & R
1 Oct 46			
1 Nov 46			
1 Dec.46	1	65	BNP 625 & R
1 Jan.47	1	65	BNP 625 & R
1 Feb. 47			
1 Mar. 47	1	67	BNP 625 & R

(Postwar CBD 1517)

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NCTC - Peary
 ABD - Gulfport
 Ready Date - 12 Dec'43
 Left ABD - 9 Dec'43
 Location - Trinidad, Curacao

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- 11- 6-43 - CNO orders transfer of CBMU 559 about 14 Nov to ABD Gulfport. (CNO conf disp 061751 NCR 357 dtd 6 Nov'43 to Camp Peary)
 1-17-44 - CBMU 559 and 560 left ABD 9 Dec'43. (WREK)
 2-18-44 - 1 Feb'44 report of CBMU 559 - CBMU's 559 and 560 and the 83rd CB have taken over maintenance of NOB, Trinidad, replacing the 30th CB. Also CBMU 559 and 560 replaced the 30th CB at Curacao, N.W.I. Approx. 100 volunteers were transferred from the 30th CB to CBMU 559 and 560.
 2-19-44 - CBMU's 559 and 560 combining to form CBMU 559. (Budocks ltr to Bupers dtd 11 Feb)
 5- 8-44 - 1 Apr'44 report of CBMU 559 - Operating at NOB Trinidad with 554 men and 11 off at Curacao with 49 men, at British Guinea with 1 off. and 11 men.
 5-29-44 - CBMU 559 complement brought up to full strength by volunteers from the 30th, 80th and 83rd CBs. (11th Reg. Apr'44 report)
 5-29-44 - 1 May'44 report of CBMU 559 - operating at NOB Trinidad, Curacao, Br. Guinea.
 6- 9-44 - 1 Jun'44 report of CBMU 559 - operating at Trinidad, Curacao, Br. Guiana, and Carlsen Field.
 7-14-44 - 1 Jul'44 report of CBMU 559 - operating at same locations as last report.

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- 8-21-44 - 1 Aug'44 report of CBMU 559 - operating at NOB Trinidad, Curacao, Br. Guiana, and Carlsen Field at Trinidad. 90 men to be detached soon.
 9-15-44 - 1 Sep'44 report of CBMU 559 - operating at Trinidad, Curacao, Br. Guiana.
 10-25-44 - 1 Oct'44 report of CBMU 559 - operating at Trinidad, B.W.I. and Curacao, N.W.I.
 11-24-44 - 1 Nov'44 report of CBMU 559 - operating at Trinidad. On 20 Sep'44, the British Guiana detachment completed their work and returned to Trinidad.
 1- 1-45 - 1 Dec'44 report of CBMU 559 - Maintaining and operating public works at NOB Trinidad and at Curacao, N.W.I.
 1-23-45 - NOB Trinidad authorized to transfer 50 men attached to CBMU 559 to NCTC Davisvil (Com 10 Spdltr to NOB Trinidad Ser 01865 dtd 13 Jan'45)
 2- 3-45 - 1 Jan'45 report of CBMU 559 - located at Trinidad. Completed 1 year at present station on 16 Dec'44.
 2-21-45 - 1 Feb'45 report of CBMU 559 - located at Trinidad. During Jan'45 60 men were transferred to Davisville.
 3-22-45 - 1 Mar'45 report of CBMU - 496 men at NOB Trinidad; 76 men at Curacao. ⁷ transient assigned to Ensada Honda, Puerto Rico.
 4-17-45 - 1 Apr'45 report of CBMU 559 - 495 men at NOB Trinidad & 75 men at Curacao.
 4-23-45 - 134 men from CBMU 559 to be trfd to U.S. (Com 10 Restr Disp 181601 dtd 19 Apr to NOB Trinidad)
 5-12-45 - 125 casuals from CBMU 559 rec'd at Davisville on 5 May'45. (NCTC Davisville TWX 092007 May'45 to Bupers)
 5-16-45 - 1 May'45 report of CBMU 559 - located in Trinidad. 134 men were transferred to Camp Endicott in Apr'45.
 6-14-45 - 1 Jun'45 report of CBMU 559 - operating at NOB Trinidad, B.W.I. and Curacao, B.W.I.

Date	Organization	Location	Reference	Notes
6/13/44	-	Trinidad	c.B. report 1 June.	Left U.S. Dec. 1943.

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CBMU 559 was formed at Camp Peary and after duty there and Gulfport, Miss., sailed for Trinidad on Dec. 9, 1943. On Feb. 19, 1944, MU 560 was merged with CBMU 559 at Trinidad. The main body of the outfit operated at NOB at Trinidad, with small detachments at Curacao and British Guiana. On Sept. 20, the detachment at British Guiana completed its work and returned to Trinidad. The unit is now at Trinidad and Curacao.

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Formed at Camp Peary, Virginia.

14 Nov 1943 - Departed Camp Peary for AHD, Gulfport, Miss.

9 Dec 1943 - Departed AHD Gulfport for overseas.

18 Feb 1944 - Maintaining FOBs Trinidad and Curacao with CBMU 560.

19 Feb 1944 - CBMUs 559 and 560 Combining to form CBMU 559.

1 Apr 1944 - Operating at FOB Trinidad with 11 officers and 554 men, at Curacao with 49 men and at British Guiana with 1 officer and 11 men.

20 Sep 1944 - British Guiana detachment completed work and returned to Trinidad.

1 Aug 1945 - Still located at Trinidad and Curacao.

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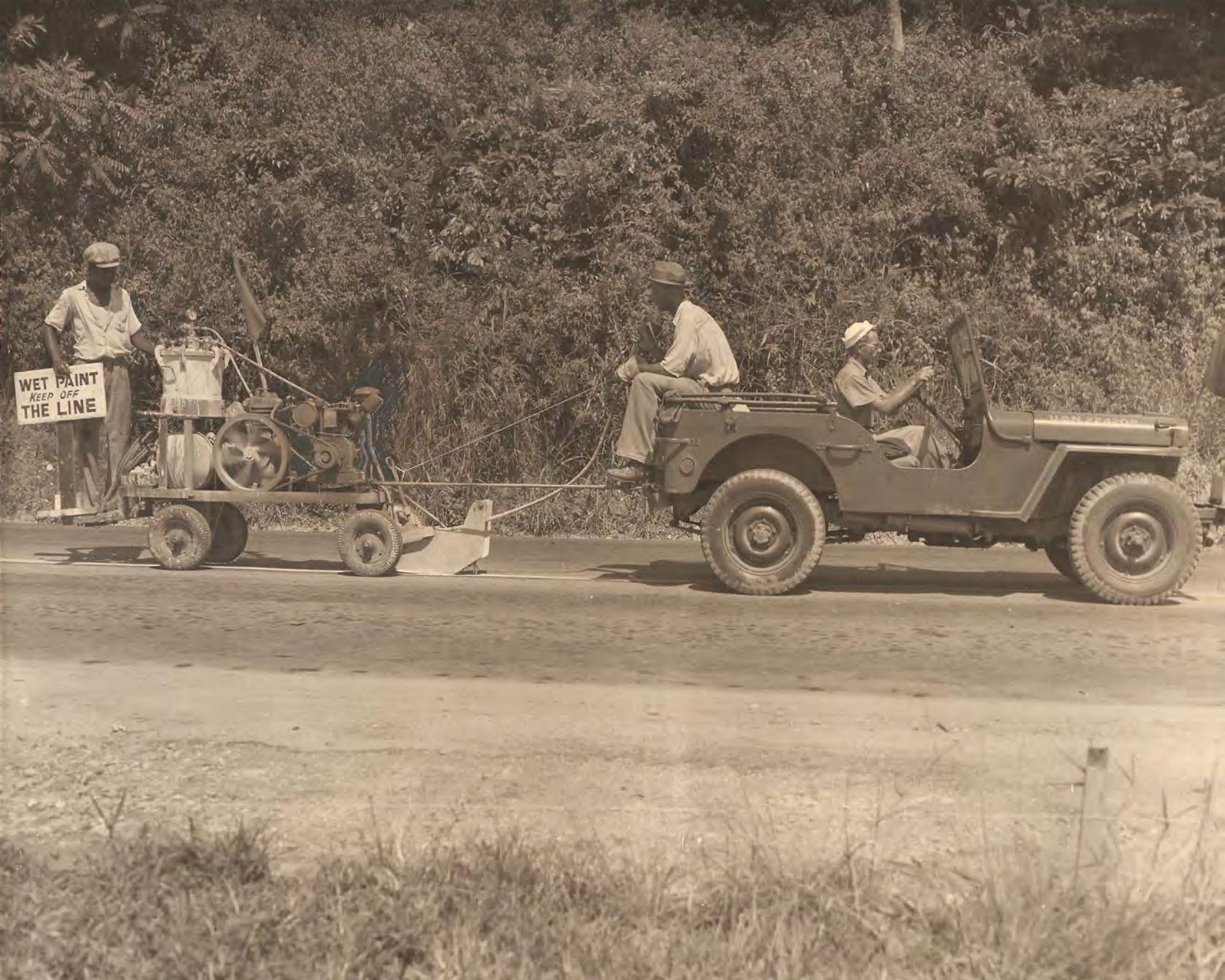
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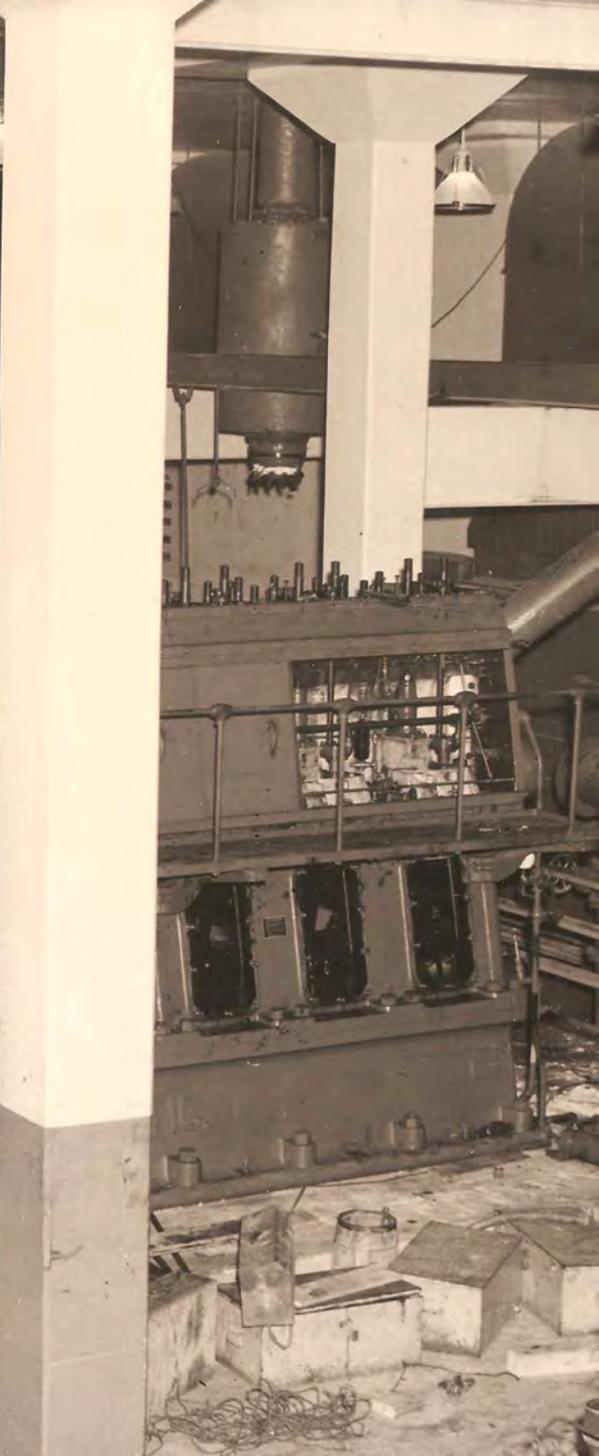
NOTE This itinerary based on records in C.B. Operations and Personnel Section of Bureau of Naval Personnel.

Date: 1 September 1945.





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