



*Although a bit of an anomaly when acquired, the “ugly duckling” of the Air Corps prewar NA-16 family, was the BT-14. It was utilized heavily not only with the training establishment, but with some line units as well. This aircraft, BS47, was assigned to the 19th Bomb Group, 32nd Bomb Squadron, and had the cowl-
ing painted the squadron color. (via David W. Ostrowski)*



This BT-14 was also assigned to a line unit of the prewar Air Corps, the 25th Bomb Group at Langley, and had a three-color leading edge cowl indicating assignment to the third squadron of the group. Note that the lower half of the forward fuselage surrounding the engine exhaust pipe appears to be left as unpainted natural metal. (via David W. Ostrowski)



Just why this rather ratty looking BT-14 was at the Army Air Field at Casper, Wyoming, is unknown—but the significant oil stains aft of the cowling on the starboard side might be a clue! The antenna mast also appears to have a decidedly aft-leaning stance. Field number C45, legible on the leading edges of the wings, suggest it was stationed there with the 211th Air Base Unit after September 1942. (Robert A. Hadley, Norm Taylor Collection, The Museum of Flight)