

PARAPHRASE OF RADIOGRAM RECEIVED  
FROM  
GENERAL EAKER

*NY 86 For Bomb Corp  
sup. Dec (2) May 44*

"Following is a cable which was received by me from General Eisenhower: "The battle which commenced on 12 May in Italy has advanced to the point where it is, by itself, a first-class major Allied victory. All officers and enlisted personnel of each nationality participating may feel proud of the sacrifice rendered the common cause by them. This entire command is assuredly proud of their accomplishments. Please extend to all commanders concerned my personal congratulations."

General Eaker: I take pleasure in adding my personal commendation and thanks for successful efforts of all personnel in my command in winning such high praise.

A TRUE COPY:

HERBERT S. WARWICK,  
1st Lt., A.C.,  
Historian.

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HEADQUARTERS II CORPS  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL  
APO U. S. ARMY

*By the Honorable  
Sup. Adm. (3)  
May 44*

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1 June 1944

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.

1. The effective and timely support given by your command to the offensive of the II Corps which started 11 May was materially aided the advance of our Infantry.

2. May I congratulate you and the officers and men of the XII Tactical Air Command, particularly the pilots for their fine performance during the past three weeks.

/s/ Geoffrey Hayes,  
JEFFREY HAYES  
Major General, U.S.A.  
Commanding

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XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND (ACT)  
APO 374

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6 June 1944

SUBJECT: Messages of Commendation and Appreciation.

TO : Commanding Officer, 86 Fighter Bomber Group  
APO 650, U.S. Army.

1. It gives me tremendous pleasure to forward the attached messages to you. My congratulations to all of you. These only prove further that your officers and men have done an excellent job.
2. Please make certain that all officers and enlisted personnel of your units see these messages.

/s/ Gordon F. Saville  
/t/ GORDON F. SAVILLE  
Brigadier General, U. S. Army  
Commanding.

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~~June 44~~ 86th Fighter Group AAF

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HEADQUARTERS 86TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF  
APO 650

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AG 314.7

30 June 1944

SUBJECT: Historical Records.

TO : Commanding General, XII Air Support Command, APO 374.

1. Outline History of Headquarters 86th Fighter Group AAF for the period 1 June 1944 to 30 June 1944:

a. Present designation: Headquarters 86th Fighter Group, XII Tactical Air Command.

b. Changes in organization:

(1) Changes in designation, assignment, or attachment:

(a) Changes in designation: Redesignated Headquarters 86th Fighter Group, GO 77, Sec. I, Hq. XII AF, dated 14 June 1944.

(b) Changes in assignment: None.

(c) Changes in attachment: None.

(2) Subordinate units:

(a) Assignment or transfer of subordinate units: 99th Fighter Squadron attached for admin. and ops. per TWX F-1894 Hq. XII TAC, dated 11 June 1944; relieved from attachment by Hq. XII TAC 30 June 1944.

(b) Units on TP: None.

(c) Units attached to other headquarters: None.

(d) Redesignation of subordinate units: Subordinate squadrons redesignated 525th Fighter Squadron (SE), 526th Fighter Squadron (SE), and 527th Fighter Squadron (SE), GO 77, Sec. I, Hq. XII AF, dated 14 June 1944.

(e) Inactivation of subordinate units: None.

(3) Changes of commanding officers: None.

(4) Changes of staff officers: None.

(5) Changes in T/O: None.

c. Strength, commissioned and enlisted:

(1) Month of June 1944:

(a) At beginning: 25 officers, 2 warrant officers, and 56 enlisted men.

(b) Net increase: 6 enlisted men.

(c) Net decrease: 1 officer.

(e) At end: 25 officers, 2 warrant officers, and 62 enlisted men.

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## d. Stations:

- (1) Marcianise Airfield, Marcianise, Italy.
  - (a) Date of arrival: 30 April 1944.
  - (b) Date of departure: 11 June 1944.
- (2) Ciampino Airfield, Ciampino, Italy.
  - (a) Date of arrival: 11 June 1944.
  - (b) Date of departure: 18 June 1944.
- (3) Orbetello Airfield, Albina, Italy.
  - (a) Date of arrival: 18 June 1944.

## e. Movements:

- (1) From Marcianise Airfield, Italy, to Ciampino Airfield, Italy.

- (a) Purpose: Change of station.
- (b) Date: 11 June 1944.
- (c) By motor convoy and air transport.

badly devastated by recent Allied push.

- (2) From Ciampino Airfield, Italy, to Orbetello Airfield, Italy.

- (a) Purpose: Change of station.
- (b) Date: 18 June 1944.
- (c) By motor convoy and air transport.
- (d) Weather good; not many marks of war along Highway 1,

except at Civitavecchia, because of rapid Allied advance north of Rome.

## f. Campaigns:

- (1) Name: Italy.
- (2) Duration: From 12 September 1943 (arrival of our advance echelon in Italy) - campaign still in progress.

## g. Operations:

- (1) Campaign: Italy.
- (2) Nature of operations: Rail cutting and motor transportation.
- (3) Number of missions and sorties for period 1 June 1944 to 30 June 1944: 133 missions and 815 sorties for entire group.
- (4) Results of the most important missions: See squadron histories following.

h. Commanding officer in important missions: 3 missions flown by commanding officer.

i. Losses in action: None.

j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None.

2. Inclosed is War Diary, Headquarters, 86th Fighter Group, for the period 1 June 1944 to 30 June 1944.

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For the Commanding Officer:

*for* *Paul E. Versepot*  
PAUL E. VERSEPUT,  
Captain, Air Corps,  
Group S-2.

Incl: 2 copies - War Diary

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## WAR DIARY OF THE 86TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF

- Group Headquarters -

Marcianise Airfield, Italy

June 1944

## First Week: 1 - 3

- 1 The group had a big day, flying 16 missions and 64 sorties.
- 2 W/O (Jg) Walter Shultz was appointed Assistant Group Mess Officer. Our cooks were replaced by cooks from the squadrons, who claimed -we took their best chefs. "C'est la guerre."
- 3 Lt. C. S. Garber, Assistant Group S-2, from duty to hospital again. The movie, AS THOUSANDS CHEER, was shown in our bivouac area tonight.

## Second Week: 4 - 10

- 5 Today ROME was completely occupied by the Allies, just more than eight months after the fall of Naples on October 1, 1943. The following telegram was received from General Saville, CG XII TAC: "All tactical units of this command will prepare immediately for possibility of a short-notice movement to either the Nettuno area or the Rome area." No doubt a consequence of the historic capture of the Italian capital. Col. Ayres, convoy officer, visited Group S-2 and S-3 with Col. Kofahl. Major Corning, A-2, XII TAC, visited Group S-2. Evening movie was SWEET ROSSIE O'GRADY, with Betty Grable.
- 6 D-Day at last - the long-awaited Invasion of Western Europe. For the 86th, however, it was D for Dietrich. Sure enough, the glamorous Marlene & Co. set up their fast-paced mobile show right in our bivouac area this afternoon. Miss D obliged the boys by autographing their lira notes, posing with them for photographs, and even directing jeep traffic into the parking area. Danny Thomas, the nightclub comedian, proved to be a captivating "sa-see," and our glamorous star set the tone for proceedings with her opening greeting whispered seductively into the microphone, "Hul-lo, boys!"
- 7 Capt. Verseput, Group S-2, visited Command. KNICKERBOCKER HOLIDAY was the movie for tonight.

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## WAR DIARY OF THE 86TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF (Continued)

- Group Headquarters -

Marcianise Airfield, Italy

June 1944

## Second Week (Continued): 4 - 10

- 8 This was a rather quiet day, the group flying 6 missions and 37 sorties.
- 9 Capt. Versepunt, Group S-2, flew to Foggia and returned today.
- 10 Today we received our orders to pack up and leave this field. We are to move to Ciampino Airfield, on the Appian Way (Highway 7) just ten miles southeast of Rome.

## Third Week: 11 - 17

- 11 Moving day - the advance echelon left the field at 0700 hours and arrived at Ciampino, which proved to be in plain sight of Rome, at 1400 hours.

## Ciampino Airfield, Italy

- 12 This is no doubt the finest set-up we have had in a long time. In view of all the hard fighting in the Alban Hills just behind this field, we were fortunate to find a building from which to operate. Set up in this same building are Operations, Intelligence, ALO, Crypt Room, Engineering, Armament, and Ordnance. We began operations at noon today. The 99th Fighter Squadron, a well-known Negro organization, is now attached to this group for operations.
- 13 The rear echelon arrived by transport plane just before sundown.
- 14 1st Lt. Robert W. Thomas was promoted to the rank of Captain. The 527th Squadron stood down. A pilot from the 79th Group came to us today with the story that he had bailed out over enemy territory six days ago. He wanted to know if we could in some manner help him return to his base in Corsica. After the pilot had eaten lunch at our mess, arrangements were made for him to reach his group.

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WAR DIARY OF THE 86TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF (Continued)

- Group Headquarters -

Ciampino Airfield, Italy

June 1944

Third Week (Continued): 11 - 17

- 15 Col. Robert C. Paul, former Group CO, visited us. Just before dusk a plane crashed with a resounding thud on the runway. Virtually all personnel of this group are snatching the opportunity to visit Rome and take a good look at the timeless sights of "the Eternal City."  
Capt. Versept and Sgt. Sobina of Group S-2 visited MAAF PRO in Rome.
- 17 Because of bad weather over target areas the group flew only a single mission today.

Fourth Week: 18 - 24

- 18 We received word today that we are to move again - after exactly one week at this field. That bomb line is still leaping forward. And to think we spent six and a half months in that comfortable apartment at Pomigliano. Here at Ciampino all our Hq. personnel have been housed in substantial pink cottages.
- 19 Lt. Garber from hospital to duty.  
The advance echelon left this morning by plane for our new field near Orbetello, nearly 100 miles up the west coast.

Orbetello Airfield, Italy

- 20 The rear echelon arrived this morning. We are here set up in a cow barn (but with concrete floor and plaster walls) less than 30 miles from the front. A burned-out German vehicle stands on the road just outside the door. There are also about 15 Jerry helmets lying around; don't know whether the occupants were in the helmets or not.  
Began operations today.

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## WAR DIARY OF THE 86TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF (Continued)

- Group Headquarters -

Orbetello Airfield, Italy

June 1944

## Fourth Week (Continued): 18 - 24

- 21 To our surprise doughnut girls from the 36th Division arrived here at supper time and treated the personnel of this group to three doughnuts each - a nice close for the longest day of the year. Darkness did not fall until about 2115 hours H Time. Much blasting in the exceedingly hard ground for the construction of latrines.
- 22 Effective this date the new designation of this group is "86th Fighter Group AAF." Today marks the third anniversary of Hitler's unprovoked attack on Russia. Once the Nazis reached the gates of Moscow and the shores of the Volga at Stalingrad, but now they are almost cleared from 1939 Russia and headed in a steady direction toward Berlin. We all enjoyed our first movie this evening at our new bivouac area, the attraction being ROSIE THE RIVETER. Major Vessels and Sgt. Cowe, MAAF PRO, visited. Capt. Diggs submitted to Capt. Verseput the base defense plan.
- 23 Capt. Verseput, Major Kruck, and Capt. Relyea went to Command. Lt. Garber, Assistant Group S-2, presented the squadrons the first copy of the Flak Chart, which henceforth will be forwarded to them daily. Today we received our first P-47 aircraft, from the 27th Group. The plane was flown over to our base by Col. Kofahl, Group Commander.
- 24 The pilots of this group, in addition to flying missions, are getting some transition time with the P-47's. Had another outdoor movie in our area - PRINCESS O'BURKE.

## Fifth week: 25 - 30

- 25 Our second batch of 1 officer and 19 enlisted men, including 1 from Hq., left for the Fifth Army Rest Center in Rome. Previously another detail of 20 had been sent from Ciampino. Besides the sights of "the Eternal City," the men are voluble about the luxurious facilities of the Mussolini Forum, site of the Rest Center, with its all-weather tennis courts, long indoor pool, hot showers, daily movies, etc.

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WAR DIARY OF THE 86TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF (Continued)

- Group Headquarters -

Orbetello Airfield, Italy

June 1944

Fifth Week (Continued), 25 - 30

- 26 Capt. John R. Dolny was appointed 527th Squadron Commander, succeeding Capt. Farnham, who was transferred to another group.
- 27 Capt. Louis, Assistant Group S-2, went to Grosseto to procure maps at the depot. Capt. Versept to Poggia.  
Lt. Bullard, Group Communications Officer, promoted to Captain.
- 28 Capt. Versept and Major Kruck went to Command to receive special information on targets for assigned mission.  
Capt. Robert Thomas, Assistant Operations Officer and a pilot with many missions, received his orders to return to the States.  
Capt. Louis completed mosaic of the Florence-Pisa area.  
Major Vessels, MAAP PRO, visited and had dinner at the Group Mess.
- 29 The group furnished transportation for a number of fellows who were able to get off duty for a swim at Orbetello.
- 30 A lecture was given by Capt. Darnell, Lt. King, and an enlisted man to all pilots and intelligence officers of this group, the subject being escape measures.  
Lt. Garbo came back from his day off with a report that he had located a spot where once could take sulphur baths.  
We received our orders for a movement to a base in Corsica; it may be rough going from now on!

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HEADQUARTERS 86TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF  
THE SURGEON GENERAL Office Of The Group Surgeon  
21 JUN 1959 650, U. S. Army

DATE  
CAPT. I. H. AHLFELD, MSG  
Historical Division

15 August 1944

SUBJECT: Medical Historical Data Report.

TO : The Surgeon, AAFSC/MTO, APO 526, U. S. Army.

1. Previous History:

a. The 86th Group was first activated at Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma, February 10, 1942. The medical section there consisted of one dental officer and a few enlisted men. The unit then moved to Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia on July 1, 1942. When the unit moved to Key Field, Mississippi on August 7, 1942 the medical section was still incomplete. At Key Field flight surgeons and medical enlisted men were assigned.

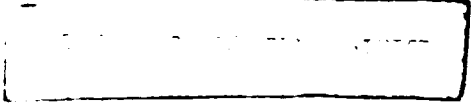
During the seven months spent at Key Field, medical training programs for the pilots, medical enlisted personnel and medical officers were established. These programs consisted of an organized series of lectures, films and practical demonstrations in the medical problems encountered in combat. A group medical dispensary was set up where all the squadron's and group headquarters' personnel received treatment and where a general physical examination was given to everyone assigned to the group. The pilots were given 64 examinations by their respective squadron surgeons at the station hospital. Eye surveys were accomplished in the entire group and two pair of glasses were secured for those needing them. When the group moved to Camp Kilmer prior to going overseas, all training programs, immunizations and physical examinations had been completed and from the medical departments viewpoint, the unit was ready for combat duty.

The group debarked at Oran, North Africa on May 11, 1943 and moved to LaSenia Airfield. The majority of enlisted men bivouacked at LaSenia until June 11, 1943 whereas the pilots went to Medouina Airfield near Casablanca where planes were obtained and additional flight training was received. Meanwhile at LaSenia an outbreak of dysentery and diarrhea probably due to the lack of fly-control because of unscreened kitchens and improperly constructed latrines constituted the main medical problems.

All the personnel of the group began to operate together at Tafaroui Airfield on June 12, 1943. Here the medical T/E equipment not already received, was obtained. Medical treatment was centralized in a screened building where a six bed sick bay for quarters cases was maintained. Although fly-proof latrines and kitchens were built at Tafaroui, dysentery and diarrhea continued to be prevalent and constituted the main medical problem.

On July 1, 1943 an advanced echelon went to a staging area near Tunis. All the pilots, planes and remainder of the ground troops meanwhile went to an airfield at Korba, Tunisia. Combat operations started from Korba on July 6, 1943.

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Inadequate transportation facilities in moving from Tafaroui to Korba prevented taking latrine boxes and screened kitchens. Material for again constructing these was unobtainable and therefore messhalls consisted of open wall tents and latrines were the slit trench type. Despite the unsatisfactory sanitary conditions no cases of dysentery or diarrhea requiring hospitalization occurred. At Korba the squadrons operated independent dispensaries and prophylactic stations. Reports were consolidated at group headquarters. Two ambulances were on line duty throughout the day. Evacuation of casualties necessitated going to Tunis a distance of about 40 miles where the nearest American hospital was located. Some hospital cases were treated at a British field hospital about 20 miles away. No adequate bathing facilities were available but personnel managed to keep clean by bathing in the Mediterranean Sea two miles from camp. Food consisted mainly of unpalatable C Rations. After about 3 weeks at Korba the group moved to W. Gela, Sicily where operations started about July 20, 1943. The medical department operated similarly to the Korba arrangement with squadrons having independent dispensaries and two ambulances on line duty and evacuation of casualties by ambulance to the nearest hospital about 10 miles away. During the five week stay at W. Gela a few cases of malaria and catarrhal jaundice occurred. A mild outbreak of the seemingly everpresent diarrhea began after the initial movement but the individual case responded to duty treatment with paregoric and sulfaguanidine and the number of cases declined. Sanitation here again was a problem. Kitchens consisted of open wall tents and although wood was obtained and latrine boxes built, these were not fly proof. After about three weeks the unit began to draw B Rations which was a welcome relief from C and U rations. Fresh meat was still a rarity however. The general health and morale of the command remained excellent.

Following a brief operational period at Barcellona, Sicily, the group moved to Sele, Italy airfield near Paestum, Italy and started operations about September 13, 1943. At Sele the medical department operated as before with the added benefit of a ward tent used for quarters cases where the squadron surgeons treated their own personnel. Sanitation was again not satisfactory as kitchens were open tents and latrine boxes were not fly proof. However the general health of the command remained good with the exception of a few cases of malaria and catarrhal jaundice. Food again consisted of C rations. These were augmented by the purchase of local produce. A fresh water shower made by tapping a water main from a nearby mountain provided the first adequate bathing point the group experienced and was enjoyed by all.

After a month's operations at Sele part of the group went to Seretelle airfield near Salerno and part went to Pomigliano airfield near Naples, where they were joined by the Seretelle detachment on October 20, 1943.

At Pomigliano the entire group was quartered in a large apartment building where the problem of outdoor kitchens and latrines was obviated. Operations were from a modern concrete landing strip. Hospital facilities were easily available. B rations with adequate issue of fresh meat and butter were obtained. There were three main medical problems here: (1) The pilots began showing operational fatigue; (2) An outbreak of catarrhal jaundice incapacitated a large number of personnel; (3) Living in a cosmopolitan area markedly increased the heretofore negligible VD rate.

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The pilots showing operational fatigue were processed at this time through the Medical Disposition Board. Mild jaundice cases were treated in the group dispensary and severe cases were hospitalized. A Venereal Disease control program was instituted consisting of lectures, showing of posters and educating the personnel generally in the necessity for using adequate prophylaxis.

The close of the year found this command still operating from Pomigliano Airfield. Pilot fatigue problems were being handled satisfactorily. The Venereal Disease control program was improving the VD rate. The general health and morale of the command was considered excellent. General sanitation and nutrition of troops was superior. Squadrons still operated independent dispensaries and prophylactic stations. Reports were consolidated at group headquarters.

b. In January 1944 the unit remained stationed at Pomigliano, Italy. The men were quartered in brick buildings with bathing and toilet facilities already installed. The main medical problems centered around the fact that Italians were living in different parts of the same buildings. Their total lack of sanitation and the availability for sexual intercourse made the problems of preventing gastro intestinal and venereal diseases of primary importance. We next moved into tents at Marcellise Airbase, April 30, 1944. The venereal disease problem abated, but summer weather with increase of flies made sanitation even more necessary. Considerable success attended measures carried out here. It was at this base that active anti-malarial measures began, consisting of straightening and ditching of streams and the oiling of all bodies of water weekly. Personnel began taking atabrine and using mosquito nets May 1, 1944. Sanitary procedure broke down with the move to Ciampino Airbase, 5 miles South of Rome, June 11, 1944 and we were there about 5-7 days. It was long enough for several cases of diarrhea to appear however. Our next move was to Orbetello Airbase, June 18, 1944. Sanitation was moderately well maintained but with the huge increase of flies dysentery cases appeared in larger but not alarming numbers. Only a few cases of malaria have been seen this year.

2. Administrative History:

a. 1) Date of activation--10 February 1942. 2) Original designation of unit--86th Bombardment Group (Light). 3) Place of organization--Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. 4) Authority for organization--Letter AG 320.2 (1-5-42) MB-W-AAF, dated 13 January 1942, War Dept. 5) Original T/O and E for operation--T/O & E 1-112 for Hq.; T/O & E 1-147 for squadrons. Authority for T/O & E for Hq. and Squadrons the same as authority for origin. 6) Unit transfer--

Will Rogers Field, Okla.	to	Hunter Field, Ga.	1 July 1942
Hunter Field, Georgia	to	Key Field, Miss.	6 August 1942
Key Field, Mississippi	to	Camp Kilmer, N.J.	17 March 1943
Camp Kilmer, New Jersey	to	(Overseas) Oran, N. Africa	29 April 1943
		Arrived Oran, N. Africa	11 May 1943
Oran, North Africa	to	Tafaroui A.F., Algeria	1 June 1943
Tafaroui Airfield, Algeria	to	Korba Airfield, Tunisia	1 July 1943
Korba Airfield, Tunisia	to	W. Gela Airfield, Sicily	21 July 1943
W. Gela Airfield, Sicily	to	Barcellona A.F., Sicily	31 August 1943
Barcellona Airfield, Sicily	to	Sele Airfield, Italy	13 September 1943

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Sele Airfield, Italy	to Seretelle Airfield, Italy	14 Oct. 1943
Seretelle Airfield, Italy	to Pomigliano Airfield, Italy	19 Nov. 1943
Pomigliano Airfield, Italy	to Marcianise Airfield, Italy	30 April 1944
Marcianise Airfield, Italy	to Ciampino Airfield, Italy	11 June 1944
Ciampino Airfield, Italy	to Orbetello Airfield, Italy	20 June 1944

- 7) On 1 July 1942, the original T/O & E was revised. When the unit changed from "Light Bombardment Group" to "Fighter Bomber Group" on 11 Sept. 1943, the T/O & E changed to Hq., T/O & E 1-12, dated 1 July 1942, Squadrons T/O & E 1-27 dated 1 July 1942, per W.D. Letter AG 322 (8-6-43) OE-I-AFPO-M, dated 23 August 1943. On 31 March 1943 the T/O & E was revised. It was again revised on 29 Dec. 1943.
- 8) T/O & E changes which may have been recommended by official communication--None.

b. Personnel Matters: 1) Unit quarterly strengths are as follows:  
 Quarter ending 31 March 1944; - 637  
 Quarter ending 30 June 1944; - 671

- 2) Losses of Medical Department Personnel during the Period are as follows:  
 Major Frederick C. Stansbury - 0395924 - transfer; Change of Station  
 Capt. Donald W. Anderson - 0423649 - transfer; Change of Station  
 Capt. Benjamin M. Kraas - 0268058 - transfer; Change of Station  
 Capt. Leo D. Ebbinson - 0422713 - transfer; Change of Station

3) No civilian personnel employed during the period. 4) The general morale of the men has always been high. The men have had numerous Camp Shows and Movies at least 2 or 3 times per week. When weather and circumstances would permit, seasonal sports have been enjoyed. There are no outstanding promotion problems. At present the allotted rank is about 90% complete. 5) Special citations and awards are as follows:

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|---------------------------|------------|--|
| S/Sgt. Albert S. DiMeglio | - 32217549 | - "Purple Heart Award"<br>Ltr. (Orders) AG/ENL #58-B<br>12-6-43.                           |
| S/Sgt. Clifford Young     | - 18020973 | - "Soldiers Medal"   |
| Pvt. Clifford Herman      | - 33112967 | - "Soldiers Medal"<br>Sec. II, G.O. #31, Hq. XII<br>Air Support Command, 3 Sept.<br>1943.  |
| Cpl. Edward Witt          | - 37427713 | - "Soldiers Medal"   |
| Cpl. Leon J. Yankowicz    | - 32185787 | - "Soldiers Medal"   |
| Pfc. Edward Milanowski    | - 35234032 | - "Soldiers Medal"<br>Sec. II, G.O. #54, Hq. XII<br>Air Support Command, 16 Sept.<br>1944. |

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ROSTER OF MEDICAL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL  
as of 1 January 1944

Headquarters

Major	FREDERICK C. STANSBURY	- 0395924 - Carlisle Barracks, Pa.	Gp. Surgeon
Capt.	BENJAMIN M. KRAAS	- 0268058 - Camp Grant, Ill.	Gp. Dental Sur.
S/Sgt.	Austin J. Collins	- 36316088 - Camp Grant, Ill.	Med. Adm. Clerk
Cpl.	George C. Lendenbach	- 32216802 - Camp Lee, Va.	Surgical Tech.
Cpl.	Carmine N. Fasano	- 32239660 - Camp Lee, Va.	Dental Tech.

525th Squadron

Capt.	DONALD W. ANDERSON	- 0423649 - Camp Grant, Ill.	Squadron Sur.
Sgt.	Albert S. DiMeglio	- 32217549 - Camp Lee, Va.	Section Leader
Sgt.	Stanislaus J. Tauras	- 32216789 - Camp Lee, Va.	Surgical Tech.
Cpl.	Lloyd U. Gierke	- 36166343 - Hunter Field, Ga.	Medical Tech.
Pfc.	John Annunziata	- 36316369 - Camp Grant, Ill.	Clerk
Pfc.	Burdee Carter	- 18006596 - Fort Douglas, Utah	Surgical Tech.
Pfc.	Frank DiAntonio	- 35152080 - Camp Lee, Va.	Medical Tech.
Pfc.	George Flatman	- 36232546 - Hunter Field, Ga.	Ambulance Driver

526th Squadron

Capt.	FRANCIS C. MURPHY	- 0420513 - Will Rogers Field, Okl	Squadron Sur.
Sgt.	Clifford Young	- 18020976 - Fort Douglas, Utah	Section Leader
Cpl.	Walter Gronowsky	- 12058653 - Camp Lee, Va.	Surgical Tech.
Pfc.	Clifford E. Herman	- 33112867 - Camp Lee, Va.	Clerk
Pfc.	Alvin Vallett	- 37454647 - Key Field, Miss.	Ambulance Driver
Pfc.	Raymond M. Jones	- 39900728 - Camp Barkley, Texas	Medical Tech.

527th Squadron

Capt.	THOMAS L. RIDER	- 0420061 - Fort Hancock, N.J.	Squadron Sur.
Sgt.	Nicholas Pompili	- 32217658 - Camp Lee, Va.	Section Leader
Sgt.	James C. Hejnal	- 36166286 - Hunter Field, Ga.	Medical Tech.
Cpl.	Edward Witt	- 37427713 - Key Field, Miss.	Surgical Tech.
Cpl.	Joseph S. Feges	- 36166174 - Hunter Field, Ga.	Clerk
Pfc.	Edward Milanowski	- 35234032 - Camp Grant, Ill.	Ambulance Driver
Pfc.	Eldon A. Morse	- 37427753 - Key Field, Miss.	Ambulance Driver
Pfc.	Joseph Dolnovich	33038475 - Camp Lee, Va.	Surgical Tech.
Pfc.	Leon J. Yoskowitz	- 32185787 - Camp Lee, Va.	Medical Tech.