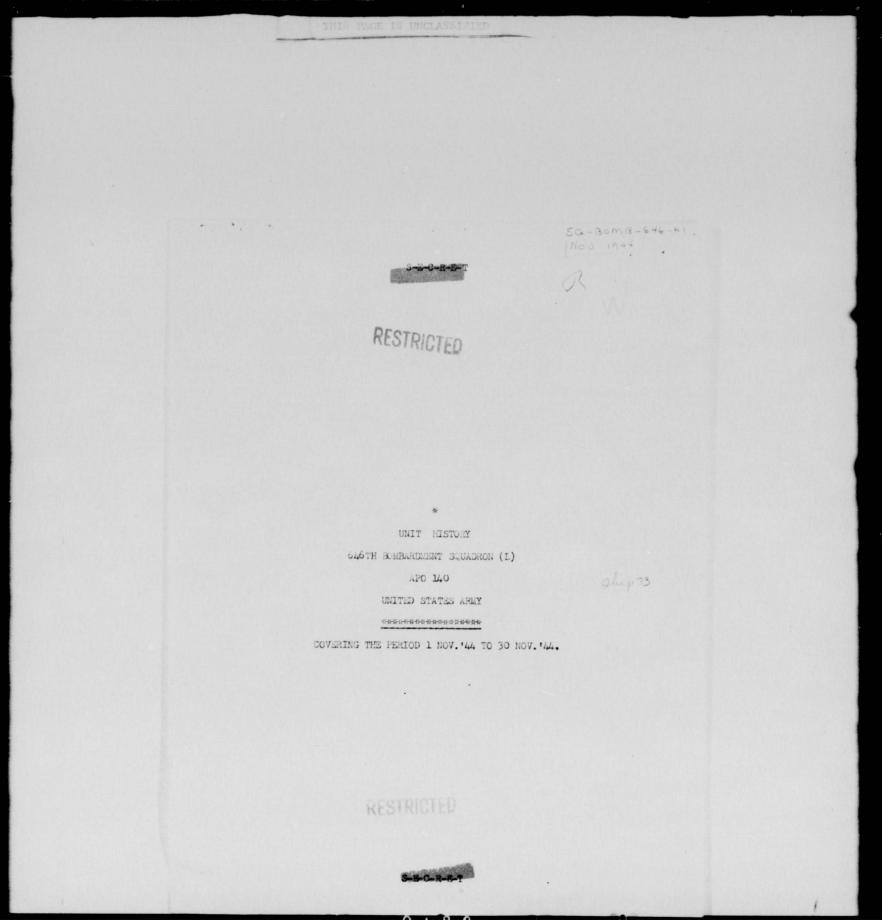


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### ORGANIZATION:

Major Rolf D. Cape assumed command on 2 November 1944, vice Lieutenant Colonel Charles M. Parrett, KIA1.

### II. STRENGTH:

Two Pilots, 2 bombardier-navigators and 4 gunners joined the Group on 4 November 1944<sup>2</sup>, and were assigned this Unit<sup>3</sup>. On 15 November 1944, 4 Pilots, 1 bombardier-navigator and 4 gunners joined the Group4, and were assigned this Unit . The Unit strength consisted of 61 Officers and 318 Enlisted Men on 30 November 1944.

# III. AMARDS AND DECORATIONS:

For exceptional aircraft maintenance, resulting in their planes completing fifty missions without an abortion due to mechanical failure, the following crew chiefs were awarded Bronze Star Wedals; T/Sgt George Galloway, S/Sgt James A. McGaugh and S/Sgt Renel Paden; T/Sgt Albert H. Sorenson and S/Sgt Bernard Weiman?; T/Sgt Robert R. Honeycutt and T/Sgt Louis Pellart 5/5gt bernard vermant, 1/5gt abbert M. Moneycutt and 1/5gt hours ratiro<sup>8</sup>; M/Sgt Gilbert Aldridge, Armament Section Chief, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal<sup>8</sup>, for his modification of a bomb hoist, resulting in improved operating efficiency. As of the end of the month, air crew personnel since entering combat, had received a total of 1 DFC, 13 Furple Hearts, 115 Air Medals and 520 Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal.

# IV. PART IN THE WAR EFFORT:

During the period, the Squadron participated in 15 Missions against defended towns, ammunitions (dumps), ordnance depots, marshalling yards, bridges, supply warehouses and gun positions.

- Par #6, 30 #137, Ho 410th Bomb Gp (L), Par #1, SO #296, Ho 70th Replacement Depot,
- Par #1, SO #137, Hg 410th Bomb Gp (L), Par #8, SO #45, Hg IX Bombardment Division, Par #2, SO #141, Hg 410th Bomb Gp (L),
- G.O.#188, Hq IX Bombardment Division,
- G.O.#26, Hq IX Bombardment Division, G.O.#35, Hq IX Bombardment Division.