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	<u>DESIGNATION PREFIX</u>	
	Historical Records	SQ-FI-65-HI
AIR FORCE:	<u>Twelfth Air Force</u>	<u>June 45</u>
COMIND:	_____	
SUB-COMIND:	_____	
GROUP:	<u>57<sup>th</sup> Fh Gp.</u>	
UNIT:	<u>65<sup>th</sup> Fh Sq.</u>	
<u>Documents Transmitted:</u>		(Period Covered)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUTLINE HISTORY:	_____	<u>June 1945</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WAR DIARY:	_____	" "
_____ SPECIAL ACCOUNTS:	_____	
_____ PHOTOGRAPHS:	_____	
_____ SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:	_____	



65th Ftr Sqdn  
Outline History June 45.

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10 July 45

65TH FIGHTER SQUADRON  
57TH FIGHTER GROUP, AAF  
APO 650

10 July 45

AR 345-105

Subject: Historical Data.

To : Commanding Officer, 12th Air Force, APO 650.

1. Outline History of the 65th Ftr Sq for the period 1 June 45 to 30 June 45.

- a. Present designation: 65th Ftr Sq, 57th Ftr Gp XII AF.
- b. Changes in organizations.
  - (1) No changes in designation.
  - (2) No changes in assignment.
  - (3) No changes in attachment.

Subordinate units: None

Commanding Officer: Maj Edward H. Ellington, O-432189.  
Changes in Staff Officers: 1st Lt Robert H. Wheaton, Ord  
01576802, is appointed assistant Transportation Officer, additional duty;  
Major Robert W. Pedersen, O-295382, is appointed Sq Executive Officer,  
Primary duty, and is appointed Mess Officer, Administrative Inspector, Security and Ground Safety Officer, all additional duties.

c. Strength, Commissioned and Enlisted:

1 June 45	Commissioned: 46	Enlisted: 209
Net Increase	Commissioned: 0	Enlisted: 36
Net decrease	Commissioned: 1	Enlisted: 0
30 June 45	Commissioned: 45	Enlisted: 235

d. Stations:

- (1) Grossetto LG, Italy, date of arrival: 7 May 45.

e. Movements: None.

f. Campaigns: Italy, 16 September 43, Finished.

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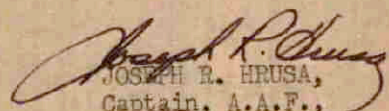
G. Operations: None.

h. Losses in action: None.

l. Awards and decorations: The following awards have been made during the month of June; The following have received the DFC- 1st Lt. Angelo J. Alessandrini, 1st Lt. David P. Black, 1st Lt. Jack J. Glesener, 1st Lt. Jack I. Gross, 2nd Lt. Robert R. McCluskey, 2nd Lt. Bradley A. Muhl, 2nd Lt. William L. Sheftall, The following Officer has received the 1st OLC to DFC.- Lt. Col, Gilbert O. Wymond, The following Officer has received the silver star- 2nd Lt. Herbert H. Brothers, The following Officer has received the 3rd OLC to Air Medal- 2nd Lt. Jimmie R. Long, Jr.,

For the Commanding Officer:

1 Incl:  
War Diary

  
JOSEPH R. HRUSA,  
Captain, A.A.F.,  
Squadron Historical Officer.

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Sheet No. 1 War Diary  
Month of June 1945

65th Ftr Sq., 57th Ftr Gp.  
Prepared by  
Joseph R. Hrusa,  
Captain, Air Corps.

DAY	EVENTS
1.	The first of the month finds us waiting for something to happen. Practically all members of the squadron are hoping that we will soon be on our way home.
2.	Life continues normal. Morale is excellent. A movie was held at the Group theatre this evening, It was just fair.
3.	Just another day! Church services were held today.
4.	A movie tonight at the Group theatre, these movies help pass away the long and hot summer evenings. They are excellent for morale.
5.	Our training program is continuing along! Educational classes are being held for those who have enrolled for courses. These classes will help to pass away some of the long afternoon hours, and will give the men a chance to increase their education.
6.	Today the squadron was alerted for a move. The mail will again be censored. We have been given a rating which will redeploy the Group direct to the Pacific. This will sure lower the morale of those who have been over here for three years.
7.	Nothing unusual happened today.
8.	Preparations are now underway for the move. We are all hoping that we will soon be on our way. Inactivity makes us very restless.
9.	Morale of the enlisted men has taken a sharp dip, Their hopes of going home have been shattered. Although they are disappointed they are making the best of the situation.
10.	Church services were held today.
11.	The weather continues hot and sultry. It doesn't cool off much during the night.
12.	A movie at the Group theatre was the only event of interest today.
13.	The enlisted men had a dance tonight. Local señorinas provided the feminine touch. A good time was held by all.
14.	No events.
15.	No events.

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DAY	EVENTS
16.	A good part of the work preparatory to moving is finished. All the enlisted men are praying for replacements. Their morale is low and it is going to be hard to bring it back to its normal high standard.
17.	Church services, both Protestant and Catholic were held today.
18.	No events.
19.	A movie at the Group theatre was the only event of the day. It wasn't too good of a picture.
20.	The enlisted men's softball team won the Group championship, by defeating the 66th squadron enlisted men by a score of 5-1. It was a well played game, and our team looked every bit of the champions that they are.
21.	A dance was held for the enlisted men this evening. The 65th dance band provided the music and local girls were provided as dancing partners.
22.	No events.
23.	Today bedlam broke loose. Orders came through relieving all the old men, and reassigning them to organizations returning to the states. No group of men could ever have been happier. Celebration parties ran well into the night. Just one little order has sure boosted their morale.
24.	Church services, both Protestant and Catholic, were held today.
25.	Other than the movie at Group, nothing unusual happened today.
26.	Many of the old men left for their new organizations today. New replacements are slowly coming in.
27.	No dance for the enlisted men tonight. The band has lost most of its personnel, and one couldn't be recruited in a hurry.
28.	Movie at the Group theatre tonight wasn't too good.
29.	No events.
30.	Replacements are still coming in. The movie at the Group theatre this evening was an improvement over the last one.