

550th BALLOON GROUP

MISSION

LINEAGE

Headquarters, 50th Balloon Group constituted in the Organized Reserve, 29 Jul 1921

Initiated, 11 Mar 1922

Redesignated HQ, 550th Balloon Group, 20 Feb 1924

Reorganized and redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 550th Balloon Group, 1 Oct 1933

Disbanded, 31 May 1942

STATIONS

Not initiated 1921-1922

Rochester, NY, 1922-1941

ASSIGNMENTS

II Corps

XI Corps, 1 Oct 1933

COMMANDERS

Cpt William N. Brockway, 11 Mar 1922-20 Dec 1923

Cpt William H. Smith, 20 Dec 1923-Jan 1924

Unknown, Jan 1924-13 Sep 1927

Cpt Cornelius D. McLaughlin, 13 Sep 1927-Jan 1928

Unknown, Jan 1928-7 Dec 1941

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 29 July 1921 as Headquarters, 50th Balloon Group, assigned to the II Corps, and allotted to the Second Corps Area. Initiated on 11 March 1922 with headquarters at Rochester, NY. Redesignated as HQ, 550th Balloon Group on 20 February 1924. Relieved from assignment to the II Corps 1 October 1933 and assigned to the XI Corps. Concurrently, reorganized and redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 550th Balloon Group. Disbanded 31 May 1942.

Subordinate squadrons: 14th Balloon Company 1921-33, 15th Balloon Company 1921-33, 23rd Balloon Company 1921-33, 337th Balloon Company 1921-33, Balloon Park No. 40 1921-23, 347th Balloon Service Company, 308th Balloon Squadron 1933-41, 337th Balloon Squadron 1933-41, 355th Balloon Squadron 1933-41, 347th Service Squadron 1933-41

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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Sources

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