BASIC: Diary, 562nd Air SS, APO 520, 13 Nov to 19 Nov., Inclusive, dated 20 Nov '44. (Cont'd)

All pathfinder ships from the group are being painted a neutral grey for night flying. The Paint Shop has completed six (6) with three (3) more to go - so information for S/Sgt Larsen, shop foreman, foretells. The first coating is a priming zinc yellow chromite, followed by a neutral grey. Approximately five (5) gallons of each are used to complete the ship. Crews from the Bomb Squadrons prepare the covering of all nose blisters, turrets, etc., and the general cleaning. Air Force insignias are also covered, but combat and group insignias are repainted. Depending on weather conditions, it takes from 1 1/2 to 5 days to complete the one ship.

We can look forward to a number of technical inspectors this coming week. Rumor has it that, the Chief TI from Washington, and his assistants are making a tour of this area.