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 Unit Journal
 Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry
 From: 010001 A Dec. 44
 To : 012400 A Dec. 44
 Place: Honwarth, Dambache LaVille, Scherwiller

Time: In	: Out:	Serial: No.	Time: Dated:	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action Taken
		1.	0001	Journal Opened	
0330		2	0330	CO 409th Inf to Comm Off. - Phone Present AF Code Compromised	S-2
	0345	3	0345	Comm Off. to S-2, 1st Bn- Phone Cease Use of Codes Immediately	T
0400		4	0400	S-3 1st Bn to Bn C.P. - Phone Few Casualties Received in Attack on Dambach La Ville mopping up operations in progress	Reg't
		5	0745	Ex. 0 Left for Road Block	
0735		6	0905	S-2 1st Bn to S-1, 1st Bn. - Phone Several Serious Casualties Send Bn. Surg. Forward to Bn.	Bn. Surg. A.T.
		7	0940	Bn. Surg. and Security Patrol from A.T. Plat. moved Out for Dambache La Ville	
1032		8	0850	S-2 409th Inf to CO 1st Bn. - MM Pass Word for 2 Dec. Soda-Active	S-2, T.
		9	1145	Rear CP Closed in Honwarth	Regt. Forward DP
		10	1230	Rear CP Opened in Dambache La Ville	Regt.
1245		11	1245	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn - Phone Movement order to Selestat	T
	1245	12	1245	CO to Company CO's 1st Bn - Phone Report to Bn. to Receive Order	
		13	1255	Bn Order Issued to Company CO's, Seize, Occupy and establish 2 Road Blocks in the North- ern Half of Selestat	
		14	1515	Bn on the move for Objective.	Regt.
1605		15	1605	S-3 1st Bn to Bn CP - Phone Bn Reported on Phase Line 2	Regt.
		16	2050	Rear CP closed in Dambache La Ville	Regt. O.P.
		17	2307	Rear CP Opened at Scherwiller	Regt. O.P.
		18	2400	Journal Closed	

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To : 022400 A Dec 44
Place: Vicinity of Scherwiller

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Time:	In	Out	Ser:Time Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken	
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			1	0001	Journal Opened	
			2	0100	Lt. Simon reported back with his patrol. Mission to contact Co. "B" Accomplished. Co. "B" reported on their objective.	
			3	0130	Lt. Flynn reported back to OP His patrol had contacted Co "C" Found them in position with road block established.	
			4	0140	S-1 409 to S-1 1st Bn-MM- Pfc. Sweeney report to Adj. Gen. in rear for transfer to 30th Inf.	To Co. "A"
0100			5	1800 1 Dec	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-MM-Report front lines, front and flank contact.	CO
			6	0800	Co "B" reported captured also attached 1st Plat Co "D". Enemy attacked at approx 0400. Co "B" reported wounded and missing in action. Reported by escaped medic.	
			7	0930	Exec Off. left CP on recon- naissance	
			8	1015	Exec Off. returned to CP	
			9	1100	Patrol Co "A" crossed river to investigate area occupied by Co "B" when attacked.	
1148			10		S-2 409 to CO 1st Bn-MM-Pass word for 3 Dec - Passive-Oval	S-2, T
			11	1400	Bn continues attack crossing x river and gaining contact with patrol from Co "A"	
			12	1530	Bn OP receiving heavy sniper burp gun fire. Lt. Simon wound- ed investigating this action and died enroute to aid station	To Regt.
			13	1545	Report received that CO Co "A"	

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Cont'd		13		KIA. Plat Sgt 1st Plat Co "A" KIA Co. Exec. WIA	
1930	14		1900	Exec Off. 1st Bn to CO 409-Motor Msgr- Co "A" located on ECW line (790-630). Contact with advanced OP of Co "C". Lt Flynn Comdg. Co "A". Co "C" astrided CR (795-628) No contact with OP. Enemy armor reported in front of C. Lt. Melko Comdg.	Regt.
0200	15		0118	CO 1st Bn to CO 409-Mtr Msgr* Entire Bn except CP in Selestat. Request armor in morning.	Regt.
1955	16		1955	OP to CP 1st Bn - Phone * Bn secure for the night.	Regt.
	17		2400	Journal Closed.	

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	1	0001	Journal Opened	
1130	2	1130	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn. M.M. Pass Word for 4 Dec. Lipp-Stalingrad	S-2
1200	3	1200	OP 1st Bn to CP 1st Bn. - Phone En Receiving Sniper and Fire From Supporting Enemy Tanks	Regt.
1400	4	1400	OP 1st Bn to CP - Phone TD's unable to Reach Co. "C" Bridge Still Out	Regt.
1530	5	1530	OP 1st Bn to CP 1st Bn. - Phone Send up Bazookas, Grenade Launchers and Ammunition for each Weapon immediately	A & P
1640	6	1640	CO 409th Inf to CO 1st Bn. - Phone Red Alert	T
1805	7	1805	CO 409th Inf to CO 1st Bn. - Phone All Clear	T
	8	1845	Co. "B" Being Reorganized by Regt. Approx- 55 men in Company Accounted for at present	C.O.
	9	2400	Journal Closed.	

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To : 142400 A Dec 44
Place: Vicinity of Scherwiller, France

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Time: In	:Ser.: Out	:Time Dated: No. :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken
1	0001		Journal Opened	
2	0720		No activity at fwd CP & OP	Regt.
3	0800		Rations and carbine ammo going fwd to troops	
4	0930		16 PW's brought in	Regt.
5	1000		Exec Off. to OP	
6	1030		Exec Off. returned to CP	
7	1115		5 Dec. password Love-Telegraph	S-2, T
8	1200		Plans progressing for reorganization of Co. "B". Lt. Vestervelt to be CO. All companies suffered heavy casualties.	
9	1700		31 PW's brought in	Regt.
10	2020		Red Alert on.	S-2, T
11	2200		Red Alert Off	S-2, T
12	2400		Journal Closed	

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From: 050001 A Dec: 44
To : 052400 A-Dec: 44
Place: Scherwiller And Dambache La Ville

Time : In	Serial: Out:	Time : Dated :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
	1	0001	Journal Opened	
	2	0805	Rear CP at Dambache La Ville Opened	Regt, O.P.
	3	0830	CP at Scherwiller closed	Regt, O.P.
	4	0945	En After Being Relieved at 0415 Closed into Assembly Area in Dambache La Ville	Regt.
1145	5		CO 409th to CO 1st En - MM Pass Word for 6 Dec. Solo- Bar	T-S-2.
	6	1500	Lt. Barber Reported to CO 1st En. from 3rd En and Assigned to Co. "B" as C.O.	
	7	1130	Lt. Penfield Relieved of Duties as S-1 and placed in Command of Company "A". Lt. Klatt Relieved of Duties as S-2 and Assigned as S-1	Regt.
	8	1500	All Companies Began Reorganization	
	9	2400	Journal Closed.	

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 From: 060001 A Dec. 44
 To : 062400 A Dec. 44
 Place: Dambaché La Ville and Truchtersheim

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Time : In :	Out : :	Serial : No. :	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
		2	0940	Phase 5 Arrived at C.P.	
		3	1000	Phase 5 Left C.P.	
		4	1040	C.P. at Dambaché La Ville closed. Bn. enroute to Truchtersheim	
		5	1245	C.P. Opened at Truchtersheim	Regt.
		6	1300	Bn. All closed in Area. Reorganization of all Companies continued.	Regt.
		7	2232	Fancy 2 to Red 2. - Phone Red Alert On	Staff T
		8	2245	Fancy 2 to Red 2: MM Pass Word for 7 Dec. FiFi- Mast	S-2 T
		9	2300	Red Alert Off	T
		10	2400	Journal Closed	

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST BATTALION 409TH INFANTRY
From: 070001 A Dec 44
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Place: Vicinity of Fruchtersheim, France

Time: In	:Ser.: Out	Time Dated: No. :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken
		1 0001	Journal Opened	
		2 0830	CO out on inspection of companies	
		3 1030	CO returned to CP	
1030		4 0825	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-MM-Pass Word for 8 Dec Vino-Alfa	S-2, T
		5 1040	2 officers reported to CP. Lt. Atkinson to Co "C", Lt. Rall to Co "A"	T, Regt S-1
		6 1045	Officers above left CP to re- port to their companies.	
		7 1050	Lt. Leon to CP, meeting with CO to inspect kitchens and personnel	
		8 1115	CO left for shower unit	
		9 1135	Pfc Sweeney Co "A" left to join 30th Inf., Strausberg	
		10 1140	CO returned from shower unit	
		11 1145	S-1 left for shower unit	
		12 1150	I.G. arrived at CP for meeting with CO	
		13 1210	S-1 returned from shower unit	
		14 1308	Notified of Red Alert	T
		15 1320	I.G. left CP	
		16 1331	Fancy Green 6 arrived at CP	
		17 1340	Fancy Green left CP	
		18 1352	Red 3 left for Fancy CP	
		19 1402	Factory 24.1 left for Fancy CP	
		20 1430	CO & Exec Off. to church	

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Time: In	:Ser.: :Out	:Time :No. :	Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken
		21	1450	Received notification of "Condition Yellow"	T
		22	1505	CO & Exec Off. returned from church	
		23	1515	S-3 & Arty Liason back to CP	
		24	1520	Arty Liason left CP for 382d FA CP	
		25	1530	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-Phone* movement order Co "B" close into LaWalck 080900A Dec	S-3, T
	1632	26	1632	CO 1st Bn to all companies-phone-results of kitchen inspection	
1702		27	1702	Fancy 3 to Red 3-Phone- Received word on vehicles for movement of Co "B"	T
1730		28	1730	Fancy 1 to Red 1, received allotment of replacements as follows: Co "A" 13, Co "C" 62, Co "D" 1	
1730		29	1730	S-1 409 to S-1 1st Bn-Phone- 2 officers assigned to Hq Co pending further orders	
2050		30	2050	Chap 2nd Bn to S-1 1st Bn-Phone- Schedule for church services	T
2200		31	2200	S-4 409 to S-4 1st Bn-Phone- Return Bn supply trk to Regt'l motor pool by 080700 A Dec	
		32	2400	Journal Closed	

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To : 062400 A Dec 44.
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		1	0901	Journal Opened	
	0720	2	0720	Red 3 Called Fancy 3 - Phone In regards to Transportation for Co. "B"	Regt.
	0800	3		Red 3 Called Fancy 3: - Phone Checking on Trans. for Co. "B"	Regt.
0810		4	0810	Fancy 3 Called Red 3: Phone Notification of Departure of Vehicles from Regiment to Co. "B"	
		5	0820	Vehicles Arrived at Bn. C.P. for Trans. of Co. "B"	
		6	0822	Red 3 Left C.P. to check on Loading of Company "B" for Movement to Fame	
		7	0835	Co. "B" Left Bn Area for Fame at 0835	Regt.
		8	0840	Red 3 Returned to Bn. C. P. from checking Loading of Company "B"	
	0915	9	0915	Red 3 called Fancy 3: - Phone Checked on Co. "B" closing in Fame Area	Regt.
		10	0940	Red 3 Left C.P. for Reconnaissance for Bazooka Firing Area	
1009		11	0856	Fancy 2 to CO 1st Bn. - MM Pass Word for 9 Dec. Congo-Book	S-2 T
	1010	12	1010	Pass Word to Companies	T
		13	1015	Red 1 Left C.P. for Fancy 1	
		14	1025	CO Left C.P. for Bn. Area	
		15	1045	Red 1, Returned to C.P.	
		16	1045	Red 2, Returned from Reconnaissance	
	1050	17		Red 3, Conference call all Companies: Bazooka Firing Information	T
		18	1100	Red 1, Left C.P. for Bn. Area to Inspect Kitchens	

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	19		1100	2-New Officers Reported to C.P. Lt. LeBlanc Reported to Co. "D" Lt. Milhoan Reported to Co. "B"	Co.'s Notif.
	20		1110	CO Returned to Bn. C.P.	
1110	21		1110	Fancy 2 Called Red 2 : Phone Maps not in use to be turned in to Regt.	S-2
1115	22		1118	Fancy 3 called Red 3: Phone Trans. for Man-from Regimental C.P. to Bn. C.P. Man from Co. "B"	
	23		1125	Red 1 returned from Inspection of Kitchen Area	
	24		1157	Red 3 called Fancy Red A & P: Phone Inventory on Ammunition Supplies	
	25		1230	Red 3 Called Fancy 4: Phone Information on Equipment for New Officers	
	26		1232	Red 3 Called Fancy 5: Phone Checked on "B" Co. closing in Fame Area. No Information	Regt.
	27		1240	CO Left Bn C.P. for Bn Area with 2 new Officers	
	28		1245	Received M/P's for all Companies. Also Missing Reports, and Forms for Replacement system.	T
	29		1250	C.O. Returned to C.P. from Bn. Area	
1305	30			Red 1 called Fancy 1: Phone Transfer of Lt. Wilson from Co. "D" to Co. "C"	Regt.
	31		1305	Red 3 Left CP for Check on Bazooka Firing	
1311	32		1311	Fancy 3 called Red 3: Phone Get Quartering Party to Regiment at 1400. Bring Rations to last for Tomorrow. Con- tact Captain Terranova immediately	Staff T
1309	33		1307	Message to CO Co. "B" from Red 1: M/C Send your morning report Direct to A.G. until you return to us. Send us Duplicate as early as possible	
	34		1307	CO Left CP for Regimental CP	SECRET
	35		1349	Red 1 and Party Left C.P. for Lawelck	

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Time:	Serial :	Time :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc	Action Taken	
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	36	1358	Red 3 Returned from Bazooka Firing Range		
	37	1400	CO Returned from Regimental CP		
	38	1400	CO Received March Order And Overlay From Fancy 6		Staff CO's Co's.
1430	39		Conference call all Companies Warning Order Given to Co's on March Order fo En.		T
1430	40		Red 3 to All Company Commanders: Phone Be ready to Move by 1330 9 Dec.		T
	41	1450	Fancy 3 called Red 3: Phone Received word from Fancy 3 that Co. "A" was to join Task Force and Move to Vicinity of Davendorf on Morning of 9 Dec.		Staff Co. "A"
1455	42	1455	Red 3 to All Company Commanders: Phone Meeting of Company Commanders at CP at 1800		T
1520	43		A.T. Co., Co. "A" 328th Medics, notified of meeting at CP at 1800.		
	44	1540	Fancy 5 Arrived at C.P.		
	45	1555	Fancy 5 Left C.P.		
	46	1558	Fancy 4, Called Red 5: Phone Pick Up Replacements at Regiment. Guide sent to Regiment.		T
	47	1613	Fancy 3 Called Red 3: Phone In regards to T ansportation for En. for Movement. Red 3 Requested 12 Trucks		
	48	1638	Received Message of Catholic Mass for 9 Dec. at 0830 in the Church.		T
	49	1649	Lt. Johnson called Red 5: Phone Replacements will be late in Reporting Due to them eating at Regiment		T
	50	1722	Notified by Fancy 3 that one A.A. Unit will be attached to the Bn. for the March		
	51	1750	Fancy 3 Called Red 3: Phone "A" Co. will move to Davendorf at 0730 9 Dec 44. To be closed by 0900		Co. "A"
	52	1800	Company Commanders, Special Staff, A.T. Co. CO and C.G. from Co. "A" 328th Med. arrived for Meeting at C.P.		
	53	1830	Meeting Over.		

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	54	1825	Conference Call to Companies. Sale of V-Mail Christmas Cards, and P.X. through S.S.O.	T	
1945	55	1845	Conference Call to Companies. From S-4 Kitchens will shuttle, Leave 1 man for guard with supplies, until truck returns For Movement to Schalkendorf	T	
2109	2125	56	Fancy 3 409th to CO 1st Bn. Light Line: Ringeldorf and Bueswiller Fender Beams North of this Point until told to put out by Regimental Traffic Control Units	Staff T	
2109	57		Received General Orders #42, Special Orders #224, Daily Bulletin #250 from M/C	T	
	58		Journal Closed		

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	1	0001	Journal Opened	
	2	0723	Co "A" left Bn area to join task force	S
	3	0743	Red 1 returned from reconnaissance with quartering party	
	4	0908	CO & Exec Off. left CP for Bn Area	
	5	0915	Exec Off. returned to the CP from Bn area	
	6	0920	CO returned from bn area	
	7	0930	CO left CP for Bn area	
	8	1018	CO returned from Bn area	
1020	9	1020	Red 1 called Fancy 4-Phone-Request for shower unit	
	10	1028	Red 1 left Bn CP for Bn area	
	11	1033	Red 1 returned from Bn area	
	12	1036	Red 1 called Fancy war room to synchronize time	
1040	13	0800	S-2 409 to CO 1st Bn-MM-Password for 10 Dec 44, Fox-Cossack	S-2, T
	14	1048	Rating slips sent to M/C Lt. Watkins and Lt. Magaro	
1040	15		Received secret document from Regt - by MM - regards to enemy units	S-2
	16	1100	Red 1 left Bn CP for Motor Pool	
1105	17		Red 3 called Fancy 3 regards to kitchen moving out independently before convoy	Regt, T
	18	1115	Red 1 returned from Motor Pool	

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		19	1120	Red 1 left Bn CP for Bn area & fwd area		
		20	1330	Statement of Occupancy form filled out and given to owner		
1333		21	1333	Red 3 called Fancy 3 in regards to location of antiaircraft in column also transportation		
		22	1338	Transportation for movement arrived at CP		
		23	1340	New CP opened in vicinity of La-Walck	To Regt	
		24	1345	CO & Exec Off. left CP for Bn area and check on Transportation for movement		
		25	1350	Exec Off. returned to CP		
		26	1355	Red 3 left CP to check movement of transportation		
		27	1358	Phone disconnected from CP. Communication out		
		28	1405	Closed old CP		
1600		29	1600	Red Alert		
		30	1618	Opened new CP At Truchtersheim 87.2-26.0		
1621		31	1621	Received G-2 reports, Stars & Stripes, and overlay from Regt		
		1624	32	1624	Red 3 called Fancy 3 reported Bn closing in area	To Regt
		1645	33	1645	Red 3 called Fancy 3, will not move out tonight, message received from Fancy 3	
1500		34		CO 1st Bn from CO Co "B"-MM- Closed into this area 1010 yesterday. Detail being carried out very well. Requisitions which were put in for equipment have not yet been filled. Request a check be made. Have not been able to get to you by phone	S-4, S-3	

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		35	1845	Red 3 left CP for Fancy 3 for information on movement	
		36	1947	Red 3 returned to Bn CP from Fancy 3 with March Order & Overlay for Bn	
		37	1952	Red 1 to all companies-Phone-Co Comdrs & Spec. Staff meeting at Bn CP 2015	T, Spec Staff
		38	2030	Red 1 left CP for reconnaissance	
		39	2030	Bn notified of Red Alert	T, Staff
		40	2400	Journal Closed	

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	1	0001	Journal Opened	
	2	0100	Red 1 Returned from Reconnaissance	
	3	0350	Red 3 Left CP to Check Troops on Crossing I.P.	
	4	0410	Ex. O Left CP to Lead Troops in March to New Area	
	5	0435	Red 3 returned to C.P.	
	6	0438	Red 3 Reported En. Crossed I.P. at 0422	Regt.
	7	0600	CO, Red 3, and Factory 24.1 Left CP for Reconnaissance.	
	8	0605	Red 10 called switchboard to have phone taken out.	
	9	0605	Red 1 Left CP for check on Motor Convoy	
	10	0620	Convoy Departed Old C.P.	
	11	0800	New CP Opened in Vicinity of Lawalck (91.0-27.8)	Regt.
	12	0800	En. Closed in New Area. Vicinity of Lawalck (91.0-27.8)	Regt.
	13	0850	Rear CP Closed	
1035	14	1005	Fancy 3 Called CO 1st En. Phone 1 Liason Officer to Fancy War Room Immediately. Turn in all captured vehicles to maintenance at once.	CO 1st En.
	15	1020	Red 1 Left CP for Co. "A" Area	
	16	1130	Red 1 returned to C.P.	
	17	1130	Red 3 Left CP for Regt'l CP for Instruction on Movement	
1130	18		Received Overlay from Fancy 2 "Secret"	Red 2, Staff
	19	1135	Red 1 Left En CP for En Area	
	20	1235	Red 3 Returned to CP from Regt'l Hq.	

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		21	1250	Red 3 Left C.P. on Reconnaissance.	
		22	1348	Red 3 Returned to CP from Reconnaissance	
		23	1348	Red 1 Returned to CP from Co. "A" Area	
		24	1350	Enemy Planes sighted in Area. Ack Ack in Action. No Damage	
1434		25	0925	From Fancy 2 to CO 1st Bn. - MM Pass Word for 11 Dec. Rousso-Catt Received Overlay	S-2, Staff
1436		26	1310	From Red 1 to CO Co. "A": MM Send Today's M/R back with Kitchen truck Send Duplicate of yesterday's same method Make certain you mark on corner of M/R Effective strength Report	T
		27	1540	Red 1 Left CP for Check on Bn Area and Kitchen	
		28	1610	Red 1 Returned to CP	
		29	1632	CO left CP to check Bn Area	
		30	1640	Red 3 Left CP for Regimental Hq.	
1720		31	1720	Red 2 received G-2 Periodic Report from M/C	S-2
		32	1735	Red 3 returned to CP from Regiment	
		33	1750	CO returned from Bn. Area	
1800		34	1800	Red 1 Called Fancy 1 - Phone In regards to "A" Companies M/R	Regt.
2000		35	2000	Red 1 Called CO Co. "E", Fancy 1 and Red 11 in regards to M/R for Co. "E"	Regt.
		36	2000	Red 1 Conference call all Co.'s Informed Co.'s of Hot Chow being served by 0700. 11 Dec.	T
		37	2400	Journal Closed	

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From: 110001 A Dec 1944

To : 112400 A Dec 1944

Place: Vicinity of LaWalck, France

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		1	0001	Journal Opened	
		2	0710	Co "C" outpost reports everything alright	
		3	0830	Red 3 left CP for Fancy CP	
		4	0850	Church services at 0945	T
		5	0800	Red 5 left CP to check on Bn positions	
		6	0900	Red 5 returned from Recon.	
		7	0930	Red 3 arrived from Fancy CP with attack orders and overlay	S
1000		8	1000	Received TM #3 on Graves Registration	T
	1055	9	1055	Password to companies	T
1055		10		Received order for immediate recon party. From Division liason officer	T
		11	1108	Red 1 left to make recon for Bn CP	
1226		12	1226	Red 3 called for meeting of Company CO's and Spec. Staff	T
		13	1230	Red 1 to Personnel Office	
		14	1235	Red 1 & party returned from recon	
		15	1235	CO reported to Chief of Staff	
		16	1250	CO returned from Chief of Staff	
		17	1300	Old CP closed	
		18	1355	Opened new CP at Greisbach (95.6-32.4)	Regt.
		19	1520	CO left for Division Hq.	
		20	1530	Bn closed in assembly area	

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	21	1555	CO returned from Division CP	
	22	1605	Red 1 left CP with quartering party	
	23	1615	Red 3 left CP for reconnaissance	
	24	1615	CO's meeting at Bn CP	T
1645	25	1300	Passwo rd for 12 Ded 44 Zozo-Topp	T, S-2
1650	26		Received G-2 periodic reports	T, S-2
	27	1720	Red 3 returned from recon	
	28	1732	Red 1 and quartering party returned to Bn CP	
	29	1735	CO left for Division CP	
	30	1800	CO returned from Div CP	
	31	1830	Co "C" outpost reports everything alright	
	32	2400	Journal Closed	

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Unit Journal
Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry

From: 180001 A Dec 44

To : 182400 A Dec 44

Place: Vicinity of Haguenau

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Time In :	Time Out :	Serial No. :	Time Dated :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, Etc.	Action Taken
		1	0901	Journal Opened	
		2	0850	Fame Line Out	
		3	0900	Arty Liaison Left CP for En. Position	
		4	0935	Fame Line in to En.	
0840		5	0940	From Fame to CO 1st En. Be prepared to Move in 1 Hour	Staff T
1015		6	1015	From Fancy 3 to Bed 3: - Phone Received Movement Order	Staff T
		7	1025	Bed 1 and Party left CP for Quartering Party	
		8	1030	Foot Troops closing out of old area for marching	
		9	1030	CO, Tr. C, and Bed 3 Left CP for Check on troops crossing I.P.	
		10	1050	Communications Out	
		11	1100	Arrived at New Area. Opened New CP at Morshann (600.8-78.4)	Regt.
		12	1110	CO Left for Regimental CP	
	1145	13	1145	Bed 3 to all Companies Password to Co's. ToCo- Topp	T
1015		14	1015	Received M/P from Co. "B" thru M/C	
		15	1230	Ex. C Left for En. Release Point	
		16	1230	Co. "B" M/P sent to Regiment Thru M/C	Regt.
		17	1235	CO returned from Regimental CP	
		18	1237	CO, Arty Liaison, and Bed 3 Left CP for Fame	
		19	1242	Ex. C returned from En. Release Point	
		20	1245	Bed 3 Returned to C.P. from Fame	

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Time :	Serial :	Time :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In :	Out :	No :	Dated :	
	21	1247	Red 7 Left CP for Reconnaissance	
1247	22	1247	Bn. Closed in New Assembly Area (Morsborn) (800.3-73.4)	Regt.
1252	23	0945	Fancy 2 to Red 2: - MM Pass Word for 12 Dec. Bataan-Note	S-2 T
1252	24	1023	Fancy 4 to Red 6: MM Supply Installations will be located in Morsborn after 1200, 12 Dec 44.	Staff
1252	25	1252	Received Overlay for Attack	Staff
	26	1425	Red 3 Returned from Reconnaissance	
	27	1435	CO and Arty Liason returned from Div.	
	28	1500	Bn. Released from Division Reserve	
	29	1502	CO and Arty Liason Left CP for Regt CP	
	30	1505	Red 1 and Quartering Party left CP	
	31	1512	CO and Arty Liason returned from Regt.	
1515	32	1515	Fancy 6 to Red 6: Phone Received Order for Movement	Staff T
	33	1518	CO, Arty Liason, and Red 3 Left for Gunstett	
	34	1600	Closed Old CP	
	35	1600	New CP Opened Vicinity of Gunstett (80.0-35.0) Hagusanan 1-50,000	Regt.
1625	36	1645	Bn. Closed in New Area	Regt.
	37	1640	Co. "B" joined Bn.	
	38	1830	Ex. 0 Left CP to Reconiter Bridge	
	39	1915	Ex. 0 returned to C.P.	
	40	1945	Communication in to Co. "B"	
	41	2400	Journal Closed	

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST BATTALION, 409TH INFANTRY
From: 130001 A Dec 44
To : 132400 A Dec 44
Place: Vicinity of Hagenu, France

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Time: In	: Ser.: Out:	Time Dated: No. :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken	
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
		2	0050	Notification of 10 minute alert	T
0315		3	0315	Attack Order & Overlay from Regt	
		4	0330	Contacted Co's about unidentified armor	T
		5	0330	Reminder to Co's of 10 minute alert	T
		6	0655	Red 3 left CP for Regt	
		7	0730	Co. Comdr's and Spec Staff meeting at Bn CP	T
		8	0730	Red 3 returned to CP	
		9	0802	Red 1 left CP with quartering party	
0645		10	0645	Fancy 6 phones New Order to Red 6	T
		11	0955	Capt. Lambert assigned to Co "A" as CO	
		12	1010	New CP opened at Merkwiller-Pechelbronn	
		13	1130	Communications in with CP	
		14	1200	Bn moved past 39 horizontal Grid Line at 1130. No enemy in sight	Regt
1225	1230	15	1225	Fancy 3 to Red 1-Phone* 411h on left. Keep abreast. Let us know when ready to leave phase line "A" about 1300	T
1235		16	1235	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-Phone- Co "A" 411 will have patrol in Lobrann N. house when you take town. Notify Regt when contact made. 411 now on phase line "A"	

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		17 1240	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-Phone- Route for tanks across bridge and down R.R. tracks to Kutzenhausen then up.	T
		18 1250	Tanks at Regt. Send guide for them.	T
		19 1253	1st Sgt Anderson to Regt to guide tanks back to OP	
1307		20 1307	Factory liason to Factory CP. Phone-Fire mission on tank in Lobsonn. Tanks moved out.	
		21 1324	Co "C" jumping off into Lobsann	
		22 1340	1st Sgt Anderson back from Regt with tanks	
1345	1345	23	CO 1st Bn to CO 409-Phone- 2 plat of Co "B" on objective. Co "C" encountering difficulty reaching objective. Co "B" sending 1 plat into town to assist	T
1402		24 1402	OP to on CP-Phone-Co "B" & "C" in town mopping up. Some sniper fire and resistance.	Regt
		25 1405	Kt Cull 4.2 reported to CP and sent forward to OP	
		26 1415	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-Phone-Push on to Phase line "B" and hold up for the night. 411 is now on phase line "B"	T
1420		27 1420	CO 1st Bn to CO 409-Phone- Lobsonn still not cleared of enemy	Regt
1425		28 1425	CP to OP Contact FO from Cannon Co. with 2nd Bn and find out location with reference to Phase line "A"	
1430		29 1430	OP to CP-Phone- Tanks are bypassing roadblock and moving into the town	Regt
		30 1430	Hear CP closed into new CP vicinity of Pechelbronn(07.2-38.6)	

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Time: In	: Ser. : Out:No. :	Time Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken
1435	31	1435	No luck contacting 2nd Bn through Cannon FO	
1445	32	1445	From 411-Phone-Report that their 1st Bn is somewhere between Phase line "A" & "B". They report 2 enemy tanks that left Losbann knocked out by them. Contact later to coordinate use of road in their sector.	CO
1510	33	1510	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-Phone-Send contact patrol to RJ09.7-39.7 by hill 210 to contact 2nd Bn	CO
1514	34	1514	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-Phone-2nd Bn reports Germans moving from Retchwiller toward Memelshoffen.	
1523	35	1523	CO 409 wants info on security in Lobsonn so they could move tanks through Lobsonn to get back into their sector	CO
1622	36	1525	Password for 14 Dec 44 Caramel-Cott	T
	37	1545	Receipt of 9 PW's to Regt from Co "B"	
	38	1630	Rear CP closed into new CP vicinity of Lobsann (08.3-40.4)	
1645	39	1610	From CO 409-MM-Maginot Forts not defended. Patrol tonight at least to phase line "C". Preparatory to attack in strength tomorrow to seize phase line "F"	
	40	1725	receipt for 4 PW's	
	41	1735	CO 1st Bn to Red 1-Phone-request 12 rds of Bazooka ammunition for CP and 6 rds of Amm for Co "C"	To DP
	42	1830	Co "B" request for BAR and Carbine ammunition	To DP
	43	1900	CO to Red 5-Phone-Send radio and 13 miles of wire to CP	Commo. Off.
	44	2205	Co "C" request batteries, s.p. phones, antennae	Commo. Off.

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	45	2210	OP checking on request for items in note 44.	Commo Off.
	46	2230	Co "A" closed in CP area	T, Regt
	47	2305	S-4 left CP with rations for Fwd companies	
	48	2345	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-Mtr Msgr-Patrol to Phase Line "C". Continue attack at 0730 A 14 Dec. Objective Phase Line "F". Report positions every half hour. Send guide RJ (064378) pick up plat tanks at 0630. Tanks now with us.	
	49	2400	Journal Closed	

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Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry

From: 140001 A Dec 44

To : 142400 A Dec 44.

Place: Vicinity of Lobsann

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		1	0001	Journal Opened	
0045		2	0045	Patrol From Co. "C" at (11.2-41.9) No enemy encountered. Arty from left rear. Patrol Near town of Birenbach	Regt.
		3	0100	Co. "A" Relieved Co. "E" Prisoner Guards	
		4	0130	S-4 returned to CP from Delivering Rations to forward Companies	
		5	0640	Platoon Ldr. A.T. Co. arrived at CP with Instructions to report to the CP	
		6	0645	CO of Ex. Co. of Co. "A" arrived at CP Oriented and Moving with A.T. Platoon Ldr. to En. CP	
		7	0650	CO 3rd Bn Arrived at CP. Establishing CP in this town.	
		8	0705	Plat. Ldr. Co. "A" Oriented on Mission for Plat. to search out woods from (09.0- 09.8) into Gemelshofen	
0720		9	0720	CO 1st Bn 409th to CO 1st Bn 411th: Phone Have Plat. of TD's here, forward location where wanted. Awaiting further orders there	
0735		10	0735	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn. Phone Want information on enemy activity. Tanks have arrived at CP and are causing trouble. Move to one mile rear	
0740		11	0740	CO to CO - Phone A report location of enemy location of Plat. of TD's and reports to 411th	
0745		12	0745	CO 1st Bn 409th to CO 1st Bn 411th: Phone Move mine to asphalt Mine at (08.4-42.8)	
0805		13	0805	CP to CP - Phone CP moving forward	
0815		14	0815	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn Phone Wanting Information	
0830		15	0830	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn Phone Tanks still haven't moved past	Regt.

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In :	Out :	No :	Dated :	Incidents, Messages, orders, etc.					
0845		16	0845	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn Phone Information From CP wanted immediately					
	1800	17	0845	Tanks arrived at CP Lt. Col Checked In. 1st Platoon Co. "A" 47th Tank				CO 1st Bn	
	1905	18	0905	Tanks Moving out toward CP					
	0915	19	0915	4.2 Liaison Off. checked in to CP and left.					
0950		20	0950	Report Position - Radio From Ex Off. 40th to CO 1st Bn.					
	0955	21	0955	No Knowledge since Jump Off				Ex. Off Regt	
1000		22	1000	Through 4.2 Liaison to C.O 409th Phone Front Line 1st Bn located Vicinity of (09.8-41.2) called for Fire Mission Birlentach.				Regt.	
	1025	23	1025	Information Concerning Bn. Phoned to Regt.				Regt.	
1050		24	1050	Report Your Company position. Why haven't you complied with my order. From CO 409th to CO 1st Bn.				CO 1st Bn.	
		25	1105	CP moved to Birlentach (10.8- 41.8)				Regt.	
		26	1150	Co. "B" and Co. "C" have taken Drachenbronn					
		27	1200	Capt. Terzanova took Information Back to CO 409th concerning our front lines				Regt.	
		28	1235	New CP Opened at Drachenbronn (09.8-41.2)				Regt.	
		29	1330	Bn setting on Road Southwest of Town ready to attack. Located at 1045-12-417				Regt.	
		30	1 32	CP Pulling Out					
1438		31	1438	Bn entered Cleeburg. No opposition				Regt.	
1448		32	1448	Bn moving on towards Phase Line "DE" at 1455				Regt.	
1540		33	1540	By Order Of Col. Lloyd Go to "F" Line and Button Up. Second Bn. is on "G" Line meeting re- sistance. Keep Reserve Deep				CO 1st Bn 1550	
1 52		34	1630	Fancy 6 to Red 5: Phone 1st Bn has priority on Bridge Crossing to town of Cleeburg.					

Time:		Serial :	Time :	JOURNAL (Cont'd)	Action Taken
In :	Out:	No. :	Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, Etc.	
		35	1700	Lt. Lamb CO Co. "B" Seriously Wounded and Evacuated by Jeep	
1715	1715	36		Fear CP closed into New CP Vicinity of Clesburg (11.4-45.0)	Regt.
		37	1815	Receipt Turned in for 78 PW's turned into PW Cage	Regt.
1934		38	1934	CO Co. "B" to CO 1st En: Radio Location of Enemy I.P. estimated to be (11.3-47.7)	Arty Liaison
1938		39	2026	CO 1st En to CO 2nd En: M/C Inform us on Position of Co. "F" If unknown where do you suspect they are	CO 2nd
		40	2100	Lt. Brooks relieved Co. "B" Assigned as CO Co. "D". Lt. Barber Assigned CO Co. "E"	
		41	2215	Red 3 contacted Charlie Radio reported all quiet	
2238		42	2238	Green 1 to Green 6: Phone Fire Mission for Interdiction Fire	
2245		43	2245	24.1 (Arty Liaison) called Factory: Phone Fire Mission for Interdiction Fire	
2254		44	2254	Fed 3 to Fancy 7: Phone Received order to continue on to Phase Line "F" tomorrow	Regt. T
2308		45	2308	Red 3 contacted Charley Company: Radio Passed on Orders for continuing attack in Morning. Message to be passed on to Baker	
2308		46	2100	From CO 409th to CO 1st En. MM Continue Attack to "F" Line at 0730, 15 Dec. One Plt. of TD's will be to you tonight. Put interdiction Fire on road to your front tonight. Enemy is trying to get out of town of Climbach (0648) We want to catch them in the morning. They had armor at Climbach. Send overlay of your exact positions to this Hq. (Birenbach) before morning.	CO, Staff
2308		47	1639	Fancy 2 to Fed 3: MM Received Pass Word for 15 Dec. Lefty-Poco	S-2

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	48	2320	Fancy 2 to Fed 3: Phone Check on orders for Movement in Morning. Position of Bn. Given verbally. No overlay Necessary	Regt.
	49	2332	CO Co. "B" notified to report to CP at 0630 Radio	
2340	50	2340	Co. "B" Reports Patrols contacted "F" Co. in Oberhoffen	Staff Regt.
	51	2345	CO Co. "A" notified to report to CP at 0630 Phone	
	52	2400	Journal Closed	

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Unit Journal
Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry
From: 15 0001 A Dec 44
To : 15 24 0 A Dec 44
Place: Vicinity of Cleeburg

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Time:	Serial:	Time:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In :	Out:	No. :	Dated :	
	1	0001	Journal Opened	
0005	2	0005	A.I. Officer notified personally of meeting at En. at 0630	
0010	3	0010	Medical Officer notified (phone) of meeting at En. at 0630	
0032	4	0032	A.T., M.O., and Commo. Officers Notified of meeting at En. at 0630	Phone
0100	5	0100	Co. "A" to Red 1: Reports all O.K.	Phone
0115	6	0115	Lt. Schillotte A.T. Co. notified of meeting at En. C.P. at 0630	Phone
0148	7	0148	Fancy 7 to Tank Platoon: Platoon will have not to move out	Phone
0200	8	0200	File 8 to Red 1: Reports all O.K.	Phone
0200	9	0200	C.P. Co. "B" informed of meeting at C.P. at 0630	Phone
0510	10	0510	Fancy asked for Report on Ammo.	Phone
0530	11	0530	Fancy reports T.D.'s will be guided to lat En. when they arrive	C.G. 1st Bn.
	12	0551	C.P.'s Co. "B" & "C" notified to report to C.P. immediately	Co.s "B" & "C"
	13	0551	Special Staff informed of meeting at 0630	S.S.
	14	0555	Tank Pl. Ldr. reported to C.P. for further information on returning tank officer	
	15	0615	Special Staff arrived for meeting	
0700	16	0700	Civilian Time received	Staff, C.P.
0705	17	0705	C.P. 4 Sta to C.G. 1st Bn. Regiment inquired as to the relief for Platoon of Tanks from lat armor	Phone
0707	18	0707	C.G. 1st Bn to C.G. A.T. Co. Information regarding T.D.'s assigned to	Phone

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	18		0707	Battalion as soon as tank can be passed	T. Co.
0710		19	0710	C.O. 1st Bn to C.O. 409th: Requested Platoon of Engineers	Phone Reg't.
0722		20	0722	C.O. 1st Bn. to Able 6: To the best you could in regards to jumping off at 8 Hour	Phone
		1	0749	C.O. 1st Bn. to Able 6 and C.P. Group left C.P. for C.P.	
0753		22	0750	Fancy 3 to Red 5: Requested information on bridges and was given information that the 1st Bn. jumped off on the attack	Phone Fancy 3
0759		23	0759	Fancy 3 to Red 5: Information on Bridges and Engineers given to Red 5.	Phone Staff
		24	0810	Platoon Leader owed T.D. reported with Platoon to C.P. and sent forward to C.P.	C.O. 1st Bn
0815		25	0815	C.P. 1st Bn to C.O. 409th: Our towed T.D.'s have reported in. Last report heavy fighting in Rott	Phone Regt.
0816		26	0818	C.P. to C.P. 1st Bn: Making information on A.T. Guns and towed T.D.'s	Phone
0817		27	0821	C.O. 409th to C.P. 1st Bn.: Request 20 belts of ammo. Forward immediately	Phone A.S.P.
		28	0827	C.P. 1st Bn. arrived at C.P.	
		29	0825	C.P. 409th left C.P.	
0827		30	0827	From W/C to Red 1: M/C requests M/P's for Able and Dog, and M.C. enroute to Regiment	Phone
0842		31	0842	C.P. on the Move and Reached Rott	Phone Regt
		32	0845	Save Message Intenicated	
		35	0850	C.P. 409th and 4-5 409th arrived at C.P.	
0855		34	0815	C.P. 409th to C.O. 1st Bn. at C.P.: Requested Information as to positions	Phone
		35	0800	C.P. 409th & 4-5, 409th left C.P.	

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0905	35	36	C.P. gun located at 13.7-47.7. Fire Mission called for from Cannon and Artillery	Regt.
	37	0907	Major Leads C.O. 47th Tanks in C.P. and left	
0926	38	0926	C.P. to C.P. Phone East is your location. C.P. still on hill to side of Rott. Firing has just ceased. Town Afire	Regt.
0945	39	0945	C.O. 1st Bn to C.O. 40th: Bn in Southern most tip of Rott. Drove 2 tanks out of position. Co. "A" enter battle N.E. at Rott 13.8-48 Grid Line	Regt.
0959	40	0959	Red 5 to Red 5: Phone Inquired as to Bridges	
	41	1000	Red 1 Left C.P. for Rott	
	42	1006	C.P. asked for 300 radio for Co. "A"	Commo.
1008	43	1008	Radios being dispatched forward to C.P.	
1034	44	1034	C.O. 1st Bn to Red 5: Phone Fighting continues in town of Rott. Expect to have town in 1 hour	Regt.
1100	45	1100	C.O. 1st Bn to Red 5: Phone Contact Plt Leader of Co. "5" Engineers to report to Red 5 at Bn. C.P.	MM to Eng r
1105	46	1105	Lt. Walker 614th T.D. Bn Reported to C.P. and sent forward to the C.P.	
	47	1115	Engine Officer Co. "5" 55th Engrs arrived at C.P.	
	48	1120	Engine Officer Co. "5", 55th Engrs left C.P.	
1148	49	1148	Red 5 to White 5: Phone Requested Permission to Fire on Rott Refused	
1155	50	1155	C.O. 1st Bn. to Red 5: Phone Reports Progress	Regt.
1157	51	1157	From C.O. 2nd Bn to C.O. 1st Bn. Have your troops cleared Rott (Authenticated)	M/C
1158	52	1158	Rott not yet taken. Troops still in Northern End	C.O. 1st Bn

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In :	Out :	No. :	Dated :		
	1250	53	1250	Red 5 to Fancy 3: Gave information regarding Bn Positions and Co. "F", 2nd Bn.	Phone Regt
		54	1258	7 men from Co. "E" reported to the C.P. and were directed to the Company	
		55	1258	Receipt turned in for 4 PW's to P.I. Cage	
1354		56	1354	C.O. 409th to Red 5 1st Bn. Information from En. regarding front lines	Phone Regt
	1345	57	1345	O.P. Line in O.P. in Town	
	1350	58	1350	Factory 6 arrived at C.P.	
		59	1400	Fame 2 arrived at C.P.	
		60	1400	Factory 8 left C.P.	
1425	1425	61	1425	Fancy 6 Called C.O. 1st Bn. Wanted a contact patrol sent out to con- tact Fatima	Phone C.O. 1st En.
		62	1455	Fame 2 Left C.P.	
1440		63	1440	C.O. 1st Bn. to Red 5: None Asked for 12 Pcs Bazocks, 500 lbs light MG, and 50 Bandoliers of Ammo.	ACCP Trans. Off.
1445		64	1100	Fancy 2 to Red 2: Received Password for 16th Dec. Toqon-Silk Regtl. Surg Letter for Regtl Surgeon, Maps for S-2	M/C S-2
1525		65	1525	Be on look out for counter-attack at Bobenthal	C.O 1st
		66	1535	Fame 2 Arrived at C.P. with information regarding tanks in Wissembourg Fame 2 called G-2 and gave coordinates on Loc- ation. (156-479) 1,50,000 Wissembourg	
		67	1555	Fame 2 Left C.P.	
		68	1600	Fancy 2 to Red 1: Overlay from Regt. with Seigfried Defenses	MM C.O. 1st
1610		69	1610	O.P. called for ammunition	A & P
1615		70	1615	Receipt turned in for 15 PW's to PW Cage	
1645		71	1645	Receipt turned in for 4 PW's to PW Cage	
	1647	72	1647	Red 5 to Fancy 3: Request for Wire for Communication	Phone Regt.

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	73	1652		Receipt turned in for 4 PW's to PW Cage	
1720	74	1720		C.O. 3rd Bn to C.O. 1st Bn: "K" Co on flank mission crossed L.D. seeking coordination to prevent fire fight between our troops	Phone
1805	75	1805		C.O. 1st Bn to C.O. 409th Location of and disposition of the OP	Phone Regt.
1857	76	1857		Platoon to Red 3: asked for number of PW's sent to Regt. 46	Phone Regt.
1945	77	1945		OP to OP Litter Jeep and guide who knows location of litter bearers sent forward to caurch in Rott	Phone
2010	78	2010		S-1 409th to S-1 1st Bn - Report on strength of rifle companies after todays action	Phone
2040	79	2040		S-1 1st Bn to OP S-3 Get effective strength for today from A,B,& C, Pick up morning reports 1st thing in morning	Phone
2300	80	2300		Red 3 to Red 1: Asked for Hand Grenades, Rifle Grenades, and Bangalore Ammunition	Phone ASP
2500	81	2500		C.O. 409th to C.O. 1st Bn. Received attack order	C.O. 1st
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HEADQUARTERS 1ST BATTALION, 409TH INFANTRY
From: 160001 A Dec 44
To : 162400 A Dec 44
Place: Vicinity of Rott, France

Time: In	:Ser.: :Out :	Time Dated: No :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken
		1 0001	Journal Opened	
		2 0013	Attack order and overlay received at CP	
		3 0126	Red 3 to CP requesting several Lembach and Wissemburg maps,	To OP
		4 0220	Red CP to Regt-Phone- Requesting maps for Lembach	
		5 0535	Red 1 left CP for OP	
		6 0725	Red 1 returned from OP	
0806		7 0806	Red 3 to Red 10-Phone-Request for 1 300 radio complete to the OP for Co "B"	Comm. Off.
0820		8 0820	Red 10 and wire crew left CP for OP with wire and SCR300 radio complete for Co "B"	
		9 0912	Red 1 left CP for Rott.	
		10 0952	OP line out.	
		11 0956	OP line in.	
		12 0958	Rear CP moving forward to Rott.	
		13 1020	CP opened in Rott.	
1130		14 1130	Red 5 to Fancy 6-Phone-Information regarding 1st Bn. positions	
1209		15 1209	Fancy 6 to Red 6-Phone-Do not put any fire on Weiler. 2nd Bn on right of town.	
1225		16 1044	Password-MC-Stock-Cordell	T.S-2
		17 1310	OP moving in to Weiler	Regt
		18 1325	Red 1 left CP for Weiler	

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Time: In	:Ser.: Out :	Time Dated: No. :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken
	19	1427	OP to Red 5-Phone-All bridges S. of Weiler out. Possible entry to city being worked over by A & P Plat. and engrs.	To Regt
	20	1445	Receipt received for 4 PW's	
	21	1500	Patrol 411th contacted CP	
	22	1615	New CP opened in Weiler	To Regt
	23	1645	near CP arrived at New CP in Weiler	
	24	1645	A & P platoon repaired bridge for vehicles to cross	
	25	1913	Bridge now repaired for vehicles to haul rations to troops	
	26	2130	Red OP through 4.2 Officer to Red 5-radio-Send Scr300 batteries and 3 miles of 130 wire	S-4, Red 10
	27	2315	Fancy 6 to Fancy Red 6-radio-Send patrols out to locate and feel out any soft spots in the Seigfried line. Locate enemy installations. Plot on overlay and return to CG 409 as soon as possible.	
	28	2400	Journal Closed.	

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 From: 170001 A Dec 44.
 To : 172400 A Dec 44.
 Place: Vicinity of Pott

Time : In	: Out	Serial : No.	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
0055		2	0055	Red 10 reported fire line intact in proximity of Forward C.P.	
0210		3	0225	Fancy 3 to Red 1: Rec'd overlay of Enemy Positions and 1 roll of Maps from Regiment	MM Sent to C.P.
		4	0630	Red 1 and Rations Party left C.P. to deliver rations to troops	
0718		5	0718	Red 5 to White 6: Patrols from Red to contact White Bn at "H" Phase Line	Phone
0730		6	0730	C.P. to C.P. Requesting Information	Radio
0735		7	0735	Red 5 to Red 6: Information given to C.O. 1st Bn.	Radio
0749		8	0749	Red 5 to Red 5: Asked for Messenburg Maps and Maps of next zone of action.	Phone 3-2
		9	0800	1 Man Co. "H" reported to C.P. from Medics and sent to Company	
		10	0820	3 men Co. "A" released from Medics reported to C.P. sent to Company	
0958		11	0958	Red Alert	Staff - T
1036		12	1036	C.P. to Red 3: Food and Supplies were carried to C.P. Arrived at 1030. Red 3 reports prisoners report enemy preparing for attack	Phone
		13	1040	Received order from Red 5 to move to Forward C.P.	
1100		14	1100	Red 3 to Battalion Motor Officer: Gave amount of ammunition needed at O.P.	Phone M.O., A&P
1125		15	1125	Fancy 3 to Red 5: Contact 411 on Left: 2nd Bn on Right	Phone C.O. at C.P.

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Time :	Serial :	Time :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In :	Out:	No. :	Dated:	
	16	1300	Rear C.P. closed into the forward C.P. Germanshuff (14.8 -49.8)	
	17	1245	Fame 2 and Party arrived at C.P. contacted O.P. for information on Bn Positions.	
	18	1313	Fame 2 and Party left C.P.	
	19	1400	Receipt received for 4 PW's to PW Cage	
1417	20	1500	O.P. to C.P. Estimated strength to Front 40 enemy. Thought to be outpost	Regt.
	21	1505	Red 1 to Fancy 3-Phone-Requested one platoon of engineers to clear road block.	Regt.
	22	1610	Fancy 3 to Red 1-Phone-Engineers to report on Road Block as soon as possible.	
	23	1630	Fancy 3 to Red 1-Phone-Engineers unavailable until morning.	
	24	1700	Co "C" line in to OP	
1735	25	1728	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-MM-Send patrol to junction at your left boundary and PL "A" to contact patrol from 411	OP
2055	26	2030	CO 1st Bn to CO 409-Radio-What is meeting point with 411 patrol. Give coordinates if possible	
2235	27	2155	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-Phone-Info received that OP Hill 503 located 156-522 will be harassed by enemy fire tonight.	
	28	2345	CO Co "K" to Red 6-Phone-Co "K" location Hill OP 563. 411 location 1600. Attaching town of Telmorf.	
2345	29	2145	CO 409 to CO 1st Bn-MM-Receive order for att- OP; C-3 308 1100, advised 1044.	
	30	2145	Fancy 3 arrives at OP with attack orders	
	31	2250	Red 5 to OP-M/C-Attack Information	OP
	32	2335	Fancy 3 left OP	
	33	2400	Journal closed.	

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Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry
From: 130001 A Dec. 44
To : 132400 A Dec. 44
Place: Vicinity of Germanshuff

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Time : In	Serial : Cut	Time : No	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. Dated:	Action Taken
	1	0001	Journal Opened	
0100	2	0100	Fancy 3 to Red 5: Demolitions for A&P	Phone A & P
0315	3	0315	Red Alert	Phone Staff- T
0405	4	0405	All Clear Red Alert	Phone Staff- T
	5	0700	Receipt for 19 PW's to PW Cage	
0715	6	0715	Red Alert	Phone Staff- T
	7	0800	Receipt for 2 PW's to PW Cage	
	8	0900	Red 1 and C.P. Group left CP for Reconnaissance for new CP	
	9	0901	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Received password for 18 Dec Picasso, Piano	MM S-2 - T
	10	0910	A&P Platoon Leader reported Demolitions arrived but not prepared	C.O.
	11	0915	Fancy 3 arrived at C.P.	
	12	0930	Fancy 3 left C.P.	
0934	13	0934	Fancy 3 to Red 5 A.F. Platoon to be returned from Regimental A.F. to Bn Control	Phone
0935	14	0935	Fancy 2 to Red 5 Information on Seigfried Line	Phone O.P.
	15	1018	A.F. Platoon Leader arrived at CP Guns returning	
	16	1050	Battalion received weapons	
1130	17	1130	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Received password for 19 Dec. Pianissimo- Bolo	MM S-2 - Staff
1155	18	1155	C.P. to C.P. Bn. did not jump off at 1100 be- cause of Art'y fire on Left Patrols contracts did not set in on	Phone Regt

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Time: In	: Cut	: Serial No.	: Time Dated:	: Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc	: Action Taken
1320		19	1320	Red 3 to Red 5 Bn jumped off on attack	Phone Regt
		20	1325	6 PW's to PW cage	
		21	1325	Engineer Officer, 2nd Platoon Co. "A", 328th arrived at C.P. and sent forward to O.P.	Regt.
		22	1445	Red 5 left for Forward C.P.	
		23	1525	Red Alert	Staff- T
		24	1715	Red 5 returned from Forward CP	
	2000	25	2000	Red 5 to Fancy 3 Request for SP phones, wire and 1 Plat. of Engrs with tools to accompany the Bn.	Phone Regt.
2055		26	2055	Fancy 3 to Red 5 I.D.'s will report to the Bn. C.C. tomorrow morning	Phone
		27	2400	Journal Closed	

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HEADQUARTERS FIRST BATTALION, 409TH INFANTRY
From: 190001 A Dec. 44
To : 192400 A Dec. 44
Place: Vicinity of Germanshuff

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Time: In	Serial: Out:	Time No.	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taker
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
0200		2	0200	C.O. 409th to C.O. 1st Bn. MM Bridge put in over canal in Wissen- bourg (Vicinity 151-438) to hold Vehicles not heavier than 2½ Ton Trucks. Now Open	C.O. 1st Bn.
		3	0515	Overlay to Regiment. Enemy Pill Boxes	Regt.
		4	0700	Receipt for 19 PW's to PW Cage	
		5	0715	Red Alert	
		6	0830	Receipt for 2 P.W.'s to PW Cage	
		7	0900	Red 1 and C.P. group left CP for Reconnaissance for new CP	
		8	1000	Red Land Party returned to CP	
		9	1300	Rear CP closed into Forward CP	
		10	1430	CP Tent dug in and camouflaged	
		11	1530	C.O. 1st Bn. to Red 1 Phone Request for water and Ammo to CP	S-4 A&P
1545		12	0340	Fancy 2 to Red 2 MM Rec'd password for 20 Ded Sack- Nett	S-2 T
		13	1700	Receipt for 4 PW's to PW Cage	
		14	1925	Red 3 to Red 1 Phone Called for rations, Ammo, & Water	S-4 A&P
		15	2030	Red 1 to Fancy 1 Phone Late morning report sent to Regt via L/C	Regt.
		16	2130	Red 1 to Baker and Charley Companies Send in M/R's	
		17	2400	Journal Closed	

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From: 200001 A Dec. 44
To : 202400 A Dec. 44
Place: Vicinity of Germanshuff

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Time: In	: Out	Serial: No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
0730		2	0730	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn. Overlay for attack received	MM OP to CO
		3	0800	Receipt for 4 PW's to PW Cage	
	0900	4	0900	Password sent to OP	M S-2
1025		5	1025	Red 3 to Red 5: Germans counter attacking with ARMOR	Phone Regt.
1040		6	1040	Red 3 to Red 1 requested AMMO, and rolls for OP and Co. "A"	Phone S-4 ASP
	1100	7	1100	Red 1 to Red 3 Ammunition and Rolls to C.P.	Phone
1130		8	1130	Red A.F. to Red 1 Request for gasoline for Trucks and Jeep	Phone M.O.
1209		9	1209	Fancy 2 to Red 2 received Aerial Photos	M/C OP
		10	1230	Red 1 and Party left CP for OP	
		11	1330	Red 1 and Party returned from OP	
		12	1400	Aq. Co. 1st Sgt. left for CP with Actions and Mail	
		13	1430	Red 1 left CP for Fancy 1 to check on M/R	
		14	1600	Aq. Co. 1st Sgt. returned to CP	
1800		15	1800	Fancy 2 to C.O. 1st Bn Received password for 21st Dec. Sardinia- Santa	MM S-2 T
1818		16	1818	CO 1st Bn to Red 10 Red 10 to come to CP to set lines to Companies	Phone
	2000	17	2000	Red 1 to Fancy 1 Check on M/R's	Phone Regt.

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Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry
From: 100001 A Dec 44
To : 102400 A Dec 44
Place: Vicinity of Germanshuff

Time : In	Out:	Serial : No.	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders etc.	Action Taken
		18	2030	2 men from Co. "C" reported to CP sent to Aid Station	
		19	2130	Received Red Alert be on lookout for parachute troops	Staff
		20	2400	Journal closed	

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Unit Journal
Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry
From: 01001 A Sec. 44
To : 010400 A Sec. 44
Place: Vicinity of Germanshuff

Time : In	: Out	Serial : No	Time : Dated :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc	Action Tal
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
0445		2	0445	CO 1st Bn to Red 1 Phone Report to A.P. Position to Guide A.P. Platoon Leader to Ammo. Dump	
		3	0446	Red 10 returned to CP from CP Lines to Companies in	
		4	0500	Red 1 left CP for A.P. Positions	
		5	0700	Red 5 left CP for CP	
		6	0700	Red 1 returned from A.P. Positions	
		7	0715	Red 1 left CP for Fancy 1 and Dental Clinic	
		8	0930	M. Co. 1st Sgt and Party left CP for CP with rations and mail	
		9	1030	Red 1 returned to CP from Dental Clinic and Fancy 1	
		10	1040	Receipt for 5 P's to PW Cage	
		11	1149	M. Co. 1st Sgt and Party returned to CP	
		12	1325	Red 5 returned to CP from CP	
1335		13	1335	Red 1 to Red 5 III Aerial Photos of present locality to CP	OP
1430		14	1430	Red 5 to Red 1 phone Reporting casualties in "K" Co. Area Check on medic jeep and trailer to CP	
		15	1445	Red 1 left C.P. for Fancy 4	
1447		16	1447	Fancy 4 called and can be located at Fancy War Room	S-4
1505		17	1505	CP to CP Called for surgical dressing for aid men from Co. "B" and Co. "C"	Regtl Surg.

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Time In	Time Out	Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action	Tal
1507		18	1507	CO 409th to Red 5 Have billeting party ready on 16 minute notice	Phone	Red 1
1530		19	1530	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Received password for 2nd Dec. Flock - cell	MM	Red 2 T
		20	1534	Red 1 returned to CP		
1534		21	1534	Red Alert on		Staff T
		22	1607	Red 1 to Capt. Hicks: Transportation for Capt Hicks to CP Area. Newly assigned S-1	Phone	
		23	1630	Red 1 left C.P. for rear Area Fancy 4		
		24	1655	Pagan 6 and Party arrived at C.P.		
1700		25	1700	Pagan 6 called Fancy 3 Information on preparation for relief	Phone	Regt.
		26	1705	Pagan 6 and Party left C.P.		
		27	1705	Red 1 returned to C.P.		
1733		28	1733	Fancy 3 to Red 1 Send 3 jeeps to Regimental CP as soon as possible	Phone	T.O.
		29	1900	Red Alert on	Phone	T Staff
		30	1920	Red Alert all Clear		
		31	1925	Pagan white 3 arrived at CP		T Staff
1930		32	1930	Pagan white 3 to Fancy 3 Requested information on relieving units in Area	Phone	
		33	2400	Journal Closed		

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Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry
From: 220001 A Dec 44
To : 222400 A Dec 44
Place: Vicinity of Petit Tenquin

Time : In	: Out	Serial : No.	Time : Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc	Action Ta
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
		2	0030	Pagan White 3 to Fancy White 1 Requested information of whereabouts of Pagan Red 6 or Pagan Red 5	
		3	0200	Pagan white 10 and Pagan Liason Officer and Enlisted skeleton Crew arrived at C.P.	
		4	0245	Pagan White 5 and Liason officer after orientation left CP to join troops in Assembly Area	
0525		5	0525	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn. MM received march order and overlay	OP
0615		6	0615	March order and overlay sent to CO 1st Bn at OP	
		7	0650	Red 1 and quartering party left CP	
		8	0700	Bn started to get relief from 45th Div.	
		9	1200	Bn. started foot march to Germans- huff (120-499)	
		10	1300	Bn closed in Germanshuff (120-499) Companies housed and new clothing issued to men	Regt.
1300		11	1300	M/A's Co. "A" and "C" to Regiment thru M/C	Regt.
		12	1600	Red 5 left CP for Bn. Area	
		13	1615	Red 3 called Company Commanders Special Staff meeting and Co. "A" 329th Med, and "K" Co. Gave maps and information in regards to motor movement	
		14	1635	Red 5 returned to C.P. from Bn. Area	
1700		15	1700	Pass word given to Company Commanders at meeting for 22nd Dec. Flock-Sell	

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Time :	Serial :	Time :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Tab
In :	Out:	No. :	Dated :	
	16	1900	Red 1 returned to C.P. from Regt.	
	17	1930	Red 1 left CP to Regiment for Information on Motor Movement	
	18	1950	Red 1 returned to CP from Regiment with movement information	
	19	2028	Red 3 and Red 1 left CP for Motor Pool turnaround for check on Motor Movement	
	20	2245	Red 3 and Red 1 returned to CP	
	21	2400	Journal Closed	

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From: 230001 A Dec. 44
To : 232400 A Dec. 44
Place: Vicinity of Petit Penquin

Time In	Out	Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
		2	0200	Bn started on motor movement to Petit Penquin (35.5-44.2)	
		3	1000	Rear CP closed into new CP Petit Penquin (35.5- 44.2)	Regt.
		4	1010	Bn. closed into New Area	Regt.
	1010	5	1010	Red 3 to Companies Aircraft activity in Area	T
		6	1100	Red 2 left C.P. for Regimental CP	
1232		7	1232	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Received password for 23 & 24 Dec Gaz-Litvinoff 23 Dec. Lapel-Belt 24 Dec.	MM S-2 T
1232		8	2150	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn All men will receive one hour of training on Bazookas while in present Assembly Area. All Bazookas will be checked for serviceability. Batteries wiring etc: All A.T. guns will be checked also	MM CO - S-3
1232		9	1232	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Received Maps and G-2 Periodic report	MM Red 2
		10	1326	24.1 left CP for 382nd CP	
1505		11	1505	Fancy 1 to Red 1 Report to Regimental Sq. at 1530 to Capt. Terranova for quartering party	Phone
		12	1530	Red 1 and quartering Party left CP	
		13	1520	Red Alert On	T-Staff
		14	1530	Red Alert All Clear	
1530		15	1530	Fancy 3 to Red 6 Meeting at Fancy 6 Officer	Phone
		16	1540	Red Alert	T-Staff

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Time : In	Serial : Out: No	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1608	17	1608	CO 409th to CO 1st Bn. Enemy Air has been very active in our present area. Dispersion of vehicles will be maintained. Small repeat small fires will be permitted but will be extinguished at an Air Alert. Vehicles lights permitted on main roads only. Blackout lights permitted on Secondary roads	MM M.O. Staff
	18	1620	5 new officers reported to CP assigned to 1st Bn.	
	19	1704	Co. "B" received word from Fancy 3 to report to Division for C.P. Guard	Co. "B"
	20	1710	Red 6 left CP for Regt'l CP.	
	21	1755	Red 1 and Quartermaster Party returned to CP.	
	22	1810	Red 6 returned to CP from Regiment	
	23	1830	Red Alert	T Staff
	24	2000	Red Alert All Clear	T Staff
2200	25	2200	Co. "B" to CO 1st Bn. Phone reported to Division and Guard started functioning	
	26	2400	Journal Closed	

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 From: 240001 A Dec 44
 To : 240400 A Dec 44
 Place: Vicinity of St. Jean Rohrbach.

Time: In	Out : No.	Serial : No.	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
		1	0001	Journal opened	
0200		2	0200	C.O. 409th to C.O. 1st Bn. M/C Report . . . to C.P. at 0930 for new Instructions on making reconnaissance tomorrow.	C.O.
0200		3	0200	C.O. 409th to C.O. 1st Bn. M/C Med. Co's remain present location all others send quartering parties to Regt'l C.P. at 0930 4 Dec 44. Vehicles be left at a distance 50 yards dispersion.	
		4	0915	C.O. 1st Bn, Art'y Liaison, Red 3 left C.P for Regt'l C.P.	
		5	0927	Red 1 left C.P. for Quartering Party.	
1005		6	1005	Red 2 to Cos. Password for today.	Troops.
		7	1020	C.O. 1st Bn., Art'y Liaison, Red 3 returned to C.P, from Regt.	
1040		8	1040	Fancy 2 to Red 2 M.M. Password for 25 Dec. DESK, TACK	S-2, Troop
		9	1100	Red Alert On.	Troops
1220		10	1220	Red Alert All Clear	Troops
		11	1300	C.O., Red 3 and Art'y Liaison left C.P. for motor movement to St. Jean Rohrbach (381482)	
		12	1330	Rear C.P. started march to new C.P. location at St. Jean Rohrbach (381482).	
		13	2000	Bn closed in new area.	Reg't.
		14	2000	Rear C.P- closed into new C.P.	
		15	2400	Journal Closed	

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From: 250001 A Dec. 44
To : 252400 A Dec. 44
Place: Vicinity of St. Jean Muhrbach

Time : In	Serial : No.	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
	1	0001	Journal opened	
	2	0815	Red 6 and Red 3 left CP for Regiment	
	3	0830	Red 1 left CP for Regiment	
	4	0830	Art'y Liason and Section left CP for Division as per orders of the Division Artillery Commander	
0858	5	0858	Red 2 to All Companies Sent password to companies Desk - Tack	T
	6	1039	Red 1 returned to CP from Regiment	
	7	1058	Red 6 and Red 3 returned to CP from Regiment	
	8	1100	Red 6 called a meeting of Company Commanders and Special Staff	Co.s S.S.
	9	1105	Company Commanders and Special Staff reported to CP and were oriented on Reconnaissance to be made	
1142	10	1142	Fancy 2 to Red 2 received memorandum and overlay of enemy situation	MM S-2 Staff
	11	1144	Red 6 and Red Dog 6 left CP for Reconnaissance	
1204	12	1204	Fancy 6 called Red 5 one platoon of Co. "A" to Division for Division CP Guard to reinforce Co. "B"	Phone Co. "A"
1210	13	1210	Red 5 to Baker 5 Gave information of one Platoon of Co. "A" to join Co. "B" for guard at Div.	Phone Co. "B"
	14	1248	Red 6 and Red Dog 6 returned to CP from Reconnaissance	
	15	1522	Red 6 and Red 3 left CP for Reconnaissance	
1700	16	1700	Art'y Liason officer and Section reported to CP .	

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Time : In	Out	Serial : No.	Time : Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Ta
1742		17	1742	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Received password for 26th Dec Kiss, Box, Zev	S-2 T
		18	1745	Red 6 and Red 3 returned to CP from Reconnaissance	
2225		19	2225	Fame 2 to Red 1 Received addition to password Desk, Tack, Shovel	Phone T Staff
		20	2400	Journal Closed	

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To : 262400 A Dec. 44
Place: Vicinity of St Jean kuhrbach

Time : In	Out	Serial : No.	Time : Dated :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action	Ta
		1	0001	Journal Opened		
		2	0845	Red 3 left CP for Reconnaissance of Defensive Gun Positions		
		3	0900	Arty Liason officer left CP for Reconnaissance		
1000		4	1142	Plancy 2 to Red 2 received password for 27 Dec Sec- Step- Tray	M	S-2 T
		5	1145	Art'y Liason returned to CP from Reconnaissance		
		6	1145	Red 3 returned to CP from Reconnaissance		
		7	1524	Red 6 left C.P. to check defense positions of Co. "A" & Co. "D"		
		8	1600	Red 1 left CP for Co. "C"		
		9	1600	Red 5 left CP on Reconnaissance of Defensive Positions		
		10	1635	Red 1 returned to CP		
		11	1650	Red 5 returned to CP from Recon.		
		12	1720	Red 6 returned to CP from Recon.		
		13	1800	4 New Officers reported to CP to Red 6 and assigned to companies indicated Capt. Malone Co. "C" Lt. Juss Co. "D" Lt. Furbee Co. "B" Lt. O'Hara Co. "A"		
		14	1800	Red 6 left CP for Fame 3.8		
		15	1830	Red 6 returned from Fame		
		16	1830	M/A's all Co's sent to Regiment Thru M/C		Regt.
1910		17	1910	Report on LMG, HMG, & Mortars to Regtl. S*3 thru M/C		

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	18	2400	Journal Closed	

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Unit Journal
Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry
From: 270001 A Dec 44
To : 272400 A Dec 44
Place: Vicinity St. Jean Rohrbach

Time : In :	Out :	Serial : No. :	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Ta
		1	0001	Journal Opened	
		2	1000	Red 2 to All Cos & Med. Password to all Cos. SEC STEP TRAY	T
		3	1020	Red 3 and Operations Sergeant left C.P. for reconnaissance of defensive gun position and check with Green 6.	
		4	1020	Red 5 left C.P. for check on Bn Area.	
5		5	1025	Red 1 left C.P. for Fame 1.	
		6	1052	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Password for 28 Dec VALVE NEST ROBIN	S - T
		7	1055	Red 1 returned to C.P. from Fame 1.	
		8	1200	Red 5 returned to C.P.	
		9	1210	Red 3 returned C.P. from recon- naissance.	
		10	1230	Red 1 left C.P. for Fame 1.	
		11	1350	Fancy 1 arrived at C.P. to check on Council Books and Vouchers Company Funds	
		12	1415	Fancy 1 left C.P. for Regt	
		13	1440	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Disregard Password for tonight New Charlie says enroute	S-2
		14	1450	Lt. Holbrook relieved as A & P Platoon Leader and assigned as S-2.	
		15	1450	Red 1 returned from Fame 1.	
1715		16	1445	Fancy 2 to Red 2: Password for 27 Dec received. SHAKI. SPLENDID SOAP	M S-2 - T

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			17	1720	Red 2 to Cos. Password given to Cos. KHAMI SPLENDID SOAP	T
1715			18	1430	C.O. 409th to C.O. 1st Bn M One gas NCO per Co. will report to Lt. Arrison tomorrow, 28 Dec at 0800 at the R.S.O. in Hellimer. They will carry their own noon rations.	T
			19	1815	Cos. notified of Gas NCO to R.S.O. at 0800 28 Dec 44	T
	1850		20	1850	Overlay defensive positions M/C 1/25,000 sent to Reg't	Reg't
			21	2350	Red 3 to Fancy 3: Phone Planned report to Fancy 3 on IAC, IAC, Mortars, Bazookas.	Reg't
			22	2400	Journal Closed	

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Headquarters First Battalion 409th Infantry

From: 280001 A Dec 44

To : 282400 A Dec 44

Place: Vicinity of St Jean Muhrbach

Time : In	Out	Serial : No.	Time : Dated :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action	Tax
		1	0001	Journal Opened		
		2	0800	Red 3 and Operation Sgt. left CP for Reconnaissance on Defensive Positions		
0840		3	0840	Red 2 to all Companies Password to Co's. Rabat- Mix- Will	T	Staff
		4	0900	Red 2 and CP Party left CP for CP		
		5	0937	Red 6 left CP for Defensive Gun Positions Area		
		6	1040	Red 6 returned to CP from Recon.		
		7	1058	Red 6 left CP for Recon. of Gun Positions and CP		
		8	1135	Red 3 and Operations Sgt. returned to CP		
		9	1150	Red 2 returned to CP from CP		
		10	1315	Red 6 returned to CP from Recon.		
		11	1315	Red 3 left CP for Reconnaissance		
		12	1400	Red 1 left CP for Fancy 1		
		13	1400	2nd Lt. Hurst Assigned to 1st Bn reported to CP. Assigned to Co. "A"		
1515		14	1101	Fancy 2 to CO 1st Bn Rec'd password for 29 Dec Cheragass, Force, Miss	MM	S-2 T
		15	1530	Red 1 returned to CP from Fancy 1		
		16	1650	S3O officer called Red 1: Phone Send officer and Jeep and trailer to S-1 for PX ration	Officer	Notif.
		17	1700	Red 2 and Op Group returned to CP from CP		

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	18	1747	Red 3 returned to CP from heconn.	
	19	1850	Capt Witham reported to CP to Red 6.	
2105	20	2105	Fancy 2 to Red 2 Effective immediately go back to the 2 word password	Phone S-2 T
2210	21	2210	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Rec'd overlay of Enemy Positions	LM S-3
	22	2210	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Gas Masks to be worn by all personnel as soon as issued.	Phone Staff S-4 T
	23	2400	Journal Closed	

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Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry

From: 290001 A Dec. 44

To : 292400 A Dec. 44

Place: Vicinity of St. Jean duhrback

Time : In :	Serial: Out:	Time : Dated :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Ta
	1	0001	Journal Opened	
	2	1000	Red 6 left CP for Regt'l. Hq.	
	3	1000	Red 6 left CP for Bn. Area	
1209	4	1209	Co. "C" to Red 3: Phone company making contemplated move with unit to which attached. Will contact Bn. CP when move is completed	C.O.
	5	1330	Red 6 returned to CP	
1339	6	1339	Fancy 3 to CO 1st Bn. Password for CO Dec. Frost - task	M 3-2 P
	7	1439	Fancy 3 to Red 6 Received 3 overlays of proposed operations	1/0
	8	1340	Red 6 and "D" Co. Comdr. left CP for reconnaissance and Fancy 3's.	
	9	1535	Red 6 returned to CP from Bn Area	
	10	1540	Fancy 3 arrived at CP	
	11	1555	Fancy 3 left CP	
	12	1733	Red 6 and "D" Co. Comdr. returned to CP	
	13	1725	Red 6 and Red 3 left CP for Fame	
	14	1733	Red 6 and Red 3 returned to CP	
	15	2057	Blue 6 to Red 6 Coordination of Bridge Guard	Phone
2104	16	1515	Fancy 3 409th to CO 1st Bn Gas proof dugouts or shelters must be provided for all operating in- stallations such as CP's. These to be completed after initial digging of positions and laying of lines. To be provided as proposed CP's for B-B line as well	M CO

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Time : In	Out:	Serial :	Time : Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
		17	2300	Red Alert on	Staff
2305		18	2305	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Wants information on enemy activity every hour on the hour starting 2345	Phone
	2345	19	2345	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on enemy activity	Phone
2340		20	2340	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Anti Tank guns will occupy positions already prepared. Bn alerted on 1 hour notice effective at 0500 30 Dec.	Phone A.T.
2345		21	2345	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on enemy activity	Phone
2355		22	2355	Lt. Rawl to Red 3 on placing of patrols and guards	Phone
	2400	23	2400	Red 3 to Jane 3 and Fancy Report no enemy activity. Bridges still intact	Phone
		24	2400	Journal Closed	

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HEADQUARTERS FIRST BATTALION 409TH INFANTRY
From: 3000CLA Dec 44
To : 302400A Dec 44
Place: Vic of St Jean Hohrbach, France

Time: In	:Ser.: Out	:Time Dated: No	: Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	: Action Tak :
	1	0001	Journal Opened	
	2	0015	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	3	0153	Lt. Hall to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	S-3
	4	0157	Blue 3 to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	5	0200	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	6	0202	Red 3 to Fame 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	7	0306	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	8	0349	Blue 3 to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	9	0408	Lt. Hall to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	10	0409	Red 3 to Fame 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	11	0410	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	12	0450	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	13	0540	Blue 3 to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	14	0600	Lt. Hall to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	15	0600	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	

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Time: : Ser.: Time Dated: Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.: Action Tak
 In : Out : No. :

	16	0600	Red 3 to Fame 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	17	0650	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	18	0750	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	19	0755	Blue 3 to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	20	0906	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	21	0950	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	22	1000	Lt. Neal to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	23	1000	Red 3 to Fancy and Fame 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	24	1100	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	25	1130	Red 3 and Lt. Kirby, Co. "A" left CP for Guard positions to relieve old guard.
	26	1150	Blue 2 to Red 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	27	1230	Red 1 and Sgt. Maj. left CP for 3rd Bn CP for S-1 meeting.
	28	1230	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	29	1235	Red 3 to Fame 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.
	30	1344	Red 3 returned to CP
	31	1350	Red 5 left CP for recon of gun positions.
1344	32	0709	Fancy 2 to CG 1st Bn. Red'd password for 31 Dec 1944. Baloney-Doc.

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Time: In	:Ser.: Out	Time dated: No. :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Taken
1344	33	1415	Fancy 3 to CO 1st Bn. Reconnoiter CO, S-3 line as shown on attached overlay and make recommendations on advantages of this line over the SS line as a MIA. Submit recommendations by 1730, 30 Dec 44. Give all information possible on the line.	
	34	1405	Fame 5 to CO 1st Bn. M report to Fame 3 war room	
	35	1409	Red 3 left CP for Fame War Room	
1409	36	1409	Blue 2 to Red 3 Phone Negative report on Enemy Activity	S-3
	37	1420	Red 3 returned to CP from Fame	
	38	1421	Red 2 left CP for reconnaissance	
	39	1448	Red 1 and Sgt Maj. returned from S-1 meeting.	
	40	1542	Red 5 returned to CP from recon.	
	41	1548	Red report on.	
	42	1500	Lt Peters checked into SN and gave negative report on bridges	Fancy and Fame 3
	43	1633	Red 2 returned to CP	
	44	1735	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	45	1800	Red 3 to Fame 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	46	1803	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	47	1910	Red 3 to Fame 3 - 10 - sent overlay to Fame 3.	
	48	1918	Fancy 3 to Red 3 - Received overlay on proposed defensive line.	
	49	2000	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	
	50	2100	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - Negative report on bridge activity.	

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Time:	:Ser.:	Time	Dated:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.:	Action Take
In	:Out	:No	:	:	:
		51	2200	Fancy 3 to Red 3 - Phone - What is enemy situation? Answer, Negative report.	
		52	2300	Red 3 to Fancy 3 - Phone - (Sgt Davis) Negative report on enemy situation. Fancy does not require another report until 0500. Positive reports at once.	
		53	2400	Journal Closed.	

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 Headquarters First Battalion, 409th Infantry
 From: 310001 A Dec. 44
 To : 313400 A Dec. 44
 Place: Vicinity of St. Jean Luhrbach

Time:	Serial:	Time:	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action
In :	Out:	No :	Dated :	
	1	0001	Journal Opened	
0210	2	0210	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on bridge activity	Phone
0500	3	0500	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on bridge activity Next report at 0700	Phone
0700	4	0700	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Negative report on bridge activity	Phone
0730	5	0730	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on bridge activity	Phone
0900	6	0900	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on bridge activity	Phone
0940	7	0940	Red 6 and Red 5 left CP for Reconnaissance	
1004	8	1004	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on bridge activity	Phone
1014	9	1014	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Rec'd overlay on change of MIA	M/C
1110	10	1110	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on bridge activity	Phone
1110	11	1110	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Maintain or install communication system which will enable movement of troops within 2 hours	Phone
1117	12	1117	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Red alert on	Phone
	13	1145	Red 3 and Red 5 returned to CP from Reconnaissance	
1245	14	1245	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on bridge activity	Phone
1400	15	1400	Red 3 to Fancy 3 3 suspicious characters picked up at Buttelonge and sent to PW Cage. Division instructed	Phone Regt.

Time :		Serial:	Time :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Ta	
In :	Out :	No. :	Dated :			
		16	1445	Receipt for 3 civilians to be page		
1504		17	1510	Fancy 3 to CO 1st bn. Rec'd password for 1 Jan 45 Poll - Tex	M	S-2 T
	1530	18	1530	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on Bridge activity	Phone	
		19	1540	Red 6 and Capt. Witham left CP for reconnaissance on Gun Positions		
1558		20	1558	Capt. Pasternak to Fancy Red 16 None of your Dental Aids will be able to come back tonight	TP	Red 16
1604		21	1604	Capt. Pasternak to Fancy 35 Need one vehicle to go to Wellmer to pick up four men at Dentist	M	Red 35
	1604	22	1604	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on Bridge activity	Phone	
1745		23	1745	Fancy 3 to Red 3 Rec'd information on Friendly Mine Fields, and permission to pull guards from 3 Bridges assigned this bn.	Phone	
	1930	24	1930	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Extent of emplacements completed to date	Phone	
1945		25	1945	Red Alert on		S-2 T
	1945	26	1945	Red 3 to Green 6 giving number of S.O.'s from bn. to attend Cannon Observers school	Phone	
	2100	27	2100	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on Bridge activity	Phone	
	2200	28	2200	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on Bridge activity	Phone	
	2300	29	2300	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on Bridge activity	Phone	
	2400	30	2400	Red 3 to Fancy 3 Negative report on Bridge activity	Phone	
	2400	31	2400	Journal Closed		