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Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 1 Jan 45

To : 2400, 1 Jan 45

Place: Cassel, France

Time	Serial	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In: Out	No.		
0035	1	Mr Fame 2: No new info on rptd atk on lt; atk on rt quite heavy	
0048	2	Fancy 3 calls (Fame 3) 44th Div receiving atk (our rt); 2 penetrations rptd; no further action on our front rptd	
0050	3	White rots low-flying plane unidentified. Same info to Fame 3	
0100	4	White rots neg	
0103	5	Red rots neg	
0130	6	Fancy 3 calls Fames 3: No new info to rpt; 100th Div also receiving atk	
0135	7	Fame 3 rpts flight of transports flying SW about 500 ft alt (337640) over Fatima	
0137	8	Fancy 3 called White CP: Gave info fr Div; instructed to inform OP to check & be on alert for planes	
0210	9	Neg rot to Fame 3	
0305	10	One troop carrier plane dropped load of paratroopers at 250675	
0310	11	Rptd all quiet to Fame 3. 106th Cav Gp left Differtin (303719) which has been taken by G Germans in center of lt squadron line; no info on rt squadron position except they are having no trouble	
1401	12	Neg rot to Fame. Squadron of 106th Cav on our lt is being atkd	
0505	13	Neg rot to Fame 3. 411th rots enemy seen moving in Behren & Kerbach	

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0540 14 Fr Fame 2: PF fr 44th Div says 4 Panzer Divs to continue atk; notified Bns

0610 15 Neg ret to G-3. 106th Cav rptd hit by 60 rds hvy arty

0650 16 Fr Div: Bns not to go out to work until further notice

0652 17 Maj Urban notified Bns to remain in present assembly areas until further notice; AT notified to have complete crews on guns by 0800, mobile res plst to be ready to move; Cn told to be ready to roll at once if notified

0700 18 Maj Urban to S-4: Don't disatch trks to Bns this AM; hold as many as possible on alert

0705 19 Co A, 328 Medics, given notice to move on short notice

0705 20 Neg ret fr Bns

0805 21 Neg ret to Fame 3

0840 22 Cn fwd observers to ret to Bns; rest of Co ready to move

0850 23 Fancy 3 called Fame 3 about an COs making reconnaissance this AM; Fame 3 says have COs stay with Bns & send out Bn 3s

0925 24 Fancy 3 to Maj Yow: Sending overlay showing another sector to be reconnoitred; recommendations for new OPLR wanted

0950 25 Maj Reynolds called about new line splitting hill. Fancy 3 told him Fatal 5 will be there this AM looking it over & think it will be okay

1010 26 Capt Teitelbaum called Fancy 3: Told to make his reconnaissance & get overlay in with recommendations; not to let staking interfere with getting overlay in on time; stake only - wns positions

1030 27 Phoned to units: English Spitfires will be over our area today; caution men not to fire on them

1058 28 Capt Cocke called: Part of Task Force picked has drawn back & committed their A Co in front of AA-line near the big tower; sending down overlay with all info

1140 29 Fancy 6 called Capt Cocke: Asked if any advances had been made; Capt Cocke says no; outfit in front of our AA-line is fr rear; there is no enemy threat. White 6 notified

1153 30 Neg ret to Fame 3

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1255 31 Neg rot to Fame 3

1303 32 Capt Teitelbaum rote only place to put an OPL is just S of Haultwiller (2352) & Hobach; there is high ground running along that line

1335 33 Fancy 3 called Capt Cocke: asked for Corps bridge plans; Capt Cocke will send down a list of numbers of all bridges

1351 34 Fancy 3 called Fame 3: Asked about switch position; Fame 3 says drop switch positions for time being

1358 35 Neg rot to Fame 3

1425 36 Fancy 3 to Green 6: "What is rd block shown on your overlay? Green 6 says it is blown bridge about 10 ft span; it also has American mines; will reconnoitre for new route & give rot

1525 37 Neg rot to Fame 3

1602 38 Neg rot to Fame 3

1613 39 Capt White called: Route shown on overlay will not serve purpose; there is route thru woods Bois de Brill full of German tank ditches; trail is on western tip of woods & will be okay as long as ground is frozen

1700 40 Neg rot to Fame 3

1720 41 Lt Duront wants to know about digging new positions

1846 42 Fancy 3 to Maj Thomas: What time can we start out tomorrow? Maj Thomas says 0830

1850 43 White 6 called: Fancy told him to continue work on AA-line concentrating on rt flank

1900 44 G-3 Opns #39: For the Period: Bns were alerted & remained in present assembly area today. 2 Bn Comdrs & staffs reconnoitred new MLR as ordered in OM Hq 103d Div, dtd 1 Jan 45. Recommendations were made for OPLR & RRL for new MLR. Results of Opns: Limiting points on OPLR & MLR were agreed upon by 410 Inf & 528 Engrs & preparations made for staking out & digging of positions tomorrow

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1920	45	Fancy 3 to Sgt Townsend; Instrns to Lt Klatt - Do as told on MRL; complete rcn & start staking; don't move out tps until 0830
1927	46	Fancy 3 called Blue 3; Don't move out until 0830; at that time move out, & stake MRL in your sector; be sure it is staked completely because someone else may move into positions; at 1200 have your rcn detail meet White Bn detail at Lelling; they will be oriented on White Bn's sector of the Rhine
1945	47	Fancy 3 called Capt Cocketo ask if both our bridge guard & rcn bridge guard should be guarding bridge nearest Capt Cocke; Capt Cocke says rcn guards have different mission
2002	48	Neg rpt to Fame 3
2057	49	Neg rpt to Fame 3
2150	50	Maj Thomas called Fancy 3; Fancy 3 will give Fall 6 one plat & 3 trks tomorrow at 1000; Fancy 3 gave Maj Thomas his plan of work for tomorrow
2303	51	Neg rpt to Fame 3
2300	52	Neg rpt to Fame 3

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To : 2400, 2 Jan 45

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Time	Serial	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In: Out.	No.		
	TIME		
	DATED		
0200	1	Hourly neg rpts to Fame 3 until 0700	
0725	2	Fall 3 called: Did not want plat 3d Bn to rpt at 1030 as previously planned but to await call	
0750	3	Fancy 3 Jr informed 3d Bn of above	
0830	4	Fall calls: Engr officer on way up here for camouflage inspection. Hq Co informed	
0832	5	Fancy 4 called: 3d Bn has ordered LMG mounts for LMGs for rough terrain	
0915	6	Neg rpt to Fame 3	
1045	7	Capt Dalcher called Fancy 3: Boundary between Pns not shown on overlay; Fancy 3 says he will have more complete overlay today, 1 for Fatima & 1 for Fame 3. Capt Dalcher gave Fancy 3 following coords to check (225534)(206518); Fancy 3 suggests changing latter to (405516)	
1100	8	Neg rpt to Fame 3	
1157	9	Fancy 3 to Lt Dupont: Sending Capt Mund of TDS over to get picture of our positions	
1200	10	Neg rpt to Fame 3	
1310	11	Fancy 3 & 6 left for Fame	
1325	12	Lt Young called: Wants overlay on 1/50,000 by 1900 showing work completed on new MLR	
1345	13	Sgt Adams to Red 3: Want overlay by 1730 showing work completed	
1347	14	Sgt Adams to White: Want overlay by 1750 showing any additional work completed today	

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1415 15 Neg rpt to Fame 3

1430 16 Fame 3 (Lt Young) advised us to discontinue neg rpt for time being

1455 17 Chief of Staff to Fancy 5: Conduct of rd & bridge guards has not been up to standard; wearing of uniform has been poor; guards have been careless about giving out password; method of guarding has not been correct; there is not enough improvement in the wearing of the uniform & saluting; proper comd supervision will be initiated at once to insure corrective action

1448 18 Fancy 4 called Fancy 3 Jr: Dispatch office has no info about trks for White Bn

1504 19 Fancy 3 Jr called all Bns to get definite instrns about trks for rd guards

1505 20 Fancy 3 Jr called Fancy 4 & gave following info about trks: 1st Bn providing own; 2d Bn 2 2's at 1530; 3d Bn wants to keep 2 2's to post bridge guards

1620 21 Fame 3 called Fancy 5: In the town of Falcatroff the unit which took over guarding the bridge put only 1 man on guard; next morning he was found with his throat cut

1625 22 Fancy 3 called Maj Thomas: One of Bn Comdrs wants to change left limiting pt on new MLR. Maj Thomas says send up an overlay of proposed change

1646 23 White to Sgt Adams: We continued to improve AA-line today

1705 24 Fancy 3 to Fame 3 (Lt Young): Can you tell me what happened to 2 plato that were in front of our AA-line; they disappeared today. Lt Young will call back when he gets something more disappeared. Relayed to White 5.

1705 25 Contents of item 17, above, disseminated to units: All men will be instructed on proper use of password by 1400, 3 Jan 45; each Bn Comdr will designate an OD to check on these pts within his Bn as well as Comd inspections

1752 26 Capt Zeek called Fancy 3 to rpt on work completed on BB-line: M Co primary, wire & alt & supplementary 100%; I Co 95% primary, 100% wire, 50% alt & supplementary; L Co 100% complete; K Co 98% primary, 100% wire, 99% alt & supplementary

1800 27 Fancy 3 to G-3 (Lt Eddens & Maj Thomas): G-3 will call back & let us know whether we can finish up on BB-line tomorrow or not as soon as he talked to Fame 3

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1845	28	Fancy 3 Jr called Fame 3 (Lt Eddens): Our AT Co rtd armor $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Guenwiller; is that our armor? Lt Young doesn't know for sure, but will check & call back
1850	29	Fancy 3 Jr called Fame Movement Control & asked same as above; last move we had was 1230 today & not on that rd. Could not find out anything fr either Div or Movement Control
1902	30	Fancy 3 Jr called AT Co: AT Co says armor has already gone by; they did not know password but said they were part of cocktail group (Cocktail is 12th Armd Div)
1958	31	Lt Eddens called Fancy 3 & asked to get direction of armor
2002	32	Fancy 3 to Lt Dupont to get more info on armor. There were 73 vehicles in column; said they were 493 arty of Cocktail; said they were going fr 5d Army to 7th Army
2015	33	Fancy 3 gave Lt Eddens the above. Lt Eddens says it was okay, that they had permission to go through
2019	34	Sgt Adams called Lt Dupont & told him armor had permission to come through
2047	35	Lt Eddens called Fancy 3 & said Fall had already made arrangements with En to get platoon tomorrow
2048	36	Fancy 3 called Red 1 & asked if tron has been arranged for platoon going to Fall tomorrow

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In:	Out:				
0115		1		Gave info to 5d Bn to work on new MLR positions & send no tos to BB-line	
0822		2		Capt White called Fancy 3 Jr & asked if he should lay com for new MLR; Fancy 3 Jr said he doesn't think plans have been made for that; gave Capt White tentative location of CP	
0825		3		Fame Movement Control called Fancy 3 Jr: There will be move above our area at 0900; 40 vehicles of Wolf fr critical at 56 W toward pt 54, to 85 to pt 40	
0844		4		Factory 3 to Fancy 3 Jr: Wants to know if Fancy 3 has any more fires to plot; if so send overlay	
0846		5		Capt Zeek called to ask how he should go about digging in MLR. Fancy 3 told him to dig primaries on rt & then goto left progressing on both rather than finishing 1 first	
0848		6		Fancy 3 to Capt White: Don't lay any wire on new MLR yet	
0855		7		Fancy 3 called Factory 3; Factory 3 says they did not get complete fire plan fr all 3 Bns. Fancy 3 told him to send overlay & when Bns turn in plans we can enter them on his overlay	
1535		8		Lt Byrkett called Fancy 3 Jr: Wants 500 lbs 60% dynamite, 36 non-electric fuses, 36 fuse lighters, 50 ft fuse	
1540		9		Maj Thomas called Fancy 3; Hickory called & said we are to be prepared to move 1 Regt, less 1 Bn, to the east on 3 hrs notice; that will be Fancy less Red; if moved we will probably be atchd to another comd; Sv will go & Fame will take care of Red	

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- 1556 10 Fancy 3 called Capt Cocks: What will happen to bridge guards in case we move? Bridge guards will go with us; Red will guard bridges.
- 1600 11 Units notified we are on 2-hr alert
- 1612 12 Fancy 3 called Sgt Townsend to find out how many men he had: 129 in Hvy Wons & 20 ea in 2 plato
- 1618 13 Fancy 3 called Fall 3 & rptd that some of Engr bridge guards have been building fires at night; Fall 3 wants numbers of bridges; Fancy will call back
- 1658 14 Fancy 3 to Capt Cocks: Will we take our Ln 1 & will we turn in overlays we have now. Capt Cocks says No & Yes
- 1710 15 Fame Movement Control says there will be a move of friendly armor tonite about 1800; there will be about 20 vehicles, moving NW thru Puttelange, Fabersville, Bettinge. Info given to units
- 1755 16 Fatal called Fancy 3: Men on bridge just below our CP have been shooting rifles, bldg fires at nite, etc. Fancy 3 says he will check
- 1900 17 Capt Cocks rpts Mustang is receiving arty fire in center of zone
- 1905 18 Our Opns for Period: 1st Bn maintained guards on asgd bridges in Div area; conducted rcn of positions on new MLR; continued staking out positions on lt regtl sector of RRL; test fired repaired wons; 2d Bn continued work on positions on AA-line; 3d Bn completed digging 80% primary positions on rt sector of lt Regt on new MLR, alternate positions & wire 20% completed. Results: Preparation of defensive positions on New MLR continued
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Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 4 Jan 45

To : 2400, 4 Jan 45

Place: Cappel, France

Time		Serial No.	TIME DATED	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In:	Out:				
1045		1		Alerted for possible movement as RCT by G-5; Bns put on 2-hr alert; normal RCT w/ normal FA & Engr (1 Plat) attachments; bridge guard not given w/view to their being held shortly	
1155		2		Fancy 2 informed (IO) of new camouflage instrns	
1257		3		Fame 4 called concerning trks; will send them to designated place at time requested; QM 25; Arty 18, another Regt 10	
1248		4		Lt Jeffords called: Informed us we wouldn't move til tomorrow	
1250		5		Fancy 5 calls Fancy 1 asking to have all Os read letter in Stars & Stripes Mail Call of 3 Jan 45; submit paper stating all Os have read it	
1252		6		Fancy 3 to 4: Provide trks for 1st Bn; asked if he will have a march unit of Sv train to come back with us. Will call back	
1350		7		Fancy 2 to White 2: Sending 2 photographers to take pictures of emplacements	
1430		8		Maj Gilman to S-3: S-3 gave composition of serials & place trks would be spotted	
1535		9		Maj Hennighausen wants Fancy 3 to call him regarding rd in zone	
1540		10		Blue 3 to Fancy 3: 229502 series of 3 bridges on route to be used for MLR	
1710		11		White 6 wants rd on rt side of bridge for use as withdrawal & telephone com out in. Col Strange gave White 6 this info fr Fame 5 okayed by Fancy 6: on bridge guards, too much bunching around fires; do not stop traffic in daytime unless it is civilian traffic; do not stop jeeps except at night. Red & Blue notified	

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1810	12	S-3 gave Fatal Red 6 our time & plan for relieving bridge guards & coordinated time & place (413504)
1845	13	Fancy 3 gave White 3 instrns to begin picking up bridge guards; call in when complete
2215	14	1st & 3d bridge guards held on all bridges by 410th inf

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Organization - CT 409

From: 0001, 5 Jan 45

To : 2400, 5 Jan 45

Place: Cappel, France

Time	In:	Out:	Serial No.	TIME DATED	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0645	:	:	1	:	Lt Campbell called (2d Bn): Guards have been reld at 7 thru 11 bridges; 1, 2, 3 & 6 still remain; no guards at bridge 4 (out) and 5 (on same rd)	
0645	:	:	2	:	White 3 called: What unit of 411 is to relieve guards on our bridges? 3d Bn, Lt Davis	
0630	:	:	3	:	Fatima 3 called: Could not contact Lt Davis; he had not rotd in yet; still out relieving bridge guards. Relayed info to Lt Campbell	
0740	:	:	4	:	Last bridge of 3d Bn was reld by Fatima approx 0100	
0800	:	:	5	:	S-3 called Fatima Red 6 regarding relief of bridge guards; told him he missed relieving 2 bridges	
0900	:	:	6	:	White 5 rotd that 2 bridge guards still hadn't been reld	
1130	:	:	7	:	S-3 & Fatima Red 6 checked overlays & found out that 2 bridges had been left off his overlay by Div; called G-3 & straightened it out	
1400	:	:	8	:	White 5 called & said he was sending an officer & Sgt down fr 165th Engrs, Lt Cort	
1410	:	:	9	:	S-4 to Fancy 5: Have plenty of MG packing now & 2d Bn is going to try new oil; also, 2d Bn dropped AT gun shields at Roughville	
1450	:	:	10	:	Fame 34 fr Fancy 2: It is permissible to have 1 CP sign outside	
1520	:	:	11	:	Fancy 3 to Fatal 3: Got location of connecting pts & asked for Cn Co locations; will advise	
1800	:	:	12	:	Movement Control to S-3: Convoys moving thru	

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1630	13	S-3 to S-3: Fall wants us to furnish 1 plat at 0800 at Co A 328 Engr CP to help dig positions
1632	14	S-3 to Red 3: Notified hom to send Plat to Engrs
1635	15	S-3 to S-4: Notified Sgt Dufrene to send two trxs to 1st Bn at 0720 to move 1 plat to Co A 328 Engrs
1936	16	S-3 to Fame 3: Rtd all bridge guards rald & back in Cos

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From: 0001, 6 Jan 45

To : 2400, 6 Jan 45

Place: Cappel, France

Time		Serial No.	TIME DATED	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In:	Out:				
1035		1		Capt Wimberly reports 3 men (bridge guards) still missing	
1105		2		Fancy 5 called 10: Get 3 signs "slow down in front of CP" & put traffic control man in front of church	
1510		3		White 6 called Fancy 3 reporting rd block at 15510, one of our own, would have to be cleared; some of few routes open	
1615		4		Patina Red 3, Lt Pepper, called: Lt O'Neil dropped men at wrong village, explaining disappearance of our 3 men; they've returned now	

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 From: 0001, 7 Jan 45
 To : 2400, 7 Jan 45
 Place: Carpel, France

Time	Serial	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In: Out	No.		
	TIME		
	DATE		
0915	1	Fancy 3 called Fame 3 to get latest info concerning ops on our rt; Fleet recd strong attack yesterday afternoon on rt flank	
0920	2	Fancy 3 called Blue 5; Engrs looked at bridges; said would be finished tomorrow afternoon	
0925	3	Fancy 4 called White 5: Was MG tested w/Diesel oil in barrel? No.	
0928	4	Fancy 4 asks above info of Red 5. Ans: Have hvy oil in bbl already	
1000	5	Fancy 3 calls AT Co: Ord wants to take 2 AT guns at a time for inspection (or 4); will notify where & when	
1155	6	Fancy 4 reports to 3 that an excessive amount of garbage & trash is being thrown along side rd	
1235	7	Lt Edwards called Div asking about signs of instn. Two signs are allowed by Corps: 1 directional & 1 regular CP sign	
1300	8	Blue 3 asks Fancy how much of covering force to be considered & just how to pivot & swing	
1535	9	G-3 to G-3: Told about limiting pt on lt flank of 3d Bn LP should be	
1640	10	Capt Spickard to Fancy 5: Following were recd today as RTC & reinforcements: 1 Pvt reinf: RTUs: 1 Pvt Co B, 1 Pvt Co F, 1sgt & 1 Pvt Co C, 1 Pvt Co I, 1 Pfc Co L, 1 Pfc Co K, 1 Pvt Co E	

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Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 8 Jan 45

To : 2400, 8 Jan 45

Place: Cappel, France

Time	Serial	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In: Out.	No.		
0115	1	3d Bn rats White glare 5 miles E of Cappel. Rtd info to Fame 2	
0935	2	Fame 3 to Fancy 3: Artificial moonlight de- monstration by AA; 4 Os fr Regt required to attend, 1 fr ea Bn: rot to Div CP at 1645 today; visitor's back: Capt Cocks will provide tran from there; return about 2200 tonight	
1010	3	Notified Bns of above; 1 Off per Bn (except 1st Bn) rot here at 1620; 1st Bn rot directly	
1020	4	Capt Cocks rats on bridges that were to be re- paired; 1 completed, other to be completed by tomorrow night	
1155	5	Units notified field jacket liner would not be worn as outer garment	
1335	6	Lt Jeffords called; No change along front; have Lt Edwards call when he returns	
1355	7	Fame 2 (Drexel); May possibly be an atk on L (411) boundary of Div about 15th of month; size unknown. Fr civilian sources	
1358	8	Capt Clifford called Fancy 3; wants him to call Baker Defense Co	
1500	9	S-3 fr Hardan: S-3 gave them permission to put line to AT plat w/1st Bn in order to have better com w/this plat (Fame to Swift to Hardan)	
1630	10	Requested Div to get 2d Bn in radio net w/units on Div left flank; Sig O will do what he can & let us know. Notified 2d Bn	
1633	11	Capt Urban called Fame 3 to find out about de- molitions in front of AA-line; Capt Cocks could give us no info about execution of any: plans in event of G/A	

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1537	13	Called Fall 8 about AA-line Barrier Plan; wanted to find out who would give actual comd to blow a particular bridge; Fall 8 will come up & discuss it
2015	13	G-3 called for S-5 to ret to Div to talk over future plans for defense
2080	14	S-3 Periodic rpt: 1st Bn - 1 plat worked w/Div Engrs on new WLR, 1 plat dug in position on WLR, completed; 2d Bn contd improvement of AA-line; 3d Bn worked on lt sector of lt regtl zone of new WLR, primary positions 99% complete, alternate positions 60%, tactical wire 71%; Cn Co maintenance work on howitzers & mtrs; AT Co contd digging of positions on new WLR. Results of (bn) work on new WLR contd; recon & planning on various Div actions contd

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From: 0001, 9 Jan 45

To : 2400, 9 Jan 45

Place: Campel, France

Time	Serial No.	TIME DATED	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
1100	1		S-4 to Fancy 5: wants to pick up sub MGs fr S-1. Okayed	
1115	2		Maj Urban went to 2d Bn w/Fall 5 & 6 regarding Engr Demolition & AT positions	
1330	3		Fame 38 directs Co COs, plat leaders & plat sgts to read first 15 pages of "Co Qs Handbook of German Army"; memo sent to all concd to have this done by 2100, 11 Jan 45 & rpt to this hq	
1710	4		Capt Zeek rpts bridge in Siding has not been repaired	
1730	5		Called Red 3 re trks for tomorrow	
1750	6		Periodic Rpt: 1st Bn contd work on RRL, Staff made rpn for LDs on plan E1 & E2; 2d Bn contd work on AA-line improving primary & alternate positions & wire; 3d Bn 100% completed on primary positions on rt sectl sector of new WLR; 15% on alternate, 32% on wire, lt regtl sector 99% completed on primary positions, 63% on alternate, 71% on tactical wire, 3PLR 100% on primary positions on rt, 50% on alternate, no wire, 75% of switch positions dug in; AT maintained gun positions of 1st & 2d plats, improved position on rt sector of new WLR;	

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From: 0001, 10 Jan 45

To : 2400, 10 Jan 45

Place: Cappel, France

Time		Serial No.	TIME DATED	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In:	Out:				
0650		1		1st Bn told not to send out any troops to work, be on 30-min alert, pack orgn & individ equipment for movement; told 2d Bn to use entire Bn instead of 2 Cos to search town, keep trks with them & stay in town until dark or further notice; told 3d to be on 30-min notice, to send in us to look over AA-line positions w/view to taking over line	
0855		2		Fancy 4 asked if anyone was complaining about trks; 1 trk missing; will check further	
0905		3		Lt Edwards called Fame 2 concerning Officers Handbook on German Army, not recd. Fame 2 says perhaps on way down; will check	
0910		4		Maj Urban returns fr 2d Bn	
0915		5		1000 party w/cement is called off (Fame 2)	
0917		6		Fancy 1 calls concerning Regt history; will see Fancy 5 later on that	
0935		7		Div calls Fancy 5; 10 men needed to start an MP Bn; men who need a temporary rest (Pvts preferred)	
1555		8		Moonlight demonstration - only 1 Off required; meet at str park or bar room (Fame 5)	
1545		9		Lt Clefisch rats 1st Co of 410 Obs Co moving out; no resistance, will rpt back to CP	
1550		10		Fancy 6 called Fame 1 asking how many RTUs w e've recd today; rats yesterday's figures (44 & 10) for Div. Fancy 6 meant to call Fancy 1	
1555		11		Lt Edwards rats all resist; E Co at Behren fr Hill 430837, G Co going around going to take Hill S of town; F Co on left of objective	

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1559 12 Fancy 3 called Fame 3: Asked about 2d Bn. Will know when Fame 3 returns

1635 13 Lt Jeffords called asking if any new developments. Given info in 0' em 11

1630 14 White 3 calls: "What is situation w/411th?" Will not be able to finish town completely; not getting any suspects or equipment; no advantage in position

1638 15 Fame 38 wants to leave 1 reinf Co at Neunbach; rest can leave; Co will be 3 & MG plat; Cement postpones meeting again til morning after tomorrow

1630 16 Fancy 3 called White 3 giving above info. Can pull out now; send trks back; billeted too to remain in village; will know more in AM

1634 17 Lt Jeffords called about 12 bridges; will bring dope down; call (5- Fall) awaiting info. To relieve 4 men w/s on bridges

1635 18 Fancy 3 called Lt Jeffords back; Told him to bring dope to 1st Bn; have Lt Klatt plot bridges on map then bring overlay here; have him get his men started at 1730 if possible

1640 19 E Co attacking Behren now receiving arty fire & sniper fire; 2 pts of resistance turned out to be hotbeds so there is very little advance

1655 20 Fame 5 called Fancy 6 advising Co 5 to keep strong watch to W exit of town; use bazookas; there may be something coming down that way. Info relayed to White 6

1710 21 Fame 3 wants 400 to take over all bridges with 1st Bn; bridges behind Katina

1715 22 No change in 411 positions; I Co withdrew so resistance could be clustered w'arty; will form obj line as OP

1716 23 Sgt Adler rats 15 RTUs: 4 for B, 2 for C, 1 for D, 1 Medic for F, 3 for G, 1 for L, 2 for K, 1 for H

1728 24 Fancy 3 to Red 3: 22 bridges instead of 18 (10 fr Fatal); send Lt Jeffords back to 3 to get locations; put 3 on instead of 4 men

1730 25 Red 3 called: Could someone else take bridges on flank? "No !

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	TIME		
	DATE		
0230	1	1st Bn rpts half of bridge relief finished; other officer still to rpt	
0525	2	Called 1st Bn; bridge relief officer still has not returned; will call when he does	
0545	3	1st Bn rpt: all bridge reliefs accomplished. Notified Fame 5 and Fatal 3 of this fact	
0745	4	2d Bn closed at 0600 (Line was out). Rptd to Capt Cocks	
0750	5	Lt Maxedon rptd in; 5d Bn trks assembled in Cappel	
0830	6	Write 2 to S-2: Rptd there was French freight car load of ammo, mines, etc, in Marlenbach	
0835	7	S-2 notified Div 3rd Offf of above. He said to notify our own ammo off on this & he would take care of disposition	
1200	8	Fame 5 Jr to Fancy 6: Fame 5 requests your presence at General Officers Mess at 1700 to meet new CG	
1810	9	AT Co picked up 2 civilians cutting across country; will send back to CP; they have no passes but credentials	
1320	10	Date at 1300 3d Bn 95th Div limiting pt - Status of Bns tomorrow (Fame 5)	
1345	11	Fancy 2 tells Lt Pederson to take civilians back to Div PW cage	
1410	12	Fancy 2 calls W-2 P fenning: 10-yr-old child (St Avoild) says US tps say they're going to Merlbach & don't know whether they're coming back. Too much talking by troops!	

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1440 13 S-2 to G-5 (Maj Thomas): G-5 will advise later regarding Bn that is alerted; will advise as soon as Fame 38 or 6 advises

1444 14 White 6 to S-3: Lt Edwards will go up to give complete situation

1700 15 Called Capt Cooke for info re 2d & 3d Bns. He said no decision had been made & would let us know when it had

1830 16 Fancy 3 called Fame: Still no decision; having meeting present time. Fancy 3 rpts day's ops: 1st Bn maintained bridge guards all day; 2d Bn closed in town of Marlebach by 0600 and remained on alert all day; 3d Bn remained on 1-hr alert in Gammel; Cn Co remained on 1/2-hr str alert; AT Co maintained constant Ln w/alerted Bns & improved hasty mine rd blocks in area; ~~xxxxxxxxxxx~~

1855 17 Lt Dupont asks if possible to keep 57s fr being inspected; Ord doing poor job

1902 18 Sgt Wagner called asking about beam lights; said MP stopped trk driver at Hellimer. Called Fame Movement Control: no beam light

1920 19 White 6 called for latest cons; no change. Col retd; sit same

2020 20 Informed 2d & 3d Bns, AT & Cn, no change in status

2021 21 Called S-4: will keep trks in same place

2025 22 Fancy 6 called Fame 6: 1000 date is tomorrow w unit on lt. Info given Capt Beck

2105 23 Fancy 6 called Fame 6 about "Handbook of German Army". No copies available; will send down when they come in

2115 24 Maj Thomas to Fancy 6: Direct your Bn at Marlebach (Q5561) to be prepared for any of following missions: a. Block enemy atk fr direction of Forbach (Q3966) or Petite Rosselle (Q5568), b. C/A in the direction Rosbruck (Q5562) - Oeting (4063), c. Occupy positions on 41th Inf MRL (See Incl #1 to FO 4), d. Occupy A-A positions; for balance of Regt, no change

2315 25 Lt Jeffords came in w/orders for tomorrow; gave notice to 2d & 3d Bns

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Organization CF 409

From: 0001, 12 Jan 45

To : 2400, 12 Jan 45

Place: Cassel, France

Time		Serial No.	TIME DATED	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In:	Out:				
0915		1		Fame 3 to Fancy 5: Change alert fr 30 min to 3 hrs; confirmed Maj Urban's meeting w/Cement at Setting	
1000		2		G-3 (Maj Gilman) to Fancy 5: Co C will be ret'd to 1st Bn today; Movement Control will return them. 1st Bn notified	
1150		3		G-3 to S-3: Co C will be released around 1700; will eat supper at Hickory before leaving; Movement Control to furnish trans. Red 1 notified	
2110		4		Red 1 ret'd Co C closed in at 2050. G-3 notified	
2230		5		Capt Drexel rets air recon picked up to movement at 1600: 1500 to 2000 tons, 100-120 mtr vehicles, some armor & half tracks, don't know how much, moving toward Saarbruk about 20 km N; will probably have more accurate rpt in AM	

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Organization CT 409
 From: 0001, 13 Jan 45
 To : 2400, 13 Jan 45
 Place: Cappel, France

Time	Serial No.	TIME DATED	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In: Out:				
0900	1		S-3 to Red 3: Will furnish honor plat for ceremony of Gen Patch awarding medals; ceremony probably on 17th; plat to be T/O plat	
0930	2		Col Strange notified Capt White to unload ammo trks to lighten load; store it in area	
1420	3		Fame 2 rtd 2 parachutists landed in Henriville	
1530	4		White 6 to S-3: Said he had visit fr Fame 38; wanted C/A plan for town of Werlebach; he is working on C/A plans now for all-round defense	
1820	5		Maj Urban called to Div: We are being trfd to Redwood tomorrow	
1850	6		Capt Potter called Fame 2 & asked if he wanted patrol to go out. Yes; it is going	
1855	7		Red flares rtd NE of here (Flue 2). Rtd to G-2; flares look like flak	
1905	8		Day's Con rtd to Fame 3: 1st Bn maintained guard on bridges; remainder of regt stayed in present area on 2-ur alert	
1920	9		Maj Urban called: Said to notify CT to have SOP King party rtd to H Co at 0700, 1 Jan, w/1 day's X rations	
2020	10		Patrol 3 called for info on relief of bridge guards	
2050	11		Fr Hancock: 100 paratroopers landed at 2000 in Merkwiller (5936) 1 mi NW	
2150	12		50 paratroopers in ea of following: Franceldroff (3141), Biding (3051), Hemering (2246), Penstrange (4707)	

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2270	15	Units notified of parasites
2210	14	Capt Jones called & said Lt Jeffords was on way down w/a Full Colonel
2215	15	Officers fr 604 AAA Co & 1st Plat came in.

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Organization: CF 409

From: 0001, 14 Jan 45

To: 2400, 15 Jan 45

Place: Cappel, France, & Lampertheim, France

Time	Serial	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In: Out:	No.		
	TIME		
	DATED		
0415	1	C Co patrol reports no enemy activity in 1st Bn sector	
0420	2	March Order #6 issued thru M/C	
0615	3	11th Lt report in person that he had just completed relief of C Co outposts. Wanted to know where they were?	
0835	4	Comd Co left Cappel to go to TF "F", vic Lampertheim to effect relief of 275th Inf	
1430	5	CP left vic Cappel for Lampertheim; arrived 2:15	

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0930	1	Following times for relief of 275th Inf were shown Maj Thomas by Capt Urban:	
		<u>Closed:</u>	<u>Reld</u>
		1st Bn	2400
		2d Bn	2000
		3d Bn	2130
		Cn Co	2315
		AT Co	2315
		TD 614	2315
		328 Engrs	2315
		528 Medics	2400
		Hq Co	2330
		Sv Co	2315
		Comd assumed approx 0800, 15 Jan	

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Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 16 Jan 45

To : 2400, 16 Jan 45

Place: Lamberscholl, France

Time	In: Out:	Serial NO.	TIME DATED	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0730		1		Ordered Lt Dupont to have 1 sec of TDs relieve the SPs on our rt flank	
1015		2		Lt Dupont called & said TDs on way; will notify us when relief is contd	
1340		3		Fame 3 directed us to hold front w/ 2 Bns & hold 1 in Res; no strings on it; 1st of tks will remain with us	
1545		4		410th w/drawing to 1 Bn front in AM; to have no formal RRL	
1438		5		Blue 5 calls Blue 6 informing of occupying part of 1st Bn zone	
1448		6		Fame 2 called Fancy 2 says Lt urand will be down soon; wants radio (300) for 1 day; be sure arty is acquainted with plan	
1446		7		Lt Pederson rtd sending civilians to Lamberscholl (civilian cage) to get buses	
1455		8		Lt Schilaty rts AT guns in position	
1505		9		Red 6 rtd to War Room; recd orders fr Fancy 6	
1510		10		Maj Urban called: Change in order; local res will be maintained; relief to be completed by 1200, 17 Jan 45	
1525		11		Fancy 6 to Fame 3 (Capt Cocks): Will Res Line be sent down soon? Ans: After relief is completed	
1530		12		Lt O'Hara calls about transporting 3 PFI men back to Lembech; their identification cards okay. Fancy 2 says keep them there & rot to War Room; have info about patrol	

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- 1535 15 Sent FO #8 thru M/C
- 1543 14 Fame 2 calls asking about PW's. Fancy says Lt O'Hara is interrogating them; will call in when Lt O'Hara reports; German password til noon tomorrow is Bauer-Boden. Bns notified
- 1547 15 Blue 6 to Fancy 6: Wants to keep 2 Cos in 3-1 in res under 1 Co Comdr. Fancy 6 asked about rt flank connection. Ans: Good. Sent patrols to Gleebourg; drew fire
- 1620 16 S-3 to Lt Blandford: Pick up all wire possible especially in 3d Bn zone
- 1640 17 Fr Movement Control: Light line along 23 grid line running S-N; only entered above
- 1808 18 White 6 reports arty shells dropping in village & up fnd in rear of positions
- 1845 19 Fr 3d Bn: White flare at 1830 at 075450; 4 rds mortar recd 073450 at 0815
- 1850 20 Red 5 rtd to S-3 that they had recd 20 rds of enemy arty on lt flank of C Co, also at Hill 267 & to rear of Hill 267; also saw some tracer fire but couldn't determine direction; flare dropped in direction of 3d Bn; mortar obs rver not possible location of arty piece at 040455

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Organization CT 409
 From: 0001, 17 Jan 45

To : 2400, 17 Jan 45

Place: Mitschdorf, France

Time	Serial	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In: Out	No.		
	TIME		
	DATED		
0530	1	White Bn sets neg on sit during night	
0550	2	Fame:2 calls asking night's ey activity; none	
0900	3	White 3 wants to know if Maj Urban got permission to lay mines fr Div. Col Strange told him probably not, for White 3 to ask when S-3 ret'd	
0905	4	Maj Porteous instructed by Col Strange to send 6 trks to 1st Bn Mtr Pool & leave them there	
0950	5	Maj Urban asked Fame 3 if he had decision on location of RRL. No; has to coord it w/rt Lt; will be late today or tomorrow	
1125	6	Call fr 222d Inf (5) for our CO or Ex to come right over to their CP in Soultz. Col Strange notified Col Lloyd who will go right over. Col Strange notified 222d by phone	
1135	7	Col Strange called Blue 5. He knows of no enemy activity; will check	
1140	8	Capt Potter called G-2. He knows of no enemy activity on ourrt; will check; his latest ret 0600	
1230	9	Gave instrns to Wolf (Sgt) dig all guns & ramps in to pull out rapidly; keep minimum gun crew on at all times; dig supplementary instrns; camouflage everything well	
1400	10	Lt Strickland called Maj Urban regarding 4 bridges which have to have Engr guards on them & he wants 2 of our men to help out; men will come fr 1st Bn. 1st Bn notified	
1410	11	Called White & Blue 3 for sit overlay by 2000	

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1435	13	Red 1 rpts Cos closed in at 1315; G-3 notified
1445	13	Maj Thomas to Maj Urban: Reconnoitre only line as shown on overlay (CM 171300); told him we were sending copy of overlay that we got fr 222d Inf on their w/drawal plan
1500	14	Sent overlay of intermediate MLR to 1st & 3d Bns & S-4 to reconnoitre, complete plans & submit to S-3 by 181300 Jan, for MLR, RRL & DPLR
1620	15	Movement Control called: Light Line Uttwiller, Obermodern, Pfaffenhoffen along Hwy to Haguenau
1625	16	White 6 rtd 3 arty shells landed in town where his CP is
1645	17	Lt O'Hara rtd following: Gendarme in EE Lembach rtd to gendarme in Lembach 45 Krauts plus MG at RJ 063471; also Co G outpost rts vehicles moving on rd NW from Lembach (1630)
1840	18	Neg rpt to Fame 3
1920	19	Neg rpt plus day's opns to Fame 3
1920	20	3d Bn rtd activities of 5 patrols
1925	21	3d Bn gives proposed plan of tomorrow's opns & today's changes, etc; rts TD outfit poorly emplaced & managed
1940	22	Capt Potter rtd results of patrols to Fame 2
1950	23	Fr K Co: 3 long whistle blasts coming fr 090430; patrol investigating. Rtd to Div
2100	24	Neg rpt to Div

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Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 18 Jan 45

To : 2400, 18 Jan 45

Place: Mitschdorf, France

Time		Serial	No.	Time	Date	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In	Out						
0100		1				Hourly neg rpts to Fame 3 until 0730 when Capt Cocks advised it would be okay to stop reporting until 1800 today	
0850		2				Lt Strickland warned that I & L Cos are in position near mine fields between MLR & OPLR. Maj Urban notified Blue 3	
0910		3				G-3 reminded S-3 of raid requirements: arty fire available - have FO in patrol; 2 methods of calling & lifting; at least reinf plat; detailed plans to G-3 24 hrs in advance	
1013		4				G-3 (Capt Cocks) says front line positions overlay is okay but would like AT/TD locations on 1/25,000	
1145		5				RCT 411 (-2d Bn) going to work for Bishop; 2d Bn works for Power; we are only regt intact; 1st Bn of 410th lost to Bishop	
1820		6				Neg rpt to G-3	
1903		7				Neg rpt to G-3	
1951		8				Fr Blue: 3 vehicles w/lights on moving in vic Rott at 1830; 4 white flares at 1925 at 080843; at 2000 8 rds of 88mm hit CR at 080436, time of flight 4 secs, as to gun position 10°, flash of guns seen fr 085448	

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2010	9	White Bn rpts obsn of same gun fr 2 pts: Observer at 044442, az 6210 mils, observer at 049448, az 15 ^o
2010	10	Fancy S notified both Bns (2d & 3d) to submit estimates of tactical wire needs by 1000 to- morrow
2050	11	Neg rpt to G-3
2145	12	Blue rpts 4 88mm shells hit at 076442 at 2120; came fr direction of Clembach; at 2115 1 mine exploded in front of rt half of Bn sector
2250	13	White gave flare rpts
2400	14	Neg rpt to G-3

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Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 19 Jan 45

To : 2400, 19 Jan 45

Place: Mitschdorf, France

Time		Serial	No.	Time	Dated	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In	Out						
0115		1				FFI agent rptd group moving about Woerth near RR station	
0145		2				To Fame 2: FFI challenged group in Woerth; they fled	
0254		3				White Bn rpts white flare vic Winger	
0300		4				Hourly neg rpts to Fame 3 until 0705	
0740		5				Blue rpts constant stream of trks going to Cleebourg fr N all night	
0830		6				Maj Urban told Lt Dupont to make rot on TD positions by noon	
0845		7				Capt Potter called Fame 2 to find out what PWs have told them: 25 men E of Cleebourg; 15 tks rptd N of Wissembourg; SS Div moved to Bitche area 2 days ago; Germans intend to send all SS Divs to this sector & form 2 salients, 1 at Bitche, 1 at Wissembourg	
0930		8				Lt Dupont rpts changes in TD positions; asking reliefs apparently w/out any authorization	
0930		9				Informed all units to save all MG belts & clips; ammo will be issued in bulk only in future	
0955		10				Capt Zeek called: Requested 3000 yds concertina & 6000 yds barbed wire of 9000 yds barbed for 400 yd stretch; also wants 2 squads Engrs to lay 25-30 AP mines w/ea picket	

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1010	11	Maj Urban called Fame 5 asking info about TD unit; G-3 says 1st Bn CG is changing units; will have CG rpt to War Room
1050	12	Maj Urban called White 3 about needed materials. Bn has been picking up wire, etc, well-set, could use 100 tickets
1357	13	Capt Terranova called Fancy 3 & rotd 2 white flares at 045446 & 2 red flares at 062464 at approx 1350; plane was heard at about same time. Rtd to Fame 2
1425	14	Factory 5- called Fancy 3 & rotd an AT gun spotted at 080478; asked permission to fire on it; Fancy 3 said check thru 2d & 3d Bns for permission to fire
1554	15	White 6 called Fancy 3 to ask about firing flares tonight when enemy starts firing them; decided to wait until tomorrow night
1607	16	Lt Eddens called Fancy 3 & said only 16 AT guns shown on overlay; Fancy 3 explained 3 guns in Ord
1650	17	Fancy 3 to Capt Drexel: Identified 3d Co in battle gp Harry; they are 1/2 in Petite Wingen at 066476; 3d Co came in to relieve 2d Co; 2d Co was in Wingen & may still be there because 3d Co came to Petite Wingen; trees composed rd block at 081479; several pill boxes on mountain at 088478; mortar somewhere in vic of 071478; 3-5 LMGs in Co besides rifles; 50 men in Co
1715	18	1st Bn dug in & organized RRL; approx 30% digging completed; AT plat under Regtl control; Com Plat salvaged wire, laid new lines & made ren; Bn staff reconnoitred new line & completed further ren on RRL
1910	19	Fr G-2: Every unit will take special precautions tonite. in regard to enemy rd movements; applies to both fwd & rr areas; guard against infiltration of fwd areas & rd movements of enemy in our vehicles in rr areas (Msg fr Corps)
2315	20	G-3 to G-5: 1st Bn would be on 2-hr alert to be able to move to critical pt 58 (Proschwiller). 1st Bn notified
2320	21	Called Capt Zeek & told him in case 1st Bn was used by Div K Co would be used in Regtl Res; not to use K Co if used as Regtl Res unless authorized by this hq

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Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 20 Jan 45

To : 2400, 20 Jan 45

Place: Mitschdorf, France

Time	In	Out	Serial	NO.	Line	Dated	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0030			1				Maj Urban called 1stBn, AT & TD to send mess to meet Capt Dalcher for MG AT, TD & Cn positions; overlay sent to all coned giving place to meet at 0900, 20 Jan	
0100			2				Hourly neg rts to G-3 until 0555	
0645			3				5d Bn rotd rd block at 068451 detonated by unknown source; 2d Bn neg; rotd to G-3	
1340			4				Fancy 3 called White & Blue 6 & told them to spot their ammo & not bring up any more than necessary. Blue asked permission to haul his kitchens & continue feeding hot meals. Ans: No	
1355			5				Maj Gilman called Fancy 3: Send an officer to pick up 15 trks by 1430; Lt Clefisch sent	
1450			6				Capt Clifford called Fancy 3 & asked if he could pull rd guards now; Fancy 3 said he would let him know when to pull them off	

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Organization CT 09

From: 0001, 21 Jan 45

To : 2400, 21 Jan 45

Place: ~~Witsendorf~~ RINGENDORF, France

Time	In	Out	Serial	No.	Time	Dated	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0240			1				Red 6 rpts that red ft elements should close in about 0415	
0200			2				Fancy White rpts organics closed in	
0310			3				Rptd to Fame 3 that white organics closed in	
0450			4				Red 5 rptd AT & A&P plat & 100 stragglers not yet closed in. Given to G-3	
0600			5				Called Red 5 for info: AT A&P & 100 stragglers not yet closed in	
0655			6				Red Bn rpts that Red AT plat closed in at 0620; A&P plat not yet closed in	
0718			7				Hq Co all closed in	
0745			8				AT Co closed in at 0130	
0750			9				Fancy 5 called Factory 6; Factory closed in at 0538; CP in Ettendorf; still have a couple of guns out	
1100			10				Fame 08 wants hourly rpt on contact w/way by covering force; Ln Co sent to 2d & 3d with that info to rpt to us	
1105			11				2d Bn rpts G Co covering force has closed in	
1140			12				Capt Dalcher (Fame 5) called Fancy 5; Covering force on our rt wants to be sure to get across bridge at Martwiller; will call when closed in	

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1150 13 Fancy 3 notified Lt Blandford that Engr Pn will be in Kerwiller; Lt Blandford will string line to them as soon as possible

1202 14 Fancy 3 rtd hvy refugee traffic to Fame 3

1210 15 Lt Dubout rts 6 TDs in position; whereabouts of other 3 & Capt King unknown; will check on next at once

1220 16 Fancy 3 to Lt Huling: following traffic at Merts-willer - military traffic about 2 every 5 mins ea way, civilian - none

1223 17 TD rts they destroyed 2 half tracks & have 2 guns tied up; they are trying to get guns in; there should be 10 guns in now

1300 18 Neg rot to Fame 3

1310 19 Msgr rts that Gen Wald has given orders to blow bridge at Merts-willer only on his orders; Fancy 3 rtd this to Fame 3 & sent msgr back with msg: Bridge is our responsibility & will be blown only on our orders or appearance of enemy

1355 20 Col Jun called Fancy 3: Has 1 Btry up fwd; wants to pull it back to normal position. Fancy 3 says okay

1400 21 Neg rot to G-2

1405 22 Fancy 3 called Capt Balcher about bridge at Merts-willer. Capt Balcher gave following instrns: That bridge is responsibility of Fame; Fame personnel is guarding it; it will be blown only on orders fr this Hq (Fame) or unless the enemy shows up

1410 23 PW Officer called; PW cage is located in Bouxwiller

1417 24 Msgr rts that bridge guards are straightened out. Lt Johnson wants a wpm carrier sent down w/order to blow bridge

1452 25 Lt Jeffords rts following on carrier TD: Co C lost 3 half-tracks & 2 pieces; 1st plat of C Co only wants to a section; 1 half-track was left in vic of Boerth to be destroyed if it couldn't be brought in; 2d plat okay; 3d plat lost 1 half-track & gun; Co C & A supposedly in; will be confirmed

1450 25 Neg rot to Fame 2

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1454 27 Fancy 4 called White & Blue 2 & told them to get patrols out tomorrow & have plans in by noon

1510 28 Fr Fame 3: Send in your fire plan & recommendations for limiting pts on RRL; have them in by 1300. Fancy 5 called White 2 & Blue 2 & told them to have these in by 1300

1525 29 Msgr rpts all engrs closed in

1600 30 Neg rpt to Fame 2

1605 31 Fancy 5 to Fame 3 (Lt Young): Everything closed in except 4 TDs in A Co which we cannot account for

1622 32 Notified M/C to send AF msgr to Lt Dupont to get status of Co A, 614 TD, & what he knows of Co C

1640 33 Fancy 5 called Lt Strickland to verify all Engrs closed in. Status of Engrs tomorrow: 1 plat working on rd; 1 plat to ea of 2d & 3d Bns

1647 34 Fancy 5 called Fame 3 (Lt Young) about blowing bridge. Lt Young says it must be coord between us & Bishop; he will check w/Bishop & call back

1659 35 Msr fr Lt Dupont: 6 guns fr Co A, 2 guns fr C, 2 guns ea in ea flank & on gun in center section in Sectl area

1705 36 Lt Dupont's rpt: 9 TDs closed in

1712 37 Lt Young to Fancy 3: Bishop 3 says we can go ahead & blow bridge as far as they're concd

1715 38 Fancy 3 to Capt Clifford: Put 1 plat on bridge at Mertswiller

1720 39 Capt King rptd in: Co A lost 1 gun, 2 prime movers & 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ T; Co C lost 1 gun

1910 40 Neg rpt to G-3

1822 41 Lt Jeffords called following info fr Warrior Ln O: A Co lost kitchen, supply & r guns; they know where 1 gun is located; Co C in except they destroyed 3 vehicles & 2 guns

1940 42 Fancy 5 fr Sgt Townsend: Tps will move back to Bn on ft & plat ldr will rpt to Bn CP

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1943	43	Fancy 3 to Blue 3: Notify your tros that a bridge detail will be returning thru wood trail & not to shoot at them
1945	44	Fancy 3 to White 3: Notify your tros that bridge will be blown between 2000 & 2300. White 3 says they've been notified
1955	45	Fancy 3 notified Capt Cocke of time bridge is to be blown; Capt Cocke said to use own discretion about time for blowing
2010	46	Col Kochan to Fancy 3: Sgt fr Engrs has just arrived w/msg fr Fancy 3: He is to give Engr order to blow the bridge at once when bridge is blown he is to return by ft over route given him by Capt Clifford; when he returns to Bn he, plat ldr, is to rot to Capt Clifford
2020	47	Fancy 3 notified Lt Strickland that his Sgt had arrived & orders to blow the bridge were on the way; asked about getting a dozer. Lt Strickland said call Fall 3
2026	48	Fancy 3 to Sgt Kerr: Arty wants to register in at 92453050 early in AM; will that be okay? Sgt Kerr said yes
2034	49	Fast 3 called about registering; okay
2037	50	Fancy 3 to Factory 3: Gave permission to fast 3 to register at 92453050 early tomorrow AM; can start registering any time
2050	51	Asst S-3 Div Arty told by Fancy 3 to check clearance on fires through 382d FA; Ln 3s w/Bns instead of Regtl Hq
2055	52	Fancy 3 called Fall Duty Off: We would like to get a dozer tomorrow; Fall Duty 3 will check & call back
2100	53	Col Kathon to Maj Urban: Bridge at Merkwiller blown at 2045
2100	54	Gave following msg to Bns: CG will be around sometime tomorrow; BC does not have to be present but he should have someone who knows where he is at all times
2100	55	Fall Duty 3 to Fancy 3: You can pick up bulldozer at Co B 328th Engrs at their assembly area at U-twiller at 0900 tomorrow AM
2125	56	CG to Fancy 6: Will be down tomorrow AM before 0900
2203	57	Bishop called for info about Merkwiller bridge
2220	58	Lt Haynes rots Col Kochan retd fr Merkwiller

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Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 22 Jan 45

To : 2400, 22 Jan 45

Place: RINGENDORF
Mitscherf, France

Time		Serial	No.	Time	Dated	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In	Out						
0558		1				Neg rot to Fame 2 & 3	
0110		2				Sgt Moore, Blue Bn, called: Co on his left rtd arty falling in 9228 grid sq; cal undetermined; direction almost directly to N. Rtd to Fame 2 & 3	
0207		3				Neg rot to Fame 2 & 3	
0218		4				Blue rtd unable to contact OPLR for unit on our right; arranged a contact pt 454264 where a patrol from both units would meet at 0350	
0800		5				Hourly neg rts to G-2 & G-3 until 0758	
0835		6				2d Bn rpts 7 rds of arty falling in Bn zone at 918282; time 0830. Rtd to G-2 & -3	
0905		7				Neg rts to G-2 & -3 until 1000	
1045		8				3d Bn (Capt Zeek) notified to rpt progress on MG, AT, mortar, individ- ual foxhole positions, wire & mines at 1130 & 1730 daily	
1130		9				B Btry Cn Co completely dug in; im- proving position; A B try 1 gun dug in; com 60%; not registered	
1140		10				2d Bn: MLR, foxholes 50%, MG & mortar 30%, AT 25%; no work on BPL; OPLR 25% on fox holes, no mines, no wire	

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1145	11	3d Bn: CPLR, no mines, no tactical wire, foxholes 25%; MLR: AT 10%, no mines, no wire, fox holes 20%, MG 25%, mortar 25%
1200	12	Sitrep given G-3
1340	13	Woodoo wants to register at a 92453030 pt in our area; Maj Urban said okay but check to see if civilians were cleared
1350	14	Fame 5 called Fancy 5 about control of civilian refugees; asked us to set up 5 control pts at exits to Pfaffenhoffen & hold them in the town
1350	15	Fame 3 was asked about blowing RR bridge in front of Blue Bn; he said we'd better check before we blow any bridge
1420	16	Neg rpt to Fame 2. Civ fr Weiderbronn said 100 ev in town, 50 in Rächthoffen; those moving S fr Woerth were told to hurry on & get out of way
1425	17	Our present tk plat is being released & another plat fr C Co is being atchd; will rpt here for instrns; get TDs in position (Fr Fame 3)
1425	18	Col Strange gave orders to Red 1 to have civ traffic control posts (4) set up in Pfaffenhoffen; gave him locations of posts & other info. Notified White & Blue
1440	19	White 5 rptd bridge guards had been established
1450	20	Fancy 5 notified Fame Civil Affairs of the 5 rd blocks out of Pfaffenhoffen & asked that they check them periodically
1458	21	Fame 2 called: Rptd vehicles, some horse-drawn, moving in 9037; whether enemy or refugee undetermined
1517	22	Fancy 4 rpts RSO will be in Gottsheim tomorrow
1530	23	Called Fame 2: Wanted advice as to when patrols on ren ret'd so we could drop bridge
1607	24	Factory Vice Control says 1 Bn wants to register at 9005-8121; Fancy 5 said okay, but check your 4-2
1620	25	Fancy 3 to Blue: Engrs have charged bridge between * Weiderbronn (?) & Uberach(?); Blue is to maintain 2-man 24-hr guard on it

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1725	26	Lt Dupont gave following progress rpt: AT 100% on primary positions; Co 614 TDs 1st plat 75% dug in, 2d plat 25% dug in, 3d plat just in position - not dug in
1753	27	Progress rpt fr White: AT 2 guns 95%, 1 gun 50%; pioneer, no wire, no mine fields; Hvy wpns: MG 90%, mortars 100%, positions 100%; rifle Cos: E 75%, F 85%, G 66%, AW 75%, mortars 50%, wire 85%
1740	28	Progress rpt fr Red: B 50%, C 90%, A 75%, D 75%, Hq 75%; priority to AW positions
1745	29	Progress rpt fr Blue: OPLR-90% primary positions, no wire, no mines, no alternate positions; MLR-68% primary positions, 65% mortar positions, 68% MG positions, no mines, wire or alternate positions; BRL-100% staked out, no digging started yet
1748	30	Cn: Both btries registered A & B com 90% complete; continued digging & improving positions
1815	31	Fancy 5 to Capt Hicks: Establish bridge guard at 908270
1828	32	Fancy 3 notified Capt Zeek about unguarded bridges; Capt Zeek will put guards on brige right away; Engr wants to blow at 923725 & 917277
1900	33	Neg rpts hourly to 2300
2345	34	Ey tps on both sides of rds running SW fr woods at 834336; apparently halted; will bring arty fire down (observed by Fatal)
2400	35	Neg rpts to G-2 & -3

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From: 0001, 23 Jan 45

To : 2400, 23 Jan 45

Place: Ringendorf, France

Time	In	Serial	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0015		1	Capt Stevenson reports Fatal OPL has pulled back on their rt flank to a pt 300-500 yds in front of Ohrwiller	
0100		2	Neg rpt to G-2 & -3; 2 White patrols have cleared their OPL at 0055	
0155		3	White Bn rpts contact patrol fr I Co to their rt outpost; they had contacted 5-man Jerry patrol at 917280 in dark uniform; no fire exchanged; rptd to G-2 & -3	
0255		4	Fr White: E Co rpts fire in Nieffern (873298); large fire lasted 10 mins not flare; rptd to G-2 & -3	
0400		5	Neg rpts to G-2 & -3 hourly to 0800	
0815		6	Fancy 3 told Lt Chebriga (?) to go out w/Capt King & see if the 2 plats were covering same ground; if so, move Capt King's plat elsewhere	
0820		7	Fancy 3 notified Blue 3 it is okay to put in mines	
0845		8	Rptd 2 Cos ey NW of Engwiller to White 2 & Blue 2	
0852		9	Fancy 3 notified Capt Teitelbaum Fatal's right is still in same place	
0855		10	Fall 3 told Fancy 3 Bns say he can't fire N of 33 grid line; Fancy 3 says check with White Bn	

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0913 11 Fancy 3 called Factory 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ & said anything beyond river is all right

0922 12 Fancy 3 to White 6: Col wants you to keep digging today & get as much as possible prepared by tonite. Same to Blue 6

0946 13 Fame 14 called & said there'd be bombing mission of concentration of 2 Cos of German tps at 9025-3225 in 15 mins

0950 14 White rptd wire team fired on fr Bitschhoffen

1055 15 White 1 notified of 5 stragglers & Red 1 of 1 straggler to pick up

1118 16 Fame 2 to Fancy 2: Air has picked up 800 tps at 987-302 moving W on rd Eschbach to Mertzwiller; there may be fighter-bomber mission on it soon

1125 17 White 3 rpts F Co got 2 Krauts who say they are advance scouts for big atk on Pfaffenhoffen & La Walck

1128 18 White 3 to Fancy 3: 410 has w/d fr lt limiting pt; will send overlay

1130 19 Fame 68 to Fancy 5: Fame 6 would like to invite Fancy 6 & 1 B n Comdr to dinner this evening at 1815

1135 20 Fancy 3 to Fame 3: Unit on our rt w/d fr their OPL this AM w/o auth & are being sent back; MLR is tied in; not tied in w/unit on left; will get this straightened out immediately; will call back

1148 21 Fame 2 rpts 1 Bn Krauts NE of critical pt 82 on rd into town

1155 22 Sitrep fr Bns: 1st Bn: 85% complete on foxholes on RRL; 2d Bn: 85% complete on foxholes, mortars, MGs, AT positions, no wire, no mines; 3d Bn: OPLR - 100% foxholes, no wire, no mines; MLR - 80% foxholes, mortar MGs, no wire, no mines, AT 90%; BRL - 25% foxholes, no wire, no mines; AT Co & Cn: 100% complete on positions; TDs - 33% complete on positions. Rpt given to G-3

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1238 23 Fancy 3 to Fatal 3: We have 5 men fr your E Co; Fatal 3 will send for them

1242 24 Fancy 3 to White 3: Fatal 3 says they were on limiting pt; White 3 says they were not there

1244 25 Fancy 1 to Fancy 5: Want to move into Bosselshausen; okay

1250 26 Red rptd arty in Pfaffenhoffen; I Co hit by 60 men; request permission to pull bridge guards

1255 27 Fancy 3 to Blue 6: Blue 6 says he has w/d I Co to Uterbach; he has 3 prisoners

1300 28 Fancy 3 to White 5: I Co is going to pull OPL back just N of Uterbach; let us know if you find out anything else; Rptd to Lt Eddens at Fame 3

1312 29 Fancy 5 called Civ Affairs asking to have rd guards vic Pfaffenhoffen as they are in front of our MLR; he suggested deflection to rt above Ringeldorf; will try to arrange it

1315 30 K Co has w/d abreast of I in ~~grid~~ general line along RR; engrs on way to blow bridges at La Walck

1321 31 Told White 3 that I & K have pulled back; he said not to blow last bridge in La Walck as it is last route out for Co F plat, to give F Co auth to blow it

1324 32 Civ Affairs okayed relief of rd guards & deflection of civs to rt at Ringeldorf

1325 33 2d Bn wants to knock out church steeple in Bitschhoffen w/TD guns; Lt Dupont says they want to pull gun over at La Walck & pull it back; Fancy 5 said okay but to use gun so as to make sure it gets back

1330 34 Maj Urban talked to White 3 on church steeple deal; he wants to fire fr area where his position is not yet under ey observation; S-3 says okay & will let Lt Dupont know

1335 35 Maj Urban okayed steeple mission fr TD; range 2000 yds; one gun only

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1337 36 Maj Urban talked to 1st Sgt of TDs; told him about steeple mission; 1 gun up & back as quickly as possible; he will get Capt King to get gun up to fire

1340 37 Fame 5 called Fancy 5; Called on contact between our OPL & unit on our lt; he said get an O out on it, get properly tied in. Gave him present sit including church mission

1350 38 Fancy 5 told Blue 6 to make contact on rt as far as possible; on left too

1355 39 Fancy 3 to Fatal 3; told him we would have 1 O lead patrol to meet him at 1500 at 238 triangulation pt (8930). Info given White 5; close gap there if one exists; Fancy 5 told White 3 to send patrol to meet Blue

1400 40 Fr G-2: Long column moving fr Zinswiller to Oberbronn; air coming fr Soultz - large number; Corps arty firing on ey column now; gave info to White 5 & Blue 3; air msg to all units

1420 41 Fatal wants to change patrol pt of contact fr 238 to 889308; called White; too late as patrol had gone; notified Fatal 3; meet at alternate pt if possible

1440 42 Blue trying to surround ey patrol (15 men) near En lt bdry; no rpt fr contact patrols; he wants mines laid on our side of RR track tonite; Lt Strickland says he will plan on it for tonite; will get AP & AT mines for work

1500 43 Fr White 5: PW says 40 want to desert & would like loud speakers for use tonite. PW fr 7th Co, 87 Regt, 36 Div; 3 Cos in Bitschhoffen

1540 44 Fame 3 called about contact w/rt regt; we have no contact as yet

1600 45 Ren by 2d Bn indicates steeple cannot be seen due to poor visibility; mission for TD called off

1610 46 White rpts their contact patrol rpts no Blue tps across river N of Niedermodern

1612 47 Blue 6 says his I Co had pulled back across river but has recrossed it to N again; told him to get in Ueberach 922277 & stay there; K on rt is spread out along N of RR track; I Co left 11 ey dead in Ueberach when they w/drew

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1630	48	Contact pt for White & Blue, stream at junction 917277; gave pt to White 2 & Blue 3; contact to be made hourly; alt pt is RJ (917273); 1st patrol at 1900
1700	49	Lt Clefisch called & said Fatal went to original limiting pt & did not make contact; Fancy 3 arranged contact w/ Fatal at 1800
1710	50	Fancy 3 notified White 5 to contact Fatal at 888290 at 1800; each patrol will visit other's flank
1718	51	White called about sending their patrol back across river; Fancy 3 will call before 1900
1752	52	Fancy 3 to Capt Cocke: Arranged meeting place w/Fatal, also alternate ; missed each other 1st time but have arranged another meeting at 1800
1800	53	Sitrep fr Bns: Cn Co - Com 100%, fired direction btry 100%, bttries continued to improve positions this afternoon, dumped ammo on position; 2 fire missions; AT Co - 100% dug in on all guns; 1st Bn - 100% complete on foxholes & com; 2d Bn - MLR 90% complete on foxholes, MG & mortar positions; 100% complete on AT positions; 3d Bn - MLR 95% on primary, MG & AT, 85% foxholes, no wire, no mines; BRL 75% complete on foxholes, MG & mortar, no mines, no wire. Rptd to G-3
1812	54	White 3 to Fame 3 Jr: F outpost rpts armor moving into Bitschhoffen fr Mietesheim. Rptd to Fame 2
1900	55	S-3 Periodic Rpt given G-3
2205	56	Large amt of armor rptd moving S fr Engwiller in direction of Bitschhoffen (heard only); some suspected Germans moving twd E Co right outpost fired on
2310	57	Lt outpost of Blue Bn contacted White Bn at 2300; this is 2d rpt. Capt Zeek to Maj Urban
2315	58	Patrol contact made at 1115 on our rt OPL; rptd to Fame 3; patrol to remain there as part of OPL & keep physical contact
2345	59	int Neg rpt to Fame

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CF 409

From: 0001, 24 Jan 45

To : 2400, 24 Jan 45

Place: Ringendorf, France

Time : Incidents, messages, orders, etc. : Action taken

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Time	Serial	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0145	1	Blue rpts contact made w/unit on lt (0100); rptd to Fame	
0300	2	E Co contacted Fatal at 0230; Blue rpts contact w/222d; rptd to Fame	
0750	3	Fatima White 3 called Fancy 3 about tying in w/White Bn; Fancy 3 says send someone down to CP	
0817	4	Capt King called Fancy 3: Wants wire around his extreme rt position; has 2 plats dug in; Fancy 3 wants to inspect Capt King's positions today	
0908	5	Fatal 3 to Fancy 3 Jr: Fatal rt Bn has been receiving fire fr an estimated Co of men for about 30 mins at critical pt 51	
0915	6	Fancy 3 Jr to White 2: Notified the 3 that Fatal 3 will have to fold up their OPLR at Muhlhausen; Fatal 3 says not to worry about your 4 men; reform your flank	
0920	7	Fancy 3 Jr to Fatal 3: Our White 3 wants his 4 men retd to our OPLR Comdr; Fatal 3 says they are pulling back entire OPLR	
0930	8	Fancy 5 to Fame 3 (Lt Young): Fatal 3 is pulling back their OPLR so we are curving our flank & reforming it. Lt Young says 1 plat in Bischholtz & 3 tks in Rothbach (?)	

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0950 9 Fatal 3 called Fancy 3: Our OPLR was hit at dawn on the lt side; Bn Comdr wanted to w/d OPLR; we want to be sure you're not exposed; Fancy 3 says okay; will reform the flank

1010 10 Fancy 5 to Fame 3: We're sending an officer to unit on rt to get 'straightened out on OPL; we got a rpt of gp of ey about the center of our rt Bn; we put arty on them; rptd to Fame 2

1025 11 Fancy 2 to Blue 2: Blue 2 has 1 prisoner; estimated about 2 Cos of ey at 945277; put arty on them and dispersed them. Lt Pederson notified to pick up prisoner

1033 12 Fatima 3 called to ask what Bn is on our lt (White); wants to check w/them & tie in on new line

1105 13 White 3 to Fancy 5: Rpting our outposts in good condition; they hear firing about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to left

1107 14 Fancy 3 to Wolf 1st Sgt: Tell Capt King to come to War Room this afternoon at 1330

1117 15 Lt Young called to ask if our OPLR includes Kindwiller; it does. Lt Young says 4 tks in Rothbach & about 1 Co of ey fighting the OPLR at Mertzwiller

1145 16 Sitrep fr Bns: 1st Bn - RRL 100% foxholes & coms; 2d Bn - MLR 100% complete on foxholes, mortars & MG, 30% on mines, no wire; 3d Bn - OPLR 100% primary & alt foxholes, no mines, no wire; MLR 100% foxholes, MG & mortar, 25% alt, AT positions 100%; BRL 100% on foxholes, MG & mortars, 25% alt positions, no wire, no mines; Cn Co contd to work on positions, dumped ammo on positions, fired 2 fire missions. Rptd to Fame

1148 17 Blue 6 to Fancy 3: Outfit on right has pulled in; we can reinforce OP on lt & hold indefinitely; Fancy 6 & 3 say okay

1240 18 Fr Blue: K Co outpost pulled back fr woods after killing est 35 ey; rptd to Fame 2

1415 19 OP #3 rpts receiving arty on MLR & AW fire fr woods via 930285; gave this to Blue

1450 20 Blue rpts 30 ey in house (931278); MG fire down rd E into Ueberach fr house; rptd to G-2

1500 21 Told Blue 2 that 47th Div has 2 Regts, 15 tks & 2 810-mm mortars

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1500 22 Maj Thomas asked Col Strange if we could use artificial moonlight in our sector tomorrow nite; we will call him within an hour

1535 23 Fancy 5 notified Lt Eddens that we will use artificial moonlight tomorrow nite

1540 24 Fatal to Fancy 3 Jr; Rt sector remains same; 12 tks are firing into inf units at Rothbach; our 57s knocked out 2 of them

1541 25 Fr Capt Woods, IPW; Rrisoner fr 47th Inf, 13th Howitzer Co, rpts 80-100 men in Co

1543 26 OP #3 rpts MGs have ceased firing; still a few shells falling

1545 27 Fancy 4 to 5: Reinforcements going up to 1st & Cn now; we are getting 37 more

1600 28 About 1500 Family observer rptd 1 $2\frac{1}{2}$ T trk, 1 $3/4$ T, 2 rcn, a man & a mule moving out of Offwiller into woods to N

1600 29 White rptd 1 plat of ey at 880305 moving fr NE to SW; unit on lt fired on them; probably some wounded; rest ret'd way they came

1635 30 Capt Teitelbaum rptd E Co OP rptd fire fight w/8-man patrol about 200 yds NW of Kindwiller; rptd to Fame 2

1735 31 White 5 says he has reinforced his bridge to 2 plats

1800 32 SITREP fr Bns: 1st Bn 100% complete on foxholes & mortars on RRL, 75% on MG, Co C worked on new flank position, 75% complete on foxholes & mortars, 65% on MG; 2d Bn 100% complete foxholes, MG, mortar & AT positions on MLR & BBB; 3d Bn MLR 100% foxholes, MG, mortar & AT, no wire or mines; AT 100% complete; Cn Co contd to improve positions, dumped ammo on positions; fired 2 missions; TD complete on all guns. Rptd to G-3

1810 33 Capt Teitelbaum gave following: E Co outpost rptd 1 plat of ey atkd their outpost at Kindwiller; they brought in arty & at least 8 Germans killed; atk preceded by ey mortar fire; they came fr direction of Uhrwiller & went towards Bitschhoffen; rptd to Fame 2

1855 34 White rptd 6 red flares in vic Bitschhoffen, at 1850; rptd to G-2

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1954	35	White 2 rptd by believed to be in woods in grid 9029; rptd to Fame 2
2007	36	Blue 3 rptd a few rds of arty falling in his area
2020	37	White 3 rptd about 1 squad of Jerries at 90322940; arty brought in & dispersed them; asked Fancy 3 for reinforcements to hold Kindwiller. Fancy 3 said no reinforcements; just hold Kindwiller as an outpost as long as possible
2055	38	White 3 rpts heavy firing on his rt; sounds like HMG
2125	39	Blue 3 rpts firing on lt; Fancy 3 told him to be especially watchful for nite attack tonite
2144	40	'Blue 3 says he thinks 4 of his outposts have been captured
2400	41	Fame 2 rptd that 4 PWs we turned over to Fanny rptd some kind of an atk tonite; no other info fr them

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ET 409

From: 0001, 25 Jan 45

To : 2400, 25 Jan 45

Place: Ringendorf, France

Time	In	Serial	No.	Date	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0345			1		Blue rpts neg; Bn to rt (222) has re- estab line; Bn to rt of that has committed res Co & is still pinned down; 2 sy strongpts at 974260 RJ & 963248 sy MG	
0355			2		White rpts #2 patrol ret'd; they rec'd small mortar fire at 919288	
0410			3		E Co 6P rpts est 4 or 5 tks moving into Bitschhoffen fr Mietesheim	
0420			4		Fame 2 asked Cos of PWs captured today	
0445			5		Blue OP rpts mtr movement between Ueberach & Mertswiller; rpt'd to G-2	
0555			6		Fr Fame 3; 222d forced to commit res Bn; sy penetrated deep into Ohlungen woods	
0620			7		50 Inf & some armor hit E Co OPLR; notified Lt Dupont	
0655			8		Fr White: 8 men ret'd fr OPL; still 15 out there in bldgs	
0725			9		Told 1st Bn to send 1 Co out mtzd to work on new flank position	
0730			10		Bishop receiving atk in strength on their lt flank; committing some res to meet it; notified Blue	
0740			11		2d Bn men still in Kindwiller & some doubt as to whether they can get out (15 men); Maj Urban told White 2 to	

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0740 (Cont'd) 11 have bridge at La Walck blown before ey can use it, whether our men are across or not; just patrols on rt of 2d's zone & they were shot up & w/d

0810 12 No word fr 15 men in Kindwiller; no further noise of firing; rptd to G-2

0830 13 2d is sending PW down fr Kindwiller; 165th Regt moved fr Miesesheim last nite

0900 14 2d is bldg ft bridges & will blow veh bridge at La Walck when it is finished

0950 15 No word fr 20 E Co men in Kindwiller; still in front of La Walck; Blue has nothing to rpt; rptd to Fame 2 & 3

1015 16 Blue rpts visibility very poor; no activity to rpt; ey veh movements on edge of woods (930275) during nite

1035 17 Col Lloyd gave sit on men in Kindwiller to Gen Pierce; also sit on regt to rt; he told us to watch our lt flank; asked if we can see arty on Uhrwiller

1040 18 Maj Urban asked Capt Bouschman if he can observe Uhrwiller; no, visibility is very poor, masked under even good vis

1045 19 Col Lloyd rptd to Gen Pierce that we can't observe Uhrwiller

1050 20 No word fr men in Kindwiller; 2d wants to shoot up steeple in Kindwiller as it has excellent obs of entire front; Maj Urban says not yet; told him to notify all personnel about artificial moonlight tonite so they'd know what it was

1110 21 Cn progress rpt: Contd improving positions of both bties; fired 1 mission last nite after rptng; dumped ammo on A Btry position this AM effected reorgn of 25 reinf reed last nite

1117 22 Fancy 3 notified Capt King about artificial moonlight

1125 23 White 3 says the 20 men were undoubtedly cut off and captured; E Co says men rptd nothing unusual about 0530; 8 men who ret'd said they were atkd by 200 men & tks

1140 Fancy 3 to Blue 6: Hold your positions on MLR at all costs

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1145 25 Fancy 3 to White 6: Hold your positions at all costs. Ey has been probing on both flanks & we will probably be their main effort

1146 26 Progress rpt fr Red: Flank positions 95% complete, 50 cal MGs 90% complete; expect to complete everything by mid-afternoon; wire will be available to flank positions in case tps have to move in

1153 27 Fatal says they have restored MLR; they have Jerries in Schillersdorf pocketed

1320 28 OP #2 rpts ~~skip~~ 88-mm firing into 410 area about 1000 yds N of Uhrwiller

1322 29 OP #3 rpts all is quiet; visibility about 300-500 yds to front; ceiling 800

1330 30 Fall A 6 notified us that last bridge was blown now in Pfaffenhoffen

1335 31 S-2 gave G-2 rpt on 88-mm & 120-mm mortar (903292); 88 firing in 410 area & 120 rptd by OP #3 firing to 79th area

1400 32 Fancy 3 to Factory 3: Get SP 105 & send to 2d Bn CP to knock church steeple off in Kindwiller & Bitschhoffen; he will call back

1445 33 Factory 3 to S-3: No SPs to fire on church steeples

1515 34 S-3 to Fatal 3: Fatal 3 gave him S-3 rpt on his sit; said they were using Fatima Blue to close gap

1635 35 White 3 to S-3: Rptd column moving from Uhrwiller to Kindwiller; can't tell how many; bringing arty on it now

1645 36 OP #3 rptd seeing 7 Germans in woods at 937277 moving to house on edge of woods; put Cn fire on them

1650 37 OP #2 observed gp of 15 Germans come out of vineyard between Uhrwiller & Kindwiller moving in NE direction; put mortar on them & they took off

1700 38 OP #3 pulling out; too dark

1820 39 Fame 2 rpts 5 tks at 883290 moving S

2345 40 Blue 6 to Fancy 5: We are leaving out our outpost tonite;

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2345 - 40 they are well tied in on flank; send out a patrol to E
(Cont'd) into edge of woods; arty preceded patrol into woods & ran
out Jerries who were digging in there

2358 41 Fatal 2 to Fancy 3 Jr: NE half of Schillersdorf is occupied
by ey; we captured 29 PWs out of there; PWs say there are
1 BnComdr, 2 Co Comdrs & fr 125 to 150 ey pocketed in town;
we have rd blocks & a defense around town; we will hold them
in tenite & work them over in AM

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Unit Journal

Organization CT 409

From: 0001, 26 Jan 45

To : 2400, 26 Jan 45

Place: Ringsdorf, France

Time	In	Out	Serial	No.	Time	Dated	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0120			1				Maj Yow called for artificial moonlight at 930284 & 927274; given to Charter Charlie	
0202			2				Rpt fr Charter Charlie: Moonlight was ineffective because of snowstorm	
0900			3				14 Armd at Gottesheim to help us on our rt; no need for them so they will probably return; 101st Airborne on our extreme rt, will probably remedy bit	
0907			4				All S-2 calls asking current sit this AM; n/c	
0921			5				Start digging position fr left limiting pt to MLR; start fr right & work up; keep Co under control	
0930			6				Fancy 2 told White 2 to send out 3 patrols tonite; mission: determine ey & any indication of w/drawal in Kindwiller & Ritschhoffen, capture prisoners; have ey tps surrounded on our lt in Schillensdorf; Blue 2 advised	
0935			7				Called Fame 2; gave results of patrols; Fame 2 said he'd be down shortly	
0940			8				10 "cab-over" trks recovered by Mr. Conkling; 8 1st aid kits to Fancy 4	
1000			9				Capt Zeek called; said they could lay wire today; Germans have poor observation	
1000			10				Wire in to OP #5; obs about 50 yds	

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1010	11	Fancy 3 asked Wasp C 1 how rds are. Ans: pretty bad; will rcn in jeep
1025	12	Capt Zeek asks to have some rear unit improvise pickets; AT plat will get them
1050	13	Capt Cox called for Fame 38 to ask how sit is; n/c
1055	14	2d Bn: Patrol to take area Kindwiller & Engwiller & above; Bitschhoffen will be left to 3d Bn; mission to observe & take prisoners if possible. Neg rpt
1100	15	I&R jeep hit mine at Pfaffenhoffen; guards stopped them but they contd on; 1 man will lose arm; rotd to Lt Mandford
1105	16	Bitschhoffen obj combat patrol & Mietesheim rcn & observ asgd 3d Bn
1125	17	Fame 3 called: Maj Urban said defense plan for rt sector was on way up with Lt Jeffords
1155	18	G-3 rpts Schillersdorf cleared; no details yet
1200	19	Blue 2: Jeep located at 910.70 about 60-70 yds off RR tracks; 1 casualty, arm in bad shape; jeep demolished
1303	20	Blue 5 rpts ey is definitely still in front in woods on NE
1305	21	White 3 says OPs can't observe; rptd to Fame 2
1335	22	Blue 5 said guard on rd told men in jeep they couldn't go down the rd; jeep occupants said they were from Hq & had to go down for coal so guard let them go
1345	23	Capt Cocks says they are making check on Schillersdorf; thinks they got 50 more PWs this AM
1355	24	Capt Cocks to Fancy 3: Continue improving present positions
1400	25	Fame 2 requested PWs for use in a narrative over loud speaker system tomorrow
1412	26	Fancy 4 wants all white uniforms taken fr PWs returned in
1420	27	Blue 6 to Fancy 3: He saw ey medics take out a couple wounded & killed; patrols can't go into woods because of ey fire

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1430 28 Capt Teitelbaum rptd firing arty at 12 ey moving fr Bitschhoffen to Kindwiller; OP #2 obs 4 krauts bringing in 2 of our prisoners this AM

1439 29 OP #2, Cpl Kochan, rptd spotting 2 ey at 899299; thinks they have MG there; asked permission to use Cn; Fancy 3 told him to use mortar first & then call cn if mortar ineffective

1448 30 White 6 rpts planes bombing & strafing Uhrwiller; planes recd MG fire over Kindwiller

1450 31 White rpts Air Corps strafing our own bldgs at 901277; Capt McClelland notified & told to put planes N

1455 32 White 6 says planes are okay now

1515 33 OP #2 rpts knocking out MG nest w/Cn fire at 899299

1535 34 Maj Urban to Fame 14: Air Corps started big fire in Uhrwiller

1625 35 White 5 to Fancy 3: We would like to publish list of pyrotechnic signals for our own use; we have checked w/all concerned & it's okay. Fancy 3 says send down list & he will check & let White 5 know before dark

1630 36 Notified White & Blue to pick up 50 pickets ea fr AT

1635 37 Maj West rpts 8" guns firing on bridge at Mertzwiller; says we can use own script on PX system

1640 38 Blue 2 rpts small gps of ey infiltrating fr Engwiller down into Kindwiller & Bitschhoffen

1705 39 OP #3 rpts 3 men going into Kindwiller fr Engwiller

1707 40 Cpl Kochan OP #2 rpts 3 gps of ey coming into Kindwiller fr Uhrwiller; he has Cn fire zeroed in on hill 226 just N of Kindwiller

1715 41 OP #3 rpts phosphorus shells being fired into Kindwiller

1722 42 Cn Progress: Contd prep of positions & improvement of same; fired 6 missions this PM

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1755	45	1st Bn rpts everything complete except 50 cal positions on rt flank, 95% there
1800	44	Fame 2 says Fast rpts 8" guns blew up bridge in Mertzwiller at 960295; also fired on ey vehicles & personnel at 9568-2885
1830	45	Red rpts 2 flares just N of Schalkendorf
1852	46	3d Bn: Red flare lt front
1910	47	White rpts 2 red flares vic Uhrwiller; rptd to Fame 2
2155	48	White rpts hearing vehicular movement W of Kindwiller; no armor; rptd to Fame
2245	49	White rpts 3 rds of arty in sector

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Organisation ----- CF 409
 From: 0001, 27 Jan 45
 To : 2400, 27 Jan 45
 Place: Ringendorf, France

Time		Serial	No	Date	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In	Out					
0244		1			Blue rpts patrol recd mortar fire when patrol 1st started out; fire estimated coming fr 930291 & 93092825; patrol went into Bitschhoffen & found nothing; ran into my patrol when they came out of town; exchanged fire & withdrew	
0510		2			Giving artificial moonlight between 899292 & 925289 in 5 or 10 mins; Bn notified	
0653		3			I Co outpost rpts shelling about 30 yds in front of outpost	
0747		4			White rpts small field piece at 893293; 2 convoy movements into Kindwiller, possibly half-tracks	
0845		5			Maj Ray called asking details of last night's patrols	
0850		6			Fancy 2 called White 2 giving tonight's mission & asking details of last nite's patrol; same to Blue 2	
0921		7			1st Bn working on new position; lt sector will have to connect w/your rt (Fancy 5 to White 5)	
0932		8			14 British mines (200-lb pressure) where our lt bdry crosses main rd running SE (883291)	
0950					to Fancy 6: Needs prisoners fr patrols	

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1009	10	Wasp Charlie 1 calls asking for some blasting; Maj Urban says he will get AT to do it
1015	11	411 S-2 called Fancy 2 asking for info on last nite's patrols & what's happened this AM
1025	12	Fancy 2 to 2d & 3d Bn S-2s: Col Lloyd wants patrols short, to probe lines & bring back prisoners
1040	13	Fancy 3 got possible change in line dope fr Fame 3
1056	14	Bdry line will be changed; unknown just where (Lt Jeffords to Maj Urban)
1125	15	Gn Co fired 2 missions; delivered ammo to 2 bties; recd 1 gun back fr Ord not camouflaged; will be this PM; picked up 200 rds of HE this AM; contd work on positions
1130	16	Capt Cramer called asking for ambulance to take 2 sick babies out of Pfaffenhoffen. Blue notified
1137	17	White 6 to Fancy 3: Artificial moonlight did not work so well last nite; going to get together today
1140	18	Lt Jennings would like to blast shit out of Jerries before broadcast
1155	19	White OP rptd Kindwiller was shelled 1135; not by our own arty; asked us to check further & see who did it
1225	20	Fast 2 says none of our arty & none of corps has been dropped in Kindwiller. White Bn notified
1410	21	Fame 3 to Fancy 3: Send up an overlay of all defended rd blocks in your area
1525	22	White says they can cover bridges w/mortar & MG fire; they are on range cards
1558	23	White rpts 1 shell landed in Pfaffenhoffen; tore down 2 bldgs & made large crater in street; rptd to Fame 2
1610	24	Sgt Mineway says someone is spoofing about above
1630	25	OP #2 rpts shell fire coming fr rear: 4.2 mortars
1632	26	Fancy 3 to Fancy Green: Was above your guns? No. Factory says no

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1652 27 Fancy 3 asked Capt Cocks if we have any 4.2 mortars. No

1656 28 Fancy 3 to Capt McBee: Are there any 4.2 mortars atchd to your 81s? No

1709 29 Fame 6 called Fancy 6: Is large town in center of your area heavily occupied? No, it isn't. Keep control there. Fame 6 says keep improving your positions. Fancy 6 says we are reforming both flanks & are covered pretty well

1715 30 Cn: Camouflaged 1 remaining gun

1720 31 Capt Teitelbaum rpts few rds mortar landed in positions on rt; no damage done

1725 32 Capt Teitelbaum gave Fancy 3 bdry line between Cos E & F; relayed to Capt Cocks

1747 33 Fame Movement Control rpts rd fr critical pt 46 to 50 l-way fr S to N; in Fatal sector

1800 34 White rpts vehicular movement in Kindwiller; lt Co rpts tracer fire coming from vic Kindwiller twds La Walck; relayed to Fame 2

1810 35 1st Bn Regtl Res; 2d Bn contd to improve positions, sent out 2 patrols during period, worked on mines & wire obstacles in front of the MLR; 3d Bn contd to improve positions, propaganda broadcasting unit used this PM, sent out 3 patrols during period, contd to place mines & wire obstacles in front of MLR; AT & Cn contd to improve positions & camouflage guns; artificial moonlight was used in entire Regtl area last nite about 0530; lights were adjusted by 2d Bn & were of some benefit but due to short period of darkness full benefit could not be obtained. Results of Opns: Positions improved; coordination w/unit on rt made

2350 36 Blue rptd receiving fire fr 2 mortar btries at 930284 & 938276; put arty fire on 1st; has ceased firing

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To : 2400, 28 Jan 45

Place: Ringendorf, France

Time : Incidents, messages, orders, etc. Action taken

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In	Out	Serial	No.	Time	Date	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
		1		0046		Lt Jeffords arrived w/opns overlay	
		2		0300		White: SA in Kindwiller; veh movement in rr; flak wagon heard in rr; rptd to Fame 2 & 5	
		3		0345		Blue: Patrol to Bitschhoffen ret'd; obs nothing at all in town or on way to & fr it; no activity at all; were not actually in town	
		4		0500		Blue patrol to 930278 rpts no signs or sounds of ey activity whatsoever; rptd to G-2 & -3	
		5		0545		White rpts veh movement in Kindwiller; relayed to Fame	
		6		0645		Lt Young said Power & Kangaroos were inactive; Ren Tp raided Rothbach, 1 PW & 18 ey dead; no other activity on 410 front	
		7		0725		OP #3 manned & in opn	
		8		0745		Patrol to Kindwiller ret'd but not rptd	
		9		0820		OP #3: Ey is dropping 120-mm mortar shells in vic Niedermodern; seem to be coming fr woods just to rt of Bitschhoffen; relayed to Fame 2	
		10		0850		White rpts patrol arrived at Br Hq at 0840	
		11		1015		Maj West says Krauts may be bringing in new units to relieve 35th; need prisoners to find out	

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1045	12	Fatal 3 called; Said Fame 6 is on way to Red En; have someone there to receive him; relayed to Red
1122	13	OP #3 rpts ey gun about size of 105 or 150 to rt of Bitschhoffen about center of woods; believed to be on rt side of rd
1125	14	Red rpts B Co positions will be complete by 1200
1144	15	White rpts 1 PW fr 245th Div; says bulk of tps in front are German; relayed to Fame 2 who said 245th has about 3500 men
1246	16	OP #2 rpts receiving mortar fire fr vic of Bitschhoffen
1332	17	Maj West says PW is our agent; 937 Regt, part of 245 Div, is in Bitschhoffen
1354	18	Capt Teitelbaum called about firing arty & SA on rt of Blue zone; Fancy 3 says it is Blue patrol supported by arty
1448	19	OP #3 rpts being shelled fr concentration pt 78. Is that clear to bring down arty? Fancy 2 Jr says all right
1525	20	Fancy 3 to Red 3: You are going to relieve White En sometime tomorrow nite; written order will be down sometime this PM
1548	21	White does not have any vehicles painted
1550	22	Blue rpts 4 vehicles painted & 3 more will be finished before tonite
1609	23	Red has 3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ T trks painted & 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ T
1632	24	White says rags don't work for painting vehicles; Fancy 3 says get brushes fr Co A, 328 Engr
1648	25	White rpts receiving mortar fire in front of their OP; coming fr vic Bitschhoffen; relayed to Fame 2
1725	26	Cn: Fired 3 missions this PM; all men showered & had complete clothing changes; evacuated 1 how but recd 1 in its place
1733	27	OP #2 obs 2 Krauts moving fr Uhrwiller to Kindwiller

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1907	28	Fancy 3 to Red 3: Who will be your Res Co? Charlie. That Co will do patrolling in sector White has been
1940	29	Fancy 3 told Lt Eddens to check FO & see if it would interfere
1955	30	Fancy 3 notified Lt Schlaty to send 10 men to Lt Strickland's CP tomorrow at 0915 to attend ey mine demonstration
1958	31	White rpts they heard Krauts talking on rd between Bitschhoffen & Kindwiller
2045	32	Fatal 3 rpts loud singing in Uhrwiller & sounds of veh; krauts are pulling a relief at town at 51, Muhlhausen
2049	33	White 3 says krauts are singing "Good Nite, Ladies"
2120	34	2 rds arty in E Co area
2255	35	1 rd arty in E Co area; can't tell size or direction
2355	36	Fr White 5: Fatal rptd what they thought to be 6 tks moving fr Muhlhausen to Nieffern to Uhrwiller; 1 arty rd dropped in it sector of Ba zone

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From: 0001, 29 Jan 45

To : 2400, 29 Jan 45

Place: Ringendorf, France

Time		Serial	No.	Time	Date	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In	Out						
0912		1				OP #3 rpts ey gun position at 902502 about 5000 yds away; thinks it's size of 37; relayed to Fame	
1012		2				Fancy 2 to Red 2: You are to send out 1 patrol (1 plat); mission PWs; use arty to block off part of town; use AW; into Kindwiller	
1018		3				Same as above except town is Bitsch-Baffen (To Blue 2)	
1044		4				OP #3 rpts ey movement of 5 or 6 men at 9.3459; given Blue Bn	
1115		5				Maj West says there are definite indications in Fatal sector that Kraut is pulling out; be on the lookout for same in your sectors	
1135		6				Notified Blue 2 indications ey w/drawing in front of 131st & 79th; be especially for this	
1142		7				On: Dumped ammo on both Btrys; picked up ammo fr Regt; fired 3 missions	
1202		8				OP #3 rpts fire fight in edge of woods; patrol withdrawing	
1308		9				OP #2 rpts 2 ey entering Kindwiller fr Kindwiller	
1515		10				We got patrol into pt of those woods; they got about 100 yds in & ran into line of fire; could get no further	

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1548	11	OP #3 rpts 4 men at 937277 and what they believe to be MG at 939298 (2 or 3 men)
1630	12	Fatal 5 rpts pulling raid on Urwiller after 1500; using 1 Co & 1 plat tks; will box it off w arty; relayed to OPs 2 & 3 & Blue Bn
1645	13	Blue rpts 4 casualties fr direct fire on OPL
1720	14	Co: Fired 6 missions this PM; replenishing ammo
1749	15	OP #2 closing out
1855	16	Blue obs flares (936289) in wood; mortar flashes at (932297)
2214	17	Kingfish rpts a 15-man ey patrol in back of house at 93772761
2314	18	White Bn closed in Bueswiller
2340	19	Red obs 22 men in front of OPL (our own patrol)

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From: 0001, 30 Jan 45

To : 2400, 30 Jan 45

Place: Ringendorf, France

Time	In	Out	Serial	Time	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
0220			1		Red patrol ret'd; suffered 3 KIA by pt blank MG fire	
1130			2		Cn: picked up ammo; no fire missions because of limited visibility	
1330			3		Fame 3 called about changing rt bdry	
1335			4		Capt Teitelbaum called about moving AT guns in case of C/A plan; Fancy 3 says yes but leave them as they are for time being	
1425			5		Visit fr Fame 38	
1448			6		Capt Clifford says he can't get in overlay on indiv foxholes because they are changing positions	
1510			7		Sgt Ross (Fame 6) says Fame 6 is on his way down	
1512			8		Fame 3 to Fancy 5: Fancy 6 has approved lim ting pts of new bdry given by Lt Edwards earlier this evening	
1522			9		Fame 6 arrived: asked about condition of frontline tps, frostbite, etc; asked about gloves, condition & tng of reinf recd. Fancy 5 gave ans to these; Fame 6 said to call White 7 & tell him that he was on way down; complied with	
1538			10		Fancy 5 to 16: Check w/your aid men to see that they are informed about frostbite, etc	

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1603	11	Straggler line fr Obersultzbach to Bouxwiller, Kirrwiller, Ringendorf to Ettendorf
1617	12	OP #3 closing for wiring
1720	13	Cn: Picked up ammo fr Regtl dump; no fire missions because of limited visibility
2145	14	Blue rpts K Co heard digging & felling of trees in woods (281931)

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From: 0001, 51 Jan 45

To : 2400, 51 Jan 45

Place: Ringendorf, France

Time		Serial	No.	Dated	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
In	Out					
0715		1			Opns overlay distributed	
1005		2			Fancy 3 called White 3 and Blue 3 on ammo: Take all ammo you have on position & take all you can fr reld unit	
1030		3			Fr OP #3: 6 men going into Kindwiller on Rd running E to W	
1030		4			Red 2 to Fancy 2: Plan for 2 patrols tonite	
1052		5			Fancy 3 to Factory 5: Moving CP to Obermodern	
1040		6			Fancy 3 to Fancy 10: Put a trunk between here & Obermodern to tie in w/Factory	
1055		7			Fr Red: Rpts 9 enemy moving into Bitschhoffen fr Kindwiller	
1115		8			Fatima 3 to Fancy 5 regarding award of Silver Star to man in Co C; Red 5 notified	
1140		9			Red OP rpts gun located approx (940-285) firing on MLR. Rptd Fame 2	
1142		10			S-3 to Red 3: No air support due to wet runways	
1240		11			Fr OP #3: Mortar crew w/mortar crossing field in 9129 fr W to E; will fire on them when they set up	

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1440 12 To Bns: Send men fr A&P plat (Plat Ldr, if desired) to Fall CP at 0815, 1 Feb, to watch DM of foreign mines found in this theatre; will be back by 1200

1500 13 Fr Red: Located ey Op in tower in Kindwiller; fired 8" hows, direct hit, good effect. Rptd to Fame 2

1520 14 Maj Urban spoke to Fatal 3 about having Fatal Blue leave ammo on position & pick up new fr our dumps; he will speak to Fatal Blue & let us know

1523 15 TDs can pick up dozer at Fall Able CP at 0830 at Bouxwiller

1525 16 Fatal Blue is only taking out mortar ammo & ~~with~~ normal load; rest will be left there. Notified Mr Conkling & Lt Kelly

1545 17 Fr OP #3: 8 ey going fr Bitschhoffen along telephone line to Mietesheim; carrying rolls, etc; have seen about 12 altogether; some actually running -moving fast

1605 18 Maj Reynolds says he can't get into town of Obermodern until Fatima Bn gets out

1610 19 Fancy 3 called Fame 3: Can you get above Bn out this evening? W ill call back

1700 20 OP #3 closing out

1705 21 Fr Cn: Made rcn & fired 2 missions

1732 22 Fancy 3 to Wolf 1st Sgt: Be sure that your men don't move guns until dark

2055 23 1st Bn rpts relief completed; 1 plat of Co B digging in extreme rt flank position of Bn zone

2150 24 Col Sink called Fancy 5 & said that he would assume cmd now. Fame 3 notified relief completed

2345 25 3d Bn closed in ~~at~~ Obermodern at 2500; relief complete at 2130

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