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PLACE: OBERMODERN, FRANCE

1 March 1945

- Time
1002 Ln O with G-2 Periodic report: 42nd tried Psychological warfare--S/A, Arty then leaflets and loudspeaker. Result this morning 8 krauts. 70th had C/A thru FORBACH--repulsed new civilian cerfew 1900-0630. 409th has had to make plans to C/A thru zone of 36th or 42nd. Regt wants recommendations on Battle Experience 24 Feb on MG fire direction center. Fame 38 wants snipers school-regimental. Wants rcn on length of course, number of men, grades. How many officers and NCO's do we have capable and how many could we offered to give for Regtl school. Div wants performance figure on auto carbine, combat serviceability. May be used on raids. Want dope by 4 March.
- 1101 Fatal 6 in OP: letter on error reporting Floyd R Martin retd to dy and confused with Martin. 6 to Love 1st Sgt: picked man up in error. Fatal 6: check into case thoroughly. (9 men from group infected men in your Bn. Wants them isolated, 2nd Repl Depot) (Check main lateral was east fr NEIFFERN for rpt'd schu mines.) 6: Having all wire lines checked daily for tapping--checking CO CP's for location with respect to people in house. Want 2 OP's to rear. ZUTZENDORF and LA HAMBERG to check for flares and signals to rear. Motorized (jeep) patrol to check on any instance. Saw flares last night. (Certainly give OK on that). Will establish roving patrols around towns and guards on all bridges across Moder. Going to pick up all lines except those actually used.
- 1145 Blue 3 to Blue 8: Whenever you pull any demolitions notify us so we can tell Regt.
- 1205 Blue 3 to Fatal 3 $\frac{1}{2}$: Want to go to old range and fire this afternoon.OK.
- 1405 Item 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ rpts Dud in Co area.
- 1410 Request Bob removal squad remove Dud. (From CP to Fatal 3).
- 1730 Fatal 5 to Blue 6: Can get 1 ton trailers for $\frac{1}{2}$ ton's (Will take one with maint. truck) Can exchange one with White so will give you the $\frac{1}{2}$ ton.
- 1735 Ln O with overlay patrols.
- 2022 Fatal 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6: White rpts flares (White, Red and Green) In back of you at (839-265) 10 min ago, are investigating.
- 2030 Red 3 to CP: We located flares. Fancy was running night problems and fixed about ten flares in rapid succession. (See 2022).
- 2113 Fatal 3 to CP: Fortune on our right is conducting OPX--for your information, so do not be alarmed at flares etc from that direction.
- 2333 Fatal 3 to CP: At About 2130 guard saw flashbeam around jeeps in mtr pool, investigated thought he saw someone, yelled halt, no response, fired three rounds no results. Later sound were heard, guard tried to sneak up on area, must have been discovered for a smoke grenade(?) was thrown, and no one was found. Fatal 6 said to notify all units of the incident and that he suspected sabatoge attempt. Be on alert for similar activity.

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2350 Blue 35 to 8, I, K, L, M, and Hq.
 2400 This completes 115 days in action: 67 days in line, 47 days in Res,
 1 day transit. This is the 21st consecutive day in reserve.

2 March 1945Time

0900 Red alert
 0945 G-2 Periodic report.
 1410 Fatal 6 in CP (Departs 1425).
 1450 Recd by Ln 0: OI #25 and ptrl overlays.
 1530 Fame 6 in CP: (Departs 1540) Suggests 6 to bed for couple of days.
 2032 Fatal 3 to CP: Fortune will be using flares on our right (Night exer).
 2035 All Co's notified info in 2032.
 2400 This completes 116th day in action: 67 days in line, 48 days in Res,
 1 day Transit. This is 22nd day in Reserve.

3 March 1945Time

0914 Fatal 3 to Blue 3: What time inspection scheduled? (In ranks 1000,
 then billets, motors, and kitchens).
 0930 Overlay Cn Co line.
 0940 G-2 Periodic report.
 0945 AF Code.
 1035 Fatal 3 to Blue 1: Rocket firing tank demonstration 1115 and 1430 on
 road between OBERMODERN and SCHILLERSDORF.
 1120 Tank demonstration changed to ZUTZENDORF at 1300.
 1320 Blue 3 to Red 3: Straight on this business now -- which co on right
 (Able on right-Am coming down this afternoon with overlays, etc) Ok
 see you then.
 1402 Patrol overlays.
 1600 Overlay "Positions of 1st Bn" to letter Co's thru M/O.
 1603 Red alert.
 1615 All clear.
 1630 Fortune will be firing both Lt and Hv Arty at 1700.
 1815 Recd by Ln Officer: Memo 410th Inf dated 3 Mar 45 - "Careless handling
 of firearms; property responsibility; protection of hospitals; Delin-
 quency reports.
 2400 This completes 117th day in action: 67 days on line, 49 days in Res,
 1 day Transit. This is 23rd consecutive day in Reserve.

4 March 1945Time

0945 G-2 periodic report.
 1252 Rpt to Regt on "Test firing of automatic carbines" thru M/O.
 1351 2 to Red 3: Will you take over our roving ptrl tonight? (NO) (Will take
 road blocks).

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- 1420 6 Departs (Returns 1556).
- 1511 King 6 to Blue 3: Need more phones for setup--have five--need eight (Ok will check).
- 1513 Blue 3 to Blue 10: How about some phones for K--Needs three (Will check with wireman and let you know).
- 1657 Love 6 to Blue CP: 1715 pulling man off road block - he isn't being replaced. Pushing off at 1745 and will pull phone at that time.
- 1713 Red 3 to CP: There is 3rd Plat A Co of 48 tks up there - we have line to them you can take over.
- 1800 OP #1 rpts com established.
- 1806 OP #2 rpts com established - visibility closing down - can see NIEFFERN and UHRWILLER fairly well.
- 1809 3 to Red 3: Am going to ZUTZENDORF - Maj SILVER will come up there in Lieu of 6.
- 1835 Patrol overlay.
- 1841 OP #4 com established. OBERMODERN Looks OK.
- 1849 OP #3 com established.
- 1916 OP #1 and OP #2: Visibility poor.
- 1925 Blue 3 to Blue 1: Relief now in process.
- 1930 Fatal 6 7/8 to Blue 1: What is story on Civilians sent back (To begin with they're out of zone STRASBURG - HAGUENAU. Tried to pass between here and ZUTZENDORF twice today. Benz, father-in-law, is suspect by FFI. Report from civilians that warning put out on PARIS radio to hold car that license no.) Thanks will take care of it.
- 2007 Relief completed 1945.
- 2009 Blue 1 to Fatal 3 1/2: Relief completed as of 1945-Blue 6 assumes command of area.
- 2015 Request for artificial moonlight (In about two hours-Due to ptrl activity).
- 2353 Fatal 3 1/2 to CP: Moonlight just turned on - need any adjustment? Checked W/Co's.
- 2358 CP to Fatal 3 1/2: Front lines say moonlight ok - no activity our zone.
- 2400 This completes 118 days in action: 67 days in line 50 days in Res, 1 Day in trans. 24 consecutive days in reserve.

5 March 1945Time

- 0001 OP #1 and OP #2 to blue CP: Each reported two flares 70° and 87° azimuth and a blast of about 6 rds from Enemy MG in MULEHOUSEN.
- 0025 OP #1 to Blue CP: About 30 rds Enemy MG fire from MULEHOUSEN also a flare 90° Az.
- 0030 Love CP to Blue CP: Noise at crossroads near NIEFFERN - Sounded like farm wagons.
- 0200 OP #1 to Blue CP: More flares going up at about 90° Az.
- 0205 Fatal war Room to Blue CP: Anything to report--Info on flares given.
- 0300 OP's #1 and 2 to Blue CP: Nothing to report.
- 0315 OP #2 to Blue CP: Hear mtr vehicles in direction of NIEFFERN or MULE*HOUSEN--sounds like trucks. Will let you know if anything developes.
- 0400 OP's #1, #2, #3 to Blue CP: #1 and #2--Sound of mtr vehicles in vicinity of NIEFFERN. #3 Nothing to report.

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- 0430 OP #1: Az 360° flares followed by gunfire at 0415 and 0425.
 0500 OP #1: SA fire MULEHOUSEN.
 0600 Fatal War Room - Blue OP: Rpt msg of 0500.
 0603 OP #1: All quiet.
 0605 OP #2: Negative Report.
 0645 OP #3: Pulling phone now - going to OP #4.
 0700 OP #4: Pulling phone now.
 0703 OP #1: All quiet.
 0755 OP #1 and #2: Negative Report.
 0830 Ammo report.
 0900 OP #1 and 2: No activity - visibility improving.
 0933 Fatal 6 in CP (Departs 1009): Accident in Menchoffen - guard, evidently drunk, shot man. Want to stress: carelessness with fire arms - causing accidents - Educational campaign by Co Comdrs. Want to prevent carelessness on front lines - exposing position etc.
 0945 G-2 Periodic report.
 0945 Defensive fire plan to Regt.
 1005 OP #1 and #2: All quiet.
 1024 Blue 3 to Love 6: Like to have some pull type booby troops (Will get some - call Engrs).
 1100 OP #2: 2 Enemy walking west on road at (902-325) at 1036. 1105: Two more some way - walk into line of trees can't observe after that. They do not take North road.
 1122 Chaplain's report.
 1123 Patrol plans to Regt by Ln O.
 1145 Love 6 to Blue 6: Turning company over to Dukes - going to PARIS.
 1155 OP #1: Nothing to report. Op #2: 1 Eny walking toward UHRWILER on road at (896-320).
 1300 OP #1: Nothing to report. OP #2: 1 Eny walking west on road (902-325).
 1433 Fatal 3 to OP: Meeting here for S-3 at 1900 today.
 1502 Fatima 2 to Blue 2: We've received Mortar fire fr vic NEIFFERN - Ok Check with your OP to try to locate.
 1505 Blue 2 to OP 2: Saw kraut Volkwagon on road (902-325) will look for mortar. #1: Haven't noticed it - will check.
 1510 Blue 2 to Item 5: Have men down here at 1730 - with compasses.
 1550 Ln O: Ptrl Route S: White Bn - results of White and 14-A. Tng memo #7 - Hq 7th Army dated 24 Feb 45. Subject "Tanks".
 1605 OP #2: Small German vehicle moving west approx 15 mph on road at (902-325) - (1420). 1425: Fire at OFFWILER approx (858-347) 1445: 1 Eny crawling in vineyard (890-304). 1550 6 Kraut on bicycles moving south on road at (895-323).
 1622 OP #1: 3 Krauts walking toward UHRWILER (888-316) 1615.
 1803 Booby traps and mine field overlay.
 1810 OP #2 1715 personnel carrier W/4 eny approaching UHRWILER approx (89.3-31.7)
 1720: 2 eny on foot - edge of wood (90.2-32.4). To RJ (902-325) (Covered).

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- 1815 Fall Baker 2 to Blue 3: (Any trip flares and booby traps - pull type - need 15) Yes think so (About half and half - night job) Will check and let you know tomorrow.
- 1855 OP #1: Nothing to report. OP #2: Seen total 3 vehicles today - will make complete report tomorrow.
- 1950 OP #1: No activity.
- 2054 Fatima 2 to OP: Sound of vehicles between URHWILLER - KINDWILLER. From Op at 8565-3088. Az of 90° - See if you can shoot another AZ will you? (Yes sir).
- 2056 OP to L OP: Check w/your OP's about the 2054 message. (Report sound of wagons N of NIEFFERN too faint for AZ.)
- 2114 OP to Fatima 2: Info in msg of 2056. Sorry we could not hear it plain enough for Az. Let us know of any further happenings.
- 2210 K OP to 2: Reported by Fatima that their Ptrl cleared back - saw kraut ptrl almost in front of us. Trip flare just set off. (Green).
- 2213 2 to Red Fatima 2: Check w/your ptrl that just come back and see about rpt of a kraut ptrl in our zone.
- 2228 Fatima Red 2 to 2: Our ptrl spotted kraut combat ptrl. The green flare brought down mortar fire on them and they dispersed. May have another effort later.
- 2230 2 to L OP: Info in 2228.
- 2335 Ptrl to NIEFFERN checks in at "K" OP. Got within 100yds of RJ.
- 2400 This completes 119 days in action: 68 days on line, 50 days in reserve, 1 day transit, 1 day continuous on line.
- 2100 1st Plat Co A 48 Tk Bn atchd this command - VOCCO.

6 March 1945Time

- 0010 Op #2 to Blue CP - Flares not in our sector - All is quiet.
- 0032 Fatal OP to Blue CP: Have your OP's reported any artificial moonlight? (No but will check - OP reports it is turned on) - It is not supposed to be on.
- 0043 Love CP to Blue 2: Have Blue OP's been notified? (Yes) We will be ready soon.
- 0050 OP #1 to Blue CP: Nothing to report.
- 0150 Fatal CP to Blue CP: Anything to report? (No - all is quiet).
- 0200 OP #4: Nothing to report - unable to contact OP #3.
- 0206 Op #3: All quiet.
- 0225 Fatal OP to Blue CP: Have you men still out on patrol? White has returned and requested artificial moonlight. If you have men out it would interfere with their work. (Will contact Co's.).
- 0227 Blue CP to Love CP: Gave them msg of 0225. (Requests moonlight off until patrol is in).
- 0230 Blue CP to Fatal OP: Gave Fatal info of 0227 - Will call when patrol is in (ok).
- 0232 OP #2 - Blue CP: All quiet - Nothing to report.

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- 0430 Love OP to CP: Patrol back in.
 0433 OP to Fatal OP: Love patrol in.
 0447 OP #2 - Single green flare behind NEIFFERN.
 0453 OP #1 - Nothing to report - moonlight on.
 0510 Blue OP to Fatal : King rpt light outlining left plat - should be shifted.
 0650 OP #1 - Whole center of NEIFFERN seems to be burning.
 0705 OP #2 - Last two hours - Negative report.
 0910 OP #1 - NEIFFERN still burning strongly.
 1030 G-2 Periodic Report.
 1102 Fatal 3 to Blue 1: What are mortars firing in NEIFFERN.
 1103 King: 60's sniping in town. Love: LYNCH says .88 over behind town.
 1105 Blue 1 to Fatal 3: Rec'd some mortar fire from town - 60's sniping back.
 1106 Love Co sketches.
 1153 Fatal 6 in CP (Departs 1210): Suggests deeper patrolling - checking ENGWILLER district.
 1155 OP #2 Nothing to report. OP #1 Arty 6 rds rec'd at 1015.
 1204 Item OP to Blue 2: Learned that French soldier left ZUTZENDORF for UHRWILER TO visit mother - was to try to sneak thru both lines. Name Schleiffer.
 1400 OP #1: 1325 1 Eny walking on road at (902325) and edge of woods (899328)
 1340: 2 Eny walking North on road at (895323) and 1345: 1 Eny walking West on road at (902325) and 1 Eny walking north on road at (895323)
 OP#2 Nothing to report.
 1420 Blue 3 to Blue 36: Fatal 3: Want to test fire new 57 - can we go back to previous place tomorrow at 1030. (Yes go ahead).
 1500 OP #2 1405 Wagon pulled by two horses - going west (902-325) 1410: 1 kraut going west (902-325) 1435: 1 Kraut going east (902-325) 1500: 1 kraut going east (902-325) 1425: 2 Kraut going south (895-323).
 1445: 1 Kraut going North (895-323).
 1503 Overlay Patrols 410th.
 1600 OP #1: Nothing to report. OP #2: At 1530 2 Krauts moving east on road (90.2-32.5).
 1735 OP #2: Wagon pulled by two horses - going West (902-325).
 1722 Mike OP to Blue 2: Want arty on UHRWILLER - either tanks or SP's going in - saw 2 on road (88.6-30.8).
 1856 OP #1: Negative report. OP #2: Negative report.
 1940 OP's #1 and 2 rpt Trip flare at (87.4-29.0). #1 - Az 110° - #2 Az 340°.
 2155 OP # 1 and 2 rpt trip flare at approx same place. Also MG fire from left flank heard faintly. (Fatima red says friendly MG fire is from their left, out of their zone).
 2336 OP #1 and 2: Rpts arty just shelled NEIFFERN - is ptrl back (will check).
 2354 L OP to OP: Ptrl cleared MLR at 2308 - Ptrl report follows: Got as far as creek, heard Kraut voices at about (884-291), so did not cross creek. Area was quite well lighted by fires burning in KINDWILLER, and by Kraut flares. Heard sound of wagon on ridge between UHRWILLER AND KINDWILLER. Also heard a scream from direction of KINDWILLER during a lull in the shelling. There our four buildings burning brightly in KINDWILLER.

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2400 This completes 120 days in action. 69 days in line, 50 days in Res, 1 day in transit and 2nd continuous day in line.

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- 0100 OP's #1, 2, 3, 4, Negative reports.
 0200 OP's #1, 2, 3, 4, Negative reports.
 0300 OP's #1, 2, 3, 4, Negative reports.
 0410 Fatal war Room to OP: Have to turn moonlight out (L and K notified).
 0500 OP #1 and 2 nothing to report.
 0600 OP #1 and 2 nothing to report.
 0700 OP #1 and 2 Fire in MULHAUSEN.
 0800 Op #1 and 2 nothing to report.
 1000 G-2 Periodic report.
 1055 OP #1 and 2 Visibility closing down.
 1210 OP #2 Ob 1 kraut on bicycle at (902-324) time 1155. Moved in westerly direction. Seen again at (894-317) at 1200. 3 Krauts seen (894-317) going out of UHRWILLER.
 1250 OP #2: 1204 obs 1 kraut at (902-324) walking west.
 1206 Horse drawn vehikle (894-317) approach UHRWILLER.
 1208 3 Kraut at (902-324) going into woods - East.
 1220 3 Kraut at (894-317) approaching UHRWILLER.
 1230 2 Kraut approaching UHRWILLER (887-316) on trail.
 1240 3 Kraut hauling cart (894-317) leaving UHRWILLER.
 1342 Patrol overlay.
 1400 OP #2 1310 2 Kraut leaving UHRWILLER (894-317).
 1332 Heard 3 reports - different from usual arty - smoke rose at (873317) woods.
 1442 Overlay BRL 2nd Bn.
 1515 OP #2 Rpts: 1403 2 Kraut going E at (900325).
 1410 6 rds R fire and one burst MG from direction of UHRWILLER.
 1500 2 Rounds probably 75mm Arty burst 150 yds my left front 30 sec apart. Another just come in a little more to our front.
 1600 OP #1 Negative rpt.
 OP #2 4rds came in between 3-4, 2 150 yd to front, 2 150 yd left front more some smoke at (873-317) 3 Krauts driving 2 cows into UHRWILLER.
 1652 Fatal 6 in OP: 5 Orients on ptrl for tonight. (Departs 1655).
 1800 Rpt of OP #2: 1615 1 Kraut on wagon, 2 walking going into UHRWILLER from woods. 1740: 2 coming and 2 going on road (895-323). 1750: 1 Truck coming out of UHRWILLER On same road.
 Rpt of OP #1: 1750 at (900-324) large military truck going away from UHRWILLER.
 1820 Fatal 3 to CP: H Co will fire MG into KINDWILLER tonight at 1900.
 1840 Recd OI #26 - Regt dated 7 March 45. Also memo in re night problem of 411th 8-9th Mar 45.
 2000 OP #1 : 1 Flare 110° - 1 flare 200°. OP #2: 1 Flare 320°.

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 2038 L OP rpts 12 man ptrl of White rptd back through OP at 2035. K OP rpts their listening post came in at 2030, rptd two wagons on MUHLHAUSEN - NEIFFERN road. (L OP's also heard toward same place two wagons).
 2125 Recd from Ln O: Instructions to road guards, and sample passes. 5 orients Sgt of guard and issues instructions to I co thru M/C.
 2302 OP #1 and 2 - Negative rpt.
 2400 L OP rpts ptrl cleared back through OP Line.
 2400 This completes 121 days in action: 70 days in line, 50 days in Res, 1 day in transit, 3 days continuous day in line.

8 March 1945

Time
 0025 OP #3 rpts White light, probably flashlight AZ 160°.
 0045 OP - tower reports same light as #0025 at same AZ going on and off.
 0051 Love CP to Blue 2: Patrol has returned - Planted mines about 100 yds south of original place. No enemy encountered - Enemy activity in town to our front. Using mortars (It was difficult to patrol due to the flares they encountered and the town was burning-) Mines were not planted but put on the surface.
 0014 Blue CP to Fatal 2: Above information of 0051.
 0155 OP #1 and 2 report all quiet.
 0200 Fatal Blue CP: Have you anything to report? (No all is quiet).
 0400 OP #1 and 2, all is quiet.
 0500 Op #1 and 2, all quiet.
 0705 OP #1 Nothing to report. #2 2 Kraut going over rise into UHRWILLER from NEIFFERN - on road.
 0810 OP #2 0735: 7 Kraut going east (902-325). 0750 1 kraut going north out of UHRWILLER. 0800 2 Kraut going east at (878-311).
 OP #1 0730: 3 Mortar shells 150 yd in front of hole.
 0830 Sgt Pifat to Blue CP: Fox Co picked up 2 kraut last night. Still two in woods we think - watching for them.
 0937 Fame 38 in OP (Departs 0942).
 0948 G-2 Periodic report.
 1110 Ammo report.
 1115 OP #1 Nothing to Report.
 OP #2 1045: 1 Kraut going south on road at (895-318) ducked into trees to west of road at that point (second kraut observed to do this today).
 1100: 3 krauts walking on road (902-324).
 1130 OP #2 3rds mortar about 150 yd fr OP. #1: Nothing to report.
 1325 OP #2 3 Krauts moving east into woods from RJ (90.0-32.5).
 1345 Recd from 2 ptrl overlay for 8 and 9 Mar 45.
 1345 Recd from Ln O: Memo "Countersigns" Hq 7th Army dated 2 Mar 45.
 1740 OP # 2 1720 3 Kraut at (895-318). OP #1 Nothing to report.
 1802 OP #2 1755 2 horse and wagon into UHRWILLER (894-317).
 1758 1 horse and wagon into UHRWILLER (894-317) and 2 men motorcycle going out of UHRWILLER.
 1801 2 men (same above)-at (902-325).

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1849 Memo - Training rpt.
 1904 OP #2 - 330° - Flare. OP #1 - 350° - Flare.
 1950 OP #1 and 2 Nothing to report. Visibility zero.
 2005 OP #1 and 2: 2 Rounds WP into NIEFFERN.
 2300 OP #1 and 2 Nothing to report.
 2350 OP #1 and 2 Negative rpt.
 2400 This completes 122 days in action; 71 days in line, 50 days Res, 1 day in transit, 4th cons day in line.

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0100 OP #1 and 2 to CP: Negative report.
 0130 King Co patrol reported in at 0030--No contact was made with enemy. Wagon heard in vic NIEFFERN at 2230. A few flares were seen near NIEFFERN.
 0200 OP #1 and 2 to CP: Negative reports.
 0205 Love Co Patrol checked in.
 0300 #1 and #2 OP: Call in - no reports.
 0400 OP #1 and 2--Negative report.
 0500 OP #1 and 2--Negative report.
 0600 OP #1 and 2--Negative report.
 0830 No change in Ammo report.
 0900 Fatal 6 in CP (Left 0940).
 0945 Fame 38 in CP.
 1000 OP #1: 0930 (901-325) 2 men going east into woods, another man pushing bike.
 1001 OP #2: 0905 2 Krauts on a motorcycle at (901-325) going east.
 0945 1 Kraut going west at (901-325).
 1005 G-2 Periodic Report.
 1035 Fatal 2 to Blue 2: Outfit on right sending out patrol to see whether krauts have pulled back. (OP's notified).
 1050 AF Code.
 1110 Fatal 6 in cp (Departs 1115).
 1308 King Co to CP: 15 rd mortar on King CO's position - sounded fr NW UHRWILLER.
 1336 Patrol overlays.
 1408 M-6 to CP: Will fire indirect fire into UHRWILLER Between 1500 and 1600 today, Notify Co's, (L and K Notified).
 1542 Item 6 to Blue CP: Old CP closed - New CP open. Assumed command.
 1547 OP #2: 1232 Mortar shell 100 yd N of position.
 1239 Mortar shell 300 North.
 1243 Approx 15 shells along our lines where cross NIEFFERN Road.
 1742 OP #2: 5 rds mortar fell here - muzzle blast can be heard in UHRWILLER.
 1744 Love CP to Blue CP: 2 men wounded by mortar fire - almost direct hit on hole.
 1745 OP #2: Another rd - fr vic UHRWILLER.

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 1752 Blue OP to Fatal 3: Rpt mortar recd by Love and King - also injured men Love.
 1815 OP #2: 1745 2 Kraut into woods (902-325) 1800 MG fire in vic MULHAUSEN. 1812 Wagon and horse at (902-325).
 1955 Item to OP: 1945 Relief complete - will notify you when closed in.
 1958 Blue 3 to Fatal 3: Item relieved Love effective 1955.
 2030 Mortar OP to CP: Receiving 5 or 6 rounds of mortar fire - Coming from back of center of town. (Pour it on) Can't quite reach them, out of my range. Can we get some Arty on them? (Will try).
 2030 L 6 to CP: Man from Rcn Tr says they are pinned down on road E of ZUTZENDORF by MG fire from their rear.
 2032 3 to White 3: Your fire into KINDWILLER has rcn Tr pinned down. Can you turn it off? (Yes will do).
 2055 L CP to 3: Yyour Ptrl cleared back MLR at 2050.
 2058 L CP to CP: Ptrl rpts mission accomplished. Lots of Eng noise (shouting) in NIEFFERN. Were not fired upon.
 2107 OP #1 and 2 rpt flare fired from NIEFFERN (white) Low trajectory. Landed at AZ #1 (30°) #2 (352°).
 2116 3 to Green 5: Can you fire some into center of UHRWILLER? We have been getting mortar out of there (ok).
 2123 Fatal 2 to OP: Corps Radar just picked up foot movement at (88332965) and (88432964) (Notified I and K).
 2150 "K" Co reports some Nebelwerfer being thrown into SHILLERSDORF.
 2230 Fatal 2 reports stolen 2½ ton truck has been found and no further check is necessary by the guards.
 2400 This completes 123 days in action; 72 days on line, 50 days in Res, 1 day transit, 5th continuous day in line.

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Time
 0050 OP #1 - All is quiet - Two lights moving in NIEFFERN.
 OP #2 - All is quiet - Do not see lights - Will keep look out for them.
 0150 OP #1 - Heard a wagon in MULHAUSEN.
 Op #2 - Heard same - Also heard motor movement in same place.
 0450 OP #1 - Fire in BISCHOFFEN - All is quiet.
 0552 OP #1 and 2 - Nothing to report.
 0730 Fatal 3 to CP: Fatal 6 wants report of whether you still have contact.
 0745 CP to Fatal 3: I rpts. K rpts: Sound of small (motor bike) motor East of NIEFFERN. OP #2 rpts: Saw Kraut running to hole. Think its mortar OP. Located (875-308) 20° Az.
 0800 CP to Fatal 3: Rpt of info in #6 msg of 0745.
 0953 Fatal 6 in CP: (Depatts 1025).
 1045 G-2 Periodic report.
 1200 Blue 2 to OP's: No krauts seen this morning.
 1202 OP #1 and 2 Rpt MG in woods behind MULHAUSEN and one in direction UHRWILER. Patrol overlay to Regt.
 1335 Patrol overdy.

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- 1400 OP #2: 1345 1 Kraut going toward ENGWILLER on bicycle (900-325).
 1430 Overlay -- location at mines.
 1502 6 Evacuated.
 1539 Fatal 6 in CP (Departs 1605).
 1555 White 3 to CP: No .50 Cal holes in jeeps. Capt. MCCARTHY investigating. Fire obsd by officer maximum elevation put trajectory 96 ft over MLR. Story about being pinned down false.
 1600 OP #1: Rpts 5 rounds mortar falling left front on our positions. 80mm. OP #2: Rpts MG fire coming from patch of woods N of UHRWILLER.
 1603 Mortars Rpt: Getting 6 rounds mortar 100 yds in front of our MG positions. Think coming from UHRWILLER (Notified arty Ln to have air OP obsn on UHRWILLER).
 1721 Mike to CP: MG nest at (876-306) dropped rd mortar right in hole. (Would like to zero Cn Co so can fire tonight if opens up). Blue 3 to Green 6: Would like to fire on MG (876-306) (GT line runs 400 yd to your right) (On the way 1732) (75 left - range fairly good) (On the way 1734) (100 short) (OTW 1735) (Still short - about 100) (On the way 1736) (60 yd right - range ok) (OTW 1739) (right in there) (drd OTW 1740) (Good) (Conc #43).
 1740 Fatal 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to Blue 3: Report to Fatal 3 at 0945 Monday.
 1817 Love 6 to Blue CP: Capt WHIPPS resumed command Love as of 1200.
 1900 King to CP: Receiving considerable mortar fire - to left UHRWILLER.
 1903 Blue 3 to Green 5: Will call if need fire on UHRWILLER.
 2005 Blue 3 to Green 5: Called for fire on UHRWILLER.
 2015 Fatal 6 to Blue 5: 6 asked for report on front line. Fatal 5 will be here in AM. Wanted rpt on drunken soldiers from L Co.
 2030 King 6 reports eny hit by arty - possibly attempting relief. File eny seen on high ground East UHRWILLER.
 2045 Lt NORD to CP: Large explosion UHRWILLER - possibly gasoline or ammo dump.
 2110 Fame rpts eny parachutists dropped in Army area - no details - Alert guards info to I, K, L, M, Hq - OP #1 and 2.
 2054 Blue 3 to Green 6: OP's rpt big explosion resulting from your fire (Will lay guns and get ready to fire on call. Also have fire from 4 - 90mm guns if our of our range - they have radar - under our FDC.
 2100 OP #1: Fire dying out. OP #2: Fire seems bright when arty is firing. Can see no activity.
 2104 Blue 3 to Fatal 3 $\frac{1}{2}$: Rpt of explosion in UHRWILLER.
 2110 NORD to FORD: Several explosions like gasoline.
 2116 King 5 to OP: Four more explosions in UHRWILLER.
 2125 Fatal 3 to 3: Will be down tomorrow to take over while your 6 is gone.
 2200 NORD to 5: Fire dying out - can we get more arty? (Rcn starting in few minutes - will try).
 2235 Item 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ to CP: Rcn ptrl jumped off at 2225 - Notify arty. (Arty Ln 0 notified).
 2400 This completes 124 days in action; 73 days on line, 50 days in res; 1 day transit. This is 6th consec. day in line.

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- 0030 King Patrol reported in. Nothing seen nor heard.
 0200 OP's report in (Negative).
 0300 OP's report in (Negative).
 0330 Fatal War Room - Anything to report? Nothing.
 0400 OP's #1 and 2: Nothing to report.
 0405 King to Blue OP: Can we get some moonlight tonight. No Fashion has some troops out in area.
 0603 OP's - Quiet.
 0750 OP #1: 2 Eny arty shells light. 0645 2 Kraut going into UHRWILLER at (895-323). 0745 1 Kraut on bike riding east into ENGWILLER at (902-324).
 1025 G-2 Periodic report.
 1025 Memo Re use Pyrotechnics.
 1040 OP #2: 1000 1 Kraut on motorcycle at (902-325).
 1002 2 Kraut walking to UHRWILLER (895-318).
 1200 Actg Blue 6 to Fatal 6: Assumed command Blue Bn.
 1235 OP #2 Eny digging in at (873-309) - appears to be trench. Eny MG fire at Az 8° fr #2 and 43° fr 1 - Left NEIFFERN.
 1300 OP #2: Mortars spotted MG nest above and opened up. Was near man digging so he took off into woods.
 1301 Fatal 3 in CP (Departs 1313).
 1316 OP to All Co's: Co Comdr will report to Bn CP for meeting today 1400.
 1352 Fatal 3 to Blue 6: Did red speak to you about putting couple platoons in town where they are? (No) will check.
 1445 Patrol results overlay.
 1521 Love 6 to OP: Rec'd 10-12 rds arty - 105 along RR here - no one hurt.
 1823 OP #2 at (894-317) 1 Kraut on bicycle met 1 kraut on foot - proceeding out of UHRWILLER (1755).
 1900 OP #1 and 2: 0825 - MG fired - came from same direction as before.
 1940 Blue 2 to Fatal 2: Patrol can be oriented by PI at 1200 - not before - pigeons can be picked up same time.
 2230 Fashion ptrl on the way.
 2400 This completes 125 days in action; 74 days on line, 50 days in Res, 1 day transit. This is 7th consec. day in line.

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- 0040 Fatal 3 to OP: Is it ok to turn on moonlight? Red asked for it. (No don't turn it on Fashion Ptrl jumped off at 2230 - didn't you know about it?) Nobody told me.
 0045 OP to K OP: It is ok to go ahead now with releif.
 0155 Fatal CP to Blue CP: Anything to report? (Nothing, all is quiet).
 0705 OP 1 and 2: 0705 5 Krauts on road to ENGWILLER at (902-325).
 2 Krauts at (893-309).
 0712 Item OP to OP: Have 2 krauts - walked into OP this morning (will send for them).
 0745 Fatal 2: Fashion patrol returned.

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0800 OP #2: 0716 3 of 5 krauts still standing (902-325). 0721 3 more joined them from woods. 0730 Arty rd landed near that point and 2 krauts took off on bicycle and rest disappeared. 0750 3 eny walking into ENGWILLER wood.

0900 OP 1 and 2: Nothing to report.

0936 Fatal 2 to CP: Want info (1) Acoustics of our propoganda three days ago. (2) Pin point location of positions along BITCHROFFEN - KINDWILLER road and KINDWILLER - la Wolck road.

0945 G-2 Periodic report.

1011 OP #1 and 2: 6 rds mortar on NEIFFERN - ZUTZENDORF rd and 5 rd near OP #1.

1030 Recd chaplain rpt.

1153 Recd ptrl overlay.

1207 Fatal 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to OP: Tell 6 a Bn CO meeting probably after 1500 today (time later).

1300 Fatal 2 to Blue 6: Do you want Rcn radio? (No - will use positions) Would like to have Healy discuss what he ran into - will try to get him down.

1351 Concentration and Nos - New Overlay - Cannon Co.

1506 Fatal 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to Blue 3: Will have new M-24 tank in town for you at 1300.

1455 (90.2-32.5) One man moving east into woods (1535).

1606 Hardtack 6 to Blue 3: Platoon Tks rptd to white - they are in town.

1645 Item CP to Blue 2: Located mortar at (892-318) - sound ranged by 2 OP's (FO contacted).

1700 Blue 6 leaves OP.

1705 OP # 1: Occasional mortar rds - fr west UHRWILLER.

1725 Op # 2: 8 rds mortar approx 150 yds fr OP - fr UHRWILLER.

1725 Lt Ford TO Blue 2: Charley says have patrol planned - will you check and let me know - don't want to get in any mixup.

1750 Fatal 2 to Blue 3: Fatima is going to pull night problem 1900-0100.

1855 Blue 2 to Red 2: What is deal in Charley - any footwork? (No both off account of thing tonight) (Might have individual ren - better check Charley).

1800 Blue 2 to Item 6: Same thing tonight as last night - only Love pulls it. (Say had lot of stuff - about 12 rds .88 Paulson says).

1805 Blue 2 to Lt FORD - Charley deal off.

1900 PW interrogation report and Patrol overlay.

1944 Fatal 2 to Blue 2: Have kraut password for tonight. Reise - Buro pronounced Rysa - Bewro. Flare info: White flares - friendly patrol in area or coming thru lines. Blue - Green is call for Arty or mortar.

2200 OP #1 and 2: Rpt 6-7 rd mortar on MLR near OP's - sound from left side UHRWILLER (243 notified).

2208 Love patrol checks out Bn OP - Lt FORD and 2 EM.

2215 OP's: Mortar fire heavier and closer - (3rds during conversation) (Hold on - arty to fire on UHRWILLER). Continued heavy fire received.

2245 Blue 2 to Fatal 2: Getting pretty heavy fire along line - mortar (could you give coordinate) Well at road - both I and K positions.

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- 2305 FORD to Blue 2: Waiting at Item for mortar fire to slow down before moving out - will notify you.
- 2337 Blue 3 to Green 6: Like to have Conc 13 (coming out).
- 2340 Blue 3 to OP's: Let me know how arty looks (8-9 rds right in left side UHRWILLER).

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- 0130 Co I reports that Co L just left on the patrol.
- 0530 Love Co patrol checked in. Will be down later. Lt FORD.
- 0707 Blue 6 to White 2: White patrol got through.
- 0708 Blue 6 to Fatal 2: Our patrol got back in at 0530.
- 0900 Fatal 3 to CP: Meeting at Regt for Blue 3 and Blue 6 at 1030.
- 0937 Fatal 2 to Blue 2: Do you think it would be advisable to repeat patrol tonight (Don't know - May be too deep - will think about it and let you know).
- 0945 G-2 Periodic report.
- 0946 Obstacles overlay.
- 1145 Patrol results overlay - Love patrol.
- 1300 OP #1 2-3 Mortar rds approx 1235 - 100-150 yd fr OP.
- 1410 Fatal CP to Blue CP - Fame orders you have cerise panels ready and available one per vehicle.
- 1645 Fame 6 in CP (departs 1501).
- 1650 Fatal 6 in CP (departs 1505).
- 1747 Fatal 3 to Blue 3: Want by 0900 tomorrow morning number of panels needed for vehicles in forward area and no of yellow panels needed to mark position troops on ground.
- 1750 Blue CP to Blue 35: How many panels needed? (Two full panels - 4 halves).
- 1800 White 2 to CP: Tell Blue 2 that my patrol will go out thru Red and cover general area already discussed with him.
- 2320 White 2 to Blue 2: Last night's patrol in now.
- 2332 Item 5 to CP: Man hurt - patrol - man evidently stepped on mine. (Will have leader call you).
- 2342 O'LEARY to Blue 2: Man hurt just before got to road (Did you follow path taken by FORD?) Can't be positive - May have been off to left - Can you pin point location mine? (Will check - looks different on daylight) Better call off patrol.

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- 0048 O'LEARY to Blue 2: Have the approx Az of mine. About 38° from our OP. Two men were hurt. Do not know if it was ours or Jerry. Will you come up tomorrow and will then trace it down on the map? (Will do that).
- 0200 Fatal CP to Blue CP: Requested the happening - (All is quiet).
- 0900 Blue 6 to Fatal 6: (Clark got in - 6 talked with him - will let you know the second we have anything definite).
- 0935 Fatal 6 in CP w/SOI (departs 0945).

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- 0950 OP #1 and 2: Receiving Mortar fire - Arty in SCHILLERSDORF.
 1033 OP #2 1008 2 Rifle shots UHRWILLER. 1012 2 Krauts at (887-313) going NE. 1019 2 Krauts at (895-318) still going NE and passed 2 krauts heading S. 1026 2 krauts w/push cart at (887-313) A kraut standing guard at (888-313).
 1100 CO Comdrs oriented and given order by Blue 6.
 1110 Fatal 6 in OP (Departs 1115).
 1148 OP #1 and 2: New dugout at (873-308) a kraut came out and walked around. At 1119 a kraut on bicycle rode NE at (887-313).
 1316 OP #1 and 2: 1210 (887-317) 3 krauts toward UHRWILLER.
 1317 Tk platoon leader in OP - oriented and attached to K by Blue 6 (2nd Plat Co O).
 1450 OP #2: Rpt object on road - seems to be tank - on road from KINDWILLER.
 1500 Blue OP to Red: Can you see anything resembling tank on road out of KINDWILLER? (Will call back).
 1503 G-2 Periodic report.
 1509 Mortar OP: Tank spotted in KINDWILLER - right in edge of town.
 1510 Red 2 to Blue 2: No one can see tank. Have received 2 rds arty.
 1511 Blue 2 to OP 2: Give coordinates tk location tank. Right at bend of tank. (OP #1 Arty going into ZUTZENDORF) Tank in between first two houses - right side of road (GT line to your left flank) (OTW 1519) Lost (OTW - 1522) Over 200 (OTW 1525) lost (OTW 1527) (384 states vehicle was knocked out previously).
 1515 Fame 6 in OP (Departs 1525).
 1530 Tactical study of terrain.
 1634 Patrol overlay.
 1635 Critical points.
 1636 AF Code and Geo Supplement.
 1637 Msg re Panels thru M/C.
 1830 OP #1 and 2 report Enemy MG fire approximately 200 yds NE of NIEFFERN - 2 bursts of 30 rds.
 2020 OP #1 and 2: report drifting lights and flashes evidently flash fired at a bombing mission - direction MULHAUSEN - far beyond.

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- 0645 Attack jumps off.
 0710 OP #2: Towns perfectly smoked off. Can see King Co moving in. TD's just finished firing and moved on in.
 0715 Radio msg fr King Co - Bridge intact - only needs boards to support jeep. Will check further on it.
 0735 Rpt above to Fatal 3.
 0745 Fatal 6 to OP: Give location troops. Contact by radio immediately.
 0800 King Co - waiting for smoke to left before moving on in. Bridge not in on good shape as previously reported.
 0810 Blue 6 to OP: Am 1,000 yds right of Uhrwiler. Wating for smoke to left. Where is White Bn?

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 0830 CP closed Obermodern.
 0900 CP opens ZUTZENDORF.
 0910 Fatal 6 to Blue 5: Get location Blue 6 - can't contact - line is out.
 0950 Blue 6 to Blue 5: Cannot contact White: Smoke still very dense. Will move in as soon as clear.
 1020 Msg to King 6 thru M/C: Report immediately when NEIFFERN totally clear. When clear assemble there as Regt'l reserve.
 1045 Notify King to move to OP YY as soon as NEIFFERN cleared.
 1050 King 5 to CP: NEIFFERN clear - Engrs working on ridge - will move to YY Need letter team--casualties mines.
 1130 Blue 6 to Blue 5: Stretcher team to Item. (Will send as soon as teams thru at King.)
 1145 Fatal 3 to Blue 5: Gives position adjacent troops.
 1205 Blue 5 to Blue 6: Gives location adjacent troops. Stretcher teams on way.
 1443 Blue 6 to Blue 5: UHRWILER cleared. Town burning.
 1500 Fatal 3 to CP: Bridge at NIEFFERN should be ready by 1800.
 1530 Ln 0 with info on bridge at OP 51: Will be in by 1700.
 1635 CP closed ZUTZENDORF.

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1845 CP opened Uhrwiller - Blue 6 in CP.
 1900 Ln 0 sent to locate platoon King (reverted to Bn control.).

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 0005 Blue 6 to Blue 2: Relay to companies - All companies ready to move at 0600. Patrols from I and L check roads and vinyards due North East of town (91.4-31.9).
 0009 Blue 5 to Blue 2: Lay wire to item from your CP.
 0015 Blue 4 to Blue 2: Have carrying parties from Love and Item at (91.0-31.9) on road at 0500 to pick up rations.
 0017 Blue 3 to Blue 2: Have guide to pick up Blue 6 and Blue 3 at 0545. Call Item have them have guide to guide King Company at your OP at 0545.
 0022 Blue 3 to Fatal 3: I have platoon of King alerted to report to Blue Bn tomorrow morning.
 0029 Blue 2 to CP: Bring one B-A 70 for each company with rations.
 0110 Blue 5 to Fatal 3: Any info on K Plt? They will be released to go at 0430.
 0135 Fatal 3 to Blue 3: Bridge at Cr Pt 38 being used from 0620 to 0700 by Fancy troops. Bridge at Cr Pt 51 being replaced by wooden structure at 0600.
 0306 BALDUS to CP: Went to find King Co again but was unable to do so. Well return here shortly.
 0335 Lt. SATHE and Lt JAFFEE leave to deliver supplies to line companies.
 0345 Fatal to CP: In morning at daylight there will be a squad of Eng mine sweepers arived here to be attached for duty. We are to give them the priority on the roads needing sweeping.
 0630 Item to CP: Dowe have tanks moving between UHRWILLER and ENGWILLER (Will

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- 0630 (Con) check Regt) Call back: No the tks not definitely there.
- 0655 Fatal 6 to Blue 5: Can't contact forward line - (We can't get thru either).
- 0705 Blue 5 to Blue 3: Got off OK. Want to sweep road from South - Barrage was excellent. Need bozooka and AT. Get road swept and have A and P prepared to hand carry. Have 25 prisoners.
- 0730 Blue 6 to Blue 5: White OP in same town. No report from front - everything going OK -- (Going to have road swept and TD's coming up. Located King Platoon) Want OP up here soon as possible - town completely clear.
- 0803 Blue 6 to Blue 5: No contact with White during night. Clearing road around T to ENGWILLER. Bn almost to neck of woods at (92.2-32.8).
- 0811 Blue 6 to Blue 5: Item Co forming at Battleneck (92.2-32.8) PW claims that Regt withdrew to West Wall but doesn't believe they'll hold it.
- 0815 Blue 3 to Blue 5: Just about cleared woods - picked up PW who says Regt has withdrawn to West Wall. Moving forward so pulling line.
- 0830 Blue 5 to Fatal 3: Rptd #18. Have you seen JONES? (About hour ago - He's clearing road to 58.) Am trying to get in touch with him.
- 0835 Lt COX dispatched to locate Lt JONES.
- 0857 Blue 5 to Blue 3: Item in N edge of woods and Item is ready to jump off.
- 0900 Blue 5 to Fatal 3: Item and Love is on N edge of woods by road running from Q to 77. Item is ready to jump off.
- 0905 Blue 5 to Blue 2: We're moving A and P, AT, Lt BODELL and Lt JAFFEE up.
- 0910 BALDUS To Blue 5: Will try to get S road cleared to NEIFFERN.
- 0920 Blue 1 to Blue 2: Sending Lt GRANDIARY on letter squad to you. Rest of company will come soon. Ammo is also coming in the column.
- 0921 Blue 1 to Blue 2: Watch for Eng squad coming in on road from UHRWILLER. When they arrive, send them on road to GUMBRECHTSHOFEN to clear it.
- 0927 Blue 1 to Blue 6 (Send ammo and wire) A and P is coming to you with the equipment. Eng squad is clearing road to your objective.
- 0936 Blue 2 to Blue 1: (Have men hand carry supplies to front lines as soon as possible or as soon as they arrive to your positions).
- 0956 Blue 5 to Blue 1: (Love is in town - Item about 200 yd from it) Lt. SHAW on line - fighting sporadic. Will give condition bridge as soon we know.
- 1001 Blue 5 to Fatal 3: Rpt of 0956.
- 1008 Fatal 6 to Blue 5: Was interrupted by line break during urgent call from Blue 6 - Get in touch with him and find out condition of bridge.
- 1010 Blue 5 to Blue 2: Contact 6 and check on bridge.
- 1011 Item 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ to Blue 5: Must have ammo - bozooka and grenades. Have impression bridge is out. Blue 6 into line: WATERS - Tell Capt TOMPSON to move into town - King is up here ready to go. Bridge blown and river unfavorable. Going across to clean out other side town - resistance light.
- 1017 Blue 5 to Blue 6: Bridge out - Item moving on down. King up.
- 1022 Blue 2 to Blue 5: Blue 6 wants TD's in here as soon as can. Co TD's took guns - Blue 1 will explain - may have to send to METISHEN.
- 1023 Blue 6 to Blue 5: Where is Ammo. (On the way - left long ago. should be there).
- 1025 Blue 5 to Wolf 6: Unable to contact.

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- 1048 Blue 3 to Blue 5: Everything south of creek taken. Blue 2: Ammo trk stopped by road block. (Will call for Bulldozer to clear road) Ammo being hand carried.
- 1050 Blue 5 to Fatal 3: (On left Fatima pushing for 81 and 5 - 500yd fr each in on right - 2 Bns across river for 50 and 29. White know is going for 47 and Red to 56.
- 1107 Mike 6 to Blue 5: 4.2 Mortar observer wounded - need replacement (Ammo on the way).
- 1110 Blue 5 to Fatal 3: Rpt #40. How about 'Dozer (Had to send out to find him).
- 1124 Blue 1 to Blue 5: Mines buried in main road. (Send someone down main road to locate Engrs - will call Regt for help).
- 1125 Blue 5 to JONES: Culvert blown $\frac{1}{2}$ mi south of ENGWILLER - need a 'dozer to clear it and men to life mines. (Capt WILLIAMS went back to get 'dozer).
- 1130 Blue 5 to Blue 2: (Pvt Bates) Contacted JONES - he thinks platoon working road now.
- 1134 Blue 6 to Blue 5: What about Ammo (Being hand carried) (Gives details on roads) Until I get ammo don't want to cross creek. After that will need more ammo. Item just lost man on mine. Convinced the two hills south west of ZINSWILLER are Kraut OP's -- want them knocked out.
- 1136 Blue 5 to Faggot 2: Blue 6 wants OP's taken care of. (Will check right away and let you know how comes out. (Same matter discussed with Fatal 3).
- 1150 Fatal 8 to Blue 5: Forward elms of Class III and V have moved to UHRWILLER (Info forwarded to Blue 1).
- 1154 Fall 2: Fall 6 has info and is trying to help.
- 1222 Blue 3: Amml up here - have first five bldg on other side creek (3 called Regt).
- 1255 Blue 6 to Blue 5: Creek is mined - left side of town is cleared - Bud has one platoon accross and Item two - built little foot bridge. Am calling Fatal 6 direct on Engineer problem.
- 1305 Blue 5 to Blue 2: (Engrs are working on Road) Start them on road to Pug's place as soon as finished there.
- 1315 CP closed in UHRWILLER.
- 1316 CP opened in ENGWILLER.

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- 1345 Blue 1 to Blue 6: Road at present position bad. Wonder if we should return to UHRWILLER (Do which ever brings the supplies best).
- 1430 Blue 6 to Blue 5: White having trouble to right. We're meeting resistance - had counterattack. (Are having road swept, wonder if could have hot supper for men). Fatima having trouble. Get info on Red.
- 1450 Blue 6 to Blue 5: Am sending K down to town to speed things up - have committed reserve - 2 Cos in North edge and one in south edge.
- 1500 Blue 5 to Blue 6: Have now Item and Love in North edge and King in South edge. Red has town (56) are getting fire from XX and YY.
- 1515 Blue 3 to Blue 5: Get 300 radio batteries up with rations (11 are coming up) Also need batteries for SCR 536. Tell Blue 6 that Fatal wires all busy.

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- 1522 Green 6 to Blue 5: Would like information on road (If you come to ENGWILLER, you can get to the front line town since the road is practically clear. The town of 71 is not clear of enemy as yet).
- 1538 Blue 5 to Fatal 3 (White is 100 yds W of OP "P" and are moving on to point 47).
- 1542 Item to Blue 5: Artillery red smoke too close. Planes strafing our own troops.
1543. Blue 5 to Fatal 3: Somebody throwing red smoke too close to our front lines thereby causing our planes to strafe our own troops (The mission has been called off so they will withdraw immediately).
1557. Blue 5 to Blue 6: Reporting position of White.
- 1603 Blue 5 to Blue 3: TD outfit to report to you - please keep eye open for them.
- 1606 Blue 3 to TD Commander: Bring TD's into town tonight for antitank protection for the troops.
- 1610 Blue 3 to Blue 5: Tell Blue 2 to join forward command group.
- 1745 Blue 5 to Fatal 3: Have 30 Krauts here and moving - can't handle - can you send 7 7/8? (Yes).
- 1810 Fatal 6 to Blue 5: Haven't been able to get in touch with 6 - White held up in woods (93-34) Want Blue to send out something to beat fire down in that woods.
- 1813 Fatal 6 to Blue 5: Forget that - have tossed in mortar fire to take care of it.
- 1843 Blue 5 to Blue 6: (Town cleared - vehicular movement must very limited to infiltration - wasn't Engr and mine sweepers down here. Ones we had went back to Regt.)
- 1855 Blue 5 to Fatal 2: Blue 6 wants 2 mine clearing teams in 71 (Will get them there).
- 1900 CP opened GUMBRECHOFFEN.
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- 1905 CP closed ENGWILLER.
- 1945 Fatal 2 to Blue 3: Have contacted white re: patrol. Our CP is in 58.
- 2005 Fatal 2 to Blue 5: Misunderstanding on road - Engrs to sweep it - will take care of it.
- 2032 Item 6 to Blue 3: PAULSEN has ridge. Have sent contact squad out - Contacted DAGGETT - Have G and F in town and Easy going in.
- 2035 Blue 3 to Fatal 3: We contacted white - ridge is swept. (White isn't across stream - taking casualties.
- 2125 Fatal 6 to Blue 6: Fatima is supposed to be almost to 82 (I have swept woods to 82) Farther to NE 1 mi - another Bn there trying to capture those bldgs. May have to use you on 47 tonight. Can't get White 6 talked to 3 and they aren't across stream. (Why can't Red do it) You might cross where Red did. (They should get in tonight) Waiting for 6 to tell me what he needs. (Roads mined badly - might accomplish same result in day light (Want bridge by day light - just possibility might need you) We could take Red's town over - and use Red's forces across stream - (Will call you).

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- 2135 Fame 3 to Blue 6: What is bridge situation (Have town if you want to build it) (Road 71 to 47 mined) Pressure on - bridge at 71 and 47 must be built tonight (Can build here - require night removal mines) Lost time estimate 1½ hr in 71 (I don't think so) Do you think they'll be in 47 and have road swept if put in 71. (Depends - may be able to do trick. (Will let you know what decide.).
- 2318 Blue 1 to Fatal 3: What am I going to do with 8 krauts - (Will call you back).

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- 0012 Chem Mortar 1st Plat to Blue 3: We are ordered by Regt to support WHITT tomorrow. You can contact us by telephone and callsign O'boe Baker.
- 0109 Mission for tomorrow is to hold present position. White Bn will finish taking their town and do the same. Fancy will take initiative (Bridge in town still hasn't been worked on) Check on that and phone back.
- 0153 Blue 6 to King: Is somebody working on bridges (There has been no one).
- 0201 Blue 6 to Fatal 6: There is somebody working on bridge.
- 0202 Blue 6 to Sugar: Send down hot breakfast at 0700,
- 0245 To Blue 1: Give message to your Bn to keep all vehicles off the road until further notice.
- 0246 Bn CP to Love: Message of 0245.
- 0347 Bn CP to King: Message of 0245.
- 0248 Bn CP to Item: Message of 0245.
- 0249 Bn CP to Sgt Rohrback: Message of 0245.
- 0608 Fatal 3 to Blue 1: Find out info as to completing of bridge. Red is attached to Fancy. Outfit minus Red goes into Fame Reserve. Assembles at point 47 after Fancy passes thru on Fame order.
- 0610 Blue CP to have CP: Desire info on bridge and call back immediately;
- 0635 Love CP to Blue CP: Bridge should be completed in about 1½ hrs.
- 0656 Blue CP to Fatal 3: Message of 0635.
- 0710 Blue CP to Sugar: Called to see of Blue and received message No 5 - Answer no.
- 0740 Fatal 4 to Blue 1: Have motor officer pick up jeep this morning.
- 0746 Bridge completed.
- 0835 SOI - Geographical supplement.
- 1055 Fatal 6 to Blue 6: Plans for leaving town - Overlay is on way down.
- 1057 Blue 2 to Fatal 2: Contact Fame 2 to pick up Kraut prisoners and civilian who has returned from Kraut territory. (Will contact Fame 2 and phone back).
- 1105 Blue 6 to Fatal 6: Any further orders than move to new position (Nothing more).
- 1108 Blue 6 to Companies: Alert for movement.
- 1250 CP opened GUNDERSHOFFEN.
- 1300 CP closed GUMBRECHOFFEN.

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- 1315 Blue 6 to Fatal 6: We're getting in - culvert blown - still large charge, better have bomb dispersal squad check.

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PLACE: SCHIRLENDORF, FRANCE

17 March (Continued)Time

- 1320 G-2 Periodic report.
 1432 Fatal 5 to Blue 6: Move to woods vic "K" CP to be 35.
 1650 CP opened Schirlendorf.
 1700 CP cosed GUMBRECHSCHOFFEN.
 1730 Fatal 4 to Blue 5: Class 3 and 5 supplies in 47.
 1950 Blue 6 to Fatal 6: Trial from K and J passable for foot trs only - road fr 20, bridge is out but being worked; part of road often left turn blocked by trees.
 2036 Fatal 5 to Blue 6: No more tonight but prepared for move by 0600.
 2103 Fatal 2 to Blue 3: TD's detached from us. We're to move to 23 in order.
 2230 All Cos notified of alert for move.

18 March 1945Time

- 0725 Fatal 2 and Blue 3: Road cleared from 35 to 23.
 0758 Fatal 3 to Blue 3: You and Blue 6 meet Fatal 6 at White CP in 15 minutes (Blue 6 and 3 depart immediately).
 0845 Blue 6 in CP: Issues movement order.
 0922 King 5 to CP: Will notify you when to pull out - white is passing by now.
 0930 CP closed in SCHIRLENDORF.
 1100 CP opened FROESCHWILLER.

PLACE: FROESCHWILLER, FRANCE

- 1115 Bn Closed in FROESCHWILLER.
 1140 Fatal 4 to Blue 5: Class 3 and 5 now in CP 23, Kitchens in 47.
 1210 Fatal 6 in CP: (Departs 1250).
 1335 Fatal 6 to Blue 6: Alert Bn for movement - you and 3 report to me.
 1340 G-2 Periodic Report.
 1425 Blue 6 issues order to Lt COX on movement organies.
 1510 Temporary CP - MATTSTAT.
 1725 Blue 6 in CP - Movement order.
 1915 Opened CP - WINGEN

PLACE: WINGEN, FRANCE

- 1930 Bn closed.
 2112 Ln O in CP with oral extract OI: 410th Inf, Co C (1 plat) 761st Tk Bn and Co A 614th TD Bn, 1 plat Co C 83d Cm Bn be prepared on Div O to atk in zone of 411 Inf to seige High ground vic DIMBACK (1163).
 2312 Fatal 3 to CP: Your 6 and 3 Rpt here at 0630 for about 3 hr rcn involves some swithching with Fatima.
 2340 Fatal 3 to CP: Road fr WOERTH TO LEMBACK 1 way S to N starting tomorrow AM road from LEMBACK to LANGENSOUZBACK 1 way N to S.

19 March 1945Time

- 0625 Blue 6 and Blue 3 depart for rcn (Returns 1130).
 0845 CP addenturns - Ln O.
 0900 Map distribution to all companies by Blue 2.
 1045 Recd G-2 Rpt.

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PLACE: WINGEN, FRANCE

20 March 1945Time

0608 Fatal 3 to CP: Fatal 6 would like to see Blue 6 and 3 at 0715.
 0710 Blue 6 to Blue 3: Leave CP for Regt (Rt'd 0830)
 0947 Blue 2 to Blue 3: Fatima Red has 2 Cos in town - not completely cleared. White moving in Hill 5 and Blue pushing north. Took one more pill box.
 0958 G-2 Periodic Report.
 0959 Overlay route rcn.
 1648 Fatal 6 in CP.
 1700 Blue 2 to Blue 3: Fatima has town - had air on hill 2 and 7. Took 5 boxes this morning 37 krauts.
 2010 Blue 3 came into CP to be prepared to move at 0800 tomorrow morning.

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0700 Fatal 3 to 3: Move at 0800.
 0701 3 to K-6: Notify other Co's we move at 0800 - K,L,I,M,Hq - Will meet you at CR here.
 0702 6 to 3: Have CP Dug - Just take command group.
 0730 6 to Regtl CP - (Ret 0745).
 0810 Companies move out to new area.
 1002 Bn closed in area.
 1005 G-2 Periodic Report.
 1907 Blue 6 Ret'd to CP with Regtl order on relief Fatima Red - orders Co Comdrs to meet him at that CP.
 1910 Blue 6 to 3 to Fatima Red CP.

22 March 1945Time

0100 Old CP Closed.
 0220 CP opened BOBENTHAL, GERMANY.

PLACE: BOBENTHAL, GERMANY

0518 Engr squad rpt to CP. Have satchel charges - Too many to carry.
 0520 CP to Blue 3: Engrs here w/satchel charges. Do you want them up with you? (Hold them 'till further notice).
 0530 Blue 3 to CP: Relief complete at 0510.
 0531 CP to Fatal 3: Relief complete at 0510.
 0944 Blue 5 to Blue 3: Receiving sporadic AW fire from (085-555).
 1040 G-2 Periodic Report.
 1145 Blue 5 to Blue 6: Do you think mules necessary? (Yes - good idea) How you doing - (Not too well - made 600-800 yds).
 1607 By Ln 0: Friendly troops reported at STEIN.
 1636 5 to 6: What is new? (Krauts have infiltrated behind our Cos and they are having a Hell of a fight. G Co is trying to close hill 502).
 1641 3 to 5: Send 1 case (ea) of M-1 and MG TIEG to Each R Co. (AM officer notified).
 1930 Blue 6 to Blue 5: Hold off on mules - unload them - K is sending platoon back - am coming back to CP.

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PLACE: BOBENTHAL, GERMANY

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2015 Fatal 3 to Blue 3: About trip from 189 to 109 with escort? Fatal 6 asked me to call your 6 (It's ok to call it off then) Yes. Radio Msg from Plat K - lost near this town went over to your Adv CP here.

2019 Blue 3 to Adv CP: Is Plat in town? (Yes) Have them stay there we will have them move out with us.

2021 Blue 3 to Fatal 3: Plat of K ran into Plat of E are coming into your town to wait for us. Do you want us to take mules or jeeps? (Think you can use jeeps) (WILLIAMS said you could put jeeps on the road after 2200. Hard surface, any mines would be on top of road - Holes will be ready for tanks at 0200.

2105 Blue 3 to Fatal 3: (Both Item and Love in at 2030 - King followed) Will be moving up soon (Road open 2130 - checked up to bend just in front of town.

2140 3 to 36: Prepare to move guns up after 0200 tomorrow.

2140 6 Orients on plan of movement to ERLNBACH - (3, 5, M-6, 243, M-5).

2145 Capt DeLSIMONE to CP: Unit on left rpts friendly Tks moving toward BUSENBERG (06-59).

2210 6 Departs with Elms of command group - destination ERLNBACH.

2225 Command group returns, Rpts 6 and 3 safely over bridge. Bridge collapsed before balance of party crossed. (5 Rpts incident to Fatal 3).

2240 CP to 6: Jeep is pulled out on our side OK. (Have all rear installations including organics close in new town by 0630 tomorrow).

2245 5 orders: Awaken all personnel at 0500 and have Lt. COX rpt at CP at 0530.

2355 Fatal 3 Adv to CP: Bridge is open to all traffic.

2357 CP to Adv CP: (SB Operator states no word from Blue 6) Command group will check in w/you.

2400 Balance of command group depart.

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0025 Group returns, Bridge that is repaired is between NIEDSCHLETTERBACH and ERLNBACH.

0025 Command Group returns: Rpt in #24 at 2355 was wrong bridge.

0350 Ln 0 rpts bridge in.

0410 CP to Adv CP: Blue 4 and Ln 0 are on way with rations and Amm. Remainder of Bn will start 0600.

0411 CP to 36: Ok for you to start. Call here when ready to pull over.

0500 AT to CP: Pulling out.

0600 CP closed at BOBENTHAL.

0620 CP opened ERLNBACH.

PLACE: ERLNBACH, GERMANY

0830 Fatal 6 in CP (Departs 0849).

1200 CP closed ERLNBACH - whole bn in route march.

1700 Rpt that Bn took whole Kraut Arty Bn. (Confirmed later--total approx 550 prisoners).

24 March 1945

Time

0230 Bn CP opened LIENWEILLER - Troops already in - This closes bn in area.

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PLACE: LIENWEILER, GERMANY

Time
0800 Alert for movement by 1000.
1300 Task force alert called off.
1332 Blue 6 to Fatal 5: Want civil Affairs Officer - Need more semblance of Military Govt.
1354 Fatal 6 in CP: Want to send platoon back to pick up deserted equipment (Departs 1402).
1810 Fatal 6 in CP. (Departs 1830).

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Time
0920 Fame 38 in CP (Departs 0945) In Corps reserve.
1855 Fatal 6 in CP (Departs 2030).
2120 Movement control overlay by Ln O.

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PLACE: LIENWEILER, GERMANY

Time
 1030 Fame 6 in CP (departs 1032).
 1145 CP to all Cos: Make check of all gas masks & report number to this CP by 1800 today.
 1147 Chaplains Report.
 1330 CP to all Cos: First call for retreat 1615, Assembly 1625, Retreat 1630. Inspection of all billets by platoon ldrs 1500. Billets will be ready for inspection each morning by 0800.
 1917 Fatal 3 to CP: Retreat will be held daily at 1700.
 1920 Fatal 3 to 3: 3 O's at 0830 R Plat Ldrs 2 Km E of 39 (AT Co.).
 2245 Fatal 3 to CP: Presentation ceremony (Silver Stars) Tomorrow 1500 at Regt. Lt. Ford "L" and his Plat to attend. (Also one Plat 1st Bn and entire 2nd Bn). Uniform: OD Shirts, Trousers, Helmets, Cartridge Belts, Combat Boots, Gas Masks, T/O Wph. Send all your Bn guide-ons.

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PLACE: LIENWEILER, GERMANY

Time
 0830 Blue 6 leaves CP.
 0945 Lt. Foster and Lt. Baker report to Bn CP.
 1052 G-2 Periodic Report.
 1115 Fatal 6 in CP (departs 1140).
 1245 Meeting Co Comdrs with Blue 6:
 1305 6 on ren, will see Burgermeister (res 1432).
 2000 Fatal 3 to CP: Fatal 4 has talked to QM about horses. If they are not picked up from you by noon tomorrow turn them loose.
 2020 Fatal 3 to 6: Did Engrs get there to see about minefield? (Will check in the AM). Will come down to see you tomorrow in re new information.
 2128 Fatal 3 to CP: Div Engrs will no longer demolish pill-boxes. Work to be done by Corps. Reason - salvage.
 2200 Fatal 3 to 5: Turn in all prisoners to Regtl cage tomorrow by 0900.

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Time
 0030 Lt. Baldus into CP with maps, overlays and Orders.
 0710 Blue 3 to all Cos: Co Comdrs to report to Bn CP with 2 plat ldrs and jeep at 0900. Mike to have 1 Mg plat ldr and Mortar plat ldr. King (thru M/C) 3 plat ldrs.
 0730 Blue 3 to Blue 6: All roads to new town OK.
 0900 Co Comdrs oriented by Blue 5 on move and maps issued.
 0917 Co Comdrs depart with Blue 6 for ren: Our orders to accomplish relief part 71st div.
 1215 Blue 6 to Blue 5: Relief to be accomplished tonight.
 1500 Forward Element of CP moves out.
 1710 New CP open WALDSER.
 2000 7 rds Arty in town.
 2045 Msg thru Whisky 6 - our troops delayed in moving up to effect relief. Traffic jam - Mike mortar relief complete.
 2200 Organic vehicles in.

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PLACE: LEINSWEILER, GERMANY.

Time

2234 Personnel carriers in - relief beginning.
 2300 3 to Fatima White 3: Meet at 0100 (822 - 884) and hourly thereafter "K" Co Ptrl).

29 March 1945

PLACE: WALDSER, GERMANY.

Time

0055 3 to White 3: How about having our Ptrls contact at 0300 at (542 - 936) and hourly thereafter (OK will send "G" ptrl) J road and bend in RR.
 0157 K5 to CP: all complete - will be half hour late on contact - getting some fire on left.
 0157 CP to Fatal 3: Relief complete as of 0157. Blue 6 assumes command of area.
 0340 I to CP: Have two PW's; can we keep them until morning (yes, question).
 0343 Sgt Willeford rpts Ptrl between here and NEUHOPFEN uneventful. Start back on return trip.
 0349 I to CP: Will send PW's back to you with our 0500 ptrl. They came across river in boat for purpose of surrendering. 1 s/sgt. - 1 pvt.
 0400 CP to Fatal 2: Have 2 PW's picked up by Item. Came across in boat. Can you have them picked up here after 0500? (Call 7 7/8 and see if they will).
 0405 CP to 7 7/8: Will you pick up 2 PW's between 0515 & 0530 at our CP? (Will call and let you know).
 1040 Fame 38 and Fatal 6 in CP: Fatal 6 orders survey of looting by previous occupants billets. (depart 1100).
 1210 AF Code.
 1215 Critical points SOI.
 1310 King 5 to CP: Fatima tied in on right - are they going to move out to river - will contact patrol be needed? (Will check).
 1345 Ln 0 in CP with order on relief.
 1600 CP opened LIMBERGER.
 1732 Blue 1 to Blue 6: (troop will probably come up tomorrow, before noon).

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PLACE: LIMBERGERHOF, GERMANY.

Time

0920 Blue 4 in CP - Love will probably be in around 1300.
 1035 Overlay Item Co positions. Confiscated wpns. Altripp will be sent in when transportation.
 1430 CP closed WALDSER.
 1510 Item company under 2nd Bn control for operations as of 1330.
 1530 Opns memo #5 VI Corp - traffic control.
 1532 G - 2 Periodic Report #128, dated March 28, 1945.
 1532 G - 2 Periodic Report #130, dated March 30, 1945.
 2300 To all Company Commanders - Report to Bn CP at 0800 in the morning. Bring lunch with them.
 Note: Bn in 7th Army Reserve.

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PLACE: LIMBERGERHOF. GERMANY

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Time

- 1305 Fatal 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to OP: Notify your 6 that NERZABERN (9771) is to be in your area.
- 1710 Blue 6 and Co Comdrs return to CP from Rcn.
- 1820 Overlay Bn areas in new sector.
- 1920 Blue 6 to all Co Comdrs: Curfew 2100 on all GI's.
- 1935 Blue 6 to Fast 3: Request cooperation in maintenance curfew.