

NARRATIVE OF EVENTS

1 - 31 July 1944

1 July The regiment moved by foot from Bibbona to an assembly area west of Casale and immediately south of the Cecina River. During the night of 1 - 2 July our forces continued their march and took over the front line approximately 0400 2 July 44.

The 2d and 100th Bns were in line abreast, with the 3d Bn in reserve. They crossed the Cecina River and started to attack. Resistance was encountered from enemy Infantry, self-propelled guns and tanks. The terrain in which the attack was staged is very mountainous and rugged, with narrow winding roads heavily mined.

During the day Infantry elements of the 34th Division operating on the right and left flanks of the 442d reported the towns of Riparbella and Cecina taken, the latter after an especially difficult contest.

During the night of 2 July an enemy plane dropped antipersonnel bombs and strafed roads leading to our positions.

On 2 July the 100th Inf Bn reported the following: 25 Germans killed, 43 prisoners, 1 88mm towed gun destroyed, 2 AT guns, 5 machine guns and 6 machine pistols captured.

3 July The attack was resumed at 0700, the position of the battalions being the same as on the previous day, the 100th on the left, 2d Bn on the right with the 3d Bn in reserve. Heavy enemy shelling continued. By 1600 3 July our advance elements were about 8 kilometres north of Cecina River in the center of the division sector, with the 135th and 168th Infantry Regiments flanking on the left and right, respectively. On this day, 2d Bn occupied the town of Molino A Ventoabbto (Il Terriccio), attacked and took Hill 287 and Hill 277 to the north of the town. The 100th on the left received severe artillery fire from the town of Rosignano. The regiment had tank and Tank Destroyer support from Co C, 752d Tank Bn, and the 804th Tank Destroyer Bn, and direct artillery support from the 522d Field Artillery Bn.

4 July On the night of 3-4 July, 3d Bn passed through the 100th and took over the left sector of the regimental front. On the 4th, at approximately 1500 hours, Lt Col Miller, regimental executive officer, assumed command of the 3d Bn. On the 4th stiff enemy resistance continued from prepared positions on Hill 140. These positions were reported built by the Todt Labor Organization and withstood the heaviest shelling of our artillery. The situation remained static during the 4th, 5th and 6th as

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our battalions fought for the high ground. The towns of Rosignano on the left and Castellina on the right were German strongpoints from which they had excellent observation and directed heavy artillery fire. All along the 34th Division sector the fighting was severe and resistance the strongest since the 442d entered the line on 26 June.

6 July On the 6th the 100th Bn went back to the line, relieving the 2d Bn which was withdrawn to an assembly area northwest of Molino A Ventoabbto. On the 6th the 3d Bn attacked and took the ridge at R Vallori despite 88mm, automatic and mortar fire. Co L advanced to 197297 (Sheet 112-III Chianni). Regimental forward CP was established at Molino A Ventoabbto. The mountainous country and poor roads made supply difficult, and mules were brought up for use as a pack train, and carried ammunition, rations and water over the ridges north of the town into the lines.

The 206th Army Band, a component of the 442d Combat Team, was designated as the 206th Army Ground Forces Band effective 27 June 1944 per Sec V, GO 105, Hq Fifth Army, 22 June 1944.

A list of casualties sustained by the 442d Inf as of 30 June 1944 is attached.

7 July Very slow progress continued throughout the 7th. Prisoners taken belonged to the 36th SS Regiment and reported that they had orders to hold the line until defenses at Pisa had been completed. The terrain continued mountainous and difficult to attack. The enemy was dug in and the Infantry had to go in with grenades and bayonets. Night fighting was frequent because darkness offered protection to our troops as they advanced across the open valleys. Combat patrols went out continually. A typical patrol action: On the night of 6 July a squad of Co E on patrol intercepted a German platoon in the darkness at a point blank range (5 yards), inflicted heavy casualties and withdrew.

8 July The 3d Bn occupied Hill 140. On the 9th, the 2d Bn relieved the 3d at 2300 hours

On the 6th Secretary of War Stimson visited the Fifth Army forward area, and the 100th Infantry Bn was represented in the guard of honor.

On 8 July 1944 Lt Col Alfred Pursall assumed command of the 3d Bn. On the same day the 100th Inf Bn reported 20 dead Germans, 22 prisoners, and one Mark IV tank knocked out by bazooka fire.

9 July Coordinated attack by entire division. The 3d Bn on the regimental left advanced to grid coordinate 195325 on the road running west of Casale (Sheet 112-III Chianni) and the 100th

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on the right reached the outskirts of Casale, both battalions being faced by determined resistance; the Germans used their favoring terrain to full advantage. A map taken from a dead German indicated that they had every hill, house and terrain feature zeroed-in from prepared gun positions, with azimuth readings, ranges and fields of fire elaborately developed. This knowledge was possible because of their long occupation of the ground they were defending; to offset it slightly our forces had occasional help from Italian partisans as to enemy emplacements and minefields.

10 July The attack was continued by the 2d and 100th Bns to secure ground in the vicinity of the 34 grid line, north of Casale. The 2d Bn reached and occupied Hill 147 with the 100th abreast in the regimental zone. During the day the town of Casale was occupied by the 168th Inf on the right flank of the 442d.

11 July The regimental assault battalions attacked during the night of 10-11 July and moved about 1000 yards. During the 11th the 2d Bn remained in the vicinity of Hill 147, subjected to heavy shelling, which also struck in the 3d Bn reserve area and caused casualties.

Twenty-five officer replacements were obtained from division and were sent immediately into combat as the officer strength of the line companies had been seriously depleted. In all, the 2d and 3d Bns to date have suffered approximately 400 killed and wounded. Replacements of EM are not available. Despite these losses, the lack of replacements and the exhaustion of three weeks of front line combat, morale remains high. The enemy is being driven from his positions day by day and is taking appreciably heavier losses in personnel and equipment. To date about 200 prisoners have been taken since the drive began. The division is nearing its immediate objective, the seaport of Leghorn.

On the 12th, the 2d Bn attacked the ridge southwest of Mo Dei Rotini with F Co on the left, G on the right and E in reserve. The ridge was taken and held. At the same time the 100th Bn reached the town of Pastina (Rotini) and cleared it out in house-to-house fighting. On that night the 3d Bn relieved the 100th, completed the occupation of Pastina, and continued the advance.

13 July Beyond Pastina resistance temporarily lightened, as the enemy withdrew approximately 10 kilometers all along the line, and the 2d and 3d Bns made considerable progress during the day. The town of San Luce was taken by the 3d Bn, who bivouacked there during the night of 13-14 July and pulled out into the hills again 0500 14 July, where once again the enemy fought for the ground. The 3d Bn passed north of San Luce, worked along the road and turned northwest following the regimental sector. The 2d Bn took Hill 157 and the town of Pieve di S Luce,

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which was found extensively mined and booby-trapped. The 3d Bn reached road junction at 194436 (Sheet 112-IV Pontedera) where it was relieved during the night by a battalion of the 168th Infantry.

14 July Antitank Co, 442d Inf, was relieved of assignment and attachment with the regiment, was assigned to AFHQ and attached to the Seventh Army for training. Its movement to the area of Galeria was directed.

The 100th Inf Bn was in division reserve, with its Able Co maintaining a road block at 148355.

15 July The 2d Bn made another night attack on 14-15 July, reached Hill 104, and kept going at 0500 15 July. 1st and 2d Platoons of Cannon Co, attached to the 2d Bn, fired 339 rounds in support of the battalion. The 3d Bn remained in support behind the 2d Bn until the night of 15-16th, when it once again took over the front line, with the 2d in reserve. Charlie Co of the 100th Inf established another road block at 141410.

A party of five swimmers was dispatched to participate in the Fifth Army Swimming Meet in Rome.

16 July The 3d Bn began its drive on Luciano, with the 2d Bn abreast on its left. The 100th was engaged in hard fighting to maintain road blocks on the extreme left of the regimental sector, Cos A and C particularly being involved on the road running generally along the 14 grid.

The fighting at Luciano was bitter hand-to-hand conflict. The enemy was barricaded and supported by several tanks and automatic weapons. Because of the close nature of the fighting, our artillery could not be brought into full play, however, it swept the roads beyond Luciano and made enemy withdrawal costly. Co K was the leading element in the attack on the town, and after a night and day of street fighting finally won the town. The 2d Bn meanwhile attacked and seized Hill 108, while the 100th was pushing road blocks up to 139428 and west to Colognole. The 100th found the area heavily mined.

On the 17th, Division announced a quota of three Guest Officers (Lts or WOs) and one Duty Officer, and 40 EM for the Rest Center at Rome from 19-23 July, and arrangements were made to fill the quota from the line companies.

2400 hours 17 July 1944 found the regiment after a hard day with all three battalions committed in the following position: On the right the 3d Bn had cleared out the last remaining resistance in Luciano; the 2d Bn in the center was advancing on Hill 114, and the 100th Baker Co was at road junction 138440, on the left of the regimental zone.

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18 July The 2d and 3d Bns continued the advance northwest, the 3d reaching the town of Terretta and the 2d cutting the road southwest of that locality. Resistance was lighter as the enemy was withdrawing to positions before Pisa. The seaport town of Leghorn fell to elements of the 135th and 363d Infantry Regiments, with the 442d's position protecting their right flank. Leghorn (Livorno), the third largest peace-time port of Italy, was a main objective of the Fifth Army drive and after reconstruction will provide a major base for future operations.

The 100th Infantry was detached from the 442d Infantry and attached to the 135th Infantry, per VCG 34th Division, and moved into Leghorn.

19 July The 2d and 3d Bns took up defensive positions around Nuova and Colle Saivetti respective, established an outpost line, and sent out patrols as far as the Arno River. With the fall of Leghorn and the withdrawal of the Germans past the Arno, the Fifth Army had reached another main enemy defensive line, the so-called "Gothic Line." It is known that this line is established on high ground, is fortified in depth, and laterally follows the Arno River.

During the 19th and 20th the regiment remained in position with the battalions occasionally subjected to harassing artillery fire. Combat-reconnaissance patrols were sent out continuously, reconnoitering the ground between the lines and feeling out enemy positions. On one of its patrols a squad from the 2d Bn met Lt Gen Clark, Commanding General, Fifth Army, who personally congratulated the men on the fine work of the 442d.

21 July 1944 Major General Charles L. Boite assumed command of the 34th Infantry Division, relieving Major General Ryder.

The main body of troops set up an MLR on Highway 67 on the 21st, while patrols ventured beyond that point to the outskirts of Pisa.

A patrol composed of Lt Gilbert, Lt Androvette and 12 volunteer EM from Col L set out for Pisa at 2300 20 July 1944, with a partisan guide. Their reconnaissance took them across the canals below the Arno and behind the enemy lines to the southern edge of Pisa. A report that the Germans were evacuating Pisa was found to be untrue. Enemy gun positions and troops were observed, and additional information was obtained from partisans as to the disposition of enemy troops and the location of mine fields. The information was communicated to Division upon return of the patrol at approximately 1200 hours 22 July. The patrol was for reconnaissance purposes only behind the enemy lines, and did not involve itself with enemy forces although at one time the patrol was in the second floor of a partisan's house while Germans entered and occupied the ground floor. The patrol returned intact. All members are being recommended for citation.

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Two patrols from G Co also reached the outskirts of Pisa on the 21st. The first patrol, led by Lt Boyd, with 20 EM and a "300" radio reconnoitered as far as the airport south of Pisa, and then sent a three-man patrol forward into the southern edge of the town. Before reaching their objective, the patrols were under artillery fire and were engaged in a brief skirmish. This patrol was in radio contact with a similar patrol led by Lt Bianco also with 20 EM. Both patrols had difficulty in crossing the canals, which they did by fording waist deep through the shallow ones, and crossing the others on improvised rafts. The patrols met at the airport and returned at midnight, having been gone approximately 24 hours. Information was obtained as the condition of roads and bridges before Pisa, the location of minefields and emplacements, and observation as to enemy strength. All members of both patrols are being recommended for commendation in Division orders.

22 July On the night of 21-22 July, a welcome relief passed through the lines and took over the 2d and 3d Bns positions. The 135th Infantry relieved the 2d Bn and the 133d relieved the 3d Bn. The 442d went into Division reserve, and thus ended the first phase of combat operations for the regiment.

On the 22d the regiment remained in Division reserve in the vicinity of Colle Salvetti, and on the 23d moved back to a rest area north of Cecina.

The 100th Infantry Bn was cited for outstanding performance of duty in action in the vicinity of Belvedere and Sassetta, Italy, on the 26th and 27th of June 1944, per GO 121, Hq 5th Army, 18 July 1944. The citation entitles the battalion to carry Distinguished Unit streamers on its colors and guidons and individual members to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge.

At the conclusion of this combat period, the following communications are quoted. Letter from Major General Charles L. Bolte, Commanding General, 34th Infantry Division, 25 July 1944, to Commanding Officer, 442d RCT:

"Although your command has been attached to this Division for only a short time, it was during this period that your officers and men received their baptism of fire.

Their enthusiasm and fighting spirit exceeded expectations; the Division has accepted them unreservedly and consider them an integral part of the Division.

In token of this acceptance and the esteem in which your officers and men are held, there is presented to you the shoulder patch of the 34th Infantry Division for all of the officers and men of the 442d Infantry, 522d FA Bn, 232d Engr Co, and the 206th Army Band."

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Memorandum from Commanding Officer, 442d RCT, Colonel C. W. Pence, to all officers and men of the 442d RCT, dated 26 July 1944:

"Upon completion of our first tour of combat duty I believe it is appropriate to relate to all of you some of the accomplishments of the unit.

"You have been of material assistance in driving the enemy back more than fifty miles. During this action you have never taken a backward step.

"You have stood firm under heavy shell and mortar fire and have beaten off every enemy counterattack.

"You have captured and killed many Germans, destroyed and captured much enemy materiel which, in reality, is our mission in war.

"On the last day of combat the Division Commander stated to me 'Your unit has done a splendid job' and yesterday we were privileged to wear the insignia of the division, a division whose long, successful combat record is surpassed by no other division.

"We have lost several of our comrades in combat. We mourn their loss and honor their memory. For the rest of us there is the work of tomorrow.

"I am proud of you and am honored to be your commander."

24 July Rest period begun. All personnel enjoyed hot showers and an exchange of clothing. Arms, equipment and vehicles were cleaned and overhauled. Duffle bags came out of storage. A week of athletics was planned, together with swimming and Special Service recreation programs.

Following changes in organization are made a matter of record:

Eff 11 June 44, 34th Division (with 442d RCT atchd) relieved from attachment to VI Corps and attached IV Corps, per ltr AG 321.1-Y, Hq 5th Army, 10 June 44, Subj: Attachment of Troops.

34th Div (w/442d RCT and 100th Inf Bn atchd) relieved from IV Corps and reverts to Army control, per ltr AG 322.1-Y, Hq 5th Army, 24 July 44, Subj: Assignment and Attachment of Troops.

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"Reduction of Basic Privates" ltr 320.3 Hq 34th Inf Div, 14 July 44, Subj: T/O & E: Pursuant to instructions contained in ltr TAG AG 520.3 (19 May 44) OB-IWDCCT-M, Subj: Reduction of Basic Privates in T/O Units, dtd 23 May 44 and 1st Ind, Hq MTOUSA, AG 320.3/568 A-0, 10 June 44, T/O & E applicable to * * * 442d Inf, 522d FA Bn, 232d Engr Co, 206th AGF Band and 100th Inf Bn (Sep) are changed eff 30 June 44 to conform -

T/O & E 7-17	Rifle Co	Unchanged	
T/O & E 7-11	Med Det	Unchanged	
			Auth
		<u>Auth Basic</u>	<u>Enl Strength</u>
7-11	442d Inf (-1st Bn)	165	2224
	AT Co, 442d Inf	8	152

Personnel and equipment rendered surplus by reason of above changes will be absorbed by attrition. All tables other than those listed above which provide basic privates in excess of 5% of tabular strength less basic privates are amended to reduce number of basic privates to 5%.

27 July At an impressive ceremony, the 100th Infantry Battalion was presented with the Distinguished Unit Citation Streamers by Lieutenant General Mark Clark, Commanding General, Fifth Army. General Clark affixed the blue streamers to the colors and guidons of the 100th, and decorated the battalion commander and color bearers with the Distinguished Unit Citation Badge, which will also be worn by all members of the battalion. The 442d was also commended by General Clark for its part in the recent fighting. Major General Charles L. Bolte, Division commander, accompanied General Clark.

28 July At another ceremony, the 2d Battalion formed part of the Guard of Honor for King George VI of England, at Cecina. The King personally felicitated the members of the battalion who had earned the Purple Heart, and presented Silver Stars for gallantry in action to:

Sgt Hideo Kaichi	50104512	Co H
Sgt Noboru Togioka	59085617	Hq Co 2d Bn
Pfc Paul Tahara	39916516	Co H
Pvt Yeichi Furuno	50104821	Co E

On the evening of the same day a concert was presented by Miss Lili Pons, renowned star of the Metropolitan Opera and Mr. Andre Kostelanetz, symphonic conductor. The concert was well attended.

29-30 July Rest period continues.

31 July Co A, 100th Infantry Battalion, relieved Co F, 133 Infantry, at Livorno, per Division order. 2d Battalion, 442d Infantry, alerted for possible movement.

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HEADQUARTERS 34TH INFANTRY DIVISION
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27 July 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)
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EXTRACT



1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

NOBORU TOGIOKA (39083617), Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 June 1944, in the vicinity of Suvereto, Italy. During the periodic mortar and artillery shellings that the second battalion command post was subjected to for six hours, the telephone lines between the Battalion CP, the Regimental CP and the front lines were knocked out. Upon learning of the situation and its seriousness, Sgt Togioka, on his own initiative, secured his repair kit and made his way along the telephone lines in the midst of terrific barrages. When two of his men offered to accompany him, he refused their offer. Tracing the lines in full view of the enemy, he finally located the damaged line and repaired it. Fully aware of the danger entailed, he continued to patrol the lines for over an hour, making repairs as the lines were blown apart by the shells. It was during one of the heaviest shellings and while repairing a line that Sgt Togioka was wounded seriously by shrapnel. Sgt Togioka's determination and undaunted bravery at the risk of his life is credit to himself and his organization. Entered military service from Sacramento, California.

YEICHI R. FURUNO (30104821), Private, Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 July 1944, in the vicinity of Castellina, Italy. When the platoon with which he was attached suffered heavy casualties from enemy machine gun, rifle, mortar and artillery fire, Pvt Furuno immediately had control of the situation. Seeing a man shot down 25 yards away, he rushed over to his aid. Discovering that the man had been killed instantly, he ran over to another wounded soldier 15 yards down the slope. The fact that the man was lying in the direct line of fire of the enemy did not cause him to hesitate. For a full half hour he worked, carrying his first-aid kit from one wounded man to another, although in full exposure of the mortar and and artillery shells bursting about him. Then they immediately went into the adjoining area to assist the aid-men of another company who were seriously in need of help. Pvt Furuno's undaunted courage, faithful devotion to duty, and his willingness to risk

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his life saved the lives of several of his fellow comrades and was a source of inspiration to all who observed him. Entered military service from Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

PAUL K. TAHARA (39916316), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 June 1944, in the vicinity of Suvereto, Italy. While his battalion was pinned down by heavy fire from an enemy position, Pfc Tahara and a comrade accompanied a lieutenant on a mission to determine the location of the enemy guns. After completing this mission they crawled back under repeated enemy machine gun and machine pistol fire. When they reached the area previously occupied by one of their companies, they came upon a seriously wounded soldier. Picking him up, Pfc Tahara and his comrades carried him to the cover of a culvert 30 yards away. When the lieutenant went for aid, it became no longer safe to stay there, so Pfc Tahara and his comrade carried the wounded soldier to the safety of a building across a flat open field with only a shallow ditch for cover. For the entire 300 yards, under constant enemy fire, they carried the wounded man on their backs as they inched ahead on their stomachs. Upon nearing the building they left the security of the ditch and made a dash for the building, exposing themselves completely to enemy fire. After administering first aid, in partial view of the enemy, they carried him back to our lines under cover of our own artillery and mortar barrage. Pfc Tahara's daring courage and utter disregard for personal safety under extremely dangerous enemy fire exemplify the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

HIDEO KAICHI (30104312), Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 June 1944, in the vicinity of Suvereto, Italy. While his battalion was pinned down by heavy fire from an enemy position, Sgt Kaichi and a comrade accompanied a lieutenant on a mission to determine the location of the enemy guns. After completing this mission they crawled back under repeated enemy machine gun and machine pistol fire. When they reached the area previously occupied by one of their companies, they came upon a seriously wounded soldier. Picking him up, Sgt Kaichi and his comrade carried him to the cover of a culvert 30 yards away. When the lieutenant went for aid, it became no longer safe to stay there so Sgt Kaichi and his assistant carried the wounded soldier to the safety of a building across a flat open field with only a shallow ditch for cover. For the entire 300 yards, under constant enemy fire, they carried the wounded man on their backs as they inched ahead on their stomachs. Upon nearing the building they left the security of the ditch and made a dash for the building, exposing themselves completely to enemy fire. After administering first aid, in partial view of the

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By command of Major General BOLTE:

NORMAN E. HENRICKSON,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

(s) Dee M. White,
DEE M. WHITE,
Lt Col, A. G. D.,
Adjutant General.

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SUMMARY OF CASUALTIES
FOR MONTH OF 1 - 31 JULY 1944

Killed in action	88
Died of wounds	12
Wounded in action - dropped	300
Battle casualties - returned to duty	100
Missing in action	1

LIST OF KIA
Month of July

1.	Akiyama, Zentarō G.	T/Sgt	39076246	3	July 1944	F
2.	Anzai, James H.	Pfc	30104543	14		F
3.	Arikawa, Frank N.	Pfc	39162120	6		F
4.	Asaumi, Kenneth I.	Pfc	30105228	11		E
5.	Chinen, Jenhatsu	Sgt	30104516	5		E
6.	Crone, Walter M.	2d Lt	0-1309221	3		H
7.	Enomoto, Kaname	Pfc	30104558	4		G
8.	Fuji, Masao	Pfc	30105364	12		G
9.	Fujikawa, Jitsuro	Pfc	30104008	12		H
10.	Fujikawa, Masaki	Pfc	30104553	6		E
11.	Furuuchi, Mitsuo	Pvt	30104161	9		L
12.	Goya, Kazuo	Pvt	30105245	6		G
13.	Hana, Clifford H.	Pvt	32942435	12		F
14.	Hanaumi, Richard S.	S/Sgt	30101027	12		H
15.	Harada, Charles K.	Sgt	30104939	12		G
16.	Hashimoto, Denis M.	Pfc	30105217	4		L
17.	Higashi, James T.	S/Sgt	30103913	12		G
18.	Hiraoka, Genichi W.	Pfc	30105160	11		I
19.	Hisano, Masao	Pvt	30105597	6		G
20.	Iguchi, Kiyoshi	Sgt	30104554	11		F
21.	Iida, Martin M.	Sgt	30106178	9		L
22.	Ito, Tetsuo	Pvt	30105657	6		G
23.	Jichaku, Thomas M.	Pfc	30104694	12		G
24.	Kajikawa, Tsugito	S/Sgt	30104105	11		M
25.	Karimoto, Haruo	S/Sgt	30105977	11		E
26.	Kashiwaeda, Kenneth G.	Pfc	30103671	6		L
27.	Kato, Kenji	Pfc	30104564	2		M
28.	Kawaguchi, John R.	rvt	39916446	14		L
29.	Kawakami, Tetsuro	Pvt	30106083	14		G
30.	Kikuchi, Leo T.	rvt	38508324	6		G
31.	Kimura, Matsuichi	Pfc	30105098	6		G
32.	Kojaku, Shaw	rfc	39914787	17		F
33.	Kojima, Tadashi	rfc	30100722	14		L
34.	Kuba, Shigeo	Sgt	30105553	14		L
35.	Kunimatsu, Isamu	Pvt	39916318	12		H
36.	Kyono, John	Pvt	39305751	6		F
37.	Matsuda, Carl G.	Pvt	30106367	19		I
38.	Misumi, Tom T.	Pvt	39916687	6		F
39.	Mizukami, William S.	Pvt	39916442	11		H
40.	Morikawa, Haruto	Pvt	30103929	12		E
41.	Morishita, Takeo	Pfc	30105439	14		L
42.	Nagami, Hiroshi	Sgt	30104749	12		F
43.	Nakamoto, Joe K.	S/Sgt	30103104	12		F
44.	Nakamura, Tadao	Pfc	30106242	12		F
45.	Nakamura, William J.	Pfc	39918272	4		G
46.	Niide, Shigeto	Pfc	30104031	6		G
47.	Nishikawa, Akio	Pvt	30104867	11		MD
48.	Oba, Masayoshi	Sgt	30105926	7		L
49.	Ogata, Benjamin F.	Pfc	38532903	7		K
50.	Ogawa, Sadao	Pfc	30106202	12		F

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51.	Ohki, Arnold	Pfc	37346646	7 Jul 1944	K
52.	Okamoto, Tomiso	Pfc	30106130	6	G
53.	Okazaki, Isao	Pvt	39914545	15	G
54.	Utani, Kazuo	S/Sgt	39089432	15	G
55.	Oyakawa, Francis K.	S/Sgt	30105048	6	E
56.	Saito, Calvin T.	Pfc	37044734	7	K
57.	Sakado, Masuto	Pfc	30104068	4	G
58.	Sakamoto, Atsushi	T/Sgt	39020224	17	K
59.	Sakamoto, Noboru	Pfc	30102889	5	I
60.	Sakohira, Todd T.	Pfc	39920129	4	G
61.	Sameshima, George S.	Pfc	39918009	6	G
62.	Sato, Yukio	Pfc	39914562	19	I
63.	Sawada, George K.	Tec 4	39919568	5	MD
64.	Shigihara, Takeshi	Pvt	30106134	14	L
65.	Shimatsu, Akira R.	S/Sgt	39165971	16	H
66.	Shintani, Takeo	Pfc	30104324	6	E
67.	Shiomichi, Joe A.	Pfc	39919719	19	I
68.	Sugahara, Shinichi	Sgt	30105510	6	L
69.	Sugiyama, Togo S.	Sgt	39163051	12	H
70.	Taira, Masaru	Pvt	30105188	4	L
71.	Takayama, John N.	Pfc	30105223	4	L
72.	Takayama, Yoshito	Pfc	30106290	7	K
73.	Taketa, Jimmie Y.	Pvt	39091942	16	K
74.	Tamashiro, Tomas T.	Sgt	30105718	9	I
75.	Tanahashi, Kei	2d Lt	0-385482	4	G
76.	Tatsumi, George	Pvt	39916440	4	E
77.	Tengan, Masaru	Pfc	30105948	4	L
78.	Tokunaga, Clifford T.	Pfc	30105286	6	F
79.	Tokusato, Hidetoshi	Pfc	30103012	4	L
80.	Toma, Tsugiyasu	S/Sgt	30104717	4	G
81.	Tomikawa, Calvin T.	Pfc	39918251	4	E
82.	Tomita, Hiroichi	Pfc	30106147	12	F
83.	Toyama, Shinsuke	Pfc	30102652	4	L
84.	Toyota, Shichizo	Pfc	39916599	13	E
85.	Urabe, Howard M.	Sgt	30104769	4	G
86.	Yamamoto, John T.	Pfc	37701204	15	H
87.	Yoshihara, Toraichi	Pfc	30105635	5	E
88.	Yoshimura, Saburo	Pfc	30104522	14	L

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1.	Abe, Sadaichi	Sgt	30105959	F
2.	Adachi, James K.	T/Sgt	39089646	G
3.	Agina, Masa	Pfc	30106197	F
4.	Akimoto, Tamotsu	rfc	30105786	M
5.	Ansai, Toshio A.	1st Sgt	30106049	E
6.	Akamine, Herbert H.	Tec 5	30105871	MD
7.	Arakawa, Jeneye	Pvt	30103703	H
8.	Babcock, Howard N.	1st Lt	0-444814	M
9.	Bertram, Joseph	2d Lt	0-1310351	E
10.	Blanchard, Wilber	2d Lt	0-1311599	G
11.	Brenner, Milton L.	1st Lt	0-465329	L
12.	Chipman, Albert B.	2d Lt	0-538397	RD
13.	Corbiere, Hathwell	2d Lt	0-1310355	RD
14.	Deguchi, Yasunori	Pfc	30104135	F
15.	Dickinson, Harry	1st Lt	0-1305556	K
16.	Doi, Akira	Pfc	30104106	K
17.	Ebisuya, Kichio	Pvt	30104247	G
18.	Farnum, Charles O.	1st Lt	0-397343	H
19.	Foote, Robert H.	2d Lt	0-529092	RD
20.	Fujii, Lawrence T.	Pfc	30105484	L
21.	Fujio, Edward M.	Pfc	30105849	M
22.	Fujioka, Mitsuru	Sgt	30100921	E
23.	Fujita, Robert S.	Cpl	19063651	E
24.	Fujiwara, Itsuo	Pfc	30106330	K
25.	Fujiyama, Hisashi	Pfc	30103700	F
26.	Fukuda, Thomas M.	Pvt	36883184	E
27.	Fukui, Lewis L.	Pfc	39682956	G
28.	Fukunaga, Masachika	Pfc	30104155	K
29.	Furuno, Yeichi	Pvt	30104821	MD
30.	Furuya, Joji	Pfc	42035289	F
31.	Goya, Edwin S.	Pfc	30104518	E
32.	Graham, Ralph J.	Capt	0-338827	I
33.	Hagiwara, Michael Y.	Sgt	39916438	G
34.	Hamada, Ernest K.	Pfc	30105678	F
35.	Hamada, Kaneichi	Pfc	30105570	G
36.	Hamada, Tetsuo	Pvt	30103940	K
37.	Handa, David M.	Pfc	30105012	L
38.	Harada, Morio	Pfc	30103920	K
39.	Haraguchi, Takao	Pfc	30103893	L
40.	Hata, Geroge M.	Pvt	39304721	L
41.	Hayashi, Shigeki	1st Lt	0-522023	MD
42.	Hayashida, Henry Y.	Pfc	39232166	MD
43.	Hayashikawa, Fumio	Pfc	30104036	K
44.	Heirakuji, Walter I.	Pfc	30104096	K
45.	Higa, Haruo	Pfc	30106210	K
46.	Higa, Masanobu	Pvt	30104278	I
47.	Higa, William Y.	Pvt	30104787	L

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48.	Hikichi, Herbert M.	Pfc	30104539	F
49.	Hirai, Hiroshi	Pfc	39914526	L
50.	Hirai, Toshitsugu	S/Sgt	30104718	E
51.	Hirakawa, Seiye J.	rvt	30105148	H3
52.	Hiromura, Kozo	rvt	39914543	L
53.	Hokama, Noboru	Pfc	30105851	F
54.	Honma, Shigemi	Cpl	30102518	AT
55.	Hori, Henry K.	rvt	30104647	H2
56.	Huseby, Neil W.	2d Lt	0-1510845	K
57.	Ichikawa, Robert S.	rfc	37702513	E
58.	Ichikawa, Thomas	Tec 5	19059781	H2
59.	Ichimura, Yoshio	S/Sgt	30102727	E
60.	Ida, Fred S.	S/Sgt	30105123	G
61.	Ihara, Bob N.	rvt	39913361	G
62.	Iino, Edwin N.	rvt	39913689	G
63.	Ikari, Norman S.	Pvt	39017307	E
64.	Ikeda, Akimasa	Pfc	30105767	E
65.	Imamura, Edwin S.	Pvt	30106390	F
66.	Inake, James J.	Sgt	30104880	H
67.	Inouye, Susumu	Pfc	37701068	G
68.	Ishida, George J.	Pvt	39305789	L
69.	Ishiguro, Fusso	rvt	30105232	MD
70.	Ishimura, Gary Y.	rvt	30105744	G
71.	Isoda, Seishi	rvt	30103615	E
72.	Itanaga, Richard Y.	Pvt	38510360	G
73.	Ito, David T.	rfc	30104906	I
74.	Ito, Koo	Pvt	36882228	E
75.	Izumi, Elbert E.	Pvt	39007703	L
76.	Jett, John A.	Capt	0-1284146	L
77.	Jones, George	Pfc	32907253	G
78.	Kakazu, George	Pfc	30104669	F
79.	Kaneshige, Juno	rvt	30106206	E
80.	Kaneta, Seiji	Pvt	32994352	E
81.	Kariya, Shigeo	rvt	39675625	AT
82.	Kato, Ichiro B.	Pvt	37704417	G
83.	Kato, Kiichi	S/Sgt	30104889	I
84.	Kato, Satoru	rvt	30104984	MD
85.	Kawabe, Toshiro	S/Sgt	30105790	M
86.	Kawamoto, Noboru	S/Sgt	30105895	I
87.	Kazumura, Takeshi	Pfc	30105247	I
88.	Kimoto, Sanji	Pfc	30104053	K
89.	Kinoshita, Fukuo	rvt	30103652	F
90.	Kinoshita, Takeji B.	T/Sgt	30106343	I
91.	Kirihara, Henry H.	Pfc	30105481	E
92.	Kiyomoto, Ayato	S/Sgt	30105978	E
93.	Kodama, Archer F.	Pfc	35271649	F
94.	Kohara, Hitoshi	Pfc	30106386	I
95.	Kohashi, Etsuo	S/Sgt	30102867	K
96.	Koito, Sadamu	Sgt	30106094	K
97.	Kokama, Nobuo	S/Sgt	30103550	F
98.	Kokubun, Toshio	Pfc	30106377	I
99.	Konno, Rex H.	S/Sgt	30102745	E
100.	Koto, Ernest	Pfc	39916461	E

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101.	Kreskosky, Mike	1st Lt	0-1308227	I
102.	Kubo, Roy M.	rfc	30104348	F
103.	Kubota, Toshio	rfc	30106359	K
104.	Kumagai, Ben T.	T/Sgt	39154493	G
105.	Kurata, James I.	rfc	30104571	G
106.	Kurozawa, Tetsuo	Pfc	30104818	H
107.	Kushi, Sukeyoshi	T/Sgt	30106097	E
108.	Kuwahara, Harry M.	Pfc	30105646	I
109.	Lang, Carl L.	2d Lt	0-1310367	F
110.	Mametsuka, Yoshiomi J.	Pvt	37345800	G
111.	Maruyama, Bob A.	rfc	37704767	G
112.	Masaoka, Akira I.	Tec 4	39162289	MD
113.	Masaoka, Tadashi T.	Pfc	39916774	E
114.	Masuda, Kunito	Sgt	30105984	E
115.	Matsuda, Sadao R.	Pvt	30102683	I
116.	Matsudaira, John T.	Pvt	39916444	K
117.	Matsumoto, Fred T.	rfc	30105236	E
118.	Matsumoto, Goro	Sgt	30105613	I
119.	Matsumoto, Tsukasa	rfc	30103590	G
120.	Matsumura, Fred M.	Sgt	30105835	I
121.	Matsumura, Renkichi	Pvt	30105547	E
122.	Matsuo, Setsuo	rfc	30106278	F
123.	Matsushita, Ray	rfc	39916627	F
124.	Mayewaki, Charles C.	rfc	38506080	G
125.	Mikami, Matume	Sgt	39387724	F
126.	Minata, George A.	Tec 5	39915249	MD
127.	Miyahara, Hayao R.	T/Sgt	39019817	I
128.	Miyamoto, Hajime	rfc	30106254	MD
129.	Miyamoto, Richard T.	Pvt	30105859	L
130.	Miyashiro, Minoru	Pfc	30103876	F
131.	Miyata, Robert S.	Pfc	30104731	G
132.	Miyoshi, Masaru	S/Sgt	39375608	L
133.	Morishige, Shigero	Pvt	37701201	H
134.	Motooka, Katsumi	Pfc	30105730	L
135.	Munch, Arthur W.	1st Lt	0-1285093	L
136.	Murakami, Tsunemitsu	Pfc	30104042	I
137.	Muraoka, Hideo	Pvt	30103874	I
138.	Murayama, Larry S.	rfc	30105541	L
139.	Nagai, Hideyuki	Pfc	30104116	E
140.	Nagami, Toshio	Pvt	30106298	F
141.	Naganuma, Linzo E.	rfc	30105920	I
142.	Nagaoka, Minoru	Pfc	39913882	K
143.	Nagasako, Masao	Pfc	30104886	M
144.	Nagata, Ernest Y.	Pfc	36694790	F
145.	Naito, Richard H.	Pfc	39919564	K
146.	Naito, Tadami	Cpl	30105699	H
147.	Nakagaki, John M.	rfc	30102671	MD
148.	Nakagama, Yuji	Pfc	39332772	K
149.	Nakagawa, Tom T.	Sgt	39085184	I
150.	Nakai, Kiyoto G.	rfc	30104256	G
151.	Nakamoto, Raymond K.	rfc	30106348	F
152.	Nakamura, James J.	rfc	30105308	I

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153.	Nakamura, Masaharu	S/Sgt	30105727	H
154.	Nakanishi, Tamotsu	Sgt	30105996	F
155.	Nakano, Tomi H.	rvt	39916181	L
156.	Nakashima, Donald T.	Tec 4	30105471	MD
157.	Nakashima, Walter T.	rfc	39618267	H
158.	Nishi, Masakazu	T/Sgt	39089471	K
159.	Nishida, Kusuo	Pfc	30106002	M
160.	Nishida, Sadao	T/Sgt	30102977	F
161.	Nishie, Akashi	Sgt	30106119	H
162.	Nishimoto, Kazuso	S/Sgt	30103140	E
163.	Nishimoto, Kenichi	Sgt	33722115	G
164.	Nishioka, Richard M.	S/Sgt	30104967	I
165.	Noborikawa, Masao	S/Sgt	30104954	K
166.	Noda, Kaoru	rfc	30104007	G
167.	Nojiri, Sueyoshi M.	rfc	30105656	L
168.	Nomura, Satoru	rfc	39162293	G
169.	Nozu, Harry	rfc	39919332	L
170.	Numamoto, Kazuo D.	Tec 5	39165036	MD
171.	O'Connor, John J.	2d Lt	0-1298910	RD
182.	Oda, Harry H.	Pvt	38517742	L
183.	Oda, Iwao	Pvt	30104778	F
184.	Ogata, Fred S.	Pvt	30106005	K
185.	Ogawa, Carl K.	rfc	30105813	G
186.	Ogimachi, Yoshihito	rfc	39921152	G
187.	Ohiki, Edwin	Pfc	37346653	E
188.	Oka, Isamu	Pvt	39088354	E
189.	Okada, Yoshitaka R.	Pvt	39916431	I
190.	Okamoto, Esami I.	Pvt	39154146	E
191.	Okamura, Paul	rfc	30103609	K
192.	Okinaka, Richard T.	S/Sgt	30104648	K
193.	Okita, Frank T.	rfc	39913366	MD
194.	Omura, George M.	Pfc	39916759	E
195.	Omura, Hiroshi	rfc	30104619	K
196.	Omuro, Edward M.	Pvt	30104741	E
197.	Ono, Nobuo	rvt	30104570	E
198.	Onouye, Tetsuo	S/Sgt	30104915	E
199.	Oshikata, Gordon I.	rfc	30105776	K
200.	Ushiro, Seichi	Pfc	30104500	L
201.	Ushiro, Takehiro	rfc	30105483	K
202.	Ota, Shigeru C.	Pfc	30106133	I
203.	Otake, Susumu	Pvt	30104298	F
204.	Otani, William T.	rfc	19058941	H3
205.	Ouye, Seiji	Sgt	30106235	G
206.	Paton, John S.	2d Lt	0-1309308	L
207.	restana, Hidenobu B.	Tec 5	30105933	E
208.	reterson, Ragnar H.	2d Lt	0-1310634	H
209.	Rock, John J.	1st Lt	0-453569	G
210.	Sagara, Kuniji	Pvt	30104286	K
211.	Sakai, John J.	Pvt	37624427	G
212.	Sakamoto, Jack S.	rfc	30102605	G
213.	Sakamoto, Shitomi T.	rfc	30105504	I
214.	Sakamoto, Sueo	rfc	30103905	K

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215.	Sasaoka, Daniel M.	S/Sgt	30105231	F
216.	Schmidt, Louis	2d Lt	0-1306894	E
217.	Serikaku, Stanley S.	S/Sgt	30104883	G
218.	Setsuda, Richard H.	r/c	39914559	I
219.	Shigenaga, Raymond K.	r/c	30105418	E
220.	Shiigi, Walter T.	r/c	30103932	G
221.	Shimabukuro, Tomoaki	Pvt	30105260	H2
222.	Shimabukuro, Tsunehiko	Pvt	30105031	L
223.	Shiraishi, Masaaki M.	Pvt	30104125	G
224.	Soda, Sadaichi	Pvt	39916616	H
225.	Suehiro, Masato	rvt	30105129	L
226.	Sugihara, Masao	S/Sgt	30105676	E
227.	Sugioka, Tokuo	r/c	30104067	E
228.	Sugiyama, Tsutomu	r/c	30104065	G
229.	Sumida, George H.	rvt	39917509	M
230.	Sumioka, Shigeo	S/Sgt	39586292	G
231.	Suzumoto, Minoru	r/c	30105561	I
232.	Tajiri, Shinkichi G.	r/c	39914819	M
233.	Takamori, Melvin H.	r/c	30105663	H
234.	Takaswa, Shigeo	rvt	42024585	E
235.	Takashima, Frank T.	T/Sgt	39166467	E
236.	Takemoto, Lawrence M.	S/Sgt	30106395	G
237.	Takemoto, Shunji	Pvt	39157350	F
238.	Takiguchi, Bob N.	Pvt	39916518	L
239.	Tamanaha, Edward M.	Pvt	30106388	G
240.	Tamanaha, Masao H.	r/c	30104678	K
241.	Tamayori, Clarence Y.	r/c	30105448	K
242.	Tanabe, Fumikazu	rvt	30104332	H
243.	Tanagi, Roy I.	r/c	39916383	F
244.	Tanaka, Chester G.	rvt	33748529	K
245.	Tanaka, Daniel I.	S/Sgt	30106260	F
246.	Tanaka, Kenneth K.	r/c	30105379	H
247.	Tanaka, Thomas R.	Pvt	37701022	G
248.	Tanaka, William T.	Pvt	30104709	F
249.	Tanemura, Harry K.	r/c	39387749	G
250.	Tanioka, Ralph M.	r/c	30104918	H
251.	Tanji, Mitsuo	r/c	30104271	F
252.	Tasaka, Arthur	Pvt	32972823	G
253.	Tatara, Hughes T.	r/c	37345818	K
254.	Tatsuda, Jimmy T.	Sgt	39525673	K
255.	Teruya, Danny Y.	r/c	30105102	F
256.	Tochihara, Yukio	Pvt	39916445	M
257.	Tokusato, Masaichi	r/c	30103952	F
258.	Tomomitsu, Densai	r/c	30103623	K
259.	Toyofuku, Tsutomu	Pvt	30104659	G
260.	Tsuboi, Saburo	r/c	39918001	E
261.	Tsuha, Harold H.	r/c	30105789	G
262.	Tsujimoto, Ben	r/c	39916448	M
263.	Tsukamoto, Deems S.	r/c	30104295	L
264.	Ueda, Yoshio	Pvt	30104350	G
265.	Ushiyama, Paul C.	r/c	37345630	E
266.	Wada, Takashi	Pvt	39089596	L
267.	Wakamatsu, Joseph	Pvt	39913345	L

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268.	Wells, Julian	1st Lt	0-1311714	E
269.	White, Floyd E., Jr.	1st Lt	0-1311718	G
270.	Yagi, Toshio	Cpl	30105867	K
271.	Yamada, William M.	Pvt	36884997	F
272.	Yamaguchi, Harry K.	Pfc	30105194	E
273.	Yamaguchi, Ralph H.	Cpl	37346316	K
274.	Yamaguchi, Samuel G.	Pvt	39919714	F
275.	Yamamoto, Yukio	Pvt	30104264	I
276.	Yamato, Keichiro	S/Sgt	30104071	E
277.	Yanaga, Harry Y.	Pvt	38008756	I
278.	Yanagida, James M.	Pfc	30104255	K
279.	Yanazaki, Hisao	Pfc	30106245	I
280.	Yatabe, Takeshi	Pfc	39918194	E
281.	Yokoyama, Tomeo	Pfc	39914227	H3
282.	Yonashiro, Eiichi	Pfc	30104411	F
283.	Yoshida, Yutaka, K.	S/Sgt	30104754	H
284.	Yoshii, Kiyoshi	Pvt	39091718	K
285.	Yoshimitsu, Kazuto	Pvt	30103622	G
286.	Yoshiwa, Yoshimasa	Pfc	30105546	G
287.	Zaima, Arthur S.	S/Sgt	30103620	F
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NARRATIVE OF EVENTS
442D INFANTRY
1 - 31 July, 1944

1 July The regiment moved by foot from Bibbona to an assembly area West of Casale and immediately South of the Cecina River. During the night of 1 - 2 July our forces continued their march and took over the front line approximately 0400 2 July 44.

The 2d and 100th Bns were in line abreast, with the 3d Bn in reserve. They crossed the Cecina River and started to attack. Resistance was encountered from enemy Infantry, self-propelled guns and tanks. The terrain in which the attack was staged is very mountainous and rugged, with narrow winding roads heavily mined.

During the day Infantry elements of the 34th Division operating on the right and left flanks of the 442d reported the towns of Riparbella and Cecina taken, the latter after an especially difficult contest.

During the night of 2 July an enemy plane dropped antipersonnel bombs and strafed roads leading to our positions.

On 2 July the 100th Inf Bn reported the following: 25 Germans killed, 43 Prisoners, 1 88mm towed gun destroyed, 2 AT guns, 5 Machine Guns and 6 Machine Pistols captured.

3 July The attack was resumed at 0730, the position of the battalions being the same as on the previous day, the 100th on the left, 2d Bn on the right with the 3d Bn in reserve. Heavy enemy shelling continued. By 1600 3 July our advance elements were about 8 kilometres N of the Cecina River in the center of the Division sector, with the 135th and 168th Infantry Regiments flanking on the left and right respectively. On this day, White (2d) Bn occupied the town of Molino A Ventoabbto (Il Terriccio), attacked and took Hill 287 and Hill 277 to the North of the town. The 100th on the left received severe artillery fire from the town of Rosignano. The regiment had tank and Tank Destroyer support from Co C, 752d Tank Bn, and the 804th Tank Destroyer Bn, and direct artillery support from the 522d Field Artillery Bn.

4 July On the night of 3-4 July, Blue (3d) Bn passed through the 100th and took over the left sector of the regimental front. On the 4th, at approximately 1500, Lt Colonel Miller (Regimental S-5) assumed command of the Blue Bn. On the 4th stiff enemy resistance continued from prepared positions on Hill 140. These positions were reported built by the Todt Labor Organization and withstood the heaviest shelling of our artillery. The situation remained static during the 4th, 5th and 6th as our battalions fought for the high ground. The towns of Rosignano on the left and Castellina on the right were German strongpoints from which they had excellent observation and directed heavy artillery fire. All along the 34th Division front the fighting was severe and resistance the strongest since the 442d entered the line on 26 June.

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6 July On the 6th the 100th Battalion went back to the line, relieving the 2d Bn which was withdrawn to an assembly area NW of Molino A Vento-abtto. On the 6th the 3d Bn attacked and took the ridge at R Vallori despite 88mm, automatic and mortar fire. Co L advanced to 197297 (Sheet 112 III Chianni). Regimental forward CP was established at Molino A Ventoabtto. The mountainous country and poor roads made supply difficult, and mules were brought up for use as a pack train, and carried ammunition, rations and water over the ridges N of the town into the lines.

The 206th Army Band, a component of the 442d Combat Team, was re-designated as the 206th Army Ground Forces Band effective 27 June 44 per Sec V, GO 105, Hq Fifth Army, 22 Jun 44.

A list of casualties sustained by the 442d Inf as of 30 June 44 is attached.

7 July Very slow progress continued throughout the 7th. Prisoners taken belonged to the 36th SS Regiment and reported that they had orders to hold the line until defenses at Pisa had been completed. The terrain continued mountainous and difficult to attack. The enemy was dug in and the Infantry had to go in with grenades and bayonets. Night fighting was frequent because darkness offered protection to our troops as they advanced across the open valleys. Combat patrols went out continually. A typical patrol action: On the night of 6 July a squad of Co E on patrol intercepted a German platoon in the darkness at point blank range (5 yards), inflicted heavy casualties and withdrew.

8 July The 3d Bn occupied Hill 140. On the 9th, the 2d Bn relieved the 3d, at 2300 hours.

On the 6th Secretary of War Stimson visited the Fifth Army forward area, and the 100th Infantry Bn was represented in the guard of honor.

On 8 July 44 Lt Col Alfred Pursall assumed command of the 3d Bn. On the same day the 100th Inf Bn reported 20 dead Germans, 22 Prisoners, and one Mark IV tank knocked out by bazooka fire.

9 July Coordinated attack by entire Division. The 3d Bn on the regimental left advanced to grid coordinate 195325 on the road running West of Casale (Sheet 112-III Chianni) and the 100th on the right reached the outskirts of Casale, both battalions being faced by determined resistance; the Germans used their favoring terrain to full advantage. A map taken from a dead German indicated that they had every hill, house and terrain feature zeroed in from prepared gun positions, with azimuth readings, ranges and fields of fire elaborately developed. This knowledge was possible because of their long occupation of the ground they were defending; to offset it slightly our forces had occasional help from Italian partisans as to enemy emplacements and mine fields.

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10 July 44 The attack was continued by the 2d and 1st Bns to secure ground in the vicinity of the 34 grid line, north of Casale. The 2d Bn reached and occupied Hill 147 with the 100th abreast in the regimental zone. During the day the town of Casale was occupied by the 168th Inf on the right flank of the 442d.

11 July The regiment attacked during the night of 10-11 July and moved about 1000 yards. During the 11th the 2d Bn remained vic Hill 147, subjected to heavy shelling, which also struck in the 3d Bn reserve area and caused casualties.

25 Officer replacements were obtained from Division and were sent immediately into combat as the officer strength of the line companies had been seriously depleted. In all, the 2d and 3d Bns to date have suffered approximately 400 killed and wounded. Replacements of EM are not available. Despite these losses, the lack of replacements and the exhaustion of three weeks of front line combat, morale remains high. The enemy is being driven from his positions day by day and is taking appreciably heavier losses in personnel and equipment. To date about 200 POW's have been taken since the drive began. The Division is nearing its immediate objective, the seaport of Leghorn.

On the 12th, the 2d Bn attacked the ridge Southwest of Mo Dei Rotini with F Co on the left, G on the right and E in reserve. The ridge was taken and held. At the same time the 100th Bn reached the town of Pastina (Rotini) and cleared it out in house to house fighting. On that night the 3d Bn relieved the 100th, completed the occupation of Pastina, and continued the advance.

13 July Beyond Pastina resistance temporarily lightened, as the enemy withdrew approximately ten kilometres all along the line, and the 2d and 3d Bns made considerable progress during the day. The town of San Luce was taken by the Blue Bn, who bivouacked there during the night of 13-14th and pulled out into the hills again 0500 14 July, where once again the enemy fought for the ground. The 3d Bn passed North of San Luce, worked along the road and turned NW following the regimental sector. The 2d Bn took Hill 157 and the town of Pieve di S Luce, which was found extensively mined and booby-trapped. The 3d Bn reached road junction at 194436 (Sheet 112-IV Pontedera) where it was relieved during the night by a battalion of the 168th Infantry.

14 July Antitank Co, 442d Inf, was relieved of assignment and attachment with the regiment, was assigned to AFHQ and attached to the Seventh Army for training. Its movement to the area of Galeria was directed.

The 100th Inf was in Division reserve, with its Able Co maintaining a road block at 148355.

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15 July The 2d Bn made another night attack on 14-15 July, reached Hill 104, and kept going at 0500 15 July. 1st and 2d Platoon of Cannon Co, attached to the 2d Bn, fired 339 rounds in support of the Battalion. The 3d Battalion remained in support behind the 2d Bn until the night of 15-16th, when it once again took over the front line, with the 2d in reserve. Charlie Co of the 100th Inf established another road block at 141410.

A party of five swimmers was dispatched to participate in the Fifth Army Swimming Meet at Rome.

16 July The 3d Bn began its drive on Luciano, with the 2d Bn abreast on its left. The 100th was engaged in hard fighting to maintain road blocks on the extreme left of the regimental sector, Cos A and C particularly being involved on the road running generally along the 14 grid.

The fighting at Luciano was bitter hand to hand conflict. The enemy was barricaded and supported by several tanks and automatic weapons. Because of the close nature of the fighting, our artillery could not be brought into full play, however it swept the roads beyond Luciano and made enemy withdrawal costly. Co K was the leading element in the attack on the town, and after a night and day of street fighting finally won the town. The 2d Bn meanwhile attacked and seized Hill 108, while the 100th was pushing road blocks up to 139428 and West to Colognole. The 100th found the area heavily mined.

On the 17th, Division announced a quota of 3 Guest Officers (Lts or WO's) and 1 Duty Officer, and 40 EM for the Rest Center at Rome from 19-23 July, and arrangements were made to fill the quota from the line companies.

2400 17 July 44 found the regiment after a hard day with all three battalions committed in the following position: On the right the 3d Bn had cleared out the last remaining resistance in Luciano; the 2d Bn in the center was advancing on Hill 114, and the 100th Baker Co was at road junction 138440, on the left of the regimental zone.

18 July The White and Blue Bns continued the advance NW, the 3d reaching the town of Torretta and the 2d cutting the road SW of that locality. Resistance was lighter as the enemy was withdrawing to positions before Pisa. The seaport of Leghorn fell to elements of the 135th and 363d Infantry Regiments, with the 442d's position protecting their right flank. Leghorn (Livorno), the third largest peace-time port of Italy, was a main objective of the Fifth Army drive and after reconstruction will provide a major base for future operations.

The 100th Infantry was detached from the 442d Infantry and attached to the 135th Infantry, per VCGG 34th Division, and moved into Leghorn.

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NARRATIVE OF EVENTS (CONTD) 442D INFANTRY

19 July The 2d and 3d Bns took up defensive positions around Nuova and Colle Salvetti respectively, established an outpost line, and sent out patrols as far as the Arno River. With the fall of Leghorn and the withdrawal of the Germans past the Arno, the Fifth Army had reached another main enemy defensive line, the so-called "Gothic Line". It is known that this line is established on high ground, is fortified in depth, and laterally follows the Arno River.

During the 19th and 20th the regiment remained in position with the battalions occasionally subjected to harassing artillery fire. Combat-reconnaissance patrols were sent out continuously, reconnoitering the ground between the lines and feeling out enemy positions. On one of its patrols a squad from the 2d Bn met Lt Gen Clark, Commanding General Fifth Army, who personally congratulated the men on the fine work of the 442d.

21 July 44 Major General Charles L. BOLTE assumed command of the 34th Infantry Division, relieving Major General RYDER.

The main body of troops set up MLR on Hwy 67 on the 21st, while patrols ventured beyond that point to the outskirts of Pisa.

A patrol composed of Lt Gilbert, Lt Androvette and 12 volunteer EM from Co L set out for Pisa at 2300 20 July 44, with a partisan guide. Their reconnaissance took them across the canals below the Arno and behind the enemy lines to the southern edge of Pisa. A report that the Germans were evacuating Pisa was found to be untrue. Enemy gun positions and troops were observed, and additional information was obtained from partisans as to the disposition of enemy troops and the location of mine fields. The information was communicated to Division upon return of the patrol at approximately 1200 22 July. The patrol was for reconnaissance purposes only behind the enemy lines, and did not involve itself with enemy forces although at one time the patrol was in the second floor of a partisan's house while Germans entered and occupied the ground floor. The patrol returned intact. All members are being recommended for citation.

Two patrols from G Co also reached the outskirts of Pisa on the 21st. The first patrol, led by Lt Boyd, with 20 EM and a "300" radio reconnoitered as far as the airport S of Pisa, and then sent a three man patrol forward into the southern edge of the town. Before reaching their objective, the patrols were under artillery fire and were engaged in a brief skirmish. This patrol was in radio contact with a similar patrol led by Lt Bianco also with 20 EM. Both patrols had difficulty in crossing the canals, which they did by fording waist deep thru the shallow ones, and crossing the others on improvised rafts. The patrols met at the airport and returned at midnight, having been gone approximately 24 hours. Information was obtained as the condition of roads and bridges before Pisa, the location of mine fields and emplacements, and observation as to enemy strength. All members of both patrols are being recommended for commendation in Division orders.

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NARRATIVE OF EVENTS 442D INFANTRY (CONTD)

22 July On the night of 21-22 July, a welcome relief passed through the lines and took over the White and Blue positions. The 135th Infantry relieved the 2d Bn and the 133d relieved the 3d Bn. The 442d went into Division reserve, and thus ended the first phase of combat operations for the regiment.

On the 22d the regiment remained in Division reserve in the vicinity of Colle Salvetti, and on the 23d moved back to a rest area N. of Cecina.

The 100th Infantry Bn was cited for outstanding performance of duty in action in the vicinity of Belvedere and Sassetta, Italy, on the 26th and 27th of June 44, per GO 121, Hq 5th Army, 18 July 1944. The citation entitles the battalion to carry Distinguished Unit streamers on its colors and guidons and individual members to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge.

At the conclusion of this combat period, the following communications are quoted. Ltr from Major General Charles L Bolte, Commanding General, 34th Inf Division, 25 July 44, to Commanding Officer, 442d RCT:

"Altho your command has been attached to this Division for only a short time, it was during this period that your officers and men received their baptism of fire.

Their enthusiasm and fighting spirit exceeded expectations; the Division has accepted them unreservedly and consider them an integral part of the Division.

In token of this acceptance and the esteem in which your officers and men are held, there is presented to you the shoulder patch of the 34th Infantry Division for all of the officers and men of the 442d Infantry, 522d FA Bn, 232d Engr Co, and the 206th Army Band."

Memorandum from Commanding Officer, 442d RCT, Col C. W. Pence, to all Officers and Men of the 442d RCT, dated 26 Jul 44.

"Upon completion of our first tour of combat duty I believe it is appropriate to relate to all of you some of the accomplishments of the unit.

You have been of material assistance in driving the enemy back more than fifty miles. During this action you have never taken a backward step.

You have stood firm under heavy shell and mortar fire and have beaten off every enemy counterattack.

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"You have captured and killed many Germans, destroyed and captured much enemy materiel which, in reality, is our mission in war.

"On the last day of combat the Division Commander stated to me 'Your unit has done a splendid job' and yesterday we were privileged to wear the insignia of the division, a division whose long, successful combat record is surpassed by no other division.

"We have lost several of our comrades in combat. We mourn their loss and honor their memory. For the rest of us there is the work of tomorrow.

"I am proud of you and am honored to be your commander."

24 July Rest period begun. All personnel enjoyed hot showers and an exchange of clothing. Arms, equipment and vehicles were cleaned and overhauled. Duffle bags came out of storage. A week of athletics was planned, together with swimming and Special Service recreational programs.

Following changes in organization are made a matter of record:

Eff 11 June 44, 34th Division (with 442d RCT atchd) relieved from attachment to VI Corps and attached IV Corps, per ltr AG 321.1-Y, Hq 5th Army, 10 June 44, Subj: Attachment of Troops.

34th Div (w/442d RCT and 100 Inf Bn atchd) relieved from IV Corps and reverts to Army control, per ltr AG 322.1-Y, Hq 5th Army, 24 Jul 44, Subj: Assignment and attachment of troops.

"Reduction of Basic Privates" Ltr 320.3 Hq 34th Inf Div, 14 Jul 44, Subj: T/O & E: Pursuant to instructions contained in ltr TAG AG 320.3 (19 May 44) OB-IWDGCT-M, Sub: Reduction of Basic Privates in T/O Units, dtd 23 May 44 and 1st Ind, Hq NATOUSA, AG 320.3/568 A-O, 10 June 44, T/O & E applicable to * * * 442d Inf, 522d FA Bn, 232d Eng Co, 206th AGF Band and 100th Inf Bn (Sep) are changed eff 30 June 44 to conform -

T/O & E 7-17	Rifle Co	Unchanged		
T/O & E 7-11	Med Det	Unchanged		
			<u>Auth. Basic</u>	<u>Auth</u>
7-11	442d Inf (-1st Bn)		165	2224
	AT Co, 442d Inf		8	152

Personnel and equipment rendered surplus by reason of above changes will be absorbed by attrition. All tables other than those listed above which provide basic privates in excess of 5% of tabular strength less basic privates are amended to reduce number of basic privates to 5%.

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July 27 At an impressive ceremony, the 100th Infantry Battalion was presented with the Distinguished Unit Citation Streamers by Lieut General Mark Clark, Commanding General, Fifth Army. General Clark affixed the blue streamers to the colors and guidons of the 100th, and decorated the battalion commander and color bearers with the Distinguished Unit Citation Badge, which will also be worn by all members of the battalion. The 442d was also commended by General Clark for its part in the recent fighting. Major General Charles L. Bolte, Division commander, accompanied General Clark.

July 28 At another ceremony, the 2d Battalion formed part of the Guard of Honor for King George VI of England, at Cecina. The King personally felicitated the members of the battalion who had earned the Purple Heart, and presented Silver Stars for gallantry in action to:

Sgt Hideo Kaichi	30104312	Co H
Sgt Noboru Togioka	39083617	Hq Co 2d Bn
Pfc Paul Tahara	39916316	Co H
Pvt Yeichi Furuno	30104821	Co E

On the evening of the same day a concert was presented by Miss Lili Pons, renowned star of the Metropolitan Opera and Mr. Andre Kostelanetz, symphonic conductor. The concert was well attended.

July 29-30 Rest period continues.

July 31 Co A, 100th Infantry Battalion, relieved Co F, 133d Infantry, at Livorno, per Division order. 2d Battalion, 442d Infantry, alerted for possible movement.

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