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To Accompany Periodic Report (S-3)

HQ 111st REGT RIFLE  
APO 3 S. ARMY  
DATE: 2612001 Oct 1944

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111st INFANTRY REGIMENT RIFLE

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>C. P.</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
111st Inf Regt	288591	
1st Battalion	308588 (rear)	
2nd Battalion	308587	
3rd Battalion	319597	
Regt'l Hq Co	288594	
Cannon Co	210519	
Anti-Tank Co	277588	
Service Co	171506	
Regt'l Med Det	288591	

ATTACHED UNITS

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>C. P.</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
358 PA Bn	210519	
Co A 111 Med Bn	288591	
Co A 111 Engr Bn	Unknown	
Co B 83 Chem Bn	248511	
Co C 5th Chem Bn	Unknown	

SUPPORTING UNITS

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>C. P.</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>

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141ST INFANTRY REGIMENT

From: 1200 26 October 1944

To: 1240 26 October 1944

Place: Rear OP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
 Fwd OP-vic 308587

Time & Date :	From :	To :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. :	Action Taken :
1201	G-4	ExO	Want to arrange for dropping supplies by plane to 1st Bn. It will take minimum of 12 hrs to get planes over 1st Bn area.	Notified S-3
	S-3	ExO	CO wants planes ready loaded with supplies so if need them, can get them in few minutes notice.	Notified G-4
1202	ExO	131 FA	Is it possible to get Cub plane to fly over 1st Bn to contact Arty FO?	
1208	CO 131 FA	ExO	1st Bn received CO's msg at 1205.	Notified S-3
1210	442 Inf	CO	How many Cos have we past Co I?	Not any.
1210	CO	CO 2 Bn	Adjust arty fire upon hill 321605; then bring it closer but not closer than 500 yds. Fire for effect on ridge where you think enemy is.	
1212	Div LO	CO	CG wants 1st Bn to atk back; from msg sent to 1st Bn does not get that idea.	
	CO	Div LO	1st Bn very low on ammo and do not believe it could put on a strong atk.	
	Div LO	CO	CG wants 2nd and 3rd Bns to get started in their atk to try and relieve 1st Bn. 442 mission to go from nose of hill to Pt 9. CG Div Arty plans to adjust arty on enemy rd block.	
	CO	Div LO	1st Bn near rd block now; don't fire any arty in that area unless cleared by 1st Bn FO.	
1240	2 Bn 143	ExO	Co F 143 was advancing toward 319578 to secure an OP; stopped by 3 automatic wps at 316578; have not been able to advance further yet.	Notified S-3
	S-3	ExO	Co F 141 in same general vic as Co F 143, also heading for 319578, no report on progress.	Notified 2 Bn 143
1240	S-3	S-2	Msg from 1st Bn: We have sent patrol as ordered; on way to contact friendly force; pos unknown; believed between Pts 8 and N. Msg believe sent before 1st Bn received COs msg.	

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To: 1345 26 October 1944

Place: Rear CP-MAGHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
 Fwd CP-vic 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1242	CO	CG	442 in fire fight while passing through Co I; 2nd Bn stopped, Co F moving to edge of clearing where CG ordered one Co 442. Co E astride trail 322587; Co K met counter atk coming from SE; registering arty there. Released Co L to Bn CO to use as he saw fit.	
	CG	CO	Get Bns organized and push ahead.	
1244	131 FA	S-3	Arty adjusting on Pt 9.	
1258	S-3	2nd Bn	Adjust arty fire 400 yds S and 300 yds E Pt 9.	
1301	CO	CO 3 Bn	Co L to move between Co K and Co E to fill 200 yd gap; Cos to hold pres pos.	
	CO 3 Bn	CO	Co I in same pos engaged in fire fight; Co I acting as base of fire for 442. One tk knocked out by bazooka and the others returned.	CO said would send more light tks fwd.
1325	G-3	Ex0	3rd Div to establish rd block vic 306613; we are to maintain contact there.	Notified S-3
1330	S-3	Ex0	Units will be ready to atk again at 1600.	
1312	CO 1 Bn	CO	Msg from 1st Bn: 50 enemy at Pt 8, some at Pt N and Pt 7. 28 injured.	
1337	131 FA	S-3	1st Bn request me to fire between Pts 8 and N.	
1340	CO	1st Bn	Msg to 1st Bn: Move trps through to Pt 30 contacting our king (Co K) 300 yds SE Pt 30. Arty will fall 300 yds E of Pt N. Jerries in same pos as my first msg. Orders will be issued at Pt 30.	Msg sent by 131 FA and acknowledged by 1st Bn
1345	CO	COs 2nd, 3rd Bns	3rd Bn will make main effort; 2nd Bn holding atk, prepared to break through Pt 9. 3rd Bn less Co K to atk from Pt 30 to Pt 9, clearing trail to S, endeavoring to clear enemy from Pts 9 and 30. Arty registered on hill 624 vic Pt N; will give a ten min preparation beginning at 1550. 3rd Bn will use what tks left; Engrs behind Inf prepared to clear rd blocks and mines. 3rd Bn will use Engrs left from 1st Bn. 2nd Bn to be prepared to go down trail to Pt 9, working around enemy flank (cont)	

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 To: 1509 26 October 1944  
 Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
Pwd CP-via 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1345	CO	COs 2nd, 3rd Bns	to put fire on enemy if they withdraw down valley.	
1355	CO	CO 442 2nd Bn	We need Co I for atk at 1600; is it okay to pull them out?	Yes
1405	CO	CO 131 FA	Want a ten min preparation 1550-1600 hrs on 323584 where you registered. Use two Bns 105s; have 131 FA and 93 AFA prepared to fire along 325 easting and 58 northing on call. Will give 10 min notice if there is any change. Use high angle fire and fuse delay shells.	
1410	ADC	CO	Visited CP and received situation report and plan of atk. ADC asked what were 20 men left from 1st Bn going to do.	
	CO	ADC	Men are going with supplies with supply tks.	
	ADC	CO	Where are 50 cal MGs of AT plat.	
	S-3	ADC	Co M is using them in atk.	
	ADC	CO	Keep Co F moving.	
1412	Div LO	CO	Can't use 93 AFA in preparation but will fire on call.	
1422	1st Bn	CO	Msg: Request permission to remain at position until tomorrow. Will not be possible to reach pos 10 at daylight due to casualties. Second msg: Before moving must know outcome combat patrol which is half our strength.	
1440	CO	1st Bn	Msg: We are attacking at 1600 for Pt 9. Atk preceded by 10 min concentration close to Pt N. Continue your attempt vic Pt 9 and Pt 30 as instructed in previous msg. Acknowledge.	
1505	CO	CO 2 Bn	Main atk will be assault down trail with tks. Holding atk is an assault to left of trail. CO 1 Bn accompanying tks.	
1509	Tk LO	S-3	There is a definite AT gun that hit tk.	
1509	CO	CO 1 Bn	Are tks ready? CO wants you to take command and go with tks.	Tks are ready.

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To: 1603 26 October 1944

Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
Fwd CP-vic 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1510	CO 3 Bn CO	CO CO 3 Bn	Missing platoon from Co E has reported into Co K. Atk must begin at 1600.	
1520	ExO	CO	Guns still firing from between az of 70-80 degrees. Every time Cub OP leaves, enemy fires a volley; landing in vic viaduct at BELMONT.	
1530	CO	CO 442 Inf	Do not proceed to Pt 25, go to Pt 30 and remain there until ordered differently.	
1533	131 FA LO	CO 131 FA	Have received 20 rounds arty in 15 min; want counter btry.	
1537	S-3	S-2	Cos L and I to atk to Pt 9, Co K on rt to clear trail. Cos E and G to push E and try to break through. Co G still in contact; sent patrol around right and got into a fire fight.	
1550	CO	S-3 2 Bn	Arty barrage starting. Use tks and push out.	
1600	ExO G-4 ExO	G-4 ExO CO	Did you receive msg asking for material to be made ready for dropping to 1st Bn? Yes, but must have 12 hr notice; supplies must have a specific time and place to drop before start packing material; what supplies do you want dropped. Make up of supplies to be dropped: two days supply K rations and water, medical supplies, one case 45 cal ammo, one case carbine ammo, two cases MG ammo, 4 cases M1 ammo, 30 cal. Comm Officer wants following btry supplies dropped: Four BA 70, six BA 39, two BA 40. Will give them coord 349573 as place to drop supplies and 0800 as time; otherwise they will not drop it. At 0800 in morning it will be too misty to fly mission; thus we will have it on call.	ExO notified CO CO agreed; ExO notified G-4
1600	CG CO	CO CG	Asked about arty concentration. Preparation should be off. Co F FO fired a mission on enemy arty; his pos 314573. Co F encountered small arms fire at 320577.	LO checked arty CG wants Co F pos and disposition checked.
1603	131 FA	CO	15 rounds per gun, two Bns arty firing.	

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Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1618	<u>CO</u> <u>131 FA</u>	<u>131 FA</u> <u>CO</u>	<u>What was effect of counter btry?</u> First shells fell 100 yds short, range increased and no report since.	
1622	<u>CO 2 Bn</u>	<u>CO</u>	Co F at 316575; FO putting fire on mortar pos in creek bed to rt flank. Atk jumped off on time; Co G rt flank met opposition 318580 and are working against it now.	
1630	<u>131 FA</u> <u>CO</u>	<u>CO</u> <u>131 FA</u>	<u>Asked situation.</u> Receiving no arty but MG, mortar and small arms.	
1637	<u>ExO 3 Bn</u>	<u>S-3</u>	Co L moving but no further info.	<u>CO notified CG</u>
1642	<u>S-3</u>	<u>2nd Bn</u> <u>442 Inf</u>	Send a patrol to 7th Inf rd block when you get time. FO with Co I called off preparation because it was too close to trps.	
1650	<u>Tk LO</u>	<u>S-3</u>	Have moved down some; firing support for Bn.	
1655	<u>CO Cml</u> <u>Co D</u> <u>S-3</u>	<u>S-3</u> <u>CO Cml</u> <u>Co D</u>	Will have to cut down a lot of trees to get in pos. Cut down trees if necessary; get into pos.	
1702	<u>CO</u>	<u>ExO 3 Bn</u>	Push down trail toward Pt 9 and open trail for use; tk was down it today.	
1715	<u>S-3</u>	<u>Asst S-3</u>	Atk jumped off on time; 1600. Co L moving fwd; no other reports. Co G 442 who relieved Co I 141 received counter atk; believe it was repulsed but no details. Patrol from Co G 442 to contact elements 3rd Div but not until pres situation has clarified. Exceptional lot of small arms fire going on at pres.	<u>Notified G-3</u>
1720	<u>CO</u>	<u>CG</u>	Tks went down trail to 330591; on strength of this am sending 3rd Bn down rd.	
1720	<u>CO 2 Bn</u>	<u>S-3</u>	Co F deploying; plat encountered enemy line from 316576 N to 58 northing with at least 3 MGs, plat deployed and using rifle grenades and automatic wpns. One plat Co F and FO at edge of woods 314574; FO observed mortars in draw and near house 318573; putting arty fire on it now, also flak of SP in woods 329576. Co F extending outpost at 315580 to keep enemy from infiltrating around. Co G on rt, (cont)	

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Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1720	CO 2 Bn	S-3	(cont) one plat Co E met automatic wpons fire on atk; out of contact with Co.	
	S-3	CO 2 Bn	Use 155 PA, also, on Pts N and 2 and to W.	
1740	2nd Bn 442 Inf	CO	Co G in former Co L pos; Co E 320599, plat on nose at 322596; Co F 200 yds SW in former Co K 141 pos. Cos I and L 141 went toward Pt 28 along ridge.	
	CO	2nd Bn 442 Inf	Move rt plat of Co E across rd to vic 323599 (Co E 442 Inf).	
1720	1st Bn	CO	Msg by radio: Stopped by strong enemy force dug in at pos Pt 10. Flanking stopped by hvy mine field covered by MG; withdrew to old LD pos.	
1750	G-3	CO	Supplies ready to be dropped.	
1752	ADC	CO	Arty preparation did no harm.	
1759	G-3	S-3	CG VI Corps wants 141 RCT to tie in with 7th Inf on left by extending 442 2nd Bn in order to secure our left flank; not just by patrolling.	
1800	CO	1st Bn	Radio msg: We will drop food, ammo and water to you at clearing in woods at 344574 tomorrow morning after 0800. Display panels, smoke or something white; tell us which. Acknowledge.	
1820	S-3	CO 2 Bn 442 Inf	Move Co F 442 from rd block NE of MAILLEUPAIN; put rd blocks on 4 trails at 315606, 314618, 312610, 310612; make physical contact with 7th Inf. Do this tonight; work men down by patrols. Rd block is Div boundary; notify regt when you begin moving out.	
1840	1st Bn	CO	Radio msg: Medical supplies needed; no rations for 3 days; 7 new casualties. Where is out patrol which moved this day on order to meet mission force. Need ammo before atk possible.	
1905	Tk LO	S-3	Tks moved out 1500 yds and couldn't contact anyone. Tks now at 3rd Bn CP since CP has lost contact with Co L.	

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Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1905	CG	CO	Do you have contact with 1st Bn?	
	CO	CG	Periodically by radio.	
	CG	CO	Believe it is good idea to bring 1st Bn out in open ground across to BIFFONTAINE.	
	CO	CG	This plan has already been discussed but don't believe it is good due to litter cases.	
	CG	CO	I do not order you to leave wounded, but Bn must be gotten out tonight.	
1912	G-3	S-3	Air drop of supplies to 1st Bn to take place at 0800 if weather conditions permit; if weather interferes, it will take place at first opportune time. All AA units and other units interested have been notified. Plane will probably be a fighter bomber.	
1912	CO 2 Bn	S-2	Enemy line runs from 316575 to 317580 bending NE to hill 624; also small group of enemy with MGs located on small hill at 310578. Enemy well dug in, have several machine pistols along the line; enemy personnel observed give impression of being well trained trps. May be snipers since they are wearing camouflaged uniforms with hoods fitted over helmets to break outline. At least two 120mm mortars in pos at 318574 along line of trees. SP gun in woods 378575. Btry of arty along edge of woods at 375562. A squad of enemy Inf fired at 143 patrol from RR station at 311567; patrol reported unusually hvy vehicle traffic on rd NE of BIFFONTAINE. Hill 624 has S mines around enemy pos. CO 2 Bn 442 estimates 100 enemy dug in on his rt at 373605 with MGs firing at his trps. Small counter atk toward Co G rd block at 315601 this afternoon was repulsed.	Notified G-2
1953	CG	CO	Any news from 3rd Bn?	None as yet.
1955	CO 2 Bn	CO	Every plat Ldr and NCO in Co E is a casualty. 100 enemy estimated in front Co F pos with 12 MGs. Co E has 10 men to a plat. Left flank exposed. Hears movement on hill. Patrol of 143 says valley wide open.	
	CO	CO 2 Bn	Will send I&R Plat to fill gap; okay to wait until morning to work up to Co F.	



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Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
Fwd CP-vic 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
2010	1st Bn	CO	Radio msg: Small clearing around our pos will mark with white a row and if possible yellow smoke at 0745. 2nd Msg: Request rations, ammo, fags, medical supply so enemy will not observe and inform enemy of our pos. Have you heard from our patrol?	
2015	CO	CG	Co E has not moved due to hvy small arms fire; 9 casualties in two plats. Co G hasn't moved much due to MG fire. Co F moving. No word from 3rd Bn yet. 2nd Bn pos: Co F, plat 312573 with FO party, plat 313579, plat 311 584 on rd block blocking enemy pos 312581. Co G, plat 312585, plat 314583, plat 317585 at RJ. Co E, plat 319589, plat 320588, plat connecting these two plats.	
2017	S-3	G-3	Arty somewhat quieter this afternoon.	
2037	3rd Bn	CO	Arty FO with Co I got to where he was going and digging in. Bn believes this is Pt 9.	
2100	S-2	ExO	Co K pos by 442 this afternoon.	
2100	CO	S-3	Send I&R Plat with new Ren Plat with I&R Plat Ldr in charge to Fwd CP as soon as possible. I&R who stated trps They will be used to fill gap in line between Cos E and F.	Notified Plat Ldr out on night problem; would assemble soon as possible
2102	S-3 CG	CG S-3	Have received no word from 3rd Bn. Has arty FO with 3rd Bn made any report?	Will check.
2105	131 FA	S-3	3rd Bn arty FO made a report short time ago but did not give any pos.	
2120	S-3	ExO	Have I&R Plat walk up.	Notify ExO 3 Bn
2125	ExO 3 Bn CO	CO ExO 3 Bn	Msgr just came in to get litter squads. When msgr goes back, send along wireman and also get complete disposition of trps.	
2145	CO	1st Bn	Radio msg: Supplies will be sent; patrol not contacted. Send up smoke when plane appears.	

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To: 2350 26 October 1944

Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
Fwd CP-vic 508587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
2145	OO	OG	Reported Co L had requested litter bearers; trying to get 3rd Bn pos now.	
	OG	OO	442 Inf will pass through 141 tomorrow at our pres pos to gain contact with 1st Bn.	
	OO	OG	Plan to concentrate on enemy NE of BIFFONTAINE with arty, mortar, bazooka and rifle grenades. Believe this ground key to good part of ridge. Plan to drop supplies to 1st Bn at 1100.	OG approved plan. Notified G-4
2218	OO 3 Bn	OO	Front line 400 yds S of 322595. Co L at 325590, Co I at 323597 between Co K and Pt 30 in contact with enemy to S. Co K at 323591. One medium tk with Bn. Plan to dig in tonight; enemy dug in, about 75-100 enemy to Bn front with at least 3 MGs.	Notified OG
2225	ExO	S-3	I&R leaving at 2245.	
2240	OO	OG	3rd Bn has 1 medium tk left, two knocked out. Estimated enemy in front 3rd Bn, two Cos 100 men each with 8 MGs. Bn digging in for night; used logical route to get to 1st Bn and got within 400 yds of Pt 9. Putting I&R Plat in gap between Cos E and K. Co F heard digging in front of pos by enemy at 317575.	ExO notified S-3; S-3 notified G-3
2240	S-3 442 Inf	S-3	ADC orders 141 to have officer guide from Cos I, K, L, E and G report to 442 CP at 0300.	Notified ExO
2253	G-3	S-3	Co C 3rd Cml Bn goes to 442 Inf on new Div OI. Have their CO or LO go to 442 Inf CP immediately.	Notified Cml Co
2255	S-3 442 Inf	S-3	OO 442 Inf will be at 141 Fwd CP at 0700; will meet COs Cos B and D 753 Tk Bn and Co C 636 TD Bn; please notify.	Notified COs named.
2310	OO	1st Bn	Radio msg: Aircraft will drop supplies at 1100. Strong friendly force coming.	
2350	ADC	OO	Co F 141 will be relieved by one Co 442 Inf who will atk and take nose of ground to front. 131 FA FO will remain with 442; 131 FA in direct support in addition to 552 FA. Officer guides to report to CP 442 at 0300. OO 1 Bn to stay fwd and take over 1st Bn whenever it is rescued or contacted. Atk to begin at 1000. If 442 Inf so desires, 141 will furnish a base of fire as 442 tries to go out and around the flank of the dug in enemy. When this (cont)	

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2350	ADC	CO	(Cont) regt relieved, it will billet in places now used by 442 in vic BELMONT.	Notified COs all Bns
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0045	442 Inf	CO	Co F 442 in pos; sending patrol to 7th Inf rd block N of ERIVAL. All quiet, no shelling.	
0100	I&R CO	S-3	Arrived Fwd CP; received instructions to cover gap between Cos E and K.	
0200	S-3	CO 1 Bn	1st Bn was contacted was contacted at 2300 and informed of dropping supplies; had no msg for us.	
0345			Arty fell in vic Regt'l Rear CP.	
0400			Arty fell in vic Regt'l Rear CP.	
0658	CO 2 Bn	CO	Heard small arms fire on az of 150 degrees.	
0730	ExO	G-4	Told about white arrow to indicate place to drop supplies.	
0746	CG	S-3	Any word from 1st Bn this morning or last night?	S-3 checked; found there had been no word.
0830	CO	2nd, 3rd Bns	Warn any officers of 442 that contact you of arty.	
0850	CO	CG	Suggest 141 Inf stay in pres line to protect 442 in their atk and the flank. Will not pull trps out until ordered by you.	Notified 442 Inf
0910	CO	COs 2nd, 3rd Bns	Be prepared to resume atk with 442 Inf, if necessary; axis of thrust will be toward Pt 9.	
0915	1st Bn	CO	Radio msg: Five men from combat patrol returned with one prisoner; remaining men of patrol captured in enemy ambush. PW reports 150 enemy at Pts 10 and N. Stated that Americans were flanking around left to E. Enemy patrol with MGs atkd from S but was repulsed.	Notified S-2; C of S.
0932	CO	C of S	Recommend 141 keep Arty FO; CO 442 has agreed.	C of S agreed.
0950	S-3	ExO 2 Bn	442 Inf will atk at 1000.	
1000	CO 3 Bn	S-3	Arty falling on our trps.	

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1001	131 FA LO	CO 131 FA	Arty coming from 250 degrees and falling on our trps about 6 rounds per min. Is it our arty?	CO 131 FA checked; 552 FA nor 131 FA firing.
1005	CO 3 Bn	S-3	Arty was landing on ridge 315596 but has stopped now.	
1005	ExO	S-2	One Bn 442 at 313585; assembly area 3059. Co G 143 on SE nose of hill just N of BIFFONTAINE. Co F at 318578. 100th Bn of 442 atks through Cos E and G to E. 3rd Bn will attempt to out-flank and atk from N. Our units will act as a holding force, furnishing a base of fire wherever it is needed.	
1015	CG	CO	Visited CP and received situation report from CO. Ordered all tks to go under 442 Inf control immediately.	Notified 2nd, 3rd Bns to release tks.
1027	CO 2 Bn	S-3	Co B 442 now passing through Co E 141.	Notified CO
1037	ExO 3 Bn	S-3	3rd Bn has not jumped off in atk yet.	
1046	CO	S-2	Atk of 442 3rd Bn and 141 3rd Bn delayed due to friendly arty falling short and landing vic both Bn's CPs.	
1050	1st Bn CO	CO 1st Bn	Radio msg: <u>When are pale (aircraft) coming?</u> Radio msg: Not yet.	
1053	442 Inf	S-3	3rd Bn and 100th Bn atk has begun.	
1115	2nd Bn	S-3	Co E has gained contact with Co B 442 and is moving out.	
1119	S-3 Co F 141	Co F 141 S-3	Has Co F of 143 passed through as yet? Co F 143 sent combat patrol.	CG said move up.
1120	CO 1st Bn	1st Bn CO	Radio msg: <u>Can you observe fire on Pt 10.</u> Radio msg: No but report indicates excellent results.	

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Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
Rwd CP-vic 308537

Time & Date :	From :	To :	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. :	Action Taken :
1145	<u>S-2</u> <u>G-3</u>	<u>G-3</u> <u>S-2</u>	<u>Has mission of dropping supplies begun yet?</u> Planes have circled the area for some time but due to hvy ground fog they could not drop supplies. Planes have returned to base but will start again as soon as visibility clears up.	Notified CO. CO wanted to know what type plane to be used and when mission to be flown. S-3 notified G-2
1156	CO 2 Bn	CO	With Co F getting atk organized. Nothing happened as yet. 35 min ago was with Co G. Co B pulled in behind Cos E and G but had not <u>pushed out. No shots fired.</u>	
	CO	CO 2 Bn	Push atk on nose of ground.	

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3-3 PERIODIC REPORT NO 74

FROM: 261200A Oct 1944  
TO: 271200A Oct 1944

Hq 141 ROT  
288592  
271200A Oct 1944

MAPS: FRANCE 1/50,000 SHEETS MKXV-18

1. 141 ROT, with 2nd Bn 442 ROT, Co G 3rd Chem Bn, Co D 753 TK Bn and Co A 111 Med Bn attached, and Co A 111 Engr Bn, 131 FA Bn in direct support. 1st Bn, vic 345575, cut off by enemy infiltration to rear. 2nd Bn, E Co vic 321588, G Co vic 318585, F Co vic 312574. All Co's in contact with enemy. 3rd Bn, Co's K and L along ridge vic 322574, I Co vic 317602. Co's K and L attempting to work to SE, against enemy force. Co I being passed thru by 2nd Bn 442 ROT. 2nd Bn, 442 ROT-Co G across main road vic 318603. Co F attempting to work across main road vic 318603. Co F attempting to work across. Both companies in contact. Units regrouped during early afternoon to attack at 1600A. I Co released and joined Co L. Co's E and G attacked to E along main road, I and L Co's to SE. Attack moved out at 1600A, but stubborn resistance continued from SA, MG, mortars and arty and only minor progress made. Co F continued to attack to seize high ground vic 31575-reached vic 31575 and 314714, meeting SA and MG resistance. 2nd Bn 442 ROT, Co E reached vic 320599-322596. Co G across road and clearing vic 316604, in contact along high ground to NE. 2nd Bn, 141, Co E 319589-320588, G Co 312585-317585, and F Co 313576-311589. K Co vic 323591, L Co vic 325590 and I Co vic 325597. Continuous attacks thru out day had gained those positions. Constant contact maintained during night. 2nd Bn, 442 ROT, Co G 3rd Chem Wpns Bn, Co D 753 TK Bn released from attachment and attached to 442 ROT, which was ordered to pass thru 141 ROT 2nd and 3rd Bns and attack to E at 0900A. During morning, 100 Bn passed thru 2nd Bn E and G Co's and 3rd Bn 442 thru 3rd Bn 141 ROT. 2nd and 3rd Bn proceeded to furnish holding attack and base of fire for elements 442 ROT. Little progress made because of constant contact with enemy. F Co, in conjunction with F Co, 143 ROT, continued attack to seize hill 624 thru out AM. Attempts to resupply 1st Bn by air and arty during period unsuccessful. Enemy arty extremely active during period.
2. Combat Efficiency: Limited by combat fatigue, terrain difficulties and approximately a 58% reduction in Rifle Co strength on position.
3. Results of Operations: 2nd Bn 442 ROT, Co G 3rd Chem Wpns Bn, Co D 753 TK Bn detached from 141 ROT. 141 ROT continued attack to E to open supply route to 1st Bn. 3 prisoners taken during period. Total to date in France 4343.

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From: 1200 27 October 1944  
 To: 1406 27 October 1944  
 Place: Rear OP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
 Fwd OP-708587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1200	C of S	CO	Notify CG that 3rd Div said we could use rd for anything. Entire enemy Co surrendered vic 315635. Enemy resistance on Hill 585 considerably lessened. (From CG 3 Div)	
1203	1st Bn CO	CO 1st Bn	Radio msg: Where is friendly force at? Radio msg: Coming by your route. Aircraft attempted to drop supplies 1100 hrs but weather did not permit. Will do so immediately when weather permits.	
1216	131 FA	S-3	Enemy personnel at 318573; 2nd Bn FO adjusting arty on them now.	
1217	S-3 CO Co E	CO Co E S-3	What is your situation? Waiting on contact with 3rd Bn before moving out.	
1219	ExO 3 Bn	CO	Cos I, K and L have been in contact with enemy this morning. Co K reported seeing 442 advancing on rt, but 3rd Bn 442 is not up with Cos K and L yet.	
1235	CG	CO	Get Bns assembled and move back down hill; units to move back as soon as passed through. 2nd Bn 143 reports their Co F hasn't moved yet due to 141 arty.	
1250	CO 2 Bn	S-3	Co F 143 at 313575; one plat Co F 141 at 317575. Co F 143 received small arms fire on edge of woods; plat Co F 141 working against it now. Rest of Co F 141 working from 313579 to 313580.	
1300	CO 131 FA	131 FA LO	Will 131 Arty FOs be pulled out when 141 Inf is moved back?	Not unless CG says so.
1320	CO 3 Bn	S-3	3rd Bn 141 astride rd and in contact with 3rd Bn 442 moving along 32 grid vic 322575. 3rd Bn 141 ready to launch holding atk when 3rd Bn 442 is ready to atk through Cos I and K.	
1400	CG	CO	At 1700 will fire base projectal shells with medical supplies from 105mm and 155 mm guns to 1st Bn.	
1406	S-3	S-3	3rd Bn plans to atk with 442. 2nd Bn still in pos and working with Co F 143 to clear hill.	

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From: 1406 27

To: 1500 27 October 1944

Place: Rear CP, MACHIEROUR, FRANCE (288502)  
Fwd CP via 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1410	CO 2 Bn	S-3	Co F 141 and Co F 143 will launch atk at 1415 to NE of BIFFONTAINE.	
1412	131 FA LO	131 FA	Just received 25 rounds enemy arty in our pos.	
1425	131 FA LO	CO 131 FA	Shells being loaded at Ordnance; think only medical supplies in shells.	
1440	G-3	S-2	Co F 143 at 315577. Arty concentration called for by 141 at 320576 and 318573. 100th Bn of 442 316525, 3rd Bn 316595; to close on 100th. 7th Inf has rd block at 304616, contacted 442. 7th Inf firing arty on enemy at 307613.	
1441	G-2	S-2	ISUM: Enemy continues to defend line in FORET DOMANIALE V317579-317582-323589-327590-328592. Hill 326598 with estimated 300 men. 442 Inf has moved against left flank of this line without opposition but no exact locations or extent of penetration known. Enemy arty lighter.	
1442	CO	1st Bn	Radio msg: Will fire in supplies with arty at 1700. Will transmit info at 1630. Where can you observe?	
1445	CO	442 Inf	Okay to fire on Pt 10.	
1450	ExO 2 Bn	S-3	Co F has jumped off and in contact with enemy. Called for arty. No plans about supply for tonight yet.	
1455	2nd Bn	S-3	Co B 442 along front line of Co E.	
1500	CG	CO	Want you to use and push 3rd Bn right on.	
1500	G-4	S-2	12-14 P-47s standing by if weather clears. Also preparing 100 rounds arty shells filled with medical supplies to be fired as time bursts over 1st Bn area in same manner propaganda leaflets are fired; will probably be ready at 1700; will notify Fwd CP in time to give 1st Bn notice of plan and to take cover since shells will contain sufficient explosives to crack them open and flying pieces will be a little dangerous. Notify G-4 of any specific supplies needed.	

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From: 1500 27 October 1944  
 To: 1616 27 October 1944  
 Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
Fwd CP-vic 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1520	3rd Bn	Bn CO	Radio intercept; Enemy atk supported by tk, 323591; Co K holding 322592. Tk believed at 323588; cannot fire until cleared; holding.	CO gave okay to fire on tk.
1535	CO 3 Bn	CO	Co K received counter atk; withdrew to 322594. Co I vic Cos K and L to strengthen both.	
	CO	CO 3 Bn	Get arty FO to fire on tk; Co L to maneuver around to counter atk.	
1540	CO 3 Bn	CO	Ridge line from 322597 to 322593 now strengthened by Co L. Elements 2nd Bn 442 moved from vic 319598 and left gap along supply route so moved Co I into this area. Situation now under control.	
1545	131 FA CO	CO 131 FA	Can't get observation on enemy tk. Don't fire without observation; will use bazooka.	
1550	442 Inf	S-3	4 tks in front of Co K 442 pos; have knocked one out; also a half-track.	
1557	CO	ExO 3 Bn	Put unobserved fire in tks in your sector. S-3 442 reports units between Pts 9 and 10. Co E 442 pulled out to help Co F. Want you to get tks with bazookas.	
1602	S-3	ExO 2 Bn	Can Co E be pulled out now.	Don't think so; will check.
1615	CO 1 Bn	CO	Have contact with tks but have not moved out as yet with 100th Bn.	
	CO	CO 1 Bn	You are to advance up behind them with supplies for 1st Bn.	
1616	S-2	G-2	Co K 442 at 333586; Co I 333582, just received counter atk; Co L behind Co K. Co F 143 rt flank meeting hvy resistance at 317576, left flank at 317580 advancing but receiving small arms and mortar fire. Co F 141 in contact with enemy at 313581; Co I at 320599.	
1616	S-3 3 Bn	CO	Arty falling on Co I coming from E and SE. Co L around nose of hill at 322597, Co K at 318596. Co K has 25 men left because they were badly disorganized in counter atk.	

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From: 1616 27 October 1944

To: 1815 27 October 1944

Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
Rd CP-via 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1625	2nd Bn	S-3	Co G 442 digging in; if they stay we can pull out, if not we must stay to protect rt flank.	
1627	G-4	CO	Will fire 50 rounds of 105 and 20 rounds 155 arty ammo packed with medical supplies. Arty FO of 1st Bn contacted and gave coordinate of place to fire at. Notify G-4 when you want supplies fired.	
1635	CO ExO 2 Bn	ExO 2 Bn CO	Where did location of 100th Bn come from? CO Co E reported Co G digging in with Co E 141.	CO said send officer to check this.
1642	CO 3 Bn CO	CO CO 3 Bn	Reorganizing Co K; now have 50 men. <u>Atk came from 325588.</u> Send a strong combat patrol to nose of hill to see if enemy there. 3rd Bn to protect left flank 100th Bn. Also send patrol to investigate small arms fire at 320587.	
1650	CO Co E	S-3	S-3 1st Bn 442 states Co G digging in and fwd elements in fire fight. Would like to know if Co E is to be pulled out.	Will check and notify you.
1725	2nd Bn	S-3	Fire fight still going on in front Co E pos. Rd between Cos F and G cut by small arms fire.	
1743	ExO 2 Bn	CO	Co F 143 at Pt F met small arms and mortar fire. Pt F just to rt of Co F 141. Have lost contact with arty FO.	
1750	OG	CO	For time being you are atchd to 442 Inf Regt.	
1810	151 FA	S-3	Want to fire arty at 322577 and 327527.	Okay to fire.
1800	CO	ExO	Have sent CO 1 Bn to rear; have ExO 1 Bn come fwd and take charge of 1st Bn.	Notified ExO 1 Bn
1812	S-3 3 Bn S-3	S-3 S-3 3 Bn	Patrol went to old Co L pos, found enemy in draw; digging in at old Co L pos. Patrol went straight out ridge; fired on by supposed friendly force. Send patrol to contact 100th Bn.	
1815	1st Bn	CO	Tks and two TDs now where rd block was; all set in case our leading elements break through. Co G 442 dug in around tks; not in contact with Co E.	

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141ST INFANTRY REGIMENT

From: 1815 27 October 1944

To: 2052 27 October 1944

Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
 Fwd CP-vic 506287

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
1825	CO AT Co	S-3	Co G 442 at our rd block; is it okay to pull AT plat out now?	Will check
	442 Inf	S-3	It is okay to pull out AT plat from rd block.	Notified CO AT Co
1826	OO	OO	Want active patrolling tonight and atk at 0630 in morning.	
1830	OO	OO Co G	Co K will send patrols down ridge to contact your left flank; notify your Co. Patrols will leave at 1930 and 2330.	
1842	S-3	ExO 3 Bn	Co K to send two patrols, one at 1930, one at 2330 to contact Co E or elements of 100th Bn.	
1825	1st Bn	S-3	Radio msg: Cannot continue arty adjustment for supplies; will continue in the morning. Will aircraft be used in morning? Give pos of friendly trps. Morale high.	
	S-3	1st Bn	Radio msg: What is your condition? Have you secured water? How many litter cases have you? Will use aircraft tomorrow. Friendly force near Pt 10.	
1902	S-2 2 Bn	S-3	Co I 100th Bn in contact with left plat Co E 141. Co C 141 in pos with Co E 141, Cos A and B 442; are just fwd of Co C 442 and Co E 141.	
2015	1st Bn	S-3	Radio msg: Need halizone. Men weak. 9 litter cases. 53 MIA from patrol. (Whereabouts of) 1st and 2nd Plats Co A not known. 4 killed.	
2040	CO 2 Bn CO	CO CO 2 Bn	Bn receiving arty from 220 and 120 degrees az. Gave defensive fires planned for tonight by CO 141 and CO 442.	
2052	OO 3 Bn	OO	Co K now organized into two plats; have 50 men including Co Hq. Co L has 80-85 men. Co I about 100 men. Patrol from Co L trying to contact Co E; Co I patrol trying to contact Co L. Have no tks fwd.	
	OO	OO 3 Bn	Use AT plat as reserve; Regt'l Scout and I&R Plats available if necessary. Pull a plat of Co I and plat of Co L back in reserve. 442 Inf atks at 0630 in morning; 3rd Bn 141 to protect left flank.	

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From: 202 27 October 1944

To: 0015 28 October 1944

Place: Rear CP-MACHILFOUR, FRANCE (288592)  
 Fwd CP-via 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
2058	CO 2 Bn	CO	Rd block toward BIFFONTAINE not much good in pres pos.	
	CO	CO 2 Bn	Will put mine plat with AT guns farther down rd toward town at RJ 307578.	
2100	CO	CO 3 Bn	Send patrol to house at 370600 and listen for two hrs there; give full report on this patrol. Organize two bazooka teams in Co L; report to CP every two hrs.	
2112	CO	EXO	Two squads AT mine plat to report to Fwd CP at 0700 in morning. Rd block now on rd to BIFFONTAINE to be moved to 307578. Squads to be supplied with ammo and rifles as may be used as riflemen. Put these 15 men on rdblock; dig guns in and conceal them. Sector of fire 180-210 degrees az.	Notified CO AT Co who said had only 15 men available in mine plat. ExO notified CO
2114	G-2	S-2	At 312547, a Co of enemy, Fortress MG Bn; about 300 men per Co. Info from PW.	
2345	S-2 442	S-2	PW (Aid man) from Co Conrad, formerly part of Combat Team Merker now disbanded, was picked up by Co K 442 vic 332586. Combat Team Merker now part of 9th Panzer Div. Came into pos on Oct 24 via GERARDMER - LA HOUSIERE - 317600; had been near LA BRESSE, FRANCE. Co was formed from some Co of 198th Div. Bn CP at 317600 in bldg. For 20 hours until noon today mission was to search for and annihilate 50 of our men stated to be cut off to their rear; traveled in increasingly large units but unable to locate them. At 1300 hrs today their mission changed to atk hill 603 together with tk that was knocked out by 442. 198 Fus Bn reported on PWS rt flank. The 10th MG Co of some Fortress MG Bn on his left; strength unknown.	Notified G-2
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0005	G-2	S-2	JUSSARUPT, REHAUPAL, CHAMPDRAY and LE THOLY showing strength tonight; 1 1/2 patrols were repulsed in all four towns.	
0015	S-2 2 Bn	S-2	Mortar and arty fire hitting in BIFFONTAINE near Co F CP; no indication as to where fire is coming from. Have notified 131 FA and called for counter btry in IVOUX area.	

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From: 0015 28 October 1944

To: 0823 28 October 1944

Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288502)  
Rwd CP-vic 308587

Time & Date	From	To	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
0045	S-3 143	S-2	Co F reported rocket fire from LE COURS MONT; received SP fire from 317556; believed knocked out. Another at 317546, 4 near IVOUX-CORCIEUX rd; have probably moved. Rocket at 330550. Motor movement at 325560 after dark.	
0230	IFW	S-3	FW captured vic 308584 from MG Fortress Bn #39	
0350 0405	131 FA LO	131 PDC	Requested counter btry.	
0725	CO	CO 1 Bn	Keep in contact with 100th Bn as they move so you will be there when tks break through; take some Co A with you.	
0740	S-3	CO	Planes will take off in next half hr to try and drop supplies to 1st Bn.	
0751	CO 2 Bn CO CO 2 Bn CO	CO CO 2 Bn CO CO 2 Bn	100th Bn by passing resistance and going to left of trail. 2nd Bn to clean up this resistance and keep moving. What reserve is there if counter atk comes? If you have no reserve, will try and send you one.	
0755	CO	CO 3 Bn	Bn to keep moving; maintain close contact with 100th Bn if possible.	
0756	Div LO	CO	Visited CP. Stated two planes lost in yesterday's attempt to drop supplies to 1st Bn.	
0759	CO 442 CO	CO CO 3 Bn	Can 3rd Bn 141 atk hill in front of Co K at 0900 in conjunction with an atk by 442 Inf. 3rd Bn 442 going to atk hill in front of Co K; 3rd Bn 141 to also atk. Keep in close contact with 100th Bn on left. Atk at 0900.	CO will let him know.
0804	CO	CO 3 Bn	Suggest you use I&R Plat with Co I or Co L; whichever weakest. Co K will swing around to rt.	
0823	CO	CO 3 Bn	Hill to be held by 141 after it is taken. Use I&R as holding but not at atking force.	

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