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141ST INFANTRY REGIMENT

From: 1120 30 October 1944
 To: 1200 30 October 1944
 Place: Rear OP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)
Fwd OP-vic 308587

| Time & Date | From | To | Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. | Action Taken |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|---|--------------|
| 1126 | ExO 3 Bn | S-3 | 3rd Bn fwd elements receiving tk fire but no other opposition; don't know their exact location but believe they are about 800 yds from Pt 23 (approx 338588). | |
| 1135 | S-3 OO 2 Bn | OO 2 Bn S-3 | Is Co G in large fire fight? No, but rt plat of Co G pulled back due to tk fire. | |
| 1135 | OG | ExO | Send this msg to 1st Bn: Send the patrol; we are coming through to relieve you as fast as we can. 442 Inf now about 1 1/4 miles away.... Also notify OO 442 of mine field at Ft 10. | Notified S-3 |
| 1140 | S-3 | ExO | 3rd Bn at 338588; 3rd Bn 442 has advanced about 400 yds. | |
| 1152 | ExO 3 Bn | S-3 | Receiving a lot of arty. | |

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8-3 PERIODIC REPORT NO 77

FROM: 291200 Oct 1944
TO : 301200 Oct 1944

HQ 141 ROT
288592
301200 Oct 44

MAPS: FRANCE, 1/50,000. SHEETS: XXXV-18, XXXVI-18, XXXV-17, XXXVI-17.

1. 141 ROT, with Co A 111 Engr Bn, Co A 111 Med Bn and 131 FA Bn in direct support. 1st Bn remained isolated vic 345576. 2nd Bn, at start of period, Co G clearing hill vic 321582, Co E in contact vic 317583, Co F in contact vic 316579. During afternoon, Co's F and G cleared wooded areas in their vicinity of stubborn enemy SA and MG resistance. Retained positions throughout night. 3rd Bn, during early part of period, Co's I and L attacked to East from positions vic 324593, reached vic 333591 and were ordered to advance South. Encountered moderate resistance in advance to South, contacted 3rd Bn 442 ROT vic 330588, attacked enemy strong point vic 329587 in conjunction with 3rd Bn 442 ROT. Strong point reduced in late afternoon, and positions held throughout night. Co K mopped up road block vic 332596 during morning. 2nd Bn retained same positions, 3rd Bn attacked to SE in conjunction with 3rd Bn 442 ROT, against moderate resistance. Presently encountering heavy resistance from enemy strong point vic 335578. Co K remained vic 329587.
2. Combat Efficiency - Poor - Limited by combat fatigue, terrain difficulties and approximately a 60% reduction in Rifle Company strength on position.
3. Results of Operations - 141 ROT continued attack to East to reopen supply route to 1st Bn. 3rd Bn advanced to vic 334578. Prisoners taken during period - 11. Total Prisoners in France to date - 4373.

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HQ 141 INF REGT RIFLE
 AFO S-3 RM
 DATE: 301200 Oct 44

To Accompany Periodic Report (S-3)
 No. 77

141st INFANTRY REGIMENT RIFLE

| <u>UNIT</u> | <u>C. P.</u> | <u>REMARKS</u> |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 141st Inf Regt | 288592 | Fwd CP - 308589 |
| 1st Battalion | Unknown | |
| 2nd Battalion | 308588 | |
| 3rd Battalion | 315596 | |
| Regt'l Hq Co | 288592 | |
| Cannon Co | via BELMONT | |
| Anti-Tank Co | 277588 | |
| Service Co | via BUYERSS | |
| Regt'l Med Det | 288592 | |

ATTACHED UNITS

| <u>UNIT</u> | <u>C. P.</u> | <u>REMARKS</u> |
|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| 131 PA Bn | via BELMONT | |
| Co A 111 Med Bn | via BUYERSS | |
| Co A 111 Engr Bn | via BELMONT | |
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SUPPORTING UNITS

| <u>UNIT</u> | <u>C. P.</u> | <u>REMARKS</u> |
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MESSAGE (SUBMIT TO MESSAGE CENTER IN DUPLICATE) (CLASSIFICATION)

No. DATE 301120 OCT 44
To CO 141 (radio msg)

NOT TRYING TO BEG OFF SITUATION
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10 WOUNDED 1 TRANSPORTATION. BE
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From: 1200 30 October 1944

To: 1345 30 October 1944

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

| Time & Date | From | To | Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. | Action Taken |
|-------------|------------|----------|---|--------------------------------|
| 1215 | French LO | S-2 | PFI report having seen on 28 October: 365574, 200 German Engrs digging; 339534, 3 88mm; 337539, 3 88mm; 376556, 2 88mm, 1 120mm; 347547, 3 88mm; 374527, 3 pieces unknown caliber; 367502, 1 88mm; 357519, 1 105mm; 344516, 3 88mm; 322529, 1 120mm; 297542, 1 unknown caliber gun. 314534, population evacuated, big house has 200 Germans and material, very strong basement, bombing by plane if possible. 365534, stock munitions, 50 tons. 339532, 30 Germans in each house (total 300 Germans) 294547, 2 MGs. 366532, Gestapo CP hit by our fire. 304539 rd prepared to be mined. | S-2 notified G-2, 131 FA |
| 1223 | S-2 | G-2 | Want clarification on bombing of villages that have been cleared of civilians and occupied by Germans. | |
| | G-2 | S-2 | THIRIVILLE (339533) is one village like that; but must put in a request to bomb it. | S-2 put in request to bomb it. |
| 1235 | ADC | S-3 | Visited CP; asked mission of 2nd Bn 141 when it is pulled out. | |
| | S-3 | ADC | 2nd Bn 141 to protect left flank 3rd Bn 442. | |
| 1240 | S-3 | CG | 1st Bn has fired two arty missions, one on 30 Germans, dispersing them. | |
| 1300 | Engr LO | S-3 | Co G 442 not advancing. Rd is cleared vic rd block; uncleared areas marked. Not cleared between Co G and rd block. | |
| 1315 | CO 2 Bn | S-3 | Don't believe 143 will relieve us until late; want a guarantee of no Germans in 1000yds. Gave them location of trps but nothing else. | |
| 1316 | S-3 | CO AT Co | Pull AT plat back to vic CP when 2nd Bn relieved. | |
| 1316 | ExO 3 Bn | S-3 | Co K at 333587, rest of Bn 400 yds S; receiving heavy arty fires. | |
| 1345 | 2nd Bn 442 | S-3 | One plat Co G 328609 receiving counter atk and arty; rest of Co G at rd block 322612; Co E at 315605. | |
| | S-3 | 2 Bn 442 | 1st Bn reports mines at Pt 10. | |

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 Bwd CP-vic 308587

| Time & Date | From | To | Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. | Action Taken |
|-------------|---------|---------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 1415 | CO | S-3 | 442 Inf worried about rt flank; their Co F receiving counter atk. Have CO 2 Bn reconnoiter LA CROISSETTE for a protecting line. 3rd Bn working by trail 26-24-21. | |
| 1420 | 442 Inf | S-3 | Our elements are progressing beyond Pt 10. | |
| 1435 | S-3 | ExO | 1st and 3rd Bns of 442 have worked past Pt 10 and on hill beyond. Our 3rd Bn in contact with 3rd Bn 442 vic rd block and will work NE from here on. | |
| 1435 | 1st Bn | S-3 | Radio msg: Can you tell us where our friends are? | Ans sent by radio: Friends at Pt 10. |
| 1435 | Regt LO | S-2 | 143 Inf: Co E has cleared top of hill and are fighting along slopes at 317579; Co F from 317578-319577. Receiving lot of arty from 3 directions; 1 gun believed to be 170mm, putting arty on motor movement they observed. | |
| 1436 | Engr LO | S-3 | Rd cleared to 7th Inf. | |
| 1437 | CO 442 | S-3 | Putting AT Co 442 on my rt flank; want 2nd Bn 141 at LA CROISSETTE. | |
| 1440 | CO | S-3 | Want S-4 to put ammo and supply dump at Pt 9 (335587). | Notified S-4 |
| 1440 | S-3 | CG | Is it possible to get 2nd Bn 141 relieved earlier? 442 Inf worried about rt flank; CO 2 Bn making ren of LA CROISSETTE area now. Cos E and F organized into two plato and half are out. | CG would check and notify us. |
| 1440 | ExO | G-3 | 3rd and 100th Bns 442 and 3rd Bn 141 are to go up on hill mass at Pt 10 along line 341585, then to 352582, then due SW to where 1st Bn 141 is now located. | |
| 1445 | S-3 | CO 2 Bn | Believe 2nd Bn will be at LA CROISSETTE; put men on noses due to amount of arty this morning. | |
| 1448 | S-3 | CG | As 2nd Bn being relieved, sending men to vic LA CROISSETTE where CO 2 Bn putting them in pos. | |
| | CG | S-3 | 2nd Bn to protect draw. | |

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| 1452 | C of S | CO 442 | Put in rd block at 347569; hold hill 21-12 for night. | |
| 1500 | S-3 | CO 2 Bn | Pull out as many men as possible and get started to vic LA CROISSETTE. | |
| 1510 | G-3 | S-3 | Gain contact with 7th Inf at 331617, 331634, 331608. Last report 3rd Bn 7th at 324622, will atk at 1400. | |
| 1535 | 1st Bn S-3 | S-3 1st Bn | Radio msg: What is situation? Radio msg: Same as before; still progressing satisfactorily. | |
| 1538 | C of S | 131 FA LO | Want to get medium arty on 342565, 350560, 363563. | |
| 1542 | CO 442 | S-3 | We are fighting on Hill 660. | |
| 1550 | Ex0 | S-1 | Look for billets in DEYCIMONT and LEPANGES for 1st Bn when they come out. | |
| 1555 | S-3 | Ex0 2 Bn | Has 2nd Bn been relieved yet? | No. |
| 1555 | CO 442 | S-3 | We are over the hill and still moving. | |
| 1600 | 1st Bn | S-3 | Radio msg: Patrol from 442 here. Tell them we love them. | Notified CO 1 Bn |
| 1550 | CG Ex0 Ex0 S-3 | Ex0 CG S-3 Ex0 | 1st Bn lost a 284 when Bn CP was overrun; may have lost AF Code that 1st Bn is using. 1st Bn using FO radio 210. Bn is at 343582. CG wants to know if 1st Bn being kept informed of advance elements. Don't want to take a chance of compromising old AF code; not broadcasting too much of anything. | |
| 1601 | S-3 | CO 1 Bn | 442 patrol has contacted 1st Bn; get things ready to move them back; don't put everything on rd at once and block it. | Notified 2nd Bn; Ex0; G-3, 3rd Bn |
| 1603 | S-3 | 2nd Bn | Plan for your Bn is same; relief is on the way. | |
| 1610 | 1st Bn S-3 | S-3 1st Bn | Radio msg: Change (? send) patrol to Bn. Radio msg: Which Bn? | Ans: 3rd |

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|-------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------------|
| 1612 | ExO 3 Bn S-3 | S-3 ExO 3 Bn | I&R has contact with enemy. Keep contact with enemy; notify us if you lost it. | - |
| 1614 | ExO | Regt '1 Surgeon | Is everything ready to take care of medical cases in 1st Bn? | Yes. |
| 1616 | 1st Bn S-3 | S-3 1st Bn | Radio msg: Anxiously awaiting orders. Radio msg: Hold what you got. CO 1 Bn on way. | |
| 1620 | C of S S-3 | S-3 CO 1 Bn | Move 1st Bn back to cross rd at LA CROISSETTE, keep the able ones there, send the rest back when possible. Men physically able to start for LA CROISSETTE; ones not in good shape, get them out. Possibility of counter atk; must be prepared. | |
| 1630 | S-3 3rd Bn S-3 | 3rd Bn S-3 3rd Bn | Mag: Friends reached; give location by check pts. Mag: Roughly 300 yds SW of Check Pt 23; meeting some resistance. Mag: Leave blocking force at Pt 23. | |
| 1625 | S-3 | S-2 | 442 Inf reports they are in contact with 1st Bn in force now. | Notified G-3, G-2. |
| 1640 | ExO 2 Bn | S-3 | Co E relieved and on way to LA CROISSETTE. | |
| 1644 | G-3 | S-3 | 1st Bn 7th at 345645, 2nd Bn 7th 345635; both without resistance. | |
| 1645 | 3rd Bn | S-3 | Mag: At Pt 23 and moving SE. | |
| 1655 | ExO 3 Bn S-3 | S-3 ExO 3 Bn | I&R at 335593; hlding okay but have no MG support. Will try to get you some support. 2nd Bn will when it arrives. | Notified CG |
| 1703 | S-3 | Asst S-3 | Tell Co E to send a plat with MGs to I&R plat who need help. | Notified CG |
| 1707 | CG | S-3 | Visited CP; received situation report from S-3. Stated we should try and get wounded from 1st Bn out tonight and rest of Bn in the morning. Bring some AT plat up and put men only on trail. | |

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 To: 1905 30 October 1944
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|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|---|
| 1722 | Asst S-3 | S-3 | Co G has been relieved. | |
| 1725 | I&R Plat Ldr | S-3 | Hear digging in 150-200 yds on 75 degree az. One man taken prisoner. | Told him Plat of Co E coming to help. |
| 1730 | S-3 | 3rd Bn | Mag: Ask pos and if at Pt 23 put rd block there and patrol back on trail to LA CROISSETTE. | |
| 1740 | CO 2 Bn | S-3 | Relief completed. Established rd block with 100th Bn and 1 tk. Cos are at LA CROISSETTE. Co E covering 800 yds and 3 trails. Am sending a combat team of about 15 men to reinforce I&R. | Notified I&R Plat Ldr. |
| 1740 | S-3 | I&R Plat Ldr | Send two to four man patrol down trail to S; contact CO Co E; tell him CO 2 Bn orders him to send some reinforcements to help I&R. | |
| 1800 | OG | CO | Visited OP. Hold pos tonight. 2nd Bn 442 atchd to 141. In case of move CO 141 in command. Send out patrols tomorrow to locate enemy pos. Bns to make a report tonight of any known enemy pos to our front or behind us. 1st Bn 141 wounded to be moved to BRUYERES as quickly as possible to be checked over there. 1st Bn 141 in 442 area; to be used by 442 if necessary. | |
| 1830 | CO | 1st Bn | Radio msg: Best wishes and God bless you. | |
| 1840 | CO | G-3 | Is it okay to move 1st Bn to DEYOIMONT? | Yes. |
| 1845 | CO | CO 442 | OG stated we were to work together. Gave I&R situation. | |
| | CO 442 | CO | Will make arrangements to contact I&R and AT Plat 442. 1st Bn 442 will push down valley N of pos and E where trail crosses valley, protecting left flank of 3rd Bn 442, then push N and E to sweep area. Notify me if need additional arty. | CO stated it will assist I&R if 442 can fire into valley. |
| 1905 | S-3 2 Bn | ExO | There is gravel pit behind OP. if Engrs need it. | Notified Engr LO |
| 1905 | S-3 | G-3 | Have 3rd Div lay wire directly to our Bn on hill. Co F and plat Co G still on hill; plat Co G at rd block 323612, one plat at original rd block. OP at 315608. Co E at 317606. Left of 7th Inf at 334616. | |

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| 1915 | S-3 2 Bn 442 | 2 Bn 442 S-3 | Want to contact you at 333618 and 340608. Not possible as we aren't there; are at 334591. | |
| 1916 | G-2 | S-2 | Planes are going to bomb THIRIVILLE and IVOUX and N slope of LE COURS MONT tomorrow. | Gave location of IVOUX strong pt. |
| 1925 | 3rd Bn S-3 | S-3 | Msg: Have mine sweeping team come fwd to this pt. Do you have Engrs with you yet? -- -- -- Msg: Impossible tonight; will send mine sweepers first thing in morning. | No, they were detached |
| 1935 | Ex0 Engr LO | Engr LO S-3 | Where are your Engrs? 2nd Bn Engrs reported back to Engr CO; 3rd Bn does not know where theirs are. Squad of mine sweepers atchd to 3rd Bn are behind 3rd Bn CP. | Will check. |
| 1943 | I&R | S-3 | One plat Co E with I&R now. | Notified S-2 |
| 1950 | 3rd Bn S-3 | S-3 3rd Bn | Msg: It is absolutely necessary to have mine sweeping detail tonight as wounded men cannot get out. Contact your CP and get your squad that is atchd to you. | |
| 2000 | S-3 | Engr LO | Have squad of mine sweepers from 1st Bn report to CP immediately. | |
| 2000 | CO Ex0 | Ex0 S-4 | All front line Cos will be fed a hot supper by 1730 tomorrow. Coordinate this meal with Bns. Have trks ready to move 1st Bn to DEYCIMONT. Issue shoe pacs to 1st Bn and combat jacket and sweater to 2nd Bn. | Notified S-4 |
| 2010 | S-3 | Engr Officer | Report here to take squad of mine sweepers up to 3rd Bn. | Notified 3rdBn |
| 2015 | S-3 | Engr LO | Stop Engr Officer; have found 3rd Bn Engrs. | |
| 2020 | I&R Plat | S-3 | Haven't received AT Plat yet. | |
| 2033 | CO 1 Bn S-3 | S-3 CO 1 Bn | Unable to get to 1st Bn tonight; guide led me the wrong way. Be ready with litter squads tomorrow morning. Believe you can bring Bn out with 6 1/2 T trks. | |

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| 2040 | I&R S-3 | S-3 I&R | Need litter squad. Co E sending litter squad. | Called Co E |
| 2050 | OO | OO 3 Bn | Msg: Push on N to Pt 25. Place emphasis on entering and sweeping area. Plan arty where you can. Try to push to ridge at 348 Easting. Take Engrs with you. | |
| 2100 | OG Div Arty | S-3 | Arty ready to increase counter btry when necessary. | |
| 2116 | OG | OO | Asked situation. 7th Inf to contact 2nd Bn 442 by patrol; 442 to assist 7th with arty. 3rd Bn 442 to go into valley tomorrow. | Notified OO 2 Bn 442 |
| 2125 | OO | OO 2 Bn 442 | 2nd Bn 442 is to come down ridge and join I&R Plat, and sweep ridge. 3rd Bn 442 to send Co to 332569; going to work down trail to valley and put in rd block; remainder of Bn to work down valley onto ridge. 3rd Bn 141 to push up to 350554 so will protect rt flank of 100th Bn 442 and defend grid square 3357 and woods overlooking valley. | |
| 2144 | S-3 | G-3 | Engrs are suppose to clear route to LA CROISSETTE from MAILLEUFAING by 7th Inf pos; Engrs have not finished it. | G-3 will take care of this. |
| 2230 | G-4 | S-3 | Msg: No further allocation of 81mm mortar ammo to your Regt for an indefinite period. Expenditures restricted to emergency requirements. | |
| 2230 | | | Received new Operations Instructions from Div. | |
| 2235 | ExO OO 1 Bn | OO 1 Bn ExO | When will you go to 1st Bn? Will leave at daylight and bring them back to vic of CP. | |
| 2330 | ExO | 3rd Bn | New OI states put rd blocks at 343594 and 352583. | |
| 31 Oct 0020 | Regt LO | S-3 | Just before dark elements Co E 143 tried to take one tk over crest of hill vic 320582; was fired on by enemy bazooka and 5 Mts from distance of 100-150 yds; tk was hit by bazooka but able to withdraw with Inf. 143 reports LAVELINE, including factory, cleared of (cont) | |

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| 0020 | Regt LO | S-3 | (cont) enemy; one plat took the town. 27 PWs. CO 2 Bn 143 reports 100-150 dead Germans in his sector; all were young and in new uniforms. | |
| 0405 | ExO | 131 FA | 5 rounds arty received vic OP. | |
| 0645 | ExO | CO 2 Bn | Told of new OI; put in rd blocks at 323583 and 327581; don't cut trees down but just man these places; if need AT guns they are available. | |
| 0700 | 1st Bn | CO | Radio msg: Where and what route is Roscoe | Called CO 1 Bn |
| | CO 1 Bn | ExO | (CO 1 Bn) coming? Am taking 442 route; leaving as soon as jeeps arrive; would like 1st Bn to send patrol back to meet me. | |
| 0720 | CO | 1st Bn | Radio msg: Coming the 442 way and send a party back to meet him. He's on the way now. | |
| 0812 | CO | CG | Quiet during night except for light arty fire. Am going to check positions this morning and places to send patrols. Will evacuate 1st Bn by 3rd Bn 442 route. 442 sending patrol and laying wire to 7th Inf. | |
| | CG | CO | We will hold pres pos until until 2nd Bn 442 can relieve 2nd Bn 141 and assemble the Bn. | |
| 0820 | CO | CO 3 Bn | Keep contact by phone or physically with 442 since 442 left flank to push between Pts 24 and 21. | |
| 0825 | ExO | CO 2 Bn | Contact CO 100th Bn, find out rt flank, then contact AT Co 100th rd block and maintain it. Move Bn CP to main supply route. Co E rd block back farther then overlay indicates but think it is sufficient. | |
| 0845 | CO 3 Bn | S-2 | Have met enemy opposition at 340583; preparing to clean this out now. | Notified G-2 |
| 0855 | ExO 1st Bn | 1st Bn ExO | Do you have any info on evacuation? 1st Bn has picked up casualties and moving back with litter squads, jeeps and ambulances. | Notified CG |
| 0906 | ExO 2 Bn | S-2 | All quiet during night except Co E received a little arty fire. | |

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141ST INFANTRY REGIMENT

From: 0906 31 October 1944
 To: 1114 31 October 1944
 Place: Rear CP-MACHIEFOUR, FRANCE (288592)
and CP-via 308587

| Time & Date | From | To | Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. | Action Taken |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| 0915 | S-3 | CO 442 Inf | 3rd Bn 141 pushing initially to 342592, then 344589; to clear that area. We want 2nd Bn 442 to relieve 2nd Bn 141 as quickly as possible so we can assemble. | |
| | CO 442 Inf | S-3 | 442 pushing SE to high ground, but worried about high ground to N of Pts 21 and 23. | S-3 notified CO |
| | CO | S-3 | 3rd Bn pushing to this high ground today and will protect 442 flank. | |
| 0935 | CO 1 Bn | ExO | First load of 3 wounded men from 1st Bn are now at Bn CP. | Notified S-3; CO |
| 0950 | S-3 | ExO 2 Bn | 2nd Bn 143 reports our traffic vic BIFFONTAINE bringing down arty fire; they have a covered route in this area; go to their CP for this info. | |
| 0955 | CO | S-3 | 2nd Bn 442 says resistance cleared in their area. | |
| 1025 | G-3 S-3 | S-3 G-3 | Did 141 make contact with 7th Inf last night? No, but patrols out now; report no contact yet. | |
| 1025 | 1st Bn | ExO | Foot trps from 1st Bn arrived vic CP and are loading on trks. | Notified S-2 |
| 1050 | CO 2 Bn 442 | S-3 | Patrol has started to I&R; Co F ran into 20-man patrol coming from NE; placed arty on them. | |
| 1055 | CO | S-3 | I&R Plat okay; no contact with enemy this morning. | |
| 1105 | CO | 2nd Bn | There are confusing reports about clearing rd beyond rd block; have CO report to CP. | |
| 1113 | 131 FA LO | 3rd Bn Arty FO | Msg: What is your situation? Where are leading elements? Is your Sunray (CO 3 Bn) with you. | Ans: Sunray is here. |
| 11-14 | S-3 | CO 2 Bn | Your left flank, 335474 NE to 341581. Rd blocks at 324583, 328581, 330576. Rt flank is same as 143 had. CO says to accomplish first two missions of Div OI and relieve what elements you can. AT guns are available for rd blocks. | |
| 1114 | ExO | G-3 | Will notify you immediately when 1st Bn has closed into DEYGLIMONT area. | Notified 1st Bn to notify CP of this. |

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From: 1114 31 October 1944

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Place: Rear CP-MAGHIEFUR, FRANCE
Fwd CP-via 308587

| Time & Date | From | To | Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. | Action Taken |
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| 1125 | OO | S-3 | After 2nd Bn relieved, should assemble in valley; left flank Hill 617. As soon as 7th Inf gets down, 2nd Bn will establish rd block. CO 442 said 2nd Bn would be relieved as quickly as possible; told him we would tie in with 7th Inf. | |
| 1126 | CO Hq Co | S-2 | The new Regt'l Fwd CP is located at 313608; can be occupied when CO wishes. | |
| 1159 | S-3 | 522 FA Bn | MAILLEUFAING to 3260 is clear. | |

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3-3 PERIODIC REPORT NO 78

FROM: 301200A Oct 1944
TO : 311200A Oct 1944

Hq 141 ROT
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311200A Oct 1944

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

1. 141 ROT, with Co A 111 Engr Bn, Co A 111 Med Bn and 131 FA Bn in direct support. 1st Bn remained isolated vic 345578. 2nd Bn, G Co vic 322582, E Co vic 316584, F Co vic 318577. During afternoon, 2nd Bn relieved in position by 2nd Bn, 143 ROT. E Co moved to vic 331584-332576, and sent 1 plat to vic 328592. G Co moved to vic 326585-333585, E and G Co's in defensive positions. F Co moved to vic 335586. 3rd Bn, at start of period, I and L Co's vic 336578 attacking to SE, K Co vic 335592. I and L Co's in conjunction with elements 442 ROT, reduced enemy strong point vic 337578, 1400A, and continued attack to NE while 442 ROT attacked to SE. Encountered heavy resistance from SA, MG and arty fires, by darkness, advanced NE to vic 338583 against continued stubborn resistance. During afternoon, K Co moved to S along trail, joined I and L Co's. Contact made and supply route opened to 1st Bn, 1545A, by elements of 442 ROT. Evacuation of wounded and troops accomplished during AM, 31 Oct, 1st Bn moving to DEYOIMONT. During AM, 2nd Bn retained previous defensive positions. 3rd Bn, I and L Co's remained in contact with enemy group in same positions. Received 2 counter attacks of platoon strength during morning, and continued attack by fire on enemy positions. K Co moved N to vic 335592, and attack to E. By end of period had advanced to vic 337593.
2. Combat Efficiency: Fair, limited by combat fatigue, terrain difficulties, and approximately a 50% reduction in Rifle Co strength on position, including recent group of replacements.
3. Results of Operations: Supply route reopened to 1st Bn and 1st Bn moved to vic DEYOIMONT. 3rd Bn continued attack to NE against heavy resistance, reached vic 338583.

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