

Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 0628, 1 July 1944

To : 1055, 2 July 1944

Place: 4000 meters NE of Cecina, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
1				2nd Bn assembled 1 mile South of Bibbona.	
2	0628	Wiley 5	W 6	The Bn alerted.	
3		W. 6	All Cos	Issued the following march orders: E, G, H, Co, H and F. Will cross the IP at 0800.	
4	0800			Companies crossed the IP on time.	
5	1148			Arrived at the new assembly area.	
6	1245			Company commanders meeting held.	
7	1440			CP displaced forward.	
8	1610			CP established at 228186, 5000 meters SE of Cecina. Pgio Argellina.	
9				The companies reported their positions as being in the area of 213193, about 3500 meters due E of Cecina.	
10	1815			The CP displaced laterally to 218188 about 6000 meters SE of Cecina.	
11	1855			CP established at above coordinates.	
12	1830	Msgr E Co	W 5	Runner from Co E brought a message showing the position of their company as 215194, draw South of Le Malemacchie.	
13	1917	G Co	W 5	Runner from Co G brought a message from Company G showing their location as 210206, 3000 meters NE of Cecina in the wooded area.	
14	2110	F Co	W 5	Runner brought a message from Company F showing the location of their troops as at 209205, edge of the woods about 400 meters west of G Co..	
15	2105			Co Comdrs meeting. Plans for attack and routes of approaches discussed.	
16	2126			E, F and G companies crossed the LD.	
17	2234			CP displaced forward.	
18	2356			CP established at 209208, 3200 meters NE of Cecina, Macchie Dei Pianacci.	
----- 2 July 1944 -----					
19	0110	E 6	W 5	Reported that they had relieved A Company of the 135th Inf.	
20	0820	W 6	All Cos	Attack postponed.	
21				Resume of the situation: 100th is on the left with a 400 yd gap in between them and the 2nd Bn. 168th Inf on our right. In the Bn sector E Co is on the left and G Co on the right with F Co in support.	
				The Bn objective is the high ground and the road leading from Rosignano and Castellino, about 3000 meters E of Rosignano.	
22	1007			CP displaced forward.	
23	1055			CP established beside the house on the North side and up against the hill, 100 yds North of the RR tracks across the Cecina River/ 4000 meters NE of Cecina, Italy.	

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From: 1059, 3 July 1944

To: 1523, 3 July 1944

Place: Vic: Il Terriccio, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
24	1059			Communication to Regt out.	
25	1100			Runner from Regt at the CP getting the locations of the known enemy mine fields. Also given the locations of the Companies.	
26	1105	W 6	W 5	By radio: Reported that he was at 196232, in the wooded area 1000 meters NW of the Bn CP on the big hill.	
27	12200			Regtl Comdr at the CP.	
28	1225	W11 6	W 6	Called him on the Radio and inquired in regard to the progress of the troops. W 6 reported that the gap of 800 yds between the 2nd Bn and the 100th was causing trouble. Wiley 6 says to commit the reserve company and if more help is needed he will send the reserve of Blue Bn over to assist.	
29	1317			Overlays of enemy positions sent to W 6 by runner. Above overlays received from Regt.	
30	1407	W 5	All Cos	Message sent to all the companies and requested them to send in their locations.	
31	1442	W11 6	W 6	By radio: 2nd Bn will keep abreast of the 100th Bn.	
32	1440			CP under heavy enemy arty barrage. Bn Clerk and 3 chickens casualties.	
33	1455			W 2 on rech for new CP location.	
34	2048			CP displaced forward.	
35	2133			Arrived at the new assembly area. 600 meters East of Vada, Italy.	
36	2208			Motor Pool under enemy arty fire and dive bombing and strafing.	
----- 3 July 1944 -----					
37				E Co will be on the left, G Co on the right with F Co in reserve.	
38				LD***185267, Road running NW from Vada to Il Terriccio, approximately 6000 meters from Vada. The second LD will be at the edge of the woods on the hill, 1300 meters SE of Il Terriccio at 208269. Vic Mineira Abbata.	
39	0917			Wiley 6 at CP.	
40	0940			Wiley 6 left CP.	
41	1120			CP displaced forward.	
42	1208			CP established in house beside the road 1500 meters SW of Il Terriccio at 191263.	
43	1510	W11 6	W 6	Radio in code. Reported that the tank attack was cancelled.	
44	1445			Wiley 6 at CP.	
45	1523			Wiley 6 left CP.	
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Organization: Hq 2nd BN

From: 0800, 4 July 1944

To: 1943, 6 July 1944

Place: Vic: Il Terriccio, Italy.  
Hill 140

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
46	0800			CP displaced forward.	
47	1230			CP Established at 208288, 2200 meters NW of Il Terriccio.	
48	1308	W 6	All Cos	Attack to begin at 1530.	
49	1718	E 6	W 5	Requested arty as they are pinned down by enemy auto-weapons fire.	
----- 5 July 1944 -----					
50				E Co on the left, G Co on the right and F Co in reserve. The cos are in position on the reverse slope of hill 140. The objective is the top of the hill. Attack will begin at 0200. The attack was repulsed by the enemy and the companies withdrew to new positions.	
51	0828	E 6	W 5	Reported that their 1st Pltn was reported missing.	
52	0830	W 6	All Cos	Notified them that the attack will begin at 0930, on hill 140.	
53	0936			The attack was postponed pending the arrival of the tanks.	
54	0945			The tanks reported to be stuck on the road.	
55	1000	W 5		Lt Doyon notified to send some AP men to get the tank out of the hole.	
56	1432			Wiley 6 at the CP.	
57	1710			Wiley 6 left the CP.	
58	1722			Runner from E Co reported that a patrol from Blue had contacted their Co.	
----- 6 July 1944 -----					
59	0745	F 6	W 5	Reported heavy enemy mortar fire in their sector.	
60	0910			The supply train pinned down by arty fire.	
61	1250	W 6	All Cos	Attack scheduled for 1400. F Co will be on the left, G Co on the right and E Co will be in reserve. Rolling barrage will be fired every 100 yds and will cover every draw, etc at 5 minute intervals.	
62	1310			The attack was cancelled due to the friendly troops in the attack area.	
63	1416			Exec O to forward OP.	
64	1435			Exec O ret'd to CP.	
65	1550	W 6	All Cos	Notified them that the attack will begin at 1915.	
66	1643	G Co	W 5	Reported enemy automatic weapons fire coming into their right flank.	
67	1650	E 6	W 5	Reported that 1 enemy machine gun to their rear was causing them trouble.	
68	1915			The attack began on time. Arty concentration (One Bn) fired on Hill 140 on the three phase lines at intervals on 3 minutes.	
69	1917			Troops advancing.	
70	1943			1st phase line reached.	
				Lt Tanahashi KIA.	

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From: 7, July 1944

To: 11, July 1944

Place: Vic: Mo Delle Moline and Pgio Casale,  
Italy.

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
<u>7 JULY 1944</u>					
71				CP in same location. Usual defensive measures and precautions taken against counter-attacks.	
<u>8 July 1944</u>					
72				Relieved by the 100th Bn. CP at 205277, vic: Moline. Bn in Regtl Reserve. The men had clothing exchange today and showers. Lt Nishimura asgd as S-2 in place of Lt Dean.	
<u>9 July 1944</u>					
73	1130			The order of march is as follows: E, F, HQ, H and G Co. The IP was to be crossed at 0930 but on account of a reconnaissance the crossing of the IP was delayed, until 1130.	
74	1100			The march order was changed to G, HQ Co, H, F and E Co.	
75	1235			Arrived at the new assembly area at 192297: 2200 Meters North of Il Terriccio and 3700: meters SW of Castellino.	
76	1508			Bn CP displaced to the caves where the 3rd: Bn CP was located and there relieved the 3rd at 2130. Cave located at 193307, 3000 meters due west of Castellino.	
<u>10 July 1944</u>					
77		OP	W 5	Reported that the CP can be advanced forward without opposition.	
78	0728			Bn Comdr at the CP.	
79	0733			The right company reported that they are now at 195333 on the flat ground 2300 meters West of Pgio Casale.	
80	0745			The company on the left slightly behind the company on the right. Still moving forward and their front lines extend from 190340 to 204340, vicinity of the road running from Scopelo about 1700 meters West of Scopelo.	
81	0929			CP displacing forward.	
82	1007			CP established at 192322, 3/4 miles NW of Mo Delle Moline.	
83				The attack was scheduled for 1130.	
84	2300			A prisoner, an Aid-Man brought to the CP.	
85	2400			10 Replacement officers at the CP. Remained over night.	
<u>11 July 1944</u>					
86				The tank attack scheduled for 0630. The attack was cancelled at 0500.	
87	0801			The CP displaced forward.	
88	0832			CP established at 196332, in a house about 2500 yds West of Pgio Casale.	
89				F Co will be on the right and G Co on the left and E Co in reserve.	
90				The forward lines are reported to be pinned down by 20 mm's. Advancing slowly.	

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From : 0830, 11 July 1944

To : 1512, 11 July 1944

Place: Vic: Pgio Casale, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
91	0830			Our troops are now mid-way between the 35 and the 36 grid between Mo Dei Rotini and Scopelo. The companies reported that they are taking a lot of enemy fire from the flank. W 6 plans to bring the OP and the Bn CP up further toward the front to lessen the fire on the flanks.	
92	0830	W 11 3	W 5	Reported that the 135th have taken the Hill 132 and are now moving toward the sea, onto the high ground.	
93	0835	W 11 3	W 5	Reported that the 100th is at the 35 grid about 2000 meters behind their previous report. They were reported previously at 36 to 37 grid. They are now at Pgio La Chiesa.	
94	0855	Regt OP	W 5	Reported that an enemy gun located at 194358, in the woods about 2500 meters West of Mo Dei Rotini.	
95	1024	OP	W 3	Reported enemy at 203355 on the high ground near the road junctions of 4 roads and about 1800 meters West of Mo Dei Molini.	
96	1040	G 6	W 3	G Co being fired on from behind.	
97	1050	W 3	E 6	Alerted the company.	
98	1140	H 6	24-2	Requested an arty concentration in the draw occupied by the enemy.	
99	1205			The above fire completed. Fire effective. (Concentration No# 403, ABLE)	
100	1210			Fire mission called on 188342 on the high ground about 2000 meters East of Pgio La Chiesa. Believe that an enemy OP has been located. Fire effective on the OP. (Concentration #404)	
101	1228	W 11 6	W 6	Reported that the Red Bn is to attack at 1230 and wants the 2nd Bn to coordinate an attack with them.	
102	1242	OP	24-2	Called an fire mission on enemy personnel on a hill at 179355, West of the ridge 1700 meters NW of Pgio La Chiesa. Fire very effective. (Concentration #405)	
103	1251	W 16	W 5	Requested that the Aid Men report back to the Aid Station.	
104	1238	G 6	W 3	Reported that they are now at Hill 147.	
105	1343	W 11 6	W 6	The Red Bn is reported to be at a point between the 34 and 35 grid, about 500 meters behind the 2nd Bn. Vic: Pgio La Chiesa.	
106	1354	F 6	W 3	Reported that they are being fired on from both sides as well as from the rear.	
107	1355	G 6	W 3	Reported the same as above.	
108	1405	W 6	W 5	Inquired if Capt Ritter was at the CP. Informed him that he was not here.	
109	1239	F Co	W 5	1st Sgt called and reported the number of casualties suffered. 2 KIA, 6 SWA and 3 LWA.	
110	1512	W 6	All COs	Attack scheduled for 2400. F Co will be on the left, G Co on the right and E Co will be in reserve. When the 100th Bn comes abreast of the 2nd Bn., F and G Cos will push ahead.	

From : 1527, 11 July 1944

To : 0820, 12 July 1944

Place: 2500 meters W of Pgio Casale, Italy.  
Vic: Hill 140

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
111	1527	W 5	Sv Co	Requested a LMG for E Co as they had one knocked out at 194324, 2500 meters SW of Pgio Casale.	
112	1530	W 2	Red	Called their CP to find out where their CP was located. 215328 given as the location of their CP. Edge of Pgio Casale.	
113	1713	W 6	All Cos	No separate attack planned for tonight. Attack planned for 0300.	
114	1721	W 2	W 3	Reported that he had 3 PW's. One was injured and the other 2 are OK.	
115	1727	W 11 6	W 6	Plan of attack received from W 11 6. The 100th plan to take the town of Mo Dei Rotini. Their attack started at 1700.	
116	1739	W 1		Called up Lt Nilges and requested 2 HMG, 1 LMG and 1 45 cal.	
117	1928	W 11 6	W 5	Reported that the 100th was pinned down by enemy arty fire.	
118	1955	E 6	W 5	Reported an enemy m/g, 100 yds to their left flank. Expect a possible counter attack.	
119	2013	W 6	W 5	Reported that the 100th pinned down yet. The 133rd is making a wide sweep around the Hill 529, on the high ground about a 1000 meters S of Mo De Rotini.	
120	2115	W 3	W 11 3	Requested that Regt find a trouble shooter and send him out on the lines as we are short of men. W 11 3 reported that Co F of the 135th has patrols at 160340 between the road and the creek about a 1000 meters SW of Pgio La Chiesa. Also reported that the 3rd Bn has patrols at 150340 to 186357 North of the road running South West to North East, South of Pgio La Chiesa.	
121	2118	W 2	W 3	Reported that an enemy counter attack was directed against the 100th Bn at 222354, from the high ground in the woods about 1200 meters SE of Mo Dei Rotini.	
122	2125	W 2	W 3	Called and inquired if W 6 was to return to the CP tonight. W 6 will not return.	
123	2145			Company Comdrs at the CP reporting the situation and discussing the progress, etc.	
124	2215			W 6 and W 3 to Blue CP to discuss plans for attack which scheduled for 0300.	
125	2330			W 6 and W 3 ret'd to CP.	
				12 July 1944	
126				The attack started at 0600. W 6 left for OP at 0615. F Co is on the left and G Co on the right. E Co in reserve. The direction of the attack is grid North.	
127	0645	All Cos	W 3	All the companies reported that they have moved up to the next ridge about 400-500 yds.	
128	0650	W 3	W 11 3	Reported the above message.	
129	0730			Switchboard put in. The men carried it in by hand.	
130	0800	G 6	W 3	Reported that they are now receiving enemy mortar fire from the left flank.	
131	0820	Red CP	W 3	Called and inquired in regard to our position.	

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From: 0825, 12 July 1944

To: 1638, 12 July 1944

Place: Vic: 2500 Meters West of Pgio Casale Hill 140

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
132	0825	E 6	W 3	Requested maps. Maps sent by runner.	
133	0815	W11 3	W 3	Reported that the 3rd Bn in vicinity of Scopelo in mobile reserve.	
134	0858	W 3	E 6	E Co will move over to the left as they (F Co) are catching a lot of enemy fire.	
135	0908	Red	W 3	Reported that there are a lot of enemy tanks at 210357, near the road junction in the wooded area about 800 meters SW of Mo Dei Rotini.	
136	0932	W 6	W 3	Reported that the OP is being shelled again.	
137	0945	W 5	W 16	Requested that some litter bearers be sent to the OP. Several EM wounded.	
138	1002	W 6	W 5	Reported that there are 5 PW's on the way.	
139	1035			4 PW's reported to the CP.	
140	1035	W 5	W113	Notified them to send for the PW's.	
141	1102			1 PW brought to the CP. 3	
142	1108			5 PW's sent to Regt, by the/AP men.	
143	1056	G 6	W 3	Reported that they have found some mines in their area.	
144	1104	OP	W 3	Reported that a group of enemy personnel seen at the houses at 188354, 3000 meters SW Mo Dei Rotini.	
145	1115			W 6 ret'd to the CP.	
146	1130	W 6	F 6	By radio: Send guides to the OP to pick up the ammo.	
147	1320	F 6	W 5	Requested blood plasma.	
148	1322	W 5	W 16	Notified them to send some blood plasma to F Co.	
149	1340	E 6	W 5	Called and requested some pills for GI run.	
150	1345	W 5	W 16	Notified them of the above message.	
151	1400			No change in the situation. The 3rd Bn reported as being at 217338 on the northern edge of Pgio Casale. The 100th is on the high ground above the town and the 88Div is on the 38 grid line about 20 kilometers East of the 2nd Bn. The 133rd is still trying to take the town near the sea.	
152	1422	W11 3		Ammo dump at 198309 and will open at 1800. Message received through the message Center. 3000 meters West of and on the road just South of the road leading to Castellina.	
153	1425			W 1 to rear.	
154	1500	W 16	W 5	Reported that they are displacing forward to 204346 in a house North of the road about 400 meters North of Botro Dei Riseccola.	
155	1600			Plans for an attack in case that we are ordered to attack tonight sent to all the companies by the runners.	
156	1610			1 company of the 138th and 1 pltn of the AT men reported on Hill 132.	
157	1638	W 6	W113	Reported that the patrol found an enemy position camouflaged by a net near the house just North of the RD junction below Botro Dei Rotini.	

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From : 1700, 12 July 1944

To : 1245, 13 July 1944

Place: Vic: Botro Dei Rotini, 199353.

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
158	1700			W 5 to ammo dump.	
159	1740			W 5 ret'd to CP.	
160	1828			Runners from G and F Cos returned to the CP as they could not get to their companies due to enemy arty fire.	
161	1830	W 6	G 6	Called up and informed him of the plans of attack.	
162	1935			Enemy mortar fire falling to the South of the CP about 1200 to 1300 yds. No casualties.	
163	1940	OP	W 5	Reported that they are being shelled again.	
164	2025	Wil 6	W 6	Wants the AT gun put into position after dark tonight. Enemy tanks sighted.	
165	1800			The night attack was cancelled. All companies notified.	
166	2216	Wil 6	W 5	Reported that the 168th Inf has 2 guns at 186304, in the draw leading to Castellina about 1800 meters NE of Mo Dei Forconi. They also have an AT gun at 184327, vicinity of the road junction near the house, 3500 meters West of Pgio Casale.	
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13 July 1944					
167	0815	W 3	All Cos	Notified them that the LD will be crossed at 0930.	
168	0830			The plans for attack sent to all the companies.	
169	0925			W 6 to forward.	
170	0935			W 1 to forward on recn for new CP location.	
171	0940	W 5	Wil 3	Notified them that the CP will be displacing forward.	
172	1010			CP displaced forward.	
173	1230			Arrived at the new CP. Located in the house along the draw along the stream Vic: Botro dei Rotini. The area adjacent to the CP was found to be heavily mined.	
174	1235	Wil 6	W 5	Reported that the 3rd Bn advancing toward Pieve-De-S-Luce,	
175	1237	Wil 6	W 5	Reported that the 3rd is catching enemy fire from the West (37) grid of S-Luce.	
176	1240			Message received from Regt. Unable to decipher and so was returned.	
177	1245	W 3	Wil 3	Notified them of the progress and of the positions of the frontline companies.	



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From : 1247, 13 July 1944

To : 1132, 14 July 1944

Place: Vic: Botro Dei Rotini, Italy.

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
178	1247	E 6	W 3	Reported that they are still moving forward.	
179	1300			Encountering enemy m/g fire from the 37 grid. Runner from forward brought a message from W 6 to displace the CP forward.	
180	1415			CP displaced forward.	
181	1438			CP arrived at new location, 199353 about 2300 meters SW of Mo dei Rotini. 2 PW's at the CP. Were later taken to Regt. One of these PW's was taken to the Regt in the medic jeep as he had been wounded in the foot. The other one was taken down by the SP Guards. Another PW was taken near the house who had been wounded and was lying in the field for about 3 days. This man was found by Lt Doyon as he was making a recon for an ammo dump. The PW taken by the SP Guards was used as a litter bearer for this wounded man. There were several of our men KIA brought to the house that was used for the CP. Were taken to rear by the GRO.	
182	1735			Arty fire being placed on 205377, North of Creek about a 1000 meters South of the town of Pieve-Di-S-Luce.	
----- 14 July 1944 -----					
183	0545	E 6	W 5	Reported that they are now about 300 yds SE of the town. G Co reported to be on hill 157, which is the objective.	
184	0630			W 6 to forward.	
185	0645	Wil 3	W 3	Reported that the ammo dump will be at 219337 and will open at 1000. About 600 meters North of the road junction near Pgio Casale.	
186	0851			Friendly arty began firing on enemy positions.	
187	0900			3 PW's brought to the CP.	
188	0902	W 3	Wil 3	Requested that SP be sent to CP to pick up the PW's.	
189	0953			PW's taken to the Regt by the SP's.	
190	0955			CP displaced to a new location, 209369, in a house about 2000 meters SW on the road leading to S-Luce.	
191	1056			Arrived at the above CP at 1056/	
192	1132			Light flashing from a 2 story house from the NW window at 220° az. Distance about 1400 yds. W 5 and a patrol went to investigate. Found nothing but a m/g barrel.	

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From : 1215, 14 July 1944

To : 1511, 15 July 1944

Place: Vic: orciano, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
193	1215			24-2 Officer reported to the CP.	
194	1300			Mine field located at 205384 and at 206386, South of S-Pieve di-S-Luce and North of the road leading from Pieve-di-Luce.	
195	1325			CP displaced forward.	
196	1515			CP established at 206394, in a house with the shed attached on the North side, 1000 meters North of Pieve-Di-S-Luce.	
197	1540			The forward elements are now advancing in column by companies.	
198	1725	Wil 3	W 5	Requested that W 6 be contacted.	
199	1855	Wil 3	W 5	Called and inquired in regard to the progress of the forward elements. Notified them that our forward elements are receiving a lot of m/g fire at 191421 Vic of Lorenzana.	
200	1938			The 2 leading platoons are at 192412, at the fork of the road at R Alberetti, 4000 meters South of Lorenzana.	
201	1950			An NCO from the 133rd Inf at the CP. Discussing plans for the mission with W 3.	
202	2015			Above NCO left CP.	
----- 15 July 1944 -----					
203	0645	W 3	W 5	Reported that the new CP location was at 193407, 5000 meters South of Lorenzana.	
204	0732			CP displaced forward.	
205	0800			CP arrived and established at 193407, in a house adjacent to the 3rd Bn Aid Station in the vicinity of Orciano.	
206	0805	OP	W 5	Reported that enemy guns were located at Phase Line "B".	
207	1125			E Company patrol arrived at the CP.	
208	1230			The areas adjacent to the CP being shelled by enemy arty. Mostly mortars.	
209	1230			E Company patrol left the CP.	
204	1338			E Company patrol reported that they have made no contact with the enemy yet.	
205	1400	W 5	24-2	Notified him to have an observation plane observe an enemy gun position at an az of 6400 mills to the left of Lorenzana.	
206	1511			The E Company patrol reported by radio that they believe they have found an enemy out post/	

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From : 1513, 15 July 1944

To : 1025, 17 July 1944

Place: Vic: Lorenzana, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
207	1513			Wiley 6 at the CP.	
208	1745	E 6	W 3	Reported that their patrol had returned.	
209	1920	E 6	W 3	Reported that they were pinned down by enemy arty fire.	
210	2015			W 6 sent the plans for attack order from Regt to Blue 6.	
211	2130			Possibility of an enemy vehicle on fire 1800 to 199 meters SW of the Bn CP.	
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212				16 July 1944 Bn in Regimental Reserve and the companies pulled back to their former locations and the Bn CP located in the same house as on the 14th, in a house at 206934, 1000 meters North of Pieve-Di-S-Luce. The following changes in the assignment of Officers were made per VOCO: Capt CROWLEY From E Co to Hq Co as CO. Lt HILL from Hq Co to to F Co. Lt MEYER to E Co and Lt PADDOCK to H Co. Lt PADDOCK and Lt Hill are asgd as Exec Os in their respective cos.	
213	1045			The companies displaced forward and arrived at an assembly area in the vicinity of Lorenzana.	
214	1400			Arrived at the above assembly area. CP in a house about a mile and a half SW of Lorenzana.	
215	1555			The 168th Inf reported that the enemy were infiltrating toward their left.	
216	1605	W 6	All Cos	Notified them to be on the lookout for any infiltration by the enemy and also for G and F companies to send out patrols to watch for the enemy.	
217	2130			All company officers arrived at the CP to discuss the plans for attack.	
218	2210			Company commanders meeting adjourned.	
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219	0500			17 July 1944 W 6 to 3rd Bn CP.	
220	0715			Arty observer left for the forward OP.	
221	0820			Friendly planes overhead.	
222	0830			The forward elements are still advancing slowly forward. Enemy small arms fire encountered.	
223	1025			A civilian at the CP. Reported that there is an enemy killed near his house about a mile from the Bn CP.	

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Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 1025, 17 July 1944

To : 1010, 18 July 1944

Place: Vic: Regolo, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
224	1025	Wil 6	W 3		Inquired if W 6 was at the CP. Notified Wiley 6 that W 6 had gone to Blue CP.	
225	1345	E 6	W 3		Reported that they were 500 yards south of their objective (Hill 114--151456, 1400 meters SE of Castell Anselmo)	
226	1345				F Co reported that they were at the same location as E Co. E Co on the left and F Co on the right.	
227	1400	W 3	Wil 3		Reported the above.	
228	1450	W 16	W 3		Reported that the new location of the Aid Station at 164441, south of Regolo.	
229	1505	F 6	W 3		Reported that they have taken their objective.	
230	1534				3 PW'S brought to the CP.	
231	1550				PW'S taken to the Regt by the SP's.	
232	1500				E Company runner wounded while he was going across the field near the CP, 200 yds to the left of the CP, on his way to his company. He was slightly wounded and was evacuated. The AP men were called and they reported that there were many S Mines in that area. The mined area was taped off and a sign was put up as there were too many to remove and the mined area was not being used in any way.	
233	1830				A civilian woman reported to W 3 that some enemy m/g ammo was found in the house NW of the Bn CP just a short distance off. This woman spoke English for a change.	
234	2300				Enemy plane overhead.	
----- 18 July 1944 -----						
235	0800				The CP displaced forward. The personnel all rode in vehicles.	
236	0817				Arrived at temporary CP location in Regolo, 1644421	
237	0827				Wiley 6 at the CP.	
238	0902	E 6	W 3		Reported that they were at the South edge of Casale.	
239	0907	F 6	W 3		Reported that they were also at the South edge of Casale.	
240	0935				The contact patrol reported that a bridge on the road running NE*SW between the 3rd Bn and the 1st Bn was blown out. Patrol on way to Hill 365.	
241	1010				The Engrs reported to the CP to find out the exact location of the damaged bridge. Will try to fix it if possible.	

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Organisation: Hq 2nd Bn

From: 1012, 18 July 1944

To: 1935, 18 July 1944

Place: Vic: Regolo, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
242	1012	W 2	W 3	Reported that there were some radio equipment near the hill 108.	
243	1025	W 3	W 5	Reported that the Regtl ammo dump at 185425, at the bottom of the hill 104 on the North side and about 100 meters South of the road, approximately 3000 meters SW of Lorenzana.	
244	1155	W 16	W 5	Reported that the Bn Aid Station was located at 144465, vicinity of Luciano.	
245	1205	W 11 6	W 5	Reported that the foremost elements of Blue at 154485, 2000 meters S of Colle Salvetti at the road junction and Fla Tora.	
246	1207	W 11 6	W 5	1 Bn of 363rd Inf reported that they are at 138440, edge of the woods, 1400 meters SW of Luciano. The 100th Bn assembly at 155450, vicinity of Luciano.	
247	1230			The CP displaced forward.	
248	1250			Arrived at the new CP, located at Castell Anselmo.	
249	1450	W 3	W 11 3	Reported the progress of the forward elements and the situation in general.	
250	1510			The tanks requested our position by radio.	
251	1525	W 11 1	W 5	Requested that names of 20 EM from the Bn be submitted to Regt who are to go to Rome.	
252	1600			Called Regt and submitted the names of the men to go to Rome on TD.	
253	1652	Bl 6	W 5	Reported that they are now being shelled by the enemy.	
254	1710			Our foremost elements now entering Nuova.	
255	1710	OP	W 3	Reported that they are located at 131486, 3000 meters SW of Colle Salvetti.	
256	1713	OP	W 3	Reported that the enemy are retreating toward the North.	
257	1740	OP	W 3	By radio: Reported that an enemy tank seen at 6000 yds, 321° az from Belvedere.	
258	1935			The situation at 1935: 1st Bn, 363rd Inf at 131454, 2200 meters SW of Castell Anselmo, vicinity Corbaia. 3rd Bn 363rd Inf at 120457, vicinity of La Casetta. 3rd Bn, 135th Inf at 077450, 5000 meters West of La Casetta and about 5000 meters from Leghorn. 1st Bn, 168th Inf at 159502, 800 yds SE of Colle Salvetti.	

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From : 1935, 18 July 1944

To : 0820, 19 July 1944

Place: Castell Anselmo, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
258	(continued)			3rd Bn, 168th Inf at 170502, 2000 meters SE of Colle Salvetti. 2nd Bn, 168th Inf at 184487, 3000 meters SE of Colle Salvetti, vicinity of Sorbo. 1st Bn, 133rd Inf at 207487, 5300 meters SE of Colle Salvetti, vicinity of Botteginio. 3rd Bn, 133rd Inf at 225497, 1800 meters South of Mo Della Longa, 7000 meters East of Colle Salvetti. 2nd Bn, 133rd Inf at 243493, 9000 meters East of Colle Salvetti. 1 Pltn of 361st Inf at Pontedera.	
259	2037			CP displaced forward to new location.	
260	2100			Arrived at Nuova, CP established in House.	
262	2230			Overlay from the 3rd Bn received, showing the dispositions of their troops.	
----- 19 July 1944 -----					
263	0015			Regtl orders recd. The 442d Inf RCT to hold the present positions. Patrols will be sent to the flanks and to the front to make contact with the enemy and to destroy any enemy groups that may be encountered between our present position and the Arno River. Contact will be maintained with the 168th Inf Regt on the right and the 363rd Inf Regt on the left.	
264	0035			Lt Kurlan left with the 2 Signalmen from the 363rd Inf Regt to G Co. Unable to locate G Co.	
265	0035	B1 6	W 5	Reported that the road block placed at 129493 was taken out this morning before daylight. The road block was maintained by 1 squad, and was put in at the junction of 5 roads and 500 meters SW of Nugola.	
266	0210			An Officer and a NCO from tank (752) at the CP getting the locations of our troops. Also looking for their tanks.	
267	0350			The tanks that the above Officers was searching for located at G Co.	
268	0730	W 3	W11 3	Periodic report. No change.	
269	0800			1st Bn of the 363rd Inf reported to be in Leghorn.	
270	0820	W 3	W 3	The Regtl ammo dump will be at 157471, just off from the road junction at Torreta, 3500 meters S of Colle Salvetti.	

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Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 1022, 19 July 1944

To : 2110, 19 July 1944

Place: Vic: Castell Anselmo, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
271	1022			The following instructions were given to the F Co patrol: They will patrol the high ground at 100509, 200 meters North of Castellare Via Orsini. Also they will be on the lookout for possible enemy anti-tank guns at 098515 near the road junction. They will also check the area at 096515 near the high ground in the vicinity of Via Orsini for possible enemy reinforcements.	
272	1115	W 6	Wil 3	Periodic report and also reported the Bn strength.	
273	1122			A 4 car patrol left for the front lines to locate any enemy positions and to make a quick recn.	
274	1125			A runner sent to the tank Co to find out if they have any of our radios.	
275	1125			W 1 and Sgt Major to Personnel.	
276	1130			By radio: F Co patrol reported that there were 3 Germans dressed as civilians going North.	
277	1142	G 6	W 5	Reported the same as above.	
278	1210	G 6	W 5	Reported the patrol at 120509. They have met no enemy. Patrol location 1800 meters North West of Nugola.	
279	1315			By radio: F Co patrol reported that they have made no contact with Red yet.	
280	1732			By radio: Message sent to the F Co patrol for them to return to the CP.	
281	1735	B1 6	W 6	Reported that their patrol had found some enemy, estimated at a platoon entrenched and well protected.	
282	1740			Exec O to Regtl Morticians meeting.	
283	1745	OP	W 3	Reported that an enemy patrol seen West of the OP.	
284	1747	W 3	E 6	Notified E 6 of the above mentioned patrol. Send a squad over to the OP.	
285	1935	E 6	W 3	Reported the enemy patrol sighted about 800 yds West of the OP.	
286	2020			H Co Morning report received for the 19th.	
287	2100			2 TD men reported at the CP.	
288	2110			E and G Co Morning reports received.	

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From : 2130, 19 July 1944

To : 1115, 21 July 1944

Place: Vic: Nuova, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
289	2130			2 prisoners brought to the CP. 1 wounded. The wounded prisoner was taken away to Regt. The other one was taken away at 2400. Friendly AA fire reported at 090550.	
290	2150				
291	2203				
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292				20 July 1944 The CP remained in the present location during the day. Enemy arty fire in the immediate area of the CP to the SE, approx 300-400 yds. 5 natives at the CP giving locations and other information in regard to possible enemy locations, etc. The outpost line was moved up toward the North approx 2 miles from their former positions. 072593 to 094568. The former positions became the MLR at 1300 today.	
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293	0800	All Cos	CQ	21 July 1944 All 1st Sgts notified to be at the CP at 1100 for a meeting.	
294	0805			By radio: The Atlanta patrol reported that they were at 076546, South of the road junction NE of Leghorn.	
295	0930			Division Arty General at the CP.	
296	1000			BN CP displaced to the rear part of the same building.	
297	0930			E and F Companies notified to establish an OPL, 2 miles North of highway 67 a MLR. E Co will be on the left and F Co on the right. G Co will push the OPL 2 miles further North.	
298	0935			By radio: Georgia patrol reported that they believe that they have made contact with the enemy positions at 060569, near the road bend on the West side of the road near the telephone lines about 8000 meters North West of Leghorn.	
299	1047	E 6	CQ	Have the Communication Officer or the Sgt report to the CP at 1415 today.	
300	1115	H 6	W 3	Reported that they are moving forward.	
301	1117	G 6	W 3	Reported that they are also moving forward.	
302	1115			All the 1st Sgt reported at the CP for the meeting.	



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**JOURNAL**Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 1120, 21 July 1944

To : 1445 22 July 1944

Place: Vic: Colle Salvetti, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
303	1120			The 2nd Patrol reported their position as at 070573 near il Paduletto. No enemy encountered. Still advancing forward.	
304	1340			Several Officers and the advance detail party from the 133rd Inf arrived at the CP. Discussed plans for relieving us.	
305	1345	W 3	W 3	Called the Regtl S-3 in regard to the relief. Notified that the 135th Inf was to relieve us.	
306	1410			By radio: The Atlanta patrol reported as being at 090602, 4000 meters South of Pisa.	
307	1430			Officers and EM from the 133rd Inf left the CP.	
308	1435			W 1 lvs CP.	
309m	1527			By radio: Atlanta patrol reported their position as at 090610, 3000 meters South of Pisa.	
310	1645			By radio: Both patrols recalled by W 6.	
311	1715			H Co morning report in.	
312	1805			W 1 retd to CP.	
313	1900			W 6 retd to CP.	
314	1925			E Co morning report in.	
315	1928	W11 3	W 3	The bath unit is located at 157290, 1500 meters South East of Rosignano.	
316	1934	G 6	W 3	Reported that the patrols have retd.	
317	2003			F Co morning report in.	
318	2007	G 6	W 3	Reported that 1 pltn of the 135th at their CP awaiting a guide.	
319	2104	H 6	W 3	Reported that their company was moving to the rear.	
320					
				22 July 1944	
320	0135			All of E Co and All of G Co have been relieved except for 1 pltn of G.	
321	0300	E 6	W 3	Reported that they have not been relieved yet. Situation same.	
322	0303	W 3	W11 3	Reported the above.	
323	0506	G 6	W 3	Relief completed.	
324	0825			CP displaced forward and arrived at the new CP location, 177497 at 1130. 2500 meters South East of Colle Salvetti.	
325	1305			Communication to Regt completed.	
326	1445			Wiley 5 at the CP.	

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**JOURNAL**Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 1530, 22 July 1944

To : 26 July 1944

Place: Vada, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
327	1530			White 5 and W 3 on a recn for the Regtl Hqrs.	
328	1510			Message received thru M/C that the Bn has a quota of 16 EM to go to Rome on TD.	
329	1600			G Co morning report received.	
330	1625			Thru M/C: 16 names of men going to Rome submitted to Regt.	
331	1720			W 5 and W 3 ret'd to CP.	
----- 23 July 1944 -----					
332	0420	E 6	W 3	Situation normal.	
333	0425	H 6	W 3	Situation normal.	
334	0805	W 3	Wil 3	Periodic report.	
335	0830			All companies notified of meeting of all Officers at the Bn CP, at 1000.	
336	1000			Wiley 6 at the CP.	
337	1037			Officers meeting called. Critique held.	
338	1205			Meeting adjourned.	
339	1830			CP displaced to the rear in motor convoy.	
340	2005			Arrived at the rest area near Vada and CP established in a house near the RR tracks. The part of the house facing toward the North occupied by the owners of the house. CP Personnel occupied the rest of the house. The kitchen was set in the vineyard across from the CP.	
----- 24 July 1944 -----					
341	0930			All company commanders notified of the meeting at the Regtl CP at 1630. Report at the Bn CP at 1600.	
342	1020			W 3 and Exec O left for recn.	
343	1215			Above officers ret'd to CP.	
344	1335			All companies notified that all Special Officers will report to the CP at 1830.	
345	1615			Co commanders at the CP. Left for Regt.	
346	1700			Co commanders ret'd to companies.	
----- 25 July 1944 -----					
347				W 5 to Rome, Hotel Excelsior for TD. Pay-day today. Regular camp duties. Show at the Bn area tonight.	
----- 26 July 1944 -----					
348				Usual routine activities. Regt requested: 25 EM from the BN report to the Aid Station	

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Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 27 July 1944

To : 30 July 1944

Place: Vada, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
				1 Sgt, 22 Privates and 2 Cpls.	
349	100			<p>27 July 1944</p> <p>Usual routine activities at the CP. The Bn formed part of formation in the vicinity of Vada with the 100th Inf Bn. The Distinguished Unit Citation was awarded the 100th Bn. Retd at 1150. All the companies had a dry run today getting ready for the Guard Of Honor formation to take place tomorrow at Cecina Airport for the King Of England.</p> <p>All companies and the medics were notified to have slit trenches dug and all men were to be instructed to sleep in them during the night. The 85th Inf Div in the rest area to our East was bombed by enemy aircraft last night and several casualties were suffered. Bn Communication Officer to Rome for TD. Show in the Bn area tonight.</p>	
350				<p>28 July 1944</p> <p>The Bn sent representatives by motor convoy to the Cecina Airport to act as Guard Of Honor for King George V. Retd at 1400.</p> <p>Usual routine activities at the CP. All companies notified of the Musical program tonight at Rosignano and that transportation will be furnished by the Bn.</p> <p>The Officers are having a party tonight in the vicinity of Vada.</p>	
351				<p>29 July 1944</p> <p>Usual rest area activities. The companies all checked to see that all the men had all of their equipment, etc. Officers meeting at the Bn CP at 1430.</p> <p>Show in the Bn area tonight.</p>	
352				<p>30 July 1944</p> <p>Memorial Services in the Bn area honoring those killed in action. Wiley 6 present for the ceremony.</p>	

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Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 31 July 1944

To : 3 August 1944

Place: Vada, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
31 July 1944					
353				Usual rest area activities at the CP. W 6 from dy to Hospital. Bn alerted at 0835.	
1 August 1944					
354				W 5 and All Co commanders on a recn along the beach to locate likely spots to put in defenses to be prepared for an enemy amphibious landing. Wiley 6 at the CP today showing the sector that the 442d RCT will defend against any enemy landings. Patrols will be maintained along the beach and strong points will be put in all the beach. M/Gs will be set up and the Bn will be alerted every other day. The Regtl Exec Officer at the CP today. W 3 and W 5 on a recn tour today, during the afternoon. An 8 mile march was scheduled for the day and the following order of march was issued: E, F, G, H and Hq Co. Will leave from the junction of the road at the Motor Pool and the E Co area. Will cross the IP at 0830. Wiley 6 at CP at 1500. Left at 1610.	
2 August 1944					
355				Sgt Major to Regt.	
356	0750			Wiley 6 at CP.	
357	0830			Wiley 6 left CP.	
358	0915			Wiley 5 at CP.	
359	0940			Wiley 5 left CP.	
360		The companies sent		several men to the bathing unit today. The rest of the men will continue tomorrow. Pay day today.	
361	1800			Co commanders meeting at Bn CP.	
3 August 1944					
362				Wiley 6 at the CP this morning. Staff Officers all on recn. A class was held on the North side of the building for E and F companies. Subject; Mines. Usual rest area activities rest of the day. The Bn alerted as of 1800. Show shown at the Bn area tonight.	

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Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 4 August 1944

To : 11 August 1944

Places: Vada, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
363				W 3 to Hotel Excelsior, Rome, for TD. Bn commander ret'd to the CP from the hosp. The Bn moved to the 34th Div Rest Center at 1330. Order of March: H, G, F and E Cos, 100yds between companies and 50 yds between pltns. The CP established in a tent at the Rest Area at 1350. The Officers were at the Officers quarters near the Red Cross. The Snack Bar was open during the days and and Red Cross gave out do-nuts and coffee every day. The men went swimming on all hours of the day. Shows held in the old building near the beach every night.	
				5 August 1944	
364				Usual rest area activities.	
				6 August 1944	
				7 August 1944	
365				Usual rest area activities	
				8 August 1944	
366				Usual rest area activities	
				9 August 1944	
367				Usual rest area activities.	
				10 August 1944	
368				Usual rest area activities. Bn alerted as of 0800. The CP moved to the old area near Vada and the CP was established in the same house, 0935. Wiley 6 at the CP. Wiley 6 and W 6 left CP, at 1335.	
				11 August 1944	
369				usual rest area activities.	
				Usual rest area activities	
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Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From : 12 August 1944

To : 19, August 1944

Place: Giogolo, Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
371				12 August 1944 Usual rest area activities.	
372				13 August 1944 Usual rest area activities.	
373				14 August 1944 Usual rest area activities	
374				15 August 1944 Usual rest area activities.	
375				16 August 1944 Usual rest area activities. Preparation for movement. The Bn now attached to 85th Inf Div.	
376				17 August 1944 The Bn left the present area at 2000 by motor convoy and arrived at the Vic of Castelnuovo. The CP was established in the peach orchard at 0300. Regular routine activities.	
377				18 August 1944 Usual activities at the CP. The duffle bags were picked up and will be stored at Castelnuova. G Company reported that they saw some light flashes coming from a house at Castelnuova during the night. Reported to Regt. Bn Exec O and W 3 called to Regt at 1500.	
378				19 August 1944 The Bn now attached to the 88th Inf Div. Left the assembly area at 0105 and arrived at 0530, in the vicinity of Giogoli. Bn left by motor convoy. Company commanders meeting called at 0930: Bn will relieve the KSLI, 3rd Regt (British) commencing tonight and will be completed not later than 0600 on the 21st	

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Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From: 20 August 1944

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Place: Vic Scandicci, Italy

Serial No.	Time	From	To	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
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				of August 1944. The companies will displace forward at 2030. The order of march will be G, E, F, H and Hq Co. The Bn forward assembly area will be at SCANDICCI. The company CO's will reconnoiter today for their respective company areas and their platoon areas today. The British Guides will meet the Co CO's at the bridge. A Company of Tanks will be attached to the Bn. Our mission will be to actively defend the assigned area and to prevent the enemy from infiltrating through our lines. Patrols will be sent out and their mission will be to put up an ambush for the enemy patrols and to keep our sector free of the enemy patrols if possible. All companies will submit plans for defensive positions by 0930 on the 21st. The companies will go into their positions by squads minus the noise and there will be no smoking. A basic load of ammo will be issued and an extra load will be dumped at the company areas later. The platoon leaders and the squad leaders will go on a recon today. Radios will maintain silence only except in case of <u>emergency</u> . F Company will make contact with the Canadians. No civilians will be permitted to cross our lines. Florence will be Off Limits to all personnel of the RCT. No CP signs will be put up.	
379				The Bn Aid Station located at 739680 about 400 meters South of S Lorenzo.	
380				The Bn CP will be at 741678 about 1500 meters North of SCANDICCI.	
381				The ammo report will be at the BN CP at 0900, daily.	
382				All excessive Officers will remain at the Service Company.	
383				The companies permitted to keep 1-424.	

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From :

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Place: Scandicci. Italy

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
384	1645			The companies began to displace forward. Were picked up by trucks about 2½ miles South of Scandicci and were taken to the town of Scandicci. Detrucked and wslked to the CP location.	
385	1850			CP established in a house at 741678 about 1500 meters North of Scandicci.	
386	2000			The relief of the 3rd British Regt completed.	
387	2330	F 6	W 3	Reported that enemy arty fire falling in their sector to the left. 12 rds, no damage.	
388	2350	E 6	W 3	Reported that they were being rired on by 88's and also that medium arty falling in their sector coming from the North.	