

From : 0930, 7 November 1944

To : 1417, 7 November 1944

Place: 3000 meters NE of BIFFONTAINE, France
Bois de Champ

SERIAL	TIME	FROM	TO	Incidents, messages, orders, etc.	Action taken
664	0930	W 3	E 6	Inquired if the carrying party had arrived there yet. E 6 says that their bed rolls came up by M Co jeep. Also reported that their positions not apt to change unless they shift their position in their foxholes.	
665	0943	W 3	C 3	Reported the positions of all the Cos in lieu of an overlay.	
666	0946	W Cat	24-2	Capt Ritter called and said that Rondo wanted a concentration laid down in front of the road blocks maintained by the AT Co.	
667	0948			24-2 unable to contact the AT road block. Communication line out.	
668	0951			Rondo objective 341585-500 meters West of hill 612-Et de Huttes. Part of their elements will swing thru the Red Bn sector.	
669	0952			Rondo 6 at the CP.	
670	0957	Rondo 6	Rondo 3	Inquired in regard to the progress of their 1st Bn. Also that of L Co.	
671	1041	W 3	F 6	Inquired if any enemy arty was falling in their sector. Arty falling to their front. F 6 reported that G Co is in a fire fight.	
672	1045	Rondo 3	W 3	L Co has cleared the ridge.	
673	1110	W 5		Called up Lt Meier, AT Co to send up a guide to Bn Hqs to stay here.	
674	1127	F 6	W 3	Request 2 men to come up and clear the road leading to F Co.	
675	1140			W 3 notified the AP Sgt to send the 2 men wanted by F Co. To take a saw with them as a tree has fallen across the road.	
676	1140	C 5	All Bns	Called a conference call and instructed each Bn to send an officer and 2 men to the Regtl CP, rear by 1300.	
677	1316	W 3	Blue 3	Inquired how the forward elements were progressing. Blue reported that L Co has knocked out 1 m/g position and are still advancing. G Co has moved forward about 500-600yds.	
678	1350	C 6	W 6	Reported that 142nd was advancing down the valley unopposed. Coming near objective 358584. The C G wants 2 pltn from the AT Co and 2 pltn from F Co to push with the 142nd.	
679	1354	W 6	F 6	Notified F 6 to have his Co alerted as per instructions from W 6.	
680	1403	W 6		Notified Lt Meier, AT Co of the attack plan.	
681	1411	F 6	W 3	Reported that their radio is not working. Enemy arty falling in F Co area.	
682	1417	W 3	W 10	Reported the above to W 10. W 10 is now trying to locate a radio or wire to send up to F Co.	

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From: 1420, 7 November 1944

To: 1822, 7 November 1944

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683	1420	Lt Holmes	W 3	Inquired if Regt has sent down the overlays and also the relief plans.	
684	1432			F Co forward observer wants fire placed at 358242. Informed him that it was not possible to do so as the elements of the 142nd are there.	
685	1439	W 3	E 6	Wants the attack to jump off at 1500 hours. Make junction with AT Co at the bottom of the small valley.	
686	1440			Radio and the wire was sent up to F Co by jeep.	
687	1448	24-2	W Cat 3:	Informed them of the attack plans.	
688	1515	W 3	Lt Holmes:	Send up the overlays and the relief plans by motor messenger. Reported that the 2nd Bn, 142nd is at 353582- on the high ground about 400-500 meters SW of Langefosse. They are swinging toward the SE to effect a junction with our troops.	
689				Reported taking 6 PW's and are now advancing slowly.	
689	1635	F 6	W 5	Wants to know if there is any enemy resistance in front of E Co. Wants E Co to probe out to their front.	
690	1630	C 6	W 6	Notified E 6 of the above information above.	
691	1632	W 3	E 6	Reported that they are now in the valley and the company is occupying an old German CP.	
692	1642	F 6	W 3	Reported the above information. C 6 wants E Co to advance to their front, if after they probe out there and find that the enemy has withdrawn.	
693	1647	W 6	C 6	Wants F Co to clean out the ridge that E Co is now on.	
694	1715	C 6	W 6	Reported that the patrol that was sent out to probe the front were fired on by small arms fire from their left flank and automatic wpsn fire from the front.	
695	1717	E 5	W 6	6 PW's at the CP. Above PW's sent to Regt.	
696	1750				
697	1820				
698	1822	W 6	Lt Meier:	Called and found that all the AT Men were in houses. They will send a patrol to contact F Co. Will also convey the message for W 6 to F 6 in regard to F Co coming up the draw with the AT Pltn to the Bn CP assembly area; should W 6 be unable to make contact with F Co.	
699	1900			W 2 and Sgt Akita on recn for new CP location to the rear. Oprns Sgt and Cpl Yamamoto went on an advanced detail.	

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Organization: Hq 2nd Bn

From: 0850, 8 November 1944

To: 11, November 1944

Place: Fays, France (2)

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699	0850	W 5	MTO	Requested vehicles.	
700	0850			The CP guards left for the rear.	
701	0855	W 6		Called Lt Nowiak and notified him to have the men get dried off as much as possible. When he contacts F 6 call up the CP. Will probably move F Co in E Cos position. CP displacing toward the rear.	
702	1005			Part of the CP personnel arrived at the rear CP which was used as a motor pool and ammo dump.	
703	1030			Displaced toward the rear.	
704	1040			Established the CP in a house on the main street about 100 yards above the school-house.	
705	1115			The rear elements of E and F Co just closed in to Fays.	
706	1630			H Co just moving in.	
707	1650			All elements closed in to Fays.	
708	2045				
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709				Usual rest area activities. The men got dried off and cleaned up. Show at the garage about a 100yds down the road from the CP. Mr Larry Collins the Red Cross Representative brought some towels, tooth paste, soap, books, shaving cream, etc which were sent to the companies by the runners.	
----- 10 November 1944 -----					
710	0930			C 6 at the CP. Left at 0940. Usual rest area activities. The Red Cross Girls were at the Cos and the Bn CP with do-nuts. I stayed for dinner. The other one had a brother in the 3rd Bn and so she had to go see him. Show in the same building as the previous night.	
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711				Usual rest area activities. The Bn participated in Memorial Services in the Bn area at 1530. C 5 attended the ceremony. There were some Army Correspondents who took some pictures of the Officers and of the men. Chaplain Higuchi officiated.	