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603rd TD Bn Unit JOURNAL

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TO :
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TIME		SERIAL NUMBER	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
In	Out				
0001				OPENED JOURNAL Bn CP located at 0224 Saar- brucken sheet, Central Europe. Two miles North of Gramcey. Co. "A" atchd to CC"A" 6th AD Co. "C" atchd to CC"B" Res. Co. atchd to CC"B"	
	1000			Co. "B" moved to Fresnes to be atched to 4th Armored Div.	
	1000			Bn. Hq. atchd to Res. Com. 6th AD	
1515				Recd Situation overlay—Disp. of corps units	M-S
1530				Capt. Schokey visited CP— gave info on 6th AD movements	
25 SEPTEMBER					
0815				Recd G-2 periodic report	Given to S-2
	0945			CO went to div. hq. CO returned to Bn Hq.	
1120				Recd Div disposition overlay	to S-3
1815				Co. "B" reverted to Div control	
	1230				
26 SEPTEMBER					
1430				CP group atchd to CC"A" and alerted to move out	N-S-T
1605				Unit ordered to move to new position.	N-S-T
2030				Unit cleared bivouac for move to rear position	N-S-T
2330				Unit arrived and bivouaced (882137) map Eastern France 1/50000 Nancy sheet. Unit billeted in town of Dommarte- mont. Hq, Hq Co, A, and B Cos. attached.	
27 September					
1000				Unit alerted to move--VOCG	N-S-T
1220				CO directed all vehicles to be gassed and ready to move.	
	1500			One plat. Co. "A" atchd to 15th Tk Bn. Order received by radio at 1435.	N-S
1635				Res Co released to Bn control —VOCG	N-S
1615				Recd G-3 periodic report, 58 w/atchd overlay; Special G-2 report dated 26 Sept; and G-2 periodic report No. 54	
2140				Res Co. reported that they would not arrive until	

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In	Out				
2142				Bamboo 4 asked if kitchen trucks were in (telephone)	
			28 SEPTEMBER		
0730				Recd report from civilian that there were American dead unburied near here--called Civ G-10 for disposition of bodies	
0930				Third Army SOI and callsigns recd thru m/c.	
1046				G-1 called at CP	
	1100			G-1 let CP	
1240				1st Cn Co reported Co will leave bivouac area for this area at 1300	N-S
2130				VOCC--clean all vehicle markings and paint markings on new vehicles.	N-S
2330				Bamboo requests liaison Off.	N-S
	0600		29 SEPTEMBER		
				Co. "B" cleared bivouac to carry out mission w/ Co "A"	N-S
1430				G-3 periodic report no. 61 w/atchd overlay recd.	N-S-M
			30 SEPTEMBER		
1100				VOCC--Curfew time now 2000. Telephone	T-S-N
1150				Spec. G-2 report #1 w/atchd overlay recd.	N-S-M
1245				1sg from Bamboo 15--maps to be picked up by S-2 section	N
1420				Recd Disposition of 6th AD units.	
1515				C of S visited CP	
	1530			C of S left CP	
1530				Recd G-3 periodic report #62 w/atchd overlay	N-M-S
1730				Co. "A" alerted to move by 2100 by order of Col Hines	N-S
2215	2215			Co. "A", less one platoon, w/ one 4cn plat. atchd moved from area--atch to 69th Ak. Bn.	N
2315				Recd FO #22 and Int. Summary	N

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FROM : 0001 1 Oct 44
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TO : 2400 31 Oct 44
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PLACE : (832137) Nancy Sheet 1/50,000

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TIME		SERIAL NUMBER	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
In	Out				
	0700		1 Oct	Bn Comdr & S-2 leave to visit Line Cos.	N
1320				Bn Comdr & S-2 returned to Bn CP.	N
1830				G-3 report w/atchd overlay received.	MST
2130				Co B returned to area. Released from CCA. One platoon of Co A returned to area—released from task force LaGrue and CCA	
			2 OCT		
1015				Bamboo message received, location of TD units	N
1035				Msg fr G-1, reference M/Rs.	N
1600				Recd Div FO	N
1630				Co A less 1 platoon, closed into area. Released fr task force.	N-S
2120				Recd G-2 Periodic Report No 56	N-S
			3 OCT		
1445				Recd G-3 Periodic report w/overlay No 65	N-S-M
1715				Recd call fr G-1; pass percentage authorized 15% for Bn. Bn still on alert.	N-S-T
1900				Recd FO No 22	N-S
2100				Co A on 2-hr alert. WOCO-CCA	N-S-T
			4 OCT		
1350				G-3 Periodic report No 66 Recd.	N-S
	1615			S-2 leaves for Div CP.	N
1720				S-2 returns.	N
1840				Recd message fr G-1 cancelling passes for 5 Oct 44	N
			5 OCT		
	0820			S-3 to Div Arty & Div Hq	N
	0845			S-X and S-2 left for Nancy and D.A.C.	N
0920				CO Co B reported to Hq. Reported that Co B was alerted to move on the morning of 6 Oct. Exact time not known. Co	

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1000 1100 1200 1300 1400 1500 1600 1700 1800 1900 2000 2100 2200 2300 2400

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PLACE : (Location) 1/50,000

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In	Out				
			<u>2 OCT</u>		
0945				S-3 returns.	N
1020				S-2 returned.	N
1130				C.I.C. member G-2 sect Div Hq, visited CP to interrogate French member of Command.	N
	1145			C.I.C. member left CP	N
1215				S-X returned to CP	N
	1215			S-3 left for Co C attached to CCB.	N
	1410			CO left Bn Hq to go to Adm Center.	N
1425				S-3 returned to CP	N
1440				Recd G-3 periodic report No 67	N-S
1550				CO returned to CP	N
1630				Capt Darn S-4 for Bn returned to Bn.	N
1815				Recd Third Army SOI	N
2130				Msg fr G-1. Nancy off limits to all troops or of 0600 6 Oct.	N-S
2135			Phone	Msg fr CCA by XXXXXX . CCA on alert till further notice.	N-S
			<u>6 OCT</u>		
	0815			C.O. left for Div Hq.	
1000				C.O. returned to C.P.	
	0900			S-2 left for Toule	N
1020				Div AT Officer visited CP.	N
	1030			Div ATG leaves Cp w/CO to go to CCB.	N
	0930			S-X and S-4 left for CCB.	
1040				S-X and S-4 return to CP.	
	1550			SX & S2 to A Co Plat	N
	1553			S1 to Ren Co	N
1605				S-1 returns	
1815				SX & S2 returns to Bn CP.	N
1930				Special G-2 report recd to 3	N-S
2030				Recd FO No 23 w/overlay	
			<u>7 OCT</u>		
0945				Recd Op Memo No 1 fr 6th Army Div.	N-S
	1900			In compliance w/FO 23 Co B w/1 plat Ren Co cleared to join CCB for action	N-S

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In	Out				
1530			7 OCT	Msg fr XII Corps. 603 granted permission to re-org under new T/O VOCG Third Army.	
1615				CO returned to CP	
1745	1325			S-3 to Res Comd S-3 returned to CP	N N
2143				CCA called regarding Co A communications. "Have radio set on channel 277 and check in net at 0530."	N-T
2020				Msg to S-2 regarding movement E Secourt at 1330 today.	N
0530			8 OCT	CO & S3 left bivouac for mission with CCA. S-X left for air strip to go up as an observer with In Plane.	N
	0600			Company A with 1 plat of Res Co cleared biv for mission with CCA	N
1040				S-X returned to CP	N
1700				CO returned to CP	N
1840				Recd G-3 Periodic re- port.	N-S
2115				Recd G-2 Periodic re- port.	N-S
	0530		9 OCT	CO left for mission w/ CCA.	N-S
	1300			S-X left CP for front S-X returned to CP.	N
1615				CO returned to CP	N
1530				S-3 returned to CP	
1900				Capt Bill visited CP to pick up S-3 report. N Co C returned to biv.	N
2130				Bamboo 4 called and re- quested Bargain 6 & 4 see him in morning.	N

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In	Out				
	0800			C.O. left for Div Hq	N-S
0845				Recd G-2 periodic report No. 55.	N-S
0930				C.O. returned 3/4 Div.	N-S
1110				Lt Taylor, Co A, visited CP.	N
	1120			Lt Taylor left CP.	
1125				Co B returned to Bivouac.	N
	1410			S-3 to Div.	N
1500				S-3 returned to CP.	
1430				Recd G-3 periodic report No 73.	N
0845				Recd G-2 periodic report.	N-S
	1600			S-3 on Pn Ren	N
1040				S-3 returned to CP.	
	1050			S-3 left for Div Hq.	N
1145				S-3 returned to CP.	
1100				Msg fr Bamboo Unit Com: orders meet at Div CP 1600" (Phone)	N
1130				Recd message fr Div on Unit Com: meeting.	N
1245				O fr Corps visits CP.	N
	1320			Leaves CP.	
1250				Recd P.O. No 24, w/atchd overlay.	N
	1600			Mr. Murrell and Mr. visits CP	
			12 OCT		
	0950			S-3 to Div	N
1045				S-3 returned to CP	
	1330			S-3 left for range	N
1400				S-3 returns.	
	1350			S-X, S-2 left for Div and rear echelon. XXXX	
1500				S-X and S-2 returned.	N
1900				Recd G-3 Periodic report No 74.	N
			13 OCT		
	0635			S-3 & CO to Hq Co & to Ren.	N
1115				S-3 & CO returned to CP	
0640				Recd special G-2 report No 1.	N
	1100			S-X left for a Company position.	N
1300				S-X returned to CP.	
1245				Bamboo #1 called giving unit 5% passes to Nancy	N

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TIME		SERIAL NUMBER	TIME DATED 13 OCT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
In	Out				
1345				Secret Memo fr 6th Armed Div on retreat formations received.	N
1700				Recd C-3 periodic re- port No 75.	N
	1030		14 OCT	S-X left for D.A.C. S-X returned to CP.	N
1215				Recd C-3 Periodic re- port No 76.	N
1645					
	0730		15 OCT	S-3 left for rocket range S-3 returned.	N
1025				Msg fr Bamboo #1 re- questing Frenchman attach to be sent to Div for interview.	N
1015					
	1110			C O left for Div. C O returned to CP.	N
1700				Recd C-3 Periodic re- port.	N
1820					
			16 OCT	Recd Spec. C-2 re port No 5	N
0915					
1045	1110			Asst C-2 visited Bn Hq	
	1120			CO left for Div Arty in field.	
1330				Returned to CP.	
	1340			S-2 to 2nd Army Hq	
1430				Returned.	
1330				C-3 Periodic Report.	
2000				Phone call from CCA for E Co. C O to re- port.	
2035				Call fr 60th Tk Bn that they will not be on rocket launcher range until 1000.	
			17 OCT		
1500				Recd C-3 Periodic re- port No 79 w/ overlay.	N
1500				Bn Staff officers left for Parade ground. Cos formed for Parade and Ceremony.	N
			18 OCT		
	0900			CO leaves CP to visit Div Arty in field.	

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In	Out				
	0930		18 OCT	Co B left bivouac to relieve Co A under COA	N
	0935			Recd message fr COB. Unit Commander meeting at 1100 Balloon CP	N
1250	1300			Co A closed Bn Area	
1410				S-3 left for bazooka range. S-3 returned to CP.	N
1630				Recd G-3 periodic report No 30.	N
1710				Recd FO #25	N
1845				Bamboo directs FO #25 be destroyed. New FO to be issued.	N
1030			19 OCT	Recd counter-attack plan 35 Inf Div.	N
1030				Recd Special G-2 report with overlay	N
1100				Recd Engineer report No 2.	N
1100				Recd FO No 25 w/ overlay.	N
	0900			Co C cleared bivouac area for mission with Div Arty.	
	0945		20 OCT	CO left for Toule to observe Arty demonstration.	N
	1120			S-2 left for Bamboo Hq.	
1215				S-2 returned to CP.	N
1245				Recd G-3 periodic report No 81.	N
1315				CO returned fr Toule	N
1630				Recd G-3 Periodic report No 82	
	1330		21 OCT	S-3 left for rocket range	
1510				S-3 returned to CP	
	1545			S-X & S-2 left for Co B in field.	
1630				S-X & S-2 returned to CP.	

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In	Out				
			<u>22 OCT</u>		
0840				Special G-2 report re- ceived--No 7	
0840				Recd G-3 periodic re- port No 82	N
2015				Recd call fr Battle #2 for Bergain #3.	N
			<u>23 OCT</u>		
0815				G-3 Report (SL)	N
0830	Y			Recd Engineer bridge report No 31.	N
0900				CO evacuated to hosp. (SMB)	
1920				Recd G-3 Periodic re- port No 85.	
			<u>24 OCT</u>		
	1305			S-3 left for Div CP.	N
1430				Recd G-3 periodic re- port No 86.	
			<u>25 OCT</u>		
0915				Recd special G-2 report No 8.	
0920	1000			S-X left for Div.	N
	1300			S-X returned to CP.	
1715				S-3 to Ren	N
	1300			S-3 returned to CP.	
1630				S-X to Div Arty	N
1700				S-X returned.	
				Recd G-3 Periodic re- port No 87.	N
	1740			S-2 left to visit CO in hospital.	N
2045				Recd msg fr Back 4. "Reports on abandoned Vehicles."	N
			<u>26 OCT</u>		
1000				Recd Photo Interpretation Report.	N
	1300			S-3 to Ren; expected return at 1700.	N
	1310			S-X & S-1 left for DAC	
1530				S-X & S-1 returned to CP.	
			<u>27 OCT</u>		
	0930			S-3 to Div.	N
1030				S-3 returned to CP.	
	1450			S-x & S-3 to Res Comd & Div Arty & return.	N
1730					

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In	Out				
1600			27 OCT	Recd G-3 periodic report No 89.	N
0300			28 OCT	Recd Special G-2 re- port No 2.	
1200				Major McCurry fr Sk Hosp to iv. asmd Comd.	N
	1345			S-X & S-3 with officers of Bn left for meeting at airport.	N
1510				S-X & S-3 w/officers returned from meeting	
1610				Recd G-3 Periodic report No 90.	N
1712				Battle Rear called to close communications till further notice.	N
	0935		29 OCT	CO left for Div Arty Ho	
1230				CO returned to CP.	N
1230			30 OCT	Recd G-3 periodic re- port No 91.	N
	1320			CO left for D.A.C.	N
1500				CO returned to CP.	
1800				French civilian caught stealing food. Turned over to Provost Marshal.	N
1920				G-3 Report 92 recd.	N
	0845		31 OCT	S-X & S-1 left for DAC.	
1000				S-X & S-1 returned.	N
	1300			S-3 to Ron	N
1430				General Ernest visited CP.	
	1500			Left CP.	
1450				S-3 returned to CP.	
	1600			S-X left for DAC.	
1600				Recd G-3 periodic re- port No 93.	

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