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CONCENTRATION AND ATTACK OF THE REGIMENT INTO THE GOTHIC LINE UP TO STALEMATE FOR THE
WINTER.

All units of the Regiment were in the rest area in the vicinity of CASTIGLIONECELLO on the first of the month of August, and the various companies had the most protracted rest period since the beginning of the Italian Campaign.

Various forms of recreation were organized. The beach was cleared by the Engineers for swimming, and numerous ball games were played each evening in the Regimental Area. Nearby the Red Cross set up a recreation center in a park. The Red Cross provided a snack bar where coffee, cold drinks and cookies were served, and other ^{Ed} ~~units~~ provided facilities for reading and writing letters, and listening to the radio. Sports events were also arranged in this area, and USO shows as well, both in the afternoon and evening. In the Divisional area other shows were presented, including a concert by Lily Pons, of the Metropolitan Opera Company.

Many of our men were present at Division when the Prime Minister of England, Mr. Winston Churchill, inspected troops and gave a brief address. Mr. Churchill recalled that the 34th Division was the 1st Division to come overseas from the United States in this war.

A limited training program was put into effect after the Regiment had been given the opportunity to enjoy a complete rest.

On August the 22nd, the Regiment moved forward to an area in the vicinity of CASTELFIorentino, where a regular training schedule was instituted and continued throughout the remainder of the month.

The month of September was to find the 135th Regiment in the fulfillment of another important role, that of playing a vital part in the penetration and breaking of the enemy's heavily fortified Gothic line. This historic achievement marked the anniversary of a year's combat in Italy and nearly two and one-half year's overseas duty ^{FOR} the Regiment.

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The 135th Regiment, still in the area of CASTELFIORENTINO on the first of the month, remained in that vicinity for four days, during which time Lieutenant General Mark W. Clark, Commander of the Fifth Army, personally presented awards and promotions to a number of Officers and enlisted men. The Regiment, utilizing this period for mountain training and the practice of attacks coordinated with armor, then moved to a bivouac area on the Southern outskirts of Florence, and on September the 8th, the Regiment proceeded to SESTO FIORENTINO, a Northeastern suburb of FLORENCE.

On September the 11th, the Regiment moved toward an assembly area near BARDINEO, a vicinity that was subjected to scattered enemy artillery fire, and on the following day, the Second and Third Battalions went forward and passed through the 168th Infantry. It was a day of severe losses for the 3rd Battalion, for as the unit's Command group moved forward into an assembly area a German "SCHU" mine field was encountered and the Battalion Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Harry I. McSween was seriously injured by a mine. Attempts to aid him were hampered by more mines being exploded, injuring Captain Luther L. Doty, Jr., S-3; First Lieutenant Jake Jabbard, heavy Weapons Company Commander, and 1st Lt. Leslie K. Vensel, Commander of Company "I". Lt. Col. McSween, who lost a foot when the mine exploded ordered that no one approach them, and that the men turn back and by-pass the mine field. This courageous action undoubtedly saved many lives.

The losses in Battalion leadership on the eve of battle were keenly felt because of the experience and leadership of these Officers. Maj. Allison Conrad, the 3rd Battalion Executive Officer, temporarily assumed command of the Battalion until Lt. Col. John W. Joyce was sent to replace Lt. Col. McSween.

The battalions were moving forward on the 12th of September in the face of stiff opposition. Artillery fire was quite heavy but this was countered effectively by fire from our supporting Artillery Batteries. The 2nd and 3rd Battalions were leading the attack and on the 13th of September it was learned from prisoners, that the Regiment had encountered the outposts of the Gothic Line. It was learned, too, as a result of PW interrogation that the 1st Battalion, 10th Regiment, 4th Paratroop Division was opposing

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the 135th Infantry. This Paratroop Regiment was composed of two Battalions, each with an estimated strength of 200-225 men. It was believed at this time, as a result of this interrogation, that the 1st Battalion 10th Regiment was manning an outpost position along the M. Frosino feature with the mission of inflicting maximum casualties, delay and disorganize our forces before they approached the main line of resistance (Gothic line) where the remainder of the 10th Regiment was believed to be in position. The Commander of the 2nd Battalion, Lt. Col. Simon Castillo, reported on this day that "F" Company seized one of the enemy who walked into their Company. The Prisoner-of-War said he had become lost looking for rations and also claimed he was part of a Company of 50 enlisted men and 2 Lts, stationed as an outer defense of Hill 611. The prisoner revealed that there were 4 Companies on Hill 611, and that the valley west of this hill was heavily mined. The captured enemy came from the 1st Company, 1st Battalion, 10th Regiment, 4th Paratroop Division.

1st Sgt. Albert Grebbli of "K" Company remembers BARBERINO well. 22 men in his Company were hit in this area by small arms fire, 2 fatally. He says "Our heavy supporting, excellently timed artillery played a big factor in this phase. The leading elements of the attack would run into the enemy so dazed by the concentration of artillery that they would be half hysterical, and bleeding at the nose and ears, would mumble hysterically, "Alles ist Caput" and "Kamerade". Prisoners told us of how from 300 to 500 men were digging in this locality for 2 and 3 months". Col. General Vietinghoff, who had taken over the German General Kesserling's command, had personally inspected the defenses in this area a few months previously for effectiveness. The enemy had good cover, excellent fields of fire over the entire valley. This area also served as an OP for fire on BARBERINO". Unquote.

In one instance "L" Company ran into pillboxes at the base of Hill 568 and hand grenades were exchanged at close range. Several TOF shoots were carried out with satisfactory results, although all companies were able to keep moving, the 3rd Battalion ran into strong opposition. Enemy artillery fire increased but the Battalions were aided

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by effective counter-battery fire. The 135th Infantry, with one platoon of Company "G", 80th Tank Destroyer Battalion; one platoon of Company "D", 75th Tank Battalion; attached, continued the attack on the 13th of September with one Battalion to secure successive objectives, destroy the enemy in the zone and continued the attack northward. Hour was 0600, the 14th of September with the front line positions of the 2nd Battalion for boundaries.

The 1st Battalion was to pass through the 2nd Battalion, continue the attack to the north in the regimental sector, after seizing the objective, destroy the enemy in the zone and continue the attack northward. The 3rd Battalion was to continue to mop up Hill 611, reorganize on the objective, organize Hill 611 for defense and remain on the position and fire on targets of opportunity within the sector. The 2nd Battalion, when it was passed through by the 1st Battalion, was to remain in their positions and prepare to follow the 1st Battalion. They were to furnish guides, also, for the 1st Battalion to guide them to the line of Departure. The Regiment had the Armor, that was at the left of the Regimental sector, moved to the selected fire positions and to be prepared to support the attack by fire and at the same time, to defend the Regiment against an enemy armored attack. Our Engineers were to maintain the main supply route. The Regimental Command Post at this time was between Hill 467 and the Aglio River. The 2nd Battalion Command Post was at the south base of Hill 467 near the LORA River, while the 3rd Battalion Command Post was north one mile of Hill 493 on the east bank of the AGLIO River. On September the 14th, the 2nd and 3rd Battalions attacked, the former having as its objective Hill 565. While advancing, considerable automatic weapons fire was thrown out by the enemy.

On the 14th of September, the 1st Battalion was in a reserve position from which they moved to an assembly area to the rear of the 3rd Battalion. The area had not been cleared and the Battalion was pinned down by enemy fire. A platoon of tanks, with Infantry supporting, cleared the area but plans were changed and instead of moving into that area the 1st Battalion relieved the 2nd Battalion. After passing through the 2nd Battalion,

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the 1st Battalion assaulted Hill 650 and Hill 656 with "B" and "C" Companies in the lead. It was in these positions that the Germans rolled "S" mines, with grenade fuses, down the hill at the Battalion. However, the Battalion continued to advance toward Hill 751 with "B" Company directly in a frontal assault and "C" Company to the right of it. It was during this operation that two Company Commanders were killed by sniper fire. These were Captain Drury and Lt. Sales. The assault on Hill 751 was stopped by heavy fire which caused many casualties. The companies reorganized under cover of darkness and continued the attack the next day. They were, again, stopped by a heavy fire and the Commanding Officer of Company "B", Lt. Farnum, and several others were captured by the determined enemy. (Later, several of the enemy surrendered, and when questioned by the Intelligence Personnel of the battalion, disclosed that an American officer they had captured told them "a million Yanks were on the way". The captured enemy said this fact, alone, caused them to surrender.

The 3rd Battalion opened a second attack against Hill 671, where the enemy had managed to hold out the previous day. Casualties ran high for our troops as the enemy, Company "I" alone losing 18 men wounded and five dead, primarily through mortar and machine gun fire.

The 3rd Battalion was not to be denied its objective and advanced under a rolling barrage. In one group of houses at LARCHANO a hand to hand fight developed with extensive use of grenades. This engagement was won largely through the efforts of a 2nd Lt. by the name of Thomas W. Wigle of Detroit, Michigan from "A" Company who, although mortally wounded, continued to hurl grenades at the enemy and shout words of encouragement to his men. Inspired by this heroic leadership, they moved in to clean out the strongpoint. A Posthumous award of the Congressional Medal of Honor was made to Lt. Thomas Wigle of "A" Company. Many men wept openly over his loss because when he was alive he was continually an inspiring leader to the men.

On this hill 671 there were 3 terraces of considerable height (7 to 8 feet high) in the line of assault, and the one man would help another over these terraces as a team.

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It seemed almost that every other man over the terrace would become a casualty due to the heavily concentrated small arms fire or burp gun activity. In some places, German troops were just over the last terrace and men leaping over the top most wall would fall almost into the enemy's positions. Rifle and machine gun positions were 50 feet up from the 3rd terrace in many instances. Hill 671 was completely occupied, however, by the next day. The German paratroopers had displayed their traditional stubborn resistance and had made good use of extensive mine fields, barbed wire and emplacements. Some of the emplacements on the forward slopes were of concrete and it took direct hits from heavy calibre Artillery to knock them out. With the capture of this mountain position, the Gothic Line had been penetrated and the enemy had been handed a good beating. The Regiment was meeting the main defense of the Gothic line and before the First Battalion jumped off in the direction of MANGONA, a lengthy artillery barrage, including heavy guns, was laid down with excellent results. The enemy also was employing fairly heavy Artillery on our front line troops.

The Gothic Line defenses had been discussed many times in the past with prisoners of War who consistently pointed out and stressed its formidable nature. They bravely stated that it was the line which would prevent the Allies from getting into the Po River Valley, and it was the line on which Hitler had ordered the Allied drive Northward in Italy stopped. All available intelligence indicated that the major undertaking on hand would require a maximum of skill, coordination and aggressiveness in order to make a successful penetration of this defensive line.

The Gothic Line positions in the vicinity of FUTA PASS, which the Regiment was flanking from the West, were as staunch and formidable as had been expected.

The selection of commanding heights with tortuous and precipitous approaches, had been scientifically welded into a defensive line with all the expertness acquired by the enemy high command, throughout their long defensive campaign in Italy. To increase the effectiveness of the forbidding terrain, the enemy had commandeered and organized through his organization "TODT", Italian civilian labor to erect coordinating positions

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of steel and concrete pillboxes and gun locations. Dense mine fields and barbed wire obstacles had been interwoven among the defenses. Now, after being ably assisted with heavy air and artillery preparations, the Regiment was fighting the enemy from within his main bastion in the Gothic Line.

The mountainous terrain was presenting problems of supply, and mule pack trains offered the only means of transporting the much-needed food and ammunition. In many instances, rations were delayed for a considerable period of time due to the fact that the mules could not climb the steep cliffs. Casualties had to be carried to the rear for medical treatment and the maintenance of communication lines was a serious problem.

After being ably assisted by heavy air and artillery preparation, the 1st and 2nd Battalions resumed the attack on September the 16th. The plan called for the 1st to move north and then block to the northeast, the 2nd to move from the vicinity of Hill 650 to the northeast and block in that direction. From these positions the 165th Infantry was to pass through and attack to the Northwest. In the attack, the 1st Battalion took the village of Mangona and the surrounding high ground, meeting mainly mortar and artillery fire. "A" and "C" Companies lead the assault of the 1st Battalion in the direction of the high ground beyond MANGONA.

The 1st Battalion was to take and secure Hill 977. The plan was for "B" Company to secure Hill 751 and "A", with "C" Company on the right, was to pass through "B" Company and take Hill 977. "B" Company was unsuccessful in taking Hill 751 and was forced to stop and dig in on Hill 725. The plan was, then, changed and "A" Company was to secure Hills 751 and 719 and be ready to help "C" Company who, in the meantime was to go on and secure Hill 977 by moving around the right side. Both "A" and "C" Companies were stopped before reaching their objectives by machine gun and rifle fire. "A" Company was forced to dig in on Hill 749, which was to the right of Hill 699. All the next day Hills 977, 751, etc. were pounded with mortar and artillery fire. A 57MM anti-tank gun which was brought up on Hill 699, succeeded in knocking out one machine gun position on Hill 751. Up to this time it was thought that Hill 751 was part of an outpost line

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and that the enemy had his principle defenses on Hill 977, however, it soon became apparent that there were more than outpost positions on Hill 751. A plan of attack was made for Company "B" in which the company was to move forward from Hill 725, then swing right and attack the left rear side of Hill 751. "A" Company was to support "B" Company's attack from positions on Hill 699. It was hoped by many of the men at this time that the mine fields, barbed wire entanglements and small arms fire would not be encountered in the future as operations had been so far during this period.

Fifteen German Tanks were located in a draw by the 1st Battalion and "G" Company. Artillery was laid down in that locality with disastrous effect on the enemy armor.

A steady advance was made on that day and continued on the 17th of September despite mine fields, barbed wire entanglements and heavy fire from enemy automatic weapons. Staff Sergeant William E. Davis of Company "G" led his rifle squad in a frontal assault on an enemy pillbox located at the crest of a hill. Going through mortar, machine gun and sniper fire, Sgt. Davis went ahead to cut the wire. He rushed to within hand grenade distance of the pillbox, killed two Germans, wounded another and captured 18. Later in the day while organizing a defensive position Sgt. Davis was killed by a sniper. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross posthumously.

Another grievous loss was suffered by the Regiment when Captain Joe Kimble of "E" Company was killed by a sniper. He has been a constant inspiration to his men through his valiant and intelligent leadership in both the North African and Italian campaigns. He had been personally decorated with the Distinguished Service Cross by General Clark, and for his brave and courageous deeds also had been awarded the Silver Star.

The 3rd Battalion, moving up to MIGNETO on September the 18th following a 30-minute artillery preparation, ran into a heavy enemy counter-attack at Hill 749 and a fierce fire fight followed. The attack having failed, the Battalion was ordered to hold the ground for the night.

The 1st Battalion was also encountering stiffened opposition, mainly enemy machine gun and mortar fire. On the morning of the 18th, "G" Company jumped off and succeeded

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in reaching the left side of Hill 751 when they began to receive machine gun and automatic rifle fire from the left flank of Hill 719, which was to their front and from Hill 751 which was on their right flank. Then a group of Germans started down the slopes of Hill 751 with the idea of cutting "B" Company off. The company was then forced to withdraw. Lt. Farnum, Commanding Officer of "B" Company, was captured and casualties were sustained. That day "C" Company was placed in the rear of "B" Company in preparation for an attack on Hill 751 which was to be around the right side. Meanwhile "A" Company sent out a patrol of 15 men lead by Lt. Marizek who was given the mission to reconnoiter and find likely routes of approach around the right side of Hill 751 and as a secondary mission, the patrol was to see if they could draw fire from that side of the hill. The patrol drew no fire as they proceeded so continued on up the slopes of Hill 751. Not until the patrol reached the top of Hill 751 did the enemy realize their presence. A fire fight followed, but the patrol inflicted casualties and captured a number of prisoners. The patrol held the hill until "C" Company relieved them. The following day the 1st Battalion was relieved by a battalion of the 168th Infantry Regiment, and moved back for a one night's rest. Our troops were extremely fatigued, having had little sleep in the past 72 hours, and the supply problem continued to grow even more acute. The mules could hardly make their way over the trails and the Company guides frequently lost their way because of the darkness and myriad paths.

On September the 19th the enemy increased his fire from machine guns, mortars and artillery and "B" Company, caught in a concentration, reported heavy casualties. The fighting was becoming increasingly bitter with grenades exchanged in close combat. Forty-nine prisoners were taken by our troops in 24 hours. On the next day the Second Battalion reported that it was encountering mine fields and it was not until September the 21st that wounded from "F" Company were evacuated from the area and "D" Company was able to work around the field. Engineers were used to clear a path through the mine field, in order that caves in the vicinity could be searched and on September the 22nd the Regiment was moving forward again at a slow pace. Among 11 Prisoners-of-War

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taken on September the 23rd were two members of an artillery observation team, captured with their radio intact.

It was a day to day, hill to hill fight against an enemy determined to exact as high a price as possible before relinquishing the gateway to the Po Valley of Northern Industrial Italy. Our men had to root the Germans out of each pillbox and dugout and were constantly harassed by sniper fire from all sides. Many snipers let our troops pass through and then opened up from the rear. Our advance was of necessity slow, proceeded by much careful probing of the terrain, a task that taxed the endurance of every man. We were making use of flame throwers against some enemy positions. The Germans in their determination to cling to the mountains were throwing in engineering and air corps elements to supplement and replace those on the line.

As the Regiment advanced it was necessary to put into effect very stringent traffic regulations because the narrow roads would permit one-way vehicular movement only in many places. The Germans complicated this by their many demolitions requiring the construction of by-passes and bridges.

Reports from prisoners on September the 24th, were to the effect that the enemy was withdrawing at several points because of the constant pressure against him and his heavy losses in men and material. At RONCOBILAGGIO, it was learned, about 100 Germans withdrew, leaving large quantities of material in the town. Two enemy 105mm Artillery pieces were surrounded by our troops and could not be withdrawn by the enemy. However, most German soldiers were putting up a stiff, fanatical fight before being killed or taken prisoner.

On September the 26th and 27th the 3rd Battalion launched attacks against the town of BRUSOGNI and reached their objective at 0900 hours on the 27th. The 1st Battalion, meeting little opposition, took over FRATTEL and then went on to enter the small village of BELVEDERE on the right and CASELLAGO on the left. Progress was slow.

General Holte, the Divisional Commander, informed Colonel Manhart that he wanted the 1st Battalion on Mt. BASTIONE as soon as possible. The weather was cold and windy.

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and the night extremely dark. "A" Company relieved "B" Company in position in the vicinity of the small village of BELVEDERE, enabling "B" and "C" Companies to move around to the right (their arc of movement touching the 91st Division's area), in an attempt to seize Mt. Bastione. Reports, meanwhile, arrived at the 1st Battalion's Command Post to the effect that the enemy had withdrawn to the north of Mt. Bastione. "A" Company was then sent, more or less, directly north to a hill at the right of the Battalion's objective. Due to the fact that "A" Company had a far shorter distance to travel than the other two companies, it arrived and had dug in on the hill (to the right of Mt. Bastione) by the time "B" and "C" Companies had arrived. "A" Company received some enemy mortar fire during this period from Mt. Bastione. In order to complete plans that were still tentative, "C" Company sent patrols out south of the approaches of the mountain to reconnoiter the terrain. The weather became more and more windy, and a heavy rain began to fall with no promise of a let-up! The men were miserably cold and wet and there was little cover from the inclement weather in this local. The patrols from "C" Company returned after a short interval and reported no contact with the enemy. "B" Company moved into a house near the base of the hill to act as reserve unit at first, but this was later changed, and the plans were for "A" and "B" Companies to assault the 1190 meter high terrain feature (Mt. Bastione). The elements proceeded up the Mt. meeting little opposition, at dawn of the 28th of the month. The day was very cloudy, and the rain that had fallen all during the previous night had subsided a bit. The wind tore at the clothing of the troops making climbing unusually difficult. The companies encountered a large mine field near the crest of the mountain top and casualties were sustained. Leadership had to be exercised continually with the troops. Morale was mediocre at this time because of the endless downpour of rain along with the cold wind, slippery mud, lack of rest, etc. However in spite of all these hardships, the peak of Mt. Bastione was in the hands of the 1st Battalion on this morning, the 28th of September. The 1st Battalion had accomplished its mission irregardless of the trying obstacles. After the units of the Battalion had advanced about a mile north of Mt. Bastione, the

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Regiment ordered the units to cease their attack and get under cover from the rain and cold. The 3rd Battalion was moving forward without opposition. With the fall of Mt. BASTIONS, the 2nd Battalion was committed through the 1st Battalion to exploit the successes gained. Exercising a vigorous and aggressive drive, the 2nd Battalion advanced 1500 yards past their objective to the vicinity of FORNELLI.

On September the 29th, the 168th Infantry had passed through the Regiment. The 3rd Battalion was assembled at BRUSCOLI and the 1st and 2nd Battalions were in the vicinity of CASTELL DEL ALPI. The Regiment had passed into Divisional Reserve. The Gothic Line had been pierced over the mountains of the Apennines, that held every advantage for the defenders who had boasted to the civilian population, that from this vantage point they would "run the Americans back to ROME".

The Regiment remained in the Division reserve for the remainder of the month. During this time the Companies were issued a new type field jacket, sleeping bags, shoe pads, wool sweaters and winter underwear. Hot meals were served, a beer ration issued and the men were paid.

The first four days of October, the Regiment continued in reserve although preparations were being made to move forward again. Shortages of Ordnance equipment and ammunition were checked and replenished. Movies, meanwhile, were available to the troops and pay day was also experienced. The greater part of this brief period of rest was spent in reorganizing and rebuilding the companies to partial strength. Reassignment of officers within the Regiment and the return of the wounded brought us back to full strength of officers. Reequipment of the Battalions brought new jackets, sweaters, shoe pads, socks and clean clothing.

Due to the extreme heavy and continuous rains, difficulty in keeping the roads open was a tremendous job. The various P & A Platoons and details from the companies worked constantly on the stretches of roads in the unit areas.

On the 2nd of October, Cannon Company was attached to the 133rd Infantry Regiment for operations. On October the 5th, the Regiment was on the move again. The Command

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Post had moved from DRUSCOLI to FORNELLI and the 1st and 3rd Battalions went into assembly areas in the same vicinity. The 2nd Battalion was ordered attached to the 133rd Regiment near BABBIANO. The 1st Battalion was to move behind the 2nd Battalion.

Difficulty in supply was encountered by the 3rd Battalion due to small narrow trails which were slippery and muddy. Another problem was met in that the men wore shoe-pacs and found them difficult to walk in for any distance. Also the 3rd Battalion met harassing artillery while in their tentative area near QUALTO, Italy.

The 1st Battalion was finally located in houses on the 8th of October in the vicinity of MONZUNO approximately a mile due north of the 3rd Battalion's area. Tanks and equipment that were to be used for the support of the 1st Battalion, were of little use; the reason being that it was almost impossible for tanks to move, unless on roads. The 1st Battalion received slight harassing artillery fire during its movement to MONZUNO, where, too, it had an excellent route of supply. The weather for this period was rainy and cloudy giving the Regiment considerable discomfort.

The first prisoner, a Pole, was taken on this day by "F" Company. He said he was with the 142nd Regiment, 42nd Division, and further stated that his unit had been ordered to cover the retreat of the 4th Paratrooper Division which was planning to make a stand at BOLOGNA. Our movements, for the most part, were over difficult terrain and the Command Post which had been scheduled to move forward to PRASSANAR on October the 6th, was forced to postpone the move until a Company of Engineers had completed their work on the road. Mule train was used to carry rations and ammunition to the Companies.

On the 7th of October, the 2nd Battalion continued their mission of keeping to the right rear of "B" Company, 133rd Infantry at 1730 hours, a field order was received from the Commanding Officer, 135th Regiment relieving the 2nd Battalion from attachment to the 133rd Infantry and ordered the Battalion to relieve the 2nd Battalion, 133rd Regiment in place under cover of darkness. "C" and "D" Companies went on line with "E" Company in reserve.

General Bolte visited Colonel Hamhart at the Command Post at 1345 hours and discussed

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the coming attack. The Regiment, with elements of the 757th Tank Battalion and the 81st Chemical Battalion attached, was to attack to the northward as part of the Divisional plan to debark into the Bo Valley. The 2nd Battalion was to lead the attack followed closely by the 1st Battalion which was to mop up enemy pockets that were by-passed. The 3rd Battalion was to be prepared to move forward on thirty minutes notice and the emphasis of the entire attack was to be placed on rapidity, by-passing small isolated pockets of resistance whenever practical. The 3rd Battalion did not move, however, during this tense alert. Supply problems were quite difficult and a distance of some 7000 yards took about two hours.

The 2nd Battalion jumped off under a heavy fog at 0600 hours on the 8th. "G" Company was on the left, "F" Company on the right and "E" Company to protect the flank of "F" Company. HMG platoons from "H" Company were attached to the attacking Companies and 81mm mortars were in support of the Battalion. The 2nd Battalion immediately encountered heavy small arms fire, but the situation was gradually placed under control. Most of the fire was coming from houses, and tank and artillery support was requested to knock out the enemy from these strongpoints. Minefields, one of them so large that our "A" and "P" Platoons could not handle it, were found and Engineering assistance was secured. As the weather cleared, the artillery, Cannon and mortars fired numerous TOT's and concentrations on areas designated by the 2nd Battalion in the vicinity of MONTENAPICI. The enemy was not using much artillery fire but his small arms fire, supplemented by mortars, was heavy. Sixteen prisoners were taken by the 2nd Battalion on the first day.

Heavy resistance continued throughout the afternoon and little progress was made. At 1715 hours "G" Company had secured Hill 502, "F" Company had advanced several hundred yards North of Hill 520, and "E" Company had taken Hill 315. The 1st Battalion was maintaining close contact with the 2nd Battalion in the advance.

Also on the 8th of October the men in the Regiment were cheered by the units receiving quotas of rotation and furloughs. One officer, 2nd Lt. Merlin Strambon and

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10 enlisted men left from the 3rd Battalion. The weather cleared somewhat throughout this period. Heavy fogs covered the valleys. There was some scattered artillery and S/P fire.

Throughout the night and early morning hours of the next day, the only activity along the entire Regimental front was enemy artillery fire of an harassing nature. "G" Company jumped off as planned at 0630 hours, moved slowly through the mist and found five large craters in the road North of Hill 502 where they captured eight Germans. The 2nd Battalion Out post at BONAUNO was being shelled by an S/P, 105mm and 81mm guns at periodic intervals from dug in positions on a ridge west approximately 1/2 mile from MONTESALICI. Five more prisoners were taken, these from the 10th Paratroop Regiment who said they had been moved from the vicinity of Highway 64 to our sector. This information was confirmed by prisoners from the same unit picked up by the 133rd Regiment.

Heavy artillery and mortar fire was placed on the ridge. Artillery and mortars prepared their concentrations throughout the day of the 9th in preparation for an attack at 2300 hours with "G" Company on the left, "F" Company on the right. "E" Company was to take the objective in a dawn attack. "J" Company made numerous attempts to advance but each attempt proved a failure. "F" Company moved into a draw but had to withdraw to Hill 520 after receiving many casualties from artillery and mortar fire.

A request of Division was made for air missions on many enemy positions North of MONTESALICI where enormous quantities of vehicles and troop concentrations were observed but the Regiment was informed that 210mm Howitzer fire would be used instead.

The 2nd Battalion was making considerable employment of Artillery and tanks, using the latter to knock down all the houses in the vicinity. The Battalion was receiving heavy mortar fire from enemy positions Southeast of C. FURGOLO approximately one mile in a draw and Colonel Wanhart ordered that a Company from the 1st Battalion be sent out across the river to relieve the pressure. In response to word that two Companies of the 133rd Regiment were about to move up the BOLONA road accompanied by tanks, the 2nd Battalion intensified its Artillery fire to divert attention from the attack.

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At 0530 hours, the 10th of October, "B" Company, from their position on Hill 520, moved up and were able to take Hill 410. October the 10th came with "D" Company reporting that two efforts had been made to take Hill 446, but in both cases the men were driven back. The enemy held an advantageous cliff from which he dropped hand grenades on our troops. A reorganization was started and a plan formulated where-by the company would drive to the left and then swing to the north. "E" Company was to move through to the right in an effort to clean out the pocket of resistance. Hill 446 was not taken in this next attempt. Col. Manhart asked permission from G-3 to pass our first Battalion through part of the 91st Division sector but it was suggested that he get "A" and "B" Companies northwest of PARNI and then follow "C" Company instead of cutting so far into the 91st Division sector. We had been lacking communication with "C" Company, but later it was reported that they had been driven back from CAMPINO, but were going to try it again. The 1st Battalion was in the vicinity of FAGNELLA between the 3rd Battalion and the 91st Division. On the 10th, the Battalion attacked CAMPINO Hill 405, with "A" Company taking the hill.

Col. Manhart attempted to get an air mission on an enemy held tunnel but this was denied although he was told that a large amount of Artillery would be used. During the day TOT sheets were placed on this objective. It was believed that the tunnel was being used as a cover for the enemy to bring forward supplies. Division was given this as a target for an air mission the following day as well as the localities of LANA VAL DEL FOSO and MENTO all directly north approximately a mile from MONTEROMIELI.

The regiment was making systematic use of the supporting Artillery to knock down enemy occupied houses. Also, early on this day of the 10th, "A", "B", and "D" Companies moved to LA VALLE. The observation was very good so the march had to be broken down from Company groups to that of platoons. The first Company arrived at LA VALLE around 1600 hours but portions of "B" Company did not arrive until 0100 hours the following morning.

During this period the weather was fair and observation was very good. The 3rd Battalion was alerted to move on the 10th of October and at 1800 hours moved forward

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to relieve the 2nd Battalion, in a small village south of FURCOLI about a mile. The Companies moved out at 20 minute intervals. Company "I" relieved "G" Company, "K" Company relieved "E" Company, "L" Company relieved "F" Company and "M" Company relieved "H" Company. The 3rd Battalion Command Post was in a house at C. di RIUHETTO, 1½ miles south of MONTEIMICI. The relief was completed at 2230 hours with no casualties.

On the 11th of October, 1944, the 3rd Battalion received orders for an attack to commence at the first daylight, 0600 hours. The objectives were limited to Hills 410 and 446. At 0540 hours there was a twenty-minute artillery and mortar barrage. Supporting this barrage were units from 125th Field Artillery, two platoons of the 84th Chemical Mortars Battalion, and the 80th TD Battalion. The attack moved fairly well. However enemy resistance developed and increased. Company "I" moved to a location on the North-South road leading to FURCOLI about a mile from MONTEIMICI and were stopped by severe machine gun and rifle fire. Company "K" advanced to the objective and had secured the hill. The enemy resistance stiffened and small counter-attacks forced them to withdraw about 100 yards to a draw, due south 1 mile of MONTEIMICI. The resistance was quite severe and in some cases more fanatical than usual.

Company "K" regrouped and attacked again at 1400 hours. The attack met with much increased resistance and so the attack failed. Company "I" was counter-attacked and fell back to the head of a draw south 100 YD of CALARO (a small village south ½ mile of FURCOLI). Company "K" was in a draw due south of MONTEIMICI approximately a mile, and "L" Company was in reserve on a small gravel road south of "K" Company about ½ mile. The Battalion Commanding Officer called the Company Commanders to Company "L"'s Command Post for plans for the following day. At about 1330 hours, a camouflaged tank was spotted on Hill 427 (a hill to the west of MONTEIMICI) and shortly afterwards considerable enemy activity was observed on that hill.

The attack failed in securing the objectives but heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy, this being verified by the dead and wounded. Enemy medics were quite active in the evacuation of the wounded. However it is believed that in some cases

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misuse of the Red Cross Flag were observed.

During the attack, prisoners were taken as follows: Company "I" - two from 3rd Co., 8th Bn., 16 SS Div., Company "K" - two from 6th Co., 7th Yeager Bn. These prisoners were taken at about 1400 hours.

"H" Company's attack during the early afternoon netted seven more prisoners and identified the 2nd, 6th and 7th Company of the 11th Paratroop Regiment as occupants of Hill 410. These were taken on the south side of Hill 410.

The 3rd Battalion was moving slowly in the face of heavy mortar, small arms and automatic weapons fire. "K" Company was stopped after advancing approximately 300 yards. Two PW's taken by "I" Company reported that 70 men, consisting of six-man squads, each having one machine gun, one light machine pistol, four heavy mortars and one bazooka, had relieved a paratrooper unit the previous night. On the basis of this information chemical mortar fire was directed against the reverse slope of Hill 410 and 2nd Bn Howitzer fire on positions in the FURCOLI sector. "I" Company was planning to work around both sides of the hill. It appeared that the 7th Yeager Battalion were either out patrolling or holding strong points in front of the 11th Paratroop Regiment. A quick interrogation by our S-2 identified these units and secured interesting information. The majority were former ground force airmen or ack-ack men. Their ages were from 18 to 25 years. The Regiment had been on line about four weeks and were sent in as replacements from Norway, the Russian front, and Germany. Their orders were to hold the ground at all costs. These men surrendered only after being completely surrounded. At about 2200 hours, a German Nation Guide got lost and wound up at the mortar OP of Company "H".

The enemy had taken advantage of the terrain and had covered all approaches to the hills with fire. His mortar fire was well placed on approaches and his OP's were well camouflaged. The terrain was difficult to attack because of its cliff-like approaches. Most of the enemy opposition came from small arms fire. We were using 2nd Bn Howitzers against every ^{updated house.} occupied house.

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In the meantime the 1st Battalions "B" Company captured an enemy Company Command Post at BALZI, taking 22 prisoners, killing four, including one officer, and wounding two other officers. Equipment captured included five machine guns, 17 rifles, five machine pistols, one radio and several revolvers.

The Regiment was informed by G-2 that between 1,000 and 1,200 bombers would be sent over the Fifth Army front on the next day, and to notify all units in the command.

During the night and the early morning hours of the 12th of October, the 3rd Battalion forward areas were shelled by all types of artillery and mortars.

Another attack was launched by the 3rd Battalion at 0600 hours on October the 12th, the plan calling for pulling back "I" Company, placing mortar fire where they had been, and artillery and chemical mortar fire to each side and to the North. "L" Company, was to go past "I" Company, having as its objective the road leading west away from FURCOLI. "K" Company's objective was to be the road junction. It was not possible to utilize tanks because of the softness of the ground. At 0600 hours Company "L" moved from reserve position into Company "I"'s position and "I" shifted to the rear. After an artillery preparation Company "L" attacked Hill 446 which was just west of MONTEBELLINI at 0700 hours. There was heavy machine gun resistance from a higher level 500 yards north of the hill. Under this fire and the many strong pockets, the objective, nevertheless, was taken at 1100 hours and organized. At the same time Company "K" coordinated an attack for their objective, Hill 410. By an ingenious flanking maneuver, the hill was occupied at 1600 hours. One platoon circled to the right and two platoons circled around the left side. Plans were made for the Battalion to be relieved by units of OCA. The CP moved to 825-250 at 1630 hours, and were shelled for one-half hour. The CP also was shelled and one direct hit caused no casualties.

At about 2130 hours, Company "A" of the 11th Infantry relieved the 3rd Battalion by going into positions on Hill 520 which was about 1000 yards to the rear of Hill 410. "L", "K", and "I" were relieved. Company "M" and the medics remained in position. Hill 410 was not occupied due to not enough personnel to man it. A secondary defense

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position was occupied in an area north 500 yards of MONTE LUNO.

The 1st Battalion at 0830 hours had located enemy dugouts a mile North of MONTE IMICI; Company "C" was on Hill 413 and "A" Company on Hill 405. The 2nd Battalion passed through the 3rd Battalion at 2005 hours and the 1st and 2nd Battalions prepared to resume the attack on the morning of October the 13th. The weather was such that even bulldozers were being mired in the mud. Patrols sent out by both Battalions brought back sparse reports. The Regiment was receiving mortar fire and TOT's were placed on suspected enemy mortar positions, including an area where 18 to 24 enemy artillery pieces were believed to be located. Two bombing missions were sent out. The 1st Battalion was getting S/P fire from BRENTO and VAL DEL FOSSO and TOT's were ordered against these areas. During this period "C" Company had 34 casualties by severe mortar and artillery fire. The same situation prevailed here as it did in moving up to Cassino. Movement of our troops could be picked up easily and vice versa due to the fact that the weather even though fair, was perfect for observation.

Meanwhile, on the 14th of October on a verbal order (from the Commanding Officer, 135th Infantry) the 2nd Battalion's Commanding Officer made a trail reconnaissance for moving the 2nd Battalion to the vicinity of LA LE GROCCO to relieve the 1st Battalion, 362nd Infantry, 91st Division. The 2nd Battalion crossed the IF at 1600 hours and relieved the 1st Battalion, 362nd Infantry by 2400 hours. "A" Company got one platoon across the SAVENA River due East of MONTE IMICI $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, using the covering fire of machine guns, rifles and bazookas, capturing Verasole. Eighteen prisoners were captured and 10 killed. On the evening of the same day the remainder of the company moved to the same location. There was no change in positions of the rest of the Battalion. The weather was fair on this day of the 13th of October.

Throughout this day, active patrolling was maintained. Patrols from "C" Company went as far north as LE FOSSO. Patrols from "F" Company went as far north as LALLI. The 2nd Battalion CP area at Le GROCCO. At 2030 hours, an order was received from the Commanding Officer, 135th Infantry to attack at 2200 hours to take the objectives

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LE FOSSA ("D" Company) and LAGLIA ("F" Company). The companies moved out at 2200 hours but were unable to advance more than 200 or 300 yards due to heavy enemy small arms fire. Enemy was in dug-in positions, impossible to see in the daylight hours due to excellent camouflage.

In regards to the 1st Battalion's actions at this time, ^{ME} "A" Company crossed the SAVENA River and took LA PIANA, only after a fierce hand-to-hand fight with hand grenades and small arms. Eighteen of the enemy were captured and eight killed in the determined stand by the German troops at that point. "G" Company attempted to cross the Savena River a short time later, but were forced back after suffering 26 casualties from intense mortar and small arms fire. "B" Company, then, passed through "A" Company and took LA TOMBA after a brief small arms fight. Many casualties were suffered due to the numerous thick mine fields. The 1st Battalion had its Command Post near LA VILLA. The Battalion had one company across the SEVENA River and secondary defenses in the rear with two companies.

During the night of the 13th-14th of October, Company's "F" and "G" reached their objectives but were strongly counter-^{NT}attacked and were forced to withdraw to their former positions. "G" Company with the 2nd Platoon, of Company "H" attached withdrew to within 200 yards of their former positions and dug-in positions. Everything seemed quiet until about 0900 hours, the 14th of October, when the entire Company position was subjected to heavy MG and mortar fire. Immediately after the fire lifted, the enemy moved in over-running one platoons' positions. Harassing MG fire covered the rest of the positions preventing the other platoons helping the 1st Platoon. The enemy continued this until all of "G" Company had been over-run and disorganized. The Company "G" Commander, Captain Miles, and 14 men from "D" Company and about 14 men from "H" Company were believed captured. The rest of the men who were not killed or wounded infiltrated back to the rear CP of "G" Company.

On the 13th of October, 1944, the 3rd Battalion received word to join the remainder of the Regiment in the 91st Division sector. A reconnaissance party went over to locate

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positions. The Battalion Commander went to a staff meeting at 1315 hours. Results were that the reconnaissance party was called back. The 3rd Battalion was alerted at 1330 hours. At 1400 hours the 3rd Battalion Commander met the Company Commanders and announced that we were now attached to CGA, 1st Armored Division, and were to be recommit-
mitted at 1630 hours. Objectives were the ones previously taken. Company "K" to go to Hill 410, "L" to Hill 469, and Company "I" was in Battalion reserve. The attack was to be preceded by an artillery barrage for fifteen minutes, and then a rolling barrage as the attack progressed. The support consisted of two 240MM guns, six 155 rifles, 125th Field Artillery Battalion. The attack moved slowly and increased enemy resistance was encountered. Difficulty was obtained from our artillery because as put, "A rolling barrage doesn't roll against mountain cliffs". Casualties resulted from our artillery. At 1900 hours the forward elements had reached the vicinity of Hill 410. Company "L" captured two prisoners from the 3rd Company of Ren. Bn., 16th SS Division, west 200 yards of Hill 410, who had been in position only three days. A doubtful statement was "Food received regularly but ammunition slowly".

The attack continued fairly well during the night, but was hampered by the increased mortar and artillery fire. The 3rd Battalion stopped at about 2400 hours and reorganized for the night. On October the 11th the 135th Regiment, keeping "G" Company of the 75th Tank Battalion, one platoon of TD'S and one platoon of Chemical mortars, passed to the command of the CGA. The remainder of the units reverted to their parent organizations. We maintained heavy harassing fires all day on known and suspected enemy positions. "G" Company was heavily counter-attacked by a superior force on three sides near LA FOSSE and was forced to withdraw to their former position in the vicinity of LAVERANO. The 1st Battalion attacked at 2300 with "B" Company passing through "A" Company and going toward LA TOMBA, (across the river) and Hill 395. The 2nd Battalion attacked at about the same hour with "E" Company going North toward LAJLIA and "F" Company going North-west toward LA FOSSE. "B" Company reached LA TOMBA, meeting only scattered resistance, but a fight developed for the locality where nine prisoners were taken. The Germans

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were fighting fanatically and not surrendering easily. They were suffering heavy casualties.

The 3rd Battalion attack was renewed at 0730 hours this day with 3 companies attacking. Company "L" reached a lateral (east-west) road (running west from FURGOLI at the near base of the west of MONTERINICI) at 0800 hours. Companies "I" and "K" were to the right rear. Company "L" advanced to Hill 427, encountering a brief skirmish enroute. A counter-attack by the enemy forced them to withdraw below the road. At 1100 hours, the 3rd Battalion was generally along a line south of the aforementioned lateral road eastward to Hill 410. Company "L" encountered an "8" mine field southwest of Hill 410 about 100 m in a draw. At 1630 hours, the advance had slowly ^{or} moved, and again 2 hours later until the line was Hill 427-eastward across the road (leading north to FURGOLI) to Hill 410. The Battalion was now about 200 yards from FURGOLI. One platoon of Company "A", 14th Armored Regiment was at the head of a draw west of the small town of SCALARO (south of FURGOLI 1/2 mile). The advance had become more difficult due to fire being received from all directions. During the 14th, the 3rd Battalion's casualties were extremely light, considering the opposition. Casualties were mostly from friendly artillery. Difficulty in taking our objective is again laid to the difficult terrain and expert gun emplacements of the enemy. Regarding to the 2nd Battalion's drive toward LAGLIA, we find the advance was stopped during a heavy fire fight and "E" Company withdrew to MOLINETTO. A prisoner from the 4th Company, 10th Regiment, 4th Paratroop Division, taken by "E" Company, said his company strength was about 40 men. His machine gun had been knocked out. He added that food supplies had been very poor for the past four or five days due to our harassing artillery fire. They had been ordered by Hitler himself to hold their positions "at all costs".

During the night of the 14th-15th of October, "E" Company having moved into position at MOLINETTO, "F" Company moved to Hill 406 (southwest of LIVERMANO), "G" Company moved into position at L. BALZI. The 2nd Battalion's mission was to drive for LAGLIA

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at midnight of the 14th of October.

Returning to the 1st Battalion's actions, enemy artillery fire was heavy on the 15th and friendly artillery intensified its counter-battery. The 1st Battalion's positions remained much the same. One platoon of Company "B" moved out in the attack at 0030 hours and a half hour later, this platoon captured 6 PW'S, 2 in houses and 4 in dugouts. They received no resistance from these men. This took place at and near LA TOMBA. The platoon suffered no casualties. Excellent artillery support was available and used and the Battalion encountered light artillery. The defense of this area was mostly by machine gun. Diverting our attention, meanwhile, at 0030 hours, the second Battalion launched an attack. "F" Company reached the crest of Hill 406 and dug in. "E" Company reached LAGLIA, but had to withdraw to a draw 200 yards to the rear due to heavy enemy machine gun fire. Throughout the 15th of October, "E" Company tried to reach LAGLIA but were unsuccessful and received a few casualties.

At 1630 hours, the 15th of October, the Battalion Commander issued an order for "F" Company to take Hill 375 and "E" Company to again take LAGLIA immediately after dark. "F" Company reached the crest of Hill 375 but found picket mines and heavy MG fire and were forced to withdraw to Hill 406. "E" Company was also unsuccessful in reaching LAGLIA. "G" Company was instructed to put a strong patrol on Hill 413 to prevent a counter-attack from the NE. "F" Company was instructed to send a strong patrol to LE FOSSE; patrol was pinned down by MG fire 300 yards south of their destination. "G" Company sent a patrol to FAZZANELLO; but were pinned down by mortar and artillery fire.

The 2nd Battalion however captured a German field order showing the route of withdrawal to the next ALB, revealing that the enemy would fall back through FURCELLI, up the road northeast to MONPERIMICI and LA TORRE, thence following the trail to the right into LA PIANA. This information was immediately relayed to the 125th Field Artillery.

Through G-2 of the First Armored Division, II Corps supplied the information that the enemy password for this night and tomorrow was "Maedchenknobe" ("maiden-head");

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that 100 mines were to be laid in our sector during the night; that one red flare meant contact with the enemy, one white and one green flare meant they were forced to withdraw.

In the early morning of the 15th, there appeared to be little changes in the 3rd Battalion's front lines. It generally ran along the line Hill 427-Hill 410 south of FURCOLI. The positions were consolidated throughout the day. Artillery and mortar fire was very severe. During the forenoon, Company "K" captured seven PW's from the 5th Company of the 11th Paratroop Division. Information indicated that the enemy had reinforced his position in front of us with his 5th Company of the 11th Paratroop. Most of the seven had only been in position for two days and were outposting. Most of the prisoners were former ground crew of the air corps. They still insisted on a shortage of ammunition, but the outward appearance from the enemy fire concentrations seem to contradict this.

At about 1800 hours Company "K" again captured a PW from the 11th Company, 36th SS Division, who was manning a 20MM AAA gun on a hill. This indicated a new company and also verified the reinforced enemy positions. At 1900 hours word was received to make a limited night attack beginning at 2315 hours. Company "I" was to take the small cemetery just north of the village church, at the top of MONTERIMICI, "K" was to attack and occupy DI SOPRA, a small village just east of the peak of the mountain, and "L" Company was to occupy Hill 427. The attack was preceded by a 15 minute artillery barrage. The attack failed to gain weight and was stopped by intense mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire. No ground was gained. The weather was still bad. The rain had let up some, but the ground was still muddy and soggy.

On the 16th of October, the 2nd Battalion along with the 1st Battalion and the first Armored Division attacked the enemy. "F" Company on the right, had the mission to seize and secure LA FOSSA, "E" Company was to pass through "F" Company after they had reached their objective and secure Hill 339 in the vicinity of FOGGANELLO, "G" Company on the left was to seize and secure LA PIANA from their present positions. This entailed a crossing through a draw under constant observation and mortar fire. At 1300 hours, "H" Com-

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reported they had successfully reached LA PIANA. "F" Company's attempt at LA FOSSE still proved unsuccessful due to mines and MG fire. At 1630 hours, "E" Company was told to change their mission and take up positions on Hill 413. Contact with "G" Company was lost. The next day at 0700 hours, (Oct. 17th) "F" Company was instructed to send a recon patrol to investigate LA FOSSE and another patrol to contact "G" Company at LA PIANA. At 1000 hours, contact was regained with "G" Company through "E" Company. "J" Company requested supplies and litter squads. Most of the casualties caused were injuries incurred while going down the steep slope before reaching LA PIANA. "E" Company was instructed to assemble in the vicinity of Hill 405 and VORSOLE and hold dug-in positions. During the 16th, in regards to the 1st Battalion it ran a heavy artillery concentration and withdrew to reorganize and work out a new plan of attack. Patrols sent out from B Company to DI SOTTO, ran into shoe mines and suffered a number of casualties. Four men had legs blown off. The A&P Platoon was sent out to remove the mines but the field was covered by the enemy with small arms fire and could not be entered immediately. "C" Company moved thru this periodic artillery fire to the southeast of SCASCOLI.

Our artillery was firing a number of TOT's against gun positions during the day and the effectiveness of nightly harassing fire was attested to by one prisoner who said that because of the continuous fire they had not received rations for four days. A typical report from our Cannon Company on that day showed 1,525 rounds fired, including 16 observed missions, 11 harassing missions and two TOT shoots.

On the 16th of October, 1944, there was no change in the 3rd Battalion's front lines with the exception that they had gone on the defense. Artillery fire was harassing the rear areas, usually of medium calibre. There was a company commanders meeting at 1030 hours. Company "K" received the mission of sending a strong combat patrol up the trail to DI SOTTO. They were to contact the enemy and try and develop positions for a defense of the area. Company "I" was to send a patrol towards the cemetery NE of MONTERRICCI's peak.

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The position held by the 1st Armored Division, but advanced a short distance, and was pinned down by mines, machine gun and mortar fire. Company "D" sent a patrol to Hill 427. Their advance was also stopped by mortar fire from the rear of Hill 423 which is to the left rear of Hill 427. Minor action from both sides succeeded in having 2 machine gun positions, mortar fire. The 3rd Battalion was very weary and, due to the lack of rest and activity, had been unable to get much rest. Diseases had developed among the men, mostly colds with high temperatures.

Headquarters of the 1st Armored Division informed the Regiment on October the 17th that its intelligence channels had received information that strong enemy elements may be forming up in the area to the northwest of the present Corps sector and aimed against a strong counter-attack against the left flank. Our immediate task was to secure the left flank of the 1st Division from our present position, and to patrol aggressively both day and night to maintain pressure on the enemy.

During the early afternoon, plans were made for the 3rd Battalion's relief by the 5th Armored Infantry. Company "C" of the 5th Armored relieved "A" and "B" companies at 2100 hours. Company "D" of the 11th Armored relieved "C" at 2300 hours. Company "E" remained in position to support the positions occupied by the armored units. The 3rd Battalion moved back to Hill 423, this position as a secondary defense position. The relief of the 3rd Battalion was fairly successful. Plans were made to receive the companies, hot food was sent up from the kitchens during the 17th and 18th. Reorganization of the companies were helped by the return of men from the hospital and rest areas. The new sleeping bags were issued. Morale was boosted by a tour action and the hot food. The weather was still uncertain with intermittent showers. The first appearance of the artificial moonlight confused our troops. Many arguments were put forth as to the use. The light illuminated the roads and helped the visibility of our troops. In cloudy weather and light showers, the 1st and 11th Battalions made very little advances.

On or received at 2100 hours, the 17th of October, for continuous patrolling day and night within sector 50 line to 51 to 53.8. This was maintained throughout the 18th

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and 19th of October. The 2nd Battalion was in a defensive position, "E" Company on the left, "G" Company in the center and "F" Company on the right. Patrol plans were published calling for: "E" and "G" Companies to each furnish one daylight combat patrol, "F" Company to make one night combat patrol, "G" Company to send contact patrol to "O" Company, 135th Infantry on the left, "F" Company make contact with "L" Company, 361st Infantry. By October the 18th it was learned that enemy dispositions in front of the 135th Infantry's sector had changed due to a relief taking place on MONTEIMIGLI. Due to heavy casualties inflicted on the 11th Paratroop Regiment, 4th Division, the enemy was forced to relieve this formation with the 3rd Battalion of the 36th SS Regiment, 16th SS Division. The 1st and 2nd Battalions of the 36th Regiment were reported on MONTE ADONE. Past experiences with this enemy Regiment had proved that they would counter-attack on the slightest provocation and all units were alerted against this possibility.

Patrolling continued preparatory to an attack by the 1st and 2nd Battalions at 0630 hours of the 18th, but the 1st Battalion, meeting with very heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, was unable to move. The 2nd Battalion was successful only in getting "A" Company into LA PIANA. Enemy artillery fire was increasing all along our sector. Italians informed the 1st Battalion that they had seen defensive positions on the high ground around BADOLA, that ammunition was stored under haystacks in the vineyards east of OLONNA, and that there was considerable enemy movement at night both North and South of the highways.

On the 19th of October, 1944, indications were of a strong counter attack. Plan "Hagtail" was put into effect. Reconnaissance of areas and positions were made by the platoon leaders. Defensive fires for the positions were made. The 3rd Battalion was alerted for one hour moves. No developments were indicated in our sector. The armored elements were meeting the same type of resistance and advances were very limited. All units remained in position on the 19th, organized their sectors in depth and prepared mortar and artillery defensive fires. Observation over the entire sector was maintained,

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and aggressive patrolling was carried out by both Battalions. Enemy artillery fire was moderate, while the Battalions employed heavy harassing fire, and also shot against many observed targets. The Regiment was experiencing difficulty in getting rations forward because of the terrain, which forced the men to take circuitous routes. Due to the recent rains, the SAVENA River, which runs at the base of MONTERUBICCI rose to such a depth that the crossing became untenable. Consequently, the problem of supply and evacuation became intensified and several men were lost as a result of being swept off their feet in the fast flowing river. The same situation prevailed the following day.

A 12-man patrol from "D" Company, out during the night, reported that they had become engaged in a small firefight near FAZZANELLO but had no casualties. Other patrols were uneventful. The weather was constantly shifting, fair and then cloudy with showers. One enemy aircraft dropped flares in our sector on the night of the 20th. On the 20th of October, 1944, the 3rd Battalion was given the facilities of the 16th Engineer showers. The S-4 secured clean clothes and exchanged them. There was no change in the tactical situation. The Battalion was still in the vicinity of CCA. On the 21st, enemy artillery fire increased in intensity. There were a number of heavy concentrations.

On the night of the 21st-22nd of October, "E" Company sent a 10 man Combat patrol to occupy LA FOSSA and found the town unoccupied. The patrol was then reinforced to a platoon. On the next day mine sweepers went to vicinity of LA FOSSA to clear road for a better supply route.

The Regiment was relieved from attachment to the 1st Armored Division on October the 22nd and attached to the 91st Division, remaining in present positions and maintaining contact with the 361st Infantry on the right and CCA on the left. During the last two days there was heavy mortar, S/P., Artillery fire which fell in the 1st Battalion positions. 8 direct hits were scored on the Battalion Observation Post at SCARCOLI but there were no casualties due to the fact that it was a church and there was plenty of room for everyone, also due to sandbagging. Movement outside the church, thereafter,

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was banned during daylight hours. Weather was cloudy. The 1st Battalion Command Post moved to MOLINELLI which was to the rear of LA VALLE. On the 22nd of October "C" Company then moved up and relieved "B" Company in place. This move was started before midnight, but was not completed until later in the morning. It had been raining, so this explains why the movement was difficult. The 1st Battalion Observation Post was divided into two groups one at LA VALLE, and the other at SCARCOLI. During this period a heavy artillery and mortar barrage was received by "A" Company. They suffered heavy casualties and were evacuated as soon as possible. The weather was cloudy with light rain.

With the assistance of the 316th Engineer Battalion, the Regiment was ordered to make a maximum use of mines to cover gaps in the MLR, and demolitions were to be placed to a minimum depth of two kilometers. The 3rd Battalion, 135th Infantry was to be moved to LA VALLE by 0600 the 24th of October to relieve elements of the 361st Infantry, 91st Division. The 3rd Battalion in Regimental reserve moved to an area in the vicinity of ANCONELLA where buildings were available for the men.

By the morning of the 24th the 3rd Battalion had completed its move, the 1st and 2nd Battalions remaining in position and maintaining observation posts and positions. Demolition, wire and mine laying details were at work. "A" Company Command Post suffered a direct hit from enemy artillery and 20 men were reported wounded. Enroute the Commanding officer, Lt. John V. Pendergast was killed and two men wounded accidentally by a sentry of Company "G" on an outpost in the vicinity of the river. The column failed to hear the command to halt and the sentry opened fire. Company "I" relieved Company "F", Company "K" relieved Company "E". The relief was harassed by mortar and artillery fire. S/P fire shelled the town of ANCONELLA prior to the departure of the troops.

The Division Commander of the 91st Division ordered all units to "stand to" between 0500 hours and 0700 hours on October the 25th on the basis of a report that the Eighth Army had lost contact on the Adriatic front and the 88th Division had lost a little ground as a result of a heavy counter-attack. The day passed, however, with only moderate enemy artillery and mortar fire. The 3rd Battalion completed its relief of the

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2nd Battalion at 0130 hours and the 1st Battalion remained in position continuing with active day and night patrolling. Arrangements were made for the evacuation of numerous civilians in our Battalion areas.

Rain fell throughout the next day and visibility was poor. A patrol from the 1st Battalion reported that they attempted a raid on DI SOTTO the previous night and moved up a draw as far as the east base of MONTERINICI. They heard enemy movements on both sides of the draw and fearing an ambush withdrew. Enemy activity prevented wire details from completing work in organizing defensive positions. The rain continued to swell the SAVENA River in the 1st Battalion area into a rushing torrent. The crossing had to be made with a rope and the evacuation of wounded and bringing up of supplies and rations was greatly hampered. The 1st Battalion communications section used an AT launcher to send a wire across the river. Searchlights were being used at night to facilitate driving on the roads and to aid the wire laying details. The transportation situation, because of the weather and terrain, became very acute.

During the daylight of the 25th of October, 1944, enemy activity was noted at Hill 239. Visibility was poor and supporting elements could not place defensive fires. During early darkness patrol activity by our units was increased. Lt. Coleman, 3rd Battalion 5-2, took a patrol of 17 men in search of some identification of enemy elements. The destination was a house on MT. ANSANO, known to be occupied by the enemy. Some 100 yards short of the objective, a heavy enemy barrage forced them to withdraw. They also observed machine gun fire from across the river. They were forced to abandon the patrol. During the night, plans were made by the A&P Officer to place defensive wire and mines in front of forward elements. Failure of the Engineers to supply equipment and personnel slowed down the work and the mission was not completed.

Supply of companies was increased. Company "L" was being supplied by pack boards and Italian carriers. The SAVENA River had to be crossed seven times! Communication problems were also increasing due to enemy shell fire.

On the 26th of October, 1944, all forward elements reported that artillery fire was

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harassing them, fire consisting of heavy mortar and light artillery. Small arms and machine gun fire had also been harassing the forward elements. Company "K" reported in the morning that the first platoon was receiving A/P fire from the front. Throughout the day, the harassing continued and poor visibility failed to locate guns or positions.

At 2100 hours Company "K" organized a raiding party of two NCO's and nine enlisted men. Their mission was to secure prisoners and information from the house on Mt. S. ANSAMO. The patrol returned at 0230 hours on the 27th of October with the information that the enemy had evacuated the house and had removed casualties caused by our artillery fire the previous night. No information was obtained. The nco in charge jokingly brought back the name plate from the house because he did not want to come back empty handed.

The supply problem of Company "L" became worse. The SAVENA river had risen and made fording impossible, rations could not be delivered. The A&P Platoon continued the mission of placing wire and mines in front of forward elements. The mission was completed and accomplished in short time. The work was difficult and in places treacherous. However, they received compliments from the Engineers and the Commanding Officer.

In the early morning and throughout the daylight of the 27th of October, 1944, the forward elements received the same harassing fire. Heavy rains continued. Patrol missions were planned for the night. A combat patrol from Company "K" went to the house on Mt. ANSAMO and occupied it during the night.

The communication platoon tried throughout the day to establish communications with Company "L". After six unsuccessful attempts to swim the river, they shot fire across with a rifle grenade, but failed to secure telephone communications. The A&P Platoon finished laying the defensive wire in front of Company "K", and made reconnaissance for placing a rope across the river to deliver rations. The rations and supplies for Company "L" could not be delivered again this night. Organization of our defensive positions and patrolling continued in the rainy weather of the 27th. A request was sent to the Engineers for rubber rafts for crossing the river. Four men had been swept down the stream and the body of one man could not be found. The 2nd Battalion relieved the

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1st Battalion at 2130 hours on the 27th.

Enemy artillery fire and our own was moderate on the 28th as the continual rain made visibility poor. We continued aggressive patrolling, as well as using patrols to screen the wire laying details. The 3rd Battalion could not contact "L" Company despite attempts to swim the river and rations were delayed. A block and tackle arrangement was devised by the A&P platoon to get supplies across and maneuver the wounded back on a litter. This was accomplished after Mess Sgt. Kurtz and members of the A&P platoon managed to swim and wade the rapid river. The raiding party of Company "K" returned at about 0530 hours, reporting that there was little or no enemy activity and that there were now 43 civilians in the house and that the Germans had left ten days ago.

At 0945 hours a reconnaissance of two enemy approached Company "I" Command Post. They were killed. Due to clear weather, they could not be examined until later, after dark. The papers they carried disclosed that they were from the 1st Battalion, 36th SS Regiment.

A relay station was established at SCARCOLI. Radio contact was established at 1100 hours with Company "L", and at 1500 hours a wire line was thrown over and telephone communication was established. During the day, the supporting units were able to fire and zeroed in their weapons. The town of BRENTO, Italy and caves near the town were taken under fire. The return counter-battery of the enemy caused the TD's to cease fire.

Company "I" reported that the enemy was trying to occupy an area near a creek approximately 1 mile northeast of MONTERIMICI. Effective fire by the 125th Field Artillery and the mortars of Company "M" caused the enemy to withdraw and two were killed. They were from Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 36th Regiment, 16th SS Division. They were armed with machine pistols. Patrols from Company "I" were sent to FAZZANELLO. They had nothing to report. During the day, the enemy became more sensitive to our operations and increased their fire, consisting mainly of 81MM mortars and B/P fire on forward areas, while 170MM and 105MM fell on rear areas. The supply of rations was successful using the ropes and platform. Two wounded men from the 3rd Battalion were evacuated.

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by means of the platform and the four KIA's were ferried across.

During the night Company "K" again occupied the house on Mt. ANSANO with ten men. The enemy appeared sensitive to this and placed machine gun fire on forward areas. The direction appeared to be coming from above the house. On the 29th of October, 1944, Company "K" tried to evacuate the civilians from the house but they would not leave the house due to the shelling.

Beginning at 1200 hours and continuing until 1700 hours, heavy caliber artillery fire fell in the vicinity of the 3rd Battalion Command Post. This consisted of 40 to 50 rounds. The HQ estimated them to be 240MM shells. At 1500 hours, Company "K" reported enemy digging again in the vicinity of LIVERGNANO. Cannon Company, 135th Infantry, took them under fire and it was reported successful as aid men were seen in the vicinity. Also activity in the town of BOSCHI was taken under fire. The fire drew counter-battery and enemy artillery was increased. The 3rd Battalion refused to be relieved by another Battalion and elected to remain in position a few more days and then have a longer rest. Also on October the 29th, 135th Regimental patrols reported no contact with the enemy, except that Germans were found in FAZZANELLO. The rain and mud continued. Our patrols, having obtained the necessary identification of the units opposing the Regiment were now ordered by Colonel Manhart to confuse the enemy at night by laying Teller mines in their territory and firing a German machine gun.

Clear weather on the 30th of October, 1944, afforded both the enemy and us better observation, and movement in the area had to be restricted. The 125th Field Artillery placed successful defensive fire in front of the forward elements. Patrol activity was increased. A patrol of 15 men under Lt. Mickaloch went to TOZZANO. Their mission was to harass and destroy the enemy. The patrol tried to cross the SAVENA river and approach the town. They drew machine gun fire. They returned the fire with rifle grenades and entered the town. However they accomplished the mission of entering the town but found no enemy or identifications. The "L" Company patrol reported that the enemy were

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well dug in on the front slopes of Hill 339, and also around TOZZANO. An S/P fired direct fire on positions. However, the gun could not be located. A night patrol to TOZZANO failed due to the brightness of the moon and the enemy were quite sensitive. They received machine gun fire from both flanks. Company "K" sent a small patrol to the vicinity of G. NUAVA and drew long range machine gun fire.

At the close of this period, plans were made to place defensive flares and wire in front of Company "L". Artillery fire decreased during the close of this period. The rain again kept artillery fire from both sides at a minimum on October, 30th. By October the 31st all wire entanglements had been completed. The 2nd and 3rd Battalions, asked their opinion on the use of searchlights, gave favorable answers, but agreed that they should not be used either during an attack or any sizeable movement of personnel. Company "L" organized a combat patrol to go to FROZZANELLO. The patrol left LA PIANO at 2130 hours. They approached the slopes and heard enemy movements and considerable talking on the forward slopes. The patrol did not engage in a fire fight and returned at 0315 hours. The final plans for the relief of the 3rd Battalion were made, and the positions of Company "L" were wired in.

As the month closed it was learned that the Regiment, less the 1st Battalion, was to revert to 34th Division control, and the 2nd and 3rd Battalions were to be relieved to go to MONTECATINI for a rest.

A great deal of this month brought much discomfort, and unrest due to the dampness, fog, rain storms, and endless mud. The men were tired and looked forward to the much needed rest.

SUMMARY-

The month of October brought many new problems to be encountered. These problems called on the ingenuity of all members of the command.

SUPPLY

The problem of supply was the greatest problem.

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REPLACEMENTS AND CASUALTIES

(a) The supply trains and additional ports closed down early. All trails were turned into the snow and ice. The foot trails were used to deliver most of the supplies.

(b) When unit was attached to other units, supply problems increased as the route was extended and time was lost. Supplies were becoming harder to obtain and also taxed what was available.

(c) The winterized equipment had been issued and had met with both favorable and unfavorable reports. The new shoes had not been found suitable in wet weather. Although designed for extreme cold and snows, units had tried to experiment with them in rain and mud. However, it was believed that with the issue of the additional three pairs of shoes they would be ideal for snow.

Most popular items were the sweaters and scarfs. They were worn all night. The new jacket was not worn and had been found to be very poor in water repelling.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications had not been too severely hampered, and only with the shortage of copper wire and the wet conditions. The small wire, being ideal for laying by foot, had been difficult to obtain, and had resulted in the use of heavier wire, which had cut down in obtaining earlier communications, and the problem of laying it by foot over the steel mountains.

REPLACEMENTS

Sickness and casualties had cut down into our combat strengths and in most cases privates and officers had taken the worst blow. The replacements received during the month were in most cases of only the 1906 caliber. They appeared to have been trained for other jobs other than infantry. Their training along infantry lines had been neglected. Their physical condition was rather poor. While it was not expected to be that of an experienced combat soldier, it should have been somewhat better in holding the operations of the hills.

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The month had not changed too much the combat efficiency of the Regiment, although it was realized that with the steady loss of key personnel the efficiency was somewhat decreased. It had been noticed that the drive and push of the troops was not up to standard. The past two months had been quite severe on the physical endurance of the troops, and the continuous push for some 55 days may have accounted for some of the laxness in drive. The weather had been miserable and wet and the dampness had been quite severe on the troops. However, it was believed that this would ^{be} overcome in the coming months.

MORALE

(a) During the month, an increase of, and greater variety of rations in our PX rations had helped in bringing the morale up to a higher level. The abundance of beer had enabled the troops to have a few cans during a lull, and it was felt that this had been a great help.

(b) The increase and continuous allotment of Liberty passes to Rest Centers had enabled the Battalion to send approximately one-quarter of the command on pass during the month.

(c) Due to the close functions of the Special Service, practically each man had been able to obtain a Christmas gift. Christmas cards and other items had been obtained.

INTELLIGENCE

The revision of the Intelligence Sections had enabled the unit to obtain readily information of enemy nature. An interrogation of prisoners by the section obtained information of units to our front.

The enemy attitude towards our advances had been of a stubborn nature. He was quite sensitive to all movements and had increased his artillery fire and mortar concentration. We had encountered numerous small counter attacks where the attacking elements had been composed of a handful of men, mostly stragglers, gathered together by an officer. These attacks had been unusual and almost suicidal in nature.

Prisoners taken by our elements had been men of varying age and consisted of former

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ground crews and anti-aircraft personnel. These men had had little Infantry training and had been sent to the lines to fill the wide gaps in his personnel. Our artillery and mortar fire had been most effective against the enemy's attempts to bring up replacements.

SUPPORTING UNITS

During the month very close support of forward elements by our aircraft had increased. Inclement weather had hampered these sorties, but weather permitting, the closest support had been given.

Our artillery had been most effective in firing on missions called for. We had been fortunate in having close support of tanks and tank destroyers in most operations during the months, and this fire had been effective against pill boxes and machine gun nests.

AWARDS

During the month there were four Battlefield Commissions awarded to Enlisted personnel of this command.

S/Sgt Ernest Grough	-	Co. "M"
S/Sgt Earl Smith	-	Co. "K"
T/Sgt Ray Tomn	-	Co. "I"
S/Sgt John Thorn	-	Co. "I"

Promotions from Second Lieutenant to First Lieutenant were:

Lt. Richard T. Bowen
Lt. Henry I. Kremer

Information was obtained from the following sources for this narrative.

1. G-3, G-2 journals - 34th Division
2. 135th Infantry Regimental History
3. Third Battalion personal account
4. Second Battalion personal account

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5. First Battalion personal account
6. Italian maps
7. Station List of the Regiment

Pfc Edward W. Bolts, Company "K" describes an account of the heroism of Lieutenant Wigle "K" Company during the GOTHIC Line offensive. QUOTE:

"I can give you the story all right, but I don't think I can really do it justice. A fellow would have to be a fiction writer to describe what Lt. Wigle actually did. After we'd been thrown back the first two times we tried to take Hill 458, Lt. Wigle volunteered to lead us if we'd try it again. Well, we figured he'd make about a hundred yards and then have to call it quits the same as we had. But we were mistaken! He kept going. Mines, machine-gun fire, mortar fire, grenades - - nothing bothered him and before we knew it we were just about on top of this hill. About 50 yards away, however, there were three houses with multi Krauts in them firing multi machine pistols. I thought maybe this would stop him, but no, he told us to cover him and started heading for the nearest house. When we caught up with him again, he was lying paralyzed on the cellar steps of the third house with two bullets through his spine, but he had forty Krauts trapped in the cellar below him. He wouldn't let us come near him, though, because the Krauts had the stairs covered. Instead, he kept pleading with the boys to throw a grenade into the cellar although he knew damn well it would also hit him as well as the krauts. Well, the boys wouldn't throw the grenade and after a while they took a chance and were able to drag him out. I helped carry Lt. Wigle off Hill 458 and I'll never forget how he shook hands all around before he left and apologized for being put out of action just when things were starting to get rough and we needed every man. He died in some hospital about three days later".

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CHANGES IN COMMANDING OFFICERS AND STAFF OFFICERS DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1944.

2 August 1944

1. Capt. James F. Garfield, 0370002, relieved of assignment as Executive Officer, 1st Battalion.
2. Lt. Col. Charles H. Thompson, 0223488, assigned as Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion.
3. Major James A. Tyler, 023079, Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion assigned Executive Officer, 1st Battalion.

12 August 1944

1. Lt. Col. Charles H. Thompson, 0223488, relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion, (Lt. Col. Phelan returned from hospital).
2. Lt. Col. John J. Phelan, 020193, assigned as Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion.
3. 1st Lt. Herbert E. Grote, 01302966, Commanding Officer, Company "D", promoted to grade of Captain.

15 August 1944

1. 1st Lt. Sylvester J. Hunter, 01302468, relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, Company "G".
2. Capt. Nelson F. Kibler, 0373200, assigned Commanding Officer, Company "G".

30 August 1944

1. Major Allison A. Conrad, 0327559, relieved of assignment as Executive Officer, 3rd Battalion.
2. Major Robert E. McDraw, 0393312, relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, and assigned as Executive Officer, 3rd Battalion.
3. Lt. Col. Harry Y. McSween, 0410271, assigned as Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion.

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Regimental Commander	Col. Ashton H. Manhart, 018773
Executive Officer	Lt. Col. Charles F. Greyer, 0262157
S-4	Capt. Allen F. Crowley, 0354712
S-3	Major Fred H. Lippucci, 0359982
S-2	Capt. Louis H. Hauser, 01290418
S-1	Capt. Winfred H. Dunham, 01291088
Regimental Surgeon	Major Wilhelm M. Johnson, 0419941
Commanding Headquarters Company	Capt. Keith O. Van Brevelen, 0377973
" Service Company	1st Lt. Mart A. Parker, 01294355
" Antitank Company	Capt. Jack A. White, 0336830
" Cannon Company	1st Lt. Dean C. Fellows, 01168659
" First Battalion	Lt. Col. John J. Phelan, 020193
Executive Officer	Major James E. Tyler, 023079
S-3	Capt. Sumpter A. Nelson, 0420240
Commanding Headquarters Company	Capt. William A. Howard, 0387017
" Company "A"	1st Lt. Nelson L. Lindstrand, 02046694
" Company "B"	Capt. Raymond J. Drury, 0461984
" Company "C"	Capt. Theodore L. Urbas, 0404878
" Company "D"	Capt. Herbert B. Grote, 01302966
" Second Battalion	Lt. Col. Simon Castille, 0234762
Executive Officer	Major Leon K. Murland, 0284283
S-3	Capt. Richard H. Sugars, 01283325
Commanding Headquarters Company	Capt. Joel A. Lewison, 0291051
" Company "E"	Capt. Joe H. Kimble, 01290435
" Company "F"	1st Lt. Robert W. Smith, 01301075
" Company "G"	Capt. Nelson F. Bibler, 0373200
" Company "H"	Capt. Alfred H. Breninger, 01283716
" Third Battalion	Lt. Col. Harry Y. McSween, 0410271
Executive Officer	Major Robert E. McIrwin, 0393312
S-3	Capt. Luther L. Doty, 01292844
Commanding Headquarters Company	1st Lt. Reid B. Huff, 0390555
" Company "I"	1st Lt. Leslie A. Vensel, 01305681
" Company "K"	1st Lt. John H. Knox, 01293973
" Company "L"	1st Lt. Joe (HAI) Humble, 01309738
" Company "M"	1st Lt. Jake Gabbard, 01290406

CHANGES IN COMMANDING OFFICERS AND STAFF OFFICERS DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1944.

4 September 1944

1. Capt. Keith O. Van Brevelen, 0377973, Commanding Officer, Headquarters Company, returned to United States on Temporary Duty (furlough)
2. Capt. Walter A. Johnson, 0328283, assigned as Commanding Officer, Headquarters Company.

5 September 1944

1. Lt. Col. John J. Phelan, 020193, placed on Detached Service to NATOUSA, (later transferred to 370th Infantry).
2. Lt. Col. Charles H. Thompson, 0223488, assigned as Co. Commander, 1st Battalion

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12 September 1944

1. 1st Lt, Leslie K. Vensel, 01305681, Commanding Officer, Company "I", evacuated wounded.
2. 1st Lt. Patrick J. Flannigan, 01298373, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "I".
3. 1st Lt, Jake Gabbard, 01290406, Commanding Officer, Company "M", evacuated wounded.
4. 1st Lt. Richard A. Kearney, 01311398, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "M".
5. Lt. Col. Harry Y. McGowan, 0110271, Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, evacuated wounded.
6. Capt. Luther L. Doty, 01292844, S-3, 3rd Battalion evacuated wounded.
7. Capt. William B. Cole, 0384080, assigned as S-3, 3rd Battalion.

13 September 1944

1. Lt. Col. John W. Joyce, 0331690, assigned as Commanding Officer 3rd Battalion.
2. Lt. Sizoo returned to "R" Company as a result of bad nerves, this information was received from the 2nd Battalion, S-3.

14 September 1944

1. Capt. Raymond J. Drury, 0461984, Commanding Officer, Company "B", killed in action.
2. 1st Lt. Clifton R. Farnum, 01306258, assigned Commanding Officer, Company "B".
3. 1st Lt. Joe (NMI) Humble, Commanding Officer, Company "L", evacuated wounded.
4. 1st Lt. John V. Fendergast, 01310146, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "L".

17 September

1. Major Robert E. McGraw, 0393312, relieved of assignment as Executive Officer, 3rd Battalion.
2. Major Allison A. Conrad, 0327559, assigned as Executive Officer, 3rd Battalion.
3. Capt. Joe H. Kimble, 1290435, Commanding Officer, Company "B", killed in Action.
4. 1st Lt. Norman E. Brown, 01286956, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "B".

18 September 1944

1. Capt. Nelson F. Kibler, 0373200, Commanding Officer, Company "J", evacuated wounded.

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2. Capt. Alfred H. Breninger, 01283716, Commanding Officer, Company "H", evacuated sick.

3. 1st Lt. Ambrose J. Briscoe, 0391531, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "H".

19 September 1944

1. 1st Lt. Clifton R. Farnum, Commanding Officer, Company "B", missing in action.

2. 1st Lt. David B. Aynes, 0467438, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "B".

20 September 1944

1. 1st Lt. John E. Naughton, 0380472, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "G".

21 September 1944

1. 1st Lt. Robert W. Smith, 01301075, Commanding Officer, Company "F", killed in action.

2. 1st Lt. Richard Bawden, 01303834, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "F".

26 September 1944

1. 1st Lt. John J. Knox, 01293973, Commanding Officer, Company "K", evacuated wounded.

29 September 1944

1. 1st Lt. Patrick J. Flannigan, 01298373, Commanding Officer, Company "I" evacuated wounded.

30 September 1944

1. 1st Lt. Tillman F. Wood, 01031988, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "J".

2. 1st Lt. Leon H. Arey, 01290360, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "K".

COMMANDING OFFICERS AND STAFF OFFICERS ON 1 October 1944.

Regimental Commander

Executive Officer

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S-3

S-2

S-1

Regimental Surgeon

Commanding Headquarters Company

" Service Company

" Antitank Company

" Cannon Company

" First Battalion

Executive Officer

S-3

Col. Ashton H. Manhart, 018773

Lt. Col. Charles P. Greyer, 0269157

Capt. Allen P. Crowley, 0354712

Major Fred H. Lippucci, 0359982

Capt. Louis H. Hauser, 01290418

Capt. Winfred H. Dunham, 01291088

Major Wilhelm M. Johnson, 0419941

Capt. Walter H. Johnson, 0328283

1st Lt. Mart H. Parker, 01294355

Capt. Jack K. White, 0236830

1st Lt. Dean C. Fellows, 01168659

Lt. Col. Charles H. Thompson, 0223488

Major James E. Tyler, 023079

Capt. Sumpter R. Nelson, 0420240

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Commanding Headquarters Company
" Company "A"
" Company "B"
" Company "C"
" Company "D"
" Second Battalion

Executive Officer

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Commanding Headquarters Company
" Company "E"
" Company "F"
" Company "G"
" Company "H"
" Third Battalion,

Executive Officer

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Commanding Headquarters Company
" Company "I"
" Company "K"
" Company "L"
" Company "M"

Capt. William R. Howard, 0387017
1st Lt. Nelson L. Lindstrand, 02046694
1st Lt. David B. Ayres, 0467438
Capt. Theodore L. Urbas, 0404878
Capt. Herbert E. Grote, 01302966
Lt. Col. Simon Castillo, 0234762
Major Leon K. Kurland, 0284283
Capt. Richard H. Sugars, 01288325
Capt. Joel M. Lewison, 0291051
1st Lt. Norman E. Brown, 01286956
1st Lt. Richard Burden, 01303834
1st Lt. John B. Naughton, 0380472
1st Lt. Ambrose J. Briscoe, 0391531
Lt. Col. John W. Hayes, 0331690
Major Allison, A. Conrad, 0327559
Capt. William B. Cole, 0384080
Capt. Reid B. Huff, 0390555
1st Lt. Tillman, F. Wood, 01031988
1st Lt. Leon H. Aray, 01290360
1st Lt. John V. Fendergast, 01310146
1st Lt. Richard A. Kearney, 01311398

Changes in Commanding Officers and Staff Officers during the month of October, 1944.

3 October 1944

1. Major Wilhelm M. Johnson, 0419941, Regimental Surgeon, returned to United States on Temporary duty. (fullough).
2. Capt. Charles W. Mills, 0368561, assigned as Regimental Surgeon.

8 October 1944

1. Capt. Richard H. Sugars, 01288325, S-3, 2nd Battalion, transferred to Hq. 34th Inf. Division.
2. 1st Lt. John B. Naughton, 0380472, Commanding Officer, Company "G", assigned as S-3, 2nd Battalion.
3. Capt. James R. Miles, 0453185, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "G".

10 October 1944

1. 1st Lt. Norman E. Brown, 01286956, Commanding Officer, Company "E", evacuated wounded.
2. 1st Lt. Thomas B. Griesemer, 01310100, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "B".

16 October 1944

1. Capt. James R. Miles, 0453185, Commanding Officer, Company "G", missing in act on.
2. 1st Lt. Sam (NMI) Gussardo, 01312760, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "G".

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PHASE XII 195TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (C ont'd)

18 October 1944

1. Capt. Allen P. Crowley, O354712, Regimental S-4, evacuated wounded.
2. Capt. Jack K. White, O336830, relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, Antitank Company, and assigned as Regimental S-4.
3. 1st Lt. Jay F. Hollyfield, O1290422, assigned as Commanding Officer, Antitank Company.

19 October 1944

1. Capt. William R. Howard, O387017, Commanding Officer, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, evacuated sick.
2. 1st Lt. George M. Johnston, O1297544, assigned as Commanding Officer, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion.

20 October 1944

1. 1st Lt. Nelson L. Lindstrand, O2046694, relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, Company "A".
2. 1st Lt. Louis (NMI) Montelione, O1310133, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "A".

24 October 1944

1. 1st Lt. John V. Fendergast, O1310146, Commanding Officer, Company "L", killed in action.
2. 1st Lt. Warren G. Barber, O1321772, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "L".

26 October 1944

1. 1st Lt. Sam (NMI) Guzzardo, O1312760, relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, Company "G".
2. Capt. Nelson F. Kibler, O373200, assigned as Commanding Officer Company "G".
3. Capt. Theodore L. Urbas, O404878, relieved of assignment as Commanding Officer, Company "G".
4. Capt. William C. Huey, O406826, assigned as Commanding Officer, Company "G".

27 October 1944

1. Lt. Col. Simon Castillo, O234762, Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, evacuated sick.
2. Major Leon K. Kurland, O284283, relieved of assignment as Executive Officer, 2nd Battalion, and assigned as Commanding officer, 2nd Battalion.

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN, (From 1 August through 31 August 1944),

(no casualties during period)

LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN PRIOR TO AUGUST, 1944, BUT NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS LISTINGS:

1. Killed in Action 10 January 1944
Pvt Blackett, George R. 37519785 Co. "A"
4 February 1944
Pvt Olafson, Harold A. 32839670 Co. "I"
2. Wounded in Action 30 June 1944
Pfc Woodard, Robert E. 34593551 Co. "F"
3. Missing in Action 5 May 1944
Sgt Evans, Robert I. 6578836 Co. "G"

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	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Warrant Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted Men</u>
Killed in Action:	0	0	2
Wounded in Action:	0	0	1
Missing in Action:	0	0	1
Captured:	0	0	0

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN, From 1 September through 30 Sept. 1944.

Killed in Action

12 September 1944

Pfc	Hartman, Isadore (NMI)	32657847	Co. "F"
Pvt	Davis, Joseph G.	33800091	"
T/Sgt	Seeds, Robert G.	35029125	Co. "H"
Pfc	Barnhardt, Charles A.	36309155	Co. "H"
Pvt	Langone, John L.	42010769	Co. "K"
Pfc	Grain, Cecil H.	34893342	"

13 September 1944

Sgt	Snell, Hadley B.	34784171	Co. "F"
S/Sgt	Smith, William G.	6718982	"
Pfc	Heminger, Emerson E.	36404694	Co. "G"
Pvt	East, Charles R.	36881387	Co. "G"
Pfc	Oillingham, Richard J.	33425443	Co. "I"
Pfc	Thomas, Charles S., Jr.	35728746	"
Pvt	Blakeale, Warner H., Jr.	33432615	"
Pfc	Hoite, Marvin H.	35875029	"
Pvt	Wells, David S.	42041512	"
SPvt	Egan, Robert J.	33672350	Med Det
SPvt	Mounts, Joseph W.	37533913	Co. "H"
Pfc	Geyer, Samuel R., Jr.	33526052	"

14 September 1944

Pfc	Lousepoulos, Charles W.	31354028	Co. "I"
S/Sgt	Szamatowicz, Stanley J.	33482806	Co. "G"
Pfc	Gresham, Jack W.	7005016	"
Capt.	Drury, Raymond J.	0461984	Co. "B"
Pfc	Hughes, Marion J.	35734393	Co. "F"
Pfc	Jaeger, Bernard M.	32914920	"
Pfc	Glassman, Anthony F.	37330276	"
Sgt	Shaw, John D.	35002620	Co. "K"
Pfc	Ward, William B.	31422064	Co. "I"
Pvt	Gurrey, Chester H.	33702859	"
Pfc	Leska, Frank J., Jr.	42028295	"
Pfc	Cordrey, Charley H.	38516475	Co. "F"
S/Sgt	Murphy, Joseph L.	33440975	"
Pfc	Hiley, George T.	33244466	Co. "J"
Pfc	Chamberland, Raymond L.	31292632	Co. "G"
SPfc	Clark, Lester H.	35914676	"
1st Lt.	Sale, Henry F.	01305118	Co. "B"
Sgt	Sanderson, Grady M.	34814555	Co. "L"

15 September 1944

Pfc	Allen, John E.	34874847	Co. "F"
Pfc	Hornbacher, Ray A.	33490805	"
Pfc	Laston, Warren M.	37534441	"
Sgt	Morris, Thomas R.	36462969	"
Pvt	Champion, James T.	34763688	Hq. Co. 1st Bn.
2nd Lt.	Kobrin, Charles (NMI)	01304911	Co. "C"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

Killed in Action, Cont'd.

16 September 1944

2nd Lt.	Fisher, Matthew H.	01314769	Co. "B"
Pvt	Galeszynski, William T.	36888039	"
Pfc	Seymour, Bruce (NMI)	33672536	Co. "E"
Pfc	Schindel, David W.	35294192	"
Sgt	Behrander, Robert E.	35632245	Co. "A"
*T/5	Yeager, Ben P.	35001544	Co. "I"
*2nd Lt.	Wigle, Thomas W.	01314729	Co. "K"
*Pfc	Thiems, Charlie W.	38273609	Co. "G"

17 September 1944

Capt.	Kimble, Joe H.	01290435	Co. "B"
Pfc	Arrowood, Cecil (NMI)	36832227	"
Pvt	Biggio, Andrew G.	31424491	Co. "E"
S/Sgt	Davis, William E.	35700166	Co. "G"
Pfc	Amato, Carlo (NMI)	36599986	Co. "A"

18 September 1944

Pfc	Hyatte, Roy T.	35138508	Co. "B"
Sgt	Blackburn, Donald W.	36810750	Co. "L"
Pfc	Bengtson, David E.	37027342	Co. "H"
S/Sgt	Kochepolus, John W.	36740882	Co. "C"
Pfc	Kulaga, Stanley W.	33608501	Co. "J"
Pvt	Pauley, William F.	33830742	"
Pvt	Zemba, Edward D.	31252567	"
S/Sgt	Fendley, Frank K.	34618753	Co. "B"
Pfc	Pacheco, Marlene A.	38168762	"
Sgt	Glick, William (NMI)	32815004	"

19 September 1944

Pfc	Bates, Harry F.	33578461	Cannon Co.
S/Sgt	Hammah, Len H.	34810429	Co. "G"
Pfc	Terry, Wilmore D.	32945425	"
*Pvt	Wechsler, Joseph F.	33490661	Co. "L"
*Pfc	Bestley, Leon (NMI)	35686248	Co. "K"

20 September 1944

Pfc	Stevens, Lawrence B.	34842415	Co. "L"
Pvt	Crump, Harley E.	34530299	Co. "K"
T/Sgt	Gerken, Henry (NMI)	32340049	Co. "G"
1st Lt.	Smith, Robert W.	01301075	Co. "F"
*Pfc	Peterson, Ellsworth J.	39845218	Co. "G"
Pfc	Glida, Marion G.	34491695	Co. "B"

21 September 1944

Pfc	Sauter, Louis H.	36868051	Co. "F"
S/Sgt	Spellman, Harold G.	35588112	Co. "F"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

Killed in Action, Cont'd.

21 September 1944, Cont'd.

Sgt	Farros, George (NMI)	33426052	Co. "F"
T/S	Saunders, Richard E.	15335721	"
Pfc	Mohr James F.	33830758	"
Pfc	Bernier, John R.	31342092	"
Pfc	Bullard, Kenneth S.	31378758	"
Pfc	Gobbis, Santo J.	32748624	"
Pvt	Abrams, Oscar (NMI)	42067297	Co. "M"
*Pfc	Brewer, Robert L.	34493999	Co. "L"

22 September 1944

rvt	Kuszek, Fred J.	31252576	Co. "L"
T/Sgt	Schoenrock, Norman G.	37189514	Co. "I"
S/Sgt	Prokosh, Evelyn W.	36829034	"
Pfc	Barber, Gail L.	33081259	"
Pfc	McBride, John G.	33600150	Co. "A"

23 September 1944

*Sgt	Brooks, Donald E.	33447085	Co. "B"
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24 September 1944

Cpl	Mitchell, Charles A.	19253095	Co. "A"
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25 September 1944

2nd Lt.	Morgan, Carlin E.	01691732	Co. "K"
Pfc	Haney, Francis H.	36465442	"
*Pfc	Westergaard, Herman J.	37149280	Co. "A"

26 September 1944

rvt	Barr, James L.	33701281	Co. "I"
Pvt	Thompson, John (NMI)	33516334	"
rvt	Bianco, Armando P.	33612106	Med Det
T/S	erzog, Richard J.	37556368	"

27 September 1944

2nd Lt.	Alsterlind, Raymond G.	01325362	Co. "L"
Pvt	Barrett, Edward J.	34794702	"
S/Sgt	Hansen, Paul L.	37566509	Co. "I"
S/Sgt	Kurth, Walter O.	37027423	"
*Pfc	Widdis, Frank L.	32756025	Co. "D"

28 September 1944

*Pvt	Zalton, Max H.	25893782	Co. "L"
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*Died of wounds in hospital.

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

Wounded in Action

2 September 1944

Pvt	Rivera, Louis L.	39397796	Co. "A"
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12 September 1944

Pfc	Danna, Anthony (NMI)	37472655	Co. "K"
Pfc	Smith, Mervin E.	38831009	"
Lt. Col.	McSweeney, Harry K.	0410271	Hq. 3rd Bn.
Capt.	Doty, Luther L., Jr.	01292844	"
1st Lt.	Jabbar, Jake (NMI)	01290406	Co. "M"
Pvt	Gebke, Roman B.	36769264	Co. "E"
Pfc	Boye, Marvin B.	34075547	"
Pfc	Sullivan, James A.	35919030	"
Sgt	Steele, Gerald E.	35588108	"
Pfc	O'Leary, James E.	31387138	"
2nd Lt.	Hoefner, William F.	01322989	Co. "G"
Pfc	Winterogg, Max E.	35552822	Co. "H"
Pfc	Yudt, Roland F.	33490670	Co. "L"
1st Lt.	Vansal, Bealie K.	01305681	Co. "I"
Pfc	Rosati, Virgilio (NMI)	20100916	"
Pvt	Bright, Emory E.	35914720	"
Pvt	Giarrusso, Alexandre (NMI)	31445726	"
2nd Lt.	Muthnick, Ira I.	01323660	"
Pfc	Edwards, Ellis M.	38516120	Co. "F"
Pfc	Hodge, Charles H.	33525820	"
Pfc	Bigelow, Leo J.	36110626	"
Pfc	Dehnhard, Robert H.	32753550	Med Det
Pfc	Minich, Oscar F.	32139938	Co. "P"
Pfc	Draus, Mitchell W.	36309247	Co. "J"

13 September 1944

S/Sgt	Gress, Peter J.	37025505	Co. "P"
Pfc	Pike, Arthur I.	31331499	Co. "K"
Pfc	Powers, Ord E.	33764307	"
Pfc	Fulliam, Drowy R.	34808577	"
Pvt	Eberhardt, Louis (NMI)	34827477	"
Pvt	Mabe, Elsie L.	34878288	"
Pvt	Abelson, Ralph (NMI)	31422226	Co. "G"
Pvt	Vallese, Daniel L.	33797531	Co. "H"
Pfc	Mastromarini, Domenic A., Jr.	31292177	Co. "G"
Pvt	Pacifici, Vincent J.	36776110	"
Pfc	Notas, William H.	34813092	"
Pfc	Anderson, Charles E.	38533589	Co. "A"
2nd Lt.	Fairbank, John M.	01308801	"
1st Lt.	French, Shirley S., Jr.	01315420	Hq. Co. 1st Bn.
Sgt	Leck, James H., Jr.	35020864	"
Pfc	Steffen, Glenn G.	35871126	Co. "L"
Pvt	Cook, D. B. (10)	34607527	"
Pfc	Solomon, Donald J.	31331986	"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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13 September 1944, Cont'd.

Pfc	Brady, Charles B.	3274251	Co. "L"
Pvt	Fortwengler, John D.	35734287	"
Pvt	Back, Frank C., Jr.	37724289	"
Pvt	Cooksey, William J.	38544351	"
Pfc	Hill, Miles E.	37001215	"
Pfc	Stacks, Virgil I., Jr.	34828312	Co. "I"
1st Lt.	Jones, William S., Jr.	01294674	"
Pfc	Salem, Theodore J.	35770105	Co. "F"
Pvt	Blakemore, Kenneth W.	35914451	Co. "I"
Pfc	Del Vecchio, Peter J.	42013250	"
Pfc	Ritter, Hearschel H.	38405971	"
Sgt	Schlechty, Ralph T.	35130769	"
Pfc	Kovacs, John W.	33703044	"
Sgt	Self, Cecil H.	34813215	"
Pfc	Adams, Roy D.	35674176	"
Pfc	Paxton, Earl A.	37510635	"
Pfc	Smith, Chadborn (NMI)	11132821	"
Pfc	Tedeschi, Joseph S.	42044195	"
Pvt	Blanco, Carlos A.	38070570	"
Pfc	Brown, Rolland R.	36767989	"
Pvt	Martin, George L.	33800262	"
S/Sgt	Merriman, William J.	33080594	"
S/Sgt	Smith, Robert L.	35130684	"
Pfc	Hickey, Glen S.	34886962	"
Pfc	Zipple, Holmes J.	35916684	"

14 September 1944

Sgt	Myers, Oliver R.	33460111	Co. "I"
Pvt	Sindlinger, James T.	33702433	"
S/Sgt	Dill, Christopher J.	33682657	"
Pfc	Schmidt, Andrew (NMI)	38267482	"
Pfc	Sobotka, Walter P.	42028631	"
Pfc	Sutton, Samuel F.	36869331	"
Pvt	Spero, John (NMI)	32630718	"
1st Lt.	Isaacson, Gustav A.	01318307	"
T/Sgt	Thompson, Henry, Jr.	6385595	Co. "Q"
Pfc	Thiems, Charlie W.	38273609	"
Pfc	Martell, Thomas J.	31310445	Co. "I"
Sgt	Mears, Addison C.	34409500	Co. "Q"
Sgt	Bohner, Arthur J.	35524689	"
Pvt	Bobay, Harry V., Jr.	37706140	"
Pvt	Dixon, James R.	34883516	Co. "K"
Pfc	Camp, Robert N.	35226502	"
S/Sgt	Tysinger, Roby H.	34590055	"
Pfc	Bates, French H.	36599924	"
S/Sgt	Costello, John R.	33474853	"
T/5	Greenman, Nathan F.	38486596	Med Det
Pvt	Isbell, William V.	34814390	"
Pvt	Gollick, Michael (NMI)	36686605	Co. "L"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

Wounded in action Cont'd. 14 September 1944, Cont'd.

Pfc	Mills, Alma C.	34813195	Co. "F"
Pfc	Hood, Elvin F.	31424425	"
Pfc	Bowen, Leonard J.	34670069	"
Pfc	Frum, Acie E.	35761895	"
Pvt	Werthman, John P.	33707236	Co. "I"
Pvt	Wekert, Vernon A.	37472611	Co. "K"
Pfc	De Rossa, Salvatore A.	33454417	Co. "I"
Pvt	Coffrin, Wendall A.	31340716	"
Pvt	Talamantes, Joe G.	39548998	"
S/Sgt	Mason, Raymond L.	7002457	Co. "C"
Pfc	Cox, Raymond C.	34494012	"
Pfc	Huffman, Atlas L.	18110048	"
Pfc	Warey, Ford H.	34573314	"
Pvt	Bauler, Robert S.	35878993	"
Pvt	Moore, McClellan (NMI)	35795566	Co. "D"
Cpl	Bettes, Everett A.	37397614	"
Pvt	Hoden, Charles M.	34709915	Co. "A"

15 September 1944

Pvt	Kijewski, Joseph P.	32957125	Co. "I"
Pvt	Krasowski, Edward J.	36873092	"
S/sgt	McLough, Hardy A.	34571684	Co. "L"
Pfc	Jardner, Charles R.	36735084	"
Pvt	Hicks, James W.	34800565	Co. "F"
Pvt	Diedrich, Clarence J.	37723194	"
Pvt	McClure, George W.	33703084	Med Det
Pvt	Ness, Edwin A.	33781593	Hq. Co. 1st Bn.
Pvt	McSweeney, John F.	32909003	"
Pvt	McFarland, Robert G.	36818691	"
S/sgt	Manning, Roy J.	37235889	Co. "G"

16 September 1944

Pfc	Henchon, Martin E.	35564422	Co. "B"
Pvt	Cureione, Nello F.	36697112	"
Pvt	Day, Robert E.	36767437	Med Det
T/S	McMinn, Johnnie A.	34192134	"
Sgt	Landis, Titus E.	33491896	Co. "K"
Pfc	Henderson, Edward L.	35615389	Co. "E"
Pfc	Gain, James D.	38558161	"
Pvt	Henderson, Kenneth L.	37304406	Co. "G"
Pfc	Proffitt, Tom (NMI)	35807542	Co. "E"
Cpl	Murray, Thomas E.	37026204	"
Pfc	Turner, James E.	34713745	"
Pfc	Franklin, Jack K.	34630179	"
Pvt	Siewczynski, Leo L.	36569841	"
Pfc	Sugerman, Murray (NMI)	42045359	"
Pfc	Ellis, James L.	34445044	Co. "B"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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17 September 1944

Pfc	Wyckoff, Charles M.	42015803	Co. #2"
Pfc	Clark, Gilbert L.	35897143	" "
Pfc	Buss, Karl J.	39137648	" "
Pfc	Hoyt, Gail R.	37538391	" "
Pfc	Dancy, J.T. (10)	34608408	Co. "G"
Pfc	Barkley, William J.	33507712	" "
Pfc	Moore, James M.	31347623	" "
Pvt	Ficken, Roland C.	42044981	" "
Pvt	Kunkle, Clar W.	33440808	" "
Pfc	DiCiccio, Carl D.	33622006	" "
Pfc	Deree, Joseph J.	32927294	Co. "A"
Pfc	Svanich, Marvo T., Jr.	35735487	" "
Pvt	Atti, Salvatore (NMI)	42044431	Co. "F"
Capt.	Kibler, Nelson F.	0373200	Co. "G"
1st Lt.	Paulson, Carl S.	01321545	" "
Pfc	Hediger, Carl W.	36875927	Co. "C"
Pvt	Kuraban, Mitchell (NMI)	12226329	Co. "L"
Sgt	Lajunie, Lawrence (NMI)	38265989	" "
Pvt	Bennett, Willey (NMI)	34823576	" "
Pvt	Williams, Bill P.	35775773	" "

18 September 1944

Sgt	Deroben, Johann H.	32990069	Co. "K"
1st Lt.	McGinn, Thomas J.	0442410	" "
T/5	Isaacson, Norman A.	37027547	" "
Pfc	Clark, Harry H.	37149158	" "
Pfc	Kopchis, Bruno R.	36680310	" "
Pvt	Fate, John T.	34813107	" "
Pfc	Demon, Roy F.	34087054	Co. "B"
Pfc	Wayard, Albert K.	33766997	" "
Pfc	Beahly, Leon (NMI)	35686248	Co. "K"
Cpl	Collette, Elvy T.	20708907	Co. "H"
Pvt	Kinder, Leon B.	35775857	Co. "F"
Pfc	Reed, John F.	35762572	" "
T/Sgt	Stawewicz, Walter A.	32181828	" "
S/Sgt	Granger, Wallace D.	20708306	Co. "H"
Sgt	Douglass, Frank H.	32665109	Co. "G"
Pfc	Cummins, John R.	36069203	" "
Pfc	Bentley, Roman W.	34119368	" "
Pvt	Karas, Mike, Jr.	36900727	" "
Pvt	Kesley, Joseph V.	31427375	" "
Pfc	Kaskin, Macabee (NMI)	14192139	Co. "B"
Pvt	Voronick, Vladimir I.	42044939	" "
Pfc	Conden, William J.	31444905	" "

19 September 1944

Cpl	Arballe, William F.	19176417	Med Det
Pvt	Lawrence, Elmer H.	37530408	" "
Sgt	Draper, Davey F.	33533992	Co. "L"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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S/Sgt	Heinecke, Roy F.	37026770	Co. "L"
Pvt	Wechaler, Joseph F.	33490661	" "
Pfc	McElwayne, Thomas F.	35716555	" "
Pfc	Belvin, Cecil (NMI)	34783798	" "
Pfc	Morgan, Oliver B.	32547018	" "
Pvt	Ivy, Henry W.	38185458	Co. "M"
Pvt	Tingle, Murray, (NMI)	34870987	" "
Sgt	Peters, Buford (NMI)	35092944	" "
Pvt	Creech, Everett (NMI)	35872852	" "
Pvt	Watson, Frank H.	33431115	" "
Pvt	Gura, Raul C.	36564265	" "
Pvt	LeVine, Barney B.	31272640	" "
Pvt	Jones, Adran A.	38518280	Co. "K"
Pvt	Murphey, Arthur H.	34827038	" "
Sgt	Murdock, Harry E.	42034657	Co. "C"
Pfc	Furet, John H.	14201096	" "
Pfc	Firestine, Elmer G.	33830779	" "
Pfc	Bergin, William J.	42036598	" "
Pfc	Corradino, Michael J.	36717532	" "
Pfc	Sanders, Robert J.	39706550	" "
Pfc	Starnes, Charles E.	34892075	Co. "E"
Pfc	Troxell, Vera R.	33533078	" "
Pfc	Wright, Richard J.	35294181	" "
Pfc	Jones, Richard A.	38321468	" "
Pfc	Decker, Hubert G.	35700186	Co. "B"
Pfc	Kletter, Sam (NMI)	35060082	Co. "H"
Sgt	Tesch, Paul H.	37027330	" "
S/Sgt	Herald, Eulas (NMI)	15045285	" "
Pfc	Towson, James M.	34762877	" "
Pfc	Poppleton, Allen S.	39028163	Co. "G"
Pvt	Podany, Joseph J.	33401760	" "
Pfc	Glabau, William F.	31382316	" "
Pfc	Aschenbeck, Albert W.	38244711	" "
Pfc	Lambert, Raymond F.	35762692	" "
Pfc	Streed, Robert G.	37541531	Co. "D"
Pfc	LaPrath, William H.	39271189	" "
Pfc	Peterson, Ellsworth J.	39845218	Co. "G"
Pfc	Patten, Ralph E.	01695665	Co. "H"
2nd Lt.	Derman, Seymour (NMI)	32820592	" "
Pvt	Vain, Andrew L.	33735553	" "
Pvt	Gunn, Francis A.	15377077	Co. "A"
Pvt	Doble, Walter M.	34894054	Co. "L"

20 September 1944

Pfc	LaClaire, Wayne E.	31350399	Co. "F"
Pfc	Brewer, Robert L.	34493999	Co. "L"
Pfc	Hyatt, Robert T.	34625542	Co. "E"
Sgt	Brooks, Donald R.	33447095	" "

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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21 September 1944

Pvt	Kuhr, George A.	36732780	Co. "L"
Pfc	Kent, J. B. (10)	34887381	Co. "F"
Pfc	Beck, Elmer H., Jr.	33513687	Med Det
Pfc	Beachy, Glenn E.	33110300	"
Pvt	Owan, Charlie M.	35235711	Co. "K"
Pfc	Valasek, Frank H.	35555118	Co. "M"
Pfc	Funkhouser, Robert D.	33521799	"
Pvt	McKay, Ernest O.	31352025	Co. "L"
Pvt	Pelouin, Maurice L.	31374311	Co. "K"
Pvt	Mingo, Otis (NMI)	34625292	Co. "H"
Pfc	Verbanos, Paul (NMI)	31308006	"
Pfc	Beckmann, Charles, Jr.	42012815	"
Pvt	Gillespie, James R.	6998976	Co. "I"
Pfc	Wingate, James J.	37136627	Co. "F"
S/Sgt	Zilbarth, Carl A.	37025839	"
Pvt	Jones, Edward (NMI)	35871079	"
Pfc	Fisher, Charles A.	36836485	"
S/Sgt	Holmes, Delmer D.	33526559	"
Pfc	Frons, John J.	33779448	"
Sgt	Aittaniemi, Frederick E.	31230742	"

22 September 1944

Pfc	Joyce, John J.	34424236	Co. "I"
Sgt	Simons, Jack F.	33422347	Co. "G"
Pvt	Foster, John R.	37486531	Co. "B"
Pvt	Lowery, Jack H.	13069460	Co. "I"
Pfc	Dumire, Marie E.	33425317	"

23 September 1944

T/Sgt	Olover, Kenneth L.	33271323	Co. "M"
S/Sgt	Allen, James W.	35213878	Co. "I"
Pvt	Dobbs, H.D. (10)	38130828	Co. "A"
Pvt	Cavaliaro, Peter A.	34454116	"
S/Sgt	Barnett, Willie (NMI)	35712829	"
Pfc	Greene, Jack (NMI)	38388772	"
Pvt	Wolferd, Dave (NMI)	35770204	Co. "L"
Pfc	Hinkley, Jarold M.	31350985	"
Pvt	Beck, D. B. (10)	34607527	"
Pvt	Chatham, Quentin I.	36747148	Med Det

24 September 1944

Pfc	Humb, Kenneth P.	11122606	Co. "G"
Pfc	Brown, Robert J.	34728672	Co. "D"
Pfc	Westergaard, Herman J.	37149280	Co. "A"
Pfc	Lehman, Richard T.	35294350	Co. "G"
Pvt	Loop, Donald W.	39467573	"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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25 September 1944

Pfc	Katulich, Rudolph (NMI)	33683953	Co. "A"
Pvt	Smith, David D.	31392133	Co. "B"
Pvt	Seelbach, Heinz H.	42018661	Co. "C"
Pvt	Tyree, William J.	39398082	Co. "H"

26 September 1944

Pfc	Manning, Marvin B.	34670934	Co. "K"
Pvt	Fresnell, Conlay A.	7081347	Co. "L"
Pfc	Jaffe, Phillip (NMI)	13130258	Cannon Co.
1st Lt.	Knox, John H.	01293973	Co. "K"
Pfc	Kennedy, Leonard M.	31380179	"
Pfc	Postman, Fred E.	38487508	"
Pfc	Bartlett, Clifton R.	31321626	"
Pfc	Spencer, Denton L.	33826739	Co. "M"
Cpl	Wilson, Morris A.	36280281	Cannon Co.
Pfc	LaFave, Lawrence W.	32744244	"
Pvt	Travers, Anthony J.	31356524	Hq. Co. 1st Bn.
Pfc	Anniello, Michael J.	31342414	Co. "D"
S/Sgt	Nein, Ammon D.	33111450	"
Pfc	Widdis, Frank L.	32756025	"
Sgt	Liptak, Louis J.	36637841	Co. "O"
Pfc	Sevier, Ordon T.	34735164	"
Pfc	Moyse, Charlie E.	33634880	Co. "L"
Pfc	Foster, Red D.	34875556	"
Pvt	Stewart, William D.	31440179	"

27 September 1944

Pfc	Day, George E.	35868895	Co. "P"
Pfc	Norman, William E.	39027690	Med Det
Sgt	Nalbone, Samuel A.	32911052	Co. "K"
Pvt	Geltz, Robert L.	35235843	Co. "G"
2nd Lt.	Malany, Richard E.	01323153	"
Pvt	Ebarb, Neede F.	38335977	Co. "L"
Pvt	Schnell, Otto O.	35912632	"
Pvt	Zalten, Max H.	35893782	"
Pvt	Schatta, Robert A.	37583497	"
Pvt	Brown, Leo L.	31391151	Co. "I"
Pvt	McConnell, Delman J.	39212633	"
Pvt	Moled, Francis E.	38628270	"
Pvt	Fellock, Carl (NMI)	42081823	"
S/Sgt	Womack, Dana L.	35638873	"
Pfc	Balleau, Herbert (NMI)	38488288	"
Pfc	Pikuski, Felix T.	36868529	"
Pvt	Pilarski, Frank H.	37724155	"
Pvt	Gouker, Edward R.	33514217	"

28 September 1944

Pfc	Blaidell, Charles F.	12022998	Co. "G"
Pvt	Foy, Edward J.	31409036	"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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29 September 1944

Sgt	Sala, Anthony A.	32182522	Co. "G"
Pvt	Igusky, Frank E.	33833773	"
Pfc	Plummer, Emis G.	37503417	"

30 September 1944

Pvt	Brennan, John A.	36768356	Co. "I"
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Missing in Action

12 September 1944

Pvt	Davey, Richard L.	42011696	Co. "K"
Pvt	Klakos, Frank S.	35744350	"
Pvt	Kubiak, Harry D.	36662473	"
Pfc	Clarke, Willfred F.	32745448	Co. "I"

16 September 1944

T/Sgt	Howington, Connor B.	33049225	Co. "O"
Sgt	Dewey, Charles L.	31256685	"
Pfc	Braunwarth, Leo G.	37548599	"
Pvt	King, John J.	42005202	"
Pvt	Holcomb, Edward H.	19085063	"
Pvt	Heath, Douglas M.	38037755	"
Pvt	Bowles, Lowell D.	36768522	Med Det
Pfc	McGowan, Thomas E.	33425749	"
Sgt	Rubin, Harry (NMI)	33387610	Co. "C"

18 September 1944

Pfc	Corbett, John M.	36682002	Co. "B"
Pfc	Alpert, Robert M.	32803904	"
Pfc	Keefer, Ned E.	33507793	"
Pvt	Adams, Linwood J.	31415225	"
1st Lt.	Farnum, Clifton R.	01306258	"
S/Sgt	Sedory, Philip A.	36713924	"
Pfc	Broughman, Emmett W.	33529756	"
Pvt	Yetsko, Russell C.	33700350	Co. "C"
Pvt	Ford, Bruce D.	36772933	Med Det

24 September 1944

Pvt	Bowen, Robert P.	35895092	Co. "L"
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LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER, 1944, BUT NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS LISTINGS:

Killed in Action

10 February 1944

Pfc	Charboneau, Raymond F., Jr.	31279733	Co. "G"
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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

Wounded in Action

12 July 1944

Pvt

Mangarelli, Thomas (NMI) 42012468 Co. "L"

27 July 1944

Pfc

Blanken, Charles A. 36768685 Co. "A"

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	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Warrant Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted Men</u>
Killed in Action:	9	0	98
Wounded in Action:	16	0	297
Missing in Action:	1	0	22
Captured:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total -	26	0	417

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

LOSSES IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN (From 1 October thru 31 October 1944).

Killed in Action

6 October 1944

S/Sgt	Grassm, Peter J.	37552498	Co. "B"
Pfc	Swilley, William D.	34795060	"
Pfc	Masarik, Rudolph J.	42010514	"

8 October 1944

Pvt	Tingle, Paul B.	33898526	Co. "F"
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9 October 1944

Pfc	Langley, John H.	34813175	Co. "F"
Pfc	Jacchini, Pacifico (NMI)	33396422	Co. "B"
Pvt	Zaner, Irving A.	35776339	Co. "G"

10 October 1944

S/Sgt	Kifer, Virgil G.	33721201	Co. "B"
Pfc	Healy, John W.	39137692	Co. "U"

11 October 1944

Pfc	Lukaich, George A.	36872228	Co. "K"
Pfc	Scarborough, A. D. (10)	38479787	"
Pvt	McLaughay, Harry L.	34833690	"
Pvt	Smock, J. M. (10)	34830274	Co. "I"
Pvt	Rodriguez, Clemente R., Jr.	39722527	"

12 October 1944

Pfc	Vermier, Neal A.	35914772	Co. "H"
Pfc	Pocchiaro, Michael J.	32735359	"
Pfc	Rybensinger, Lester K.	35551333	"
Pvt	Stahl, Leroy M.	42092846	"

13 October 1944

Pvt	Yeska, Anton A.	35926264	Co. "E"
Pvt	Woodruff, Donald L.	42066748	"
Pfc	Crough, John W.	38399133	Sq. Co. 3rd Bn.
2nd Lt.	Barnett, John P., Jr.	0342151	Co. "K"
S/Sgt	Kilanswski, Chester J.	36512239	"
Sgt	Plummer, John R.	37026061	"
Pvt	Paffney, Francis J.	31251128	Co. "W"

14 October 1944

Pvt	Koty, Oscar M.	36710424	Co. "K"
Sgt	Barshardt, Floyd O.	37703192	Co. "A"
Pvt	Cruel, Frank F.	42043704	"
Pfc	Henry, Paul A.	35776294	Co. "F"

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PHASE III 135th INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

Killed in action, Cont'd.

14 October 1944, Cont'd.

sgt	McMahon, James E.	32835569	Co. "E"
rfc	Bloom, Norman E.	37486937	Co. "F"
rfc	Kennedy, Leo H.	35093014	Co. "M"
rvt	Weeks, John A.	34543837	"
rvt	Becker, Norman I.	33589277	Co. "K"
rfc	Woodruff, Leonard J., Jr.	37679206	Co. "I"
rvt	Tocum, William R.	37730774	"
S/sgt	Kiekow, Fred J.	37427441	Co. "H"

15 October 1944

rvt	Sherrill, Marion R.	34604430	Co. "L"
S/sgt	Tracey, James T.	34724815	"
*rfc	Paraci, Paul J.	42010756	Co. "A"
rvt	DeChaubell, Robert O.	33514092	Co. "K"

17 October 1944

rfc	Leatherwood, Ernest E.	38321496	Co. "F"
rvt	Osborne, James M.	35776375	Co. "E"
*S/sgt	LaPointe, Edward R.	20706997	Hq. Co. 1st Bn.
rfc	Worden, Louis A.	36412956	Co. "B"
rvt	Cope, Clell L.	38592613	"
rfc	Weinel, William E.	13170708	Co. "G"
sgt	McFerin, James A.	38072265	"
rvt	Juy, James H.	31346085	"

18 October 1944

S/sgt	Stady, John (NMI)	37553001	Co. "A"
S/sgt	Sorrentino, Ralph J.	32769037	"
S/sgt	Abercrombie, James L.	39212242	"
rfc	Solidori, Mike P.	32770734	"
rfc	Partin, Herbert C.	33645843	"
rvt	Qualey, Robert E.	32792923	"
*S/sgt	Huffman, James W.	33700090	Co. "K"
sgt	McLaughlin, Kenneth J.	6588992	Co. "J"
rfc	Kolodge, Leonard L.	37555718	"

19 October 1944

rfc	Bendy, Edwin (NMI)	36709527	Co. "J"
*rfc	King, William J.	33465387	Co. "J"
rfc	Nolan, James G.	36635437	"
*rvt	McIntosh, Melvin H.	36879061	Co. "A"

21 October 1944

sgt	Johnston, Lyle E.	39097240	Co. "F"
rfc	Samanny, Robert ..	39209749	"
sgt	McHuffey, Alton L.	35895046	"
rvt	Allen, Philip O.	39216945	"

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PHASE XII 13521 INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

Killed in Action, Cont'd.

24 October 1944

1st Lt.	Fendergast, John V.	01310146	Co. "L"
S/Sgt	Stabile, Fiore A.	31285230	Co. "A"
Pfc	Karmeyer, Robert B.	36513085	Co. "E"
Pvt	Prisk, Ambrose B.	39179072	Co. "G"
T/4	Nystul, Joseph A.	37025563	Co. "A"
Pfc	Junn, Francis W.	15377077	"
Pfc	Davis, Frank L.	32874244	"
Pfc	Spuzzo, Edward R.	31406275	"
Pfc	Swing, Lebbie N., Jr.	39703237	"
Pfc	Black, Lowell A.	38566320	"
Pfc	Baker, Robert J.	39910219	"
Pfc	Dobois, Robert W.	31420635	"
Pfc	Calvi, John F.	32918870	"

25 October 1944

Pfc	Wolford, Dave (NMI)	35770204	Co. "L"
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26 October 1944

Pvt	Pishko, Frank (NMI)	33916572	"
Pfc	Moore, George F., Jr.	34883706	"

27 October 1944

*Pfc	Champagne, Roland W.	31373091	Co. "A"
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*Killed of wounds on route to hospital.

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6 October 1944

Pfc	Adams, John R.	34864354	Co. "E"
Pfc	Wilder, Swing W.	35878171	"
Sgt	Stump, Donald E.	35650789	"

7 October 1944

Pvt	Pavelka, Frank A.	36896504	"
S/Sgt	Muro, Tiofilo A.	38248120	Co. "F"
Pfc	Holcombe, Willard L.	34817714	"
Pfc	Stevens, James L.	34882742	Med Det

8 October 1944

Pfc	Shikles, Raymond B.	37378036	Co. "H"
1st Lt.	North, Jimmie (NMI)	01323164	Co. "F"
Pfc	Barbaccia, Joseph (NMI)	32055452	"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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8 October 1944, Cont'd.

Sgt	Stabley, Claude W.	33243472	Co. "F"
Pfc	Ramsay, George L.	31268513	"
Pfc	Tyrdik, Robert D.	37670711	"
Pvt	Swanson, Charles S.	35922853	"
Pvt	Danchik, George (NMI)	33425517	"
S/Sgt	Sohmer, John E.	35131427	Co. "G"
Sgt	White, Belvin E.	33092375	"
Pfc	Kogen, Herman B.	31406157	"
Pfc	Garcia, Felix M.	39023799	"
Pvt	Benson, Arnold H.	31424367	"
Pvt	Vunovich, Vladimir B.	37723877	"
Pvt	Young, Wilbur H.	37486697	"
Pfc	Leigh, Dewey, (NMI)	35840113	"
Pfc	Judry, Joseph M.	38267980	"

9 October 1944

S/Sgt	Simons, Jack F.	33412347	Co. "G"
Pfc	Farr, William R.	12174116	"
T/Sgt	Chatelle, Joseph S.	20700534	Co. "H"
Pfc	Meeker, Charles A.	39277896	Med Det
S/Sgt	Bardi, Peter W.	33600390	Co. "H"
Pfc	Scott, Denver K.	35229953	"
T/Sgt	Dyer, Herbert G.	20360904	"
Pfc	Varnar, William K.	35229851	"
Pfc	Sellick, Carl W.	32747734	"
Pfc	McJuyre, Cecil R.	39216878	"
Pfc	Mullaney, John P.	33454663	"
2nd Lt.	Johnson, Gordon R.	013319125	Co. "G"
Pvt	August, Joseph C.	33613956	"
Pfc	Ohmart, Nelson R.	31371829	"
Pvt	Tawzer, Cullen W.	34830422	"
Pvt	Jones, James P., Jr.	34854479	"
Pvt	Padloweki, Anthony M.	42104460	"
Pvt	Persinger, Charles H.	35899729	"
Pfc	Murray, Carl E.	31286345	"
Sgt	Mullins, Rollie B.	35670665	"
Pfc	Hoffer, Joseph G.	33506586	Co. "H"
Pfc	Mann, Harry L.	35670982	Co. "H"
Pfc	McDonald, Paul J.	37443016	Co. "H"
Pfc	Triplitt, Richard W.	34594417	"
Sgt	Hesbitt, Joseph W.	35214513	"
Pfc	Brink, Eugene S.	37477147	Co. "H"

10 October 1944

T/Sgt	Hill, Ellis C.	37238233	Co. "H"
Pfc	Geller, George (NMI)	32591172	"
Pfc	Sweet, George L., Jr.	34792367	"
1st Lt.	Brown, Norman E.	01286956	"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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10 October 1944, Cont'd.

Pfc	Ivanys, Robert C.	35919582	Co. "G"
Pvt	Loeper, Albert L.	33371212	"
Pfc	Lacedonia, Mario (NMI)	32683149	Co. "F"
Pfc	Petty, Raymond E.	38471702	"
Pvt	Spauldie, Arnold J.	36839215	"
Pfc	Smith, William G.	38626135	"

11 October 1944

Cpl	Flayer, Ray W.	14124822	Co. "E"
T/5	Arbach, Alfred M.	37025659	Serv. Co.
Cpl	Wheler, Omar C., Jr.	31282248	Co. "I"
S/Sgt	Dyer, Arthur W.	36480882	"
Sgt	Bennett, Coody E.	34782905	"
Pfc	Adcox, George W.	34493142	"
Pfc	Cavin, James V.	34900241	"
Pvt	Petronchak, Stephen (NMI)	33609442	"
Pfc	Maurer, Daniel J.	33610217	Co. "A"
Pvt	McIntosh, Melvin H.	36870961	"
Pfc	Tull, Alfred B.	35789199	Co. "M"
Pfc	Russell, Chauncey M.	36563973	Co. "K"
Pfc	Pattillo, Allen H.	34395689	"
Pfc	Westbrooks, Willard (NMI)	34813130	"
Pfc	Lusk, Irvin V.	35638822	"
Sgt	Ldn, Dock G.	32882858	Co. "B"
Pvt	Cornett, Otis (NMI)	35899505	"
Pfc	Hillum, Leonard Y.	33541111	"
Pvt	Jawlowski, Henry F.	36888045	"
Pvt	Repetosky, George (NMI)	34794438	Co. "M"
Sgt	Picard, George L.	31350117	Co. "K"
Pvt	Peloguin, Maurice L.	31374311	"
Sgt	Matulavage, Peter A.	31338067	"
Sgt	Futie, Samuel J.	31331393	"
S/Sgt	Tomassoni, Anthony A.	36229267	"
Pvt	Whitley, Joseph L.	34854718	Hq. Co. 1st Bn.
Pvt	Stevens, Richard D.	20707040	"
Pvt	Walters, Harold R.	33702582	"
Pvt	Howell, Everett L.	35772924	"
T/Sgt	LaPointe, Edward P.	20706997	"
Pfc	Schneider, Morris I.	42033122	Co. "K"
Pvt	Burnell, Carl O.	39215573	Co. "G"

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Pvt	Mahaffey, James A.	34832138	Co. "K"
Pvt	Miller, Rufus A.	34899450	"
Sgt	Armstrong, Edward A.	33830870	"
Pvt	Odham, William R.	35776312	Co. "L"
Pvt	Richards, Henry T.	39858606	"
Pfc	Frank, Clarence (NMI)	36367793	"
Pfc	Doppelheuer, Roy R.	33441001	"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)Wounded in Action, Cont'd.

12 October 1944, Cont'd.

Pvt	Anthony, Louis J.	42056191	Co. "L"
S/Sgt	Haugen, Alfred W.	37027543	Co. "K"
Pvt	Carris, Howard L.	36879349	Med Det
Pvt	Witth, Daniel S.	36614709	Hq. Co. 2nd Bn.
Pvt	Yandura, Frank P.	33715110	Co. "F"
Pfc	Schram, Otto R.	36835100	"
Cpl	Soja, Romald M.	35160533	Co. "G"

13 October 1944

Pvt	Phelps, Alvin O.	34926734	Co. "I"
Sgt	Zeglen, Louis R.	33612796	Co. "L"
Pvt	Fulp, William F.	34608282	"
Pvt	Brezina, Milvoj R.	37682951	Co. "F"
Sgt	Smith, Glen L.	39905012	"
S/Sgt	Bachinsky, George B.	31122100	Co. "K"
Pvt	Kamorski, Stanley, (NMI)	33703336	"
Pvt	Shump, Curtis W.	35767383	"
Pvt	Litton, Thomas E.	39723449	Co. "M"
Pvt	Boyer, Lawrence H.	33830745	Co. "K"
Pvt	Pittillo, James M.	34898369	Co. "L"
S/Sgt	Crus, Matilde, Jr.	38246118	Co. "A"
S/Sgt	Tierney, Charles M.	33358707	"
Pvt	Roberts, Wilbur F.	39309837	Co. "Q"

14 October 1944

Pvt	Lazarine, J. V. (10)	38478704	Med Det
T/5	Peters, George W.	33756550	"
Pvt	Hitchinson, Edward F.	39460884	"
T/5	Greenman, Nathan F.	38486596	"
Cpl	Pounds, Theodora E.	44154693	Co. "Q"
Pfc	O'Neal, Edward J.	33702561	Co. "K"
Sgt	Melnick, Peter (NMI)	33793933	"
Pvt	Veerkamp, Alphonse J.	36895395	"
Pfc	Jewett, Richard E.	36859252	"
Sgt	Schiorman, David (NMI)	39197193	"
Pfc	Larkin, James A.	36693261	Co. "B"
Pfc	Owens, Edward (NMI)	34651451	Co. "D"
Pfc	Nawrocki, Raymond S.	36710334	Co. "I"
1st Lt.	Makoskan, Robert J.	01315957	Co. "G"
S/Sgt	Schimmel, Walter J.	32599052	"
Pfc	Alansky, William S.	33833047	"
Pfc	Golyin, Lawrence (NMI)	38288825	"
Pfc	Kalbarer, Gustav H.	36866850	"
Pfc	Mossler, Arthur S.	31350154	"
Pfc	Pfau, Charles F.	36735323	"
Pfc	Stroed, Kenneth B.	34925988	"
Pvt	Ferrara, Archie W.	33808249	"
Pvt	Ferguson, James A.	33715729	"

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PHASE III 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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14 October 1944, Cont'd.

Pvt	Macek, Robert J.	35927443	Co. "C"
Pvt	Maserole, Dossie I.	36767930	" "
Sgt	Metc, Milton S.	31370958	Co. "A"
Pfc	Schwartz, Joseph (NMI)	36587423	" "
Cpl	Welsh, Howard F.	37515544	Co. "L"
Cpl	Norris, Council J.	34176145	" "
Pvt	Beach, Jack I.	36833575	" "
rvt	Bollinger, Paul M.	33515501	" "
Pfc	Mitchell, Wendall G.	33765489	Co. "I"
Sgt	Majewski, Eugene L.	36662022	" "
Pfc	Beney, Alphonse A.	32946147	" "
S/Sgt	Suhre, Arthur W.	36668889	Co. "B"
Pvt	Robbins, Harold I.	33661391	Co. "Q"
Pvt	Baranoski, Michael (NMI)	36877385	" "
Pfc	Howes, Fred J.	32599399	" "
Pvt	Barber, Dawson W.	35884028	" "
S/Sgt	Michalski, Chester L.	32568429	" "
Pfc	McComb, Joseph C.	31383815	" "
Pvt	Calderone, James P.	42040992	" "
Pfc	Danz, Robert H.	32921090	" "
Pvt	Anderson, Ralph L.	34730905	" "
Pfc	Vega, Torres, William (NMI)	42044215	Co. "E"
rvt	Rogers, George J.	39925289	" "
Pfc	Faust, Eugene W.	36648793	" "
S/Sgt	White, Gilbert H.	36460137	Co. "F"
T/5	Tempas, Harold G.	36266210	" "
Pfc	Telton, Hugh L.	34515704	" "
Pvt	Burrows, Edward A.	37584644	" "
rvt	Behan, Paul L.	36841269	" "
rvt	Cung, William E.	36690704	Co. "K"
Pvt	Wischnowsky, Clifford F.	31447863	Co. "H"
Pfc	Archutowski, Chester (NMI)	36584965	Co. "A"
Pfc	Bilski, Stanley A.	36662444	" "

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Pfc	Sedor, Stephen T.	42041568	Co. "K"
Pvt	Rebernick, Joseph R.	33612660	Co. "E"
Pfc	Holcombe, Willard L.	34817714	Co. "F"
rvt	Sweeton, Charles E.	34493802	Med Det
S/Sgt	Sulhern, James A.	33466862	Co. "B"
Pvt	Donigan, John J.	42024275	" "
Pvt	Mitchell, Jewell (NMI)	36700729	Co. "E"
Pfc	Magnine, Joseph A.	36715258	" "
Pfc	Wright, Lewis H.	35808250	" "
Pfc	Hall, Halston, (NMI)	34437789	Co. "K"
Pfc	Faraci, Paul J.	42010706	Co. "A"
S/Sgt	Malle, John G.	33683362	Co. "I"
Pvt	Schafhauser, Howard E.	39215942	" "
Pvt	Till, Harry W.	33810778	" "

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16 October 1944

Pvt	Fiore, Peter F.	36732787	Co. "A"
S/Sgt	Urganak, Henry G.	33466499	Co. "B"
Pfc	Frary, Elmer C.	33318614	"
Pfc	Roach, Raymond H.	20631390	"
Pvt	Cox, James R.	39143098	"
Sgt	Huffman, James W.	33700090	Co. "K"
Cpl	Oldsey, Bernard S.	13185031	Co. "F"
Sgt	Martin, Lealen R.	37518224	Co. "G"
Pvt	Vario, Joseph F.	33699465	Co. "H"
Pfc	Bobo, Victor L.	38096155	Co. "I"
Pvt	Kowalski, Chester F.	33028830	"
1st Lt.	Flannigan, Patrick J.	01298373	"
Pfc	Miller, Robert T.	33801018	"
Pvt	Raynolds, Cecil D.	34854267	Med Det
S/Sgt	McCormick, Thomas S.	33642075	Co. "F"
Pfc	DeRosa, Salvatore A.	33454417	Co. "I"

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Pvt	Bunnell, George H.	33462501	Co. "B"
Pfc	Rozzano, Tony (NMI)	35055687	Cn. Co.
Cpl	Lukasik, Benedict A.	36297237	"
Pfc	Tew, Joe R.	34771736	Co. "G"
Pfc	May, Trammell O.	34543457	"
Pfc	McCutecheon, James W.	35772507	"
Pfc	McTeigue, Philip M.	32500700	"
Pfc	Slozer, Otto F.	33625151	"
1st Lt.	Sizzo, Roger R.	01295095	Hq. Co. 2nd Bn.
Pfc	Ingram, Dallas V.	36640982	Co. "F"
Pfc	Houser, Edward H.	36740271	"
S/Sgt	Waynord, Dennis E.	34735188	"
S/Sgt	Mehl, Chester P.	35919362	"
Pfc	Blaysman, Melvern M.	33719156	Co. "G"
Pvt	Reppard, David P.	32738166	"
Pvt	Canon, Arthur G.	31423712	"
Pvt	Johnson, Walter A.	42041296	"
Pfc	Sewman, Cleatus R.	33658252	"
Pfc	Willmering, Donald R.	37625635	"
Pfc	Demkovic, Joseph E.	33826717	"
Pvt	Sehee, James W.	38510704	"
Sgt	Stewart, Glenn E.	34821827	"
Pvt	Greasy, Clyde E.	34881969	"

18 October 1944

Pvt	Barbour, Everett D.	33632513	Co. "A"
Pfc	Kelley, George H.	32807567	Hq. Co. 3rd Bn.
Pvt	Berentes, Joseph (NMI)	42043727	Co. "A"
S/Sgt	Lukaszewski, Edward S.	37566159	"
S/Sgt	Rimbart, Walter, Jr.	32753394	"
Sgt	Hall, Joseph E.	33720680	"

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18 October 1944, Cont'd.

Sgt	Clayton, James I.	36479405	Co. "A"
S/Sgt	Von Flatern, Joseph F.	31371319	"
r/c	Bartz, Rawald A.	36836752	"
r/c	Arndt, Sylvester G.	37105143	"
r/c	Dahlstrom, Gordon W.	36691190	"
r/c	Adelberg, Julius (NMI)	32990156	"
Sgt.	Crowley, Allen P.	0354712	Serv. Co.
CO (JG)	Scott, George J.	02110174	"
rvt	Workman, Donald F.	35913050	Med Det
r/c	King, William J.	33465387	Co. "G"
r/c	Nolan, James G.	36635437	"
Sgt	Paolino, John L.	31194700	"
r/c	Erickson, Herwin V.	36813502	"
r/c	Wolf, Joseph L.	33061996	"

19 October 1944

r/c	Stachura, Walter J.	31126155	Hq. Co. 2nd Bn.
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20 October 1944

rvt	Sibel, Joseph A.	36549408	Co. "F"
rvt	Villalpando, Celestino (NMI)	39721165	"
rvt	Dims, Glendon (NMI)	34493961	Co. "G"

21 October 1944

Sgt	Susalla, James D.	33414413	Co. "A"
Pvt	Haynes, James G.	32734772	"
T/Sgt	Walker, Roy L.	20201155	Co. "J"

22 October 1944

r/c	Cartline, Arthur T.	34440358	Co. "F"
r/c	Hart, James W.	35795259	Co. "G"

23 October 1944

rvt	Ramey, George F.	35574614	AT. Co.
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24 October 1944

r/c	Beane, James F.	34609521	Co. "B"
r/c	Dorame, Antonio G.	39856231	"
r/c	Marcia, Pedro G.	38257425	"
r/c	Haynes, Bilbo (NMI)	34012237	"
r/c	Harris, Golden H.	34875563	"
r/c	Tyson, Carlton J.	34463610	Co. "J"
r/c	Crampton, Charles F.	37015371	"
r/c	Cunningham, Robert G.	33407237	Co. "D"
r/c	Adams, Frank H.	39542389	"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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24 October 1944, Cont'd.

Pfc	Ashley, Ira D.	35726152	Co. "D"
Pfc	Lange, Edward E.	36747150	Co. "K"
Sgt	Monti, Samuel J.	32132835	Co. "G"
Pfc	Joldman, eo (NMI)	42041992	"
Sgt	Butman, Robert J.	31370508	Co. "A"
T/5	Soule, Warren A.	37025708	"
Pfc	Champagne, Roland W.	31373091	"
Pfc	Melton, Charles L.	34771177	"
Pfc	Caperton, Euzman R.	35642875	"
Pfc	Maatta, Reino A.	36823770	"
Pfc	Grossenbach, Richard P.	16123463	"
Pfc	Odom, George B.	34531551	Co. "H"
Pfc	Vaught, Robert C.	39285722	"
Pvt	Weis, Joseph M., Jr.	35551632	"
Pvt	Lumley, Huey V.	34543833	"
Pvt	Overner, Duane R.	36739173	"
Pvt	Burr, Woodrow W.	34644070	Co. "L"
Pfc	Brescia, Daniel A.	31262290	"
Pfc	Thomas, Philip H.	31446166	"

25 October 1944

Cpl	Ruymen, Victor L.	32963666	Co. "J"
Pfc	Heffner, Arthur H.	33248947	Co. "B"
Pfc	Rebec, Primo J.	36620799	Co. "L"

26 October 1944

Pvt	Schleiger, Lloyd L.	35882022	Co. "L"
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29 October 1944

Pfc	Kausch, Eugene G.	33830849	Hq. Co. 2nd Bn.
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30 October 1944

Pvt	Meduras, Manuel (NMI)	31421263	Co. "H"
Pvt	Martin, Ernest (NMI)	31421245	"

31 October 1944

Pvt	Legere, John P., Jr.	31392281	Co. "E"
Sgt	Pease, Albur J.	31069927	Co. "I"

Missing in Action

10 October 1944

2nd Lt.	Rose, Jesse, Jr.	01310153	Co. "F"
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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

Missing in Action, Cont'd.

11 October 1944

Sgt	Stubblefield, John., Jr.	39340675	Co. "E"
Pfc	Whitaker, Earnest (NMI)	35707993	"
Pfc	Weitsinger, Richard J.	35538151	"
Pfc	Woodruff, Roy S.	35917786	"
Pfc	Thomas, Ray (NMI)	35807569	"
Pfc	Tippitt, Edward L.	35879360	"
Pfc	Williams, James H.	34894022	"
Pfc	Warren, Grover D.	34875511	"
Pfc	Galek, Joseph W.	36887043	"
Pvt	Levan, Robert H.	33648898	"
Pvt	Starr, Nathan (NMI)	39922262	"

11 October 1944

Pfc	Cooper, Thomas B.	35705462	Co. "C"
Pfc	Flynn, James H.	35788182	"
Pfc	Marsh, Edward J.	36859408	"
Pvt	East, Carl B.	39925295	"
Pvt	McClere, Roger A.	39343598	"
Pfc	Cheaney, Johnny V.	34883987	"
S/Sgt	Netto, Louis (NMI)	32917427	"
Sgt	Hans, Arthur (NMI)	37703058	"
Pfc	Burke, James D.	33604100	"
Capt.	Miles, James R.	0454185	Co. "G"
2nd Lt.	Warter, James F.	01324908	"
Pfc	Walters, Herbert B., Jr.	3295055	"
Pvt	Blucas, John M.	33705167	"
Pvt	Brown, Leonard M.	33752680	"
Pfc	Mangin, Alvin M., Jr.	3389766	"
Pvt	Dick, William R.	36634130	"
Pvt	Cerullo, Frank A.	42066712	"
Pfc	Wolff, John M.	37268531	"
Pvt	Kenley, Samuel K.	34830199	"
Pfc	Dunham, Kenneth A.	36288970	"
Pvt	Deane, John B.	13033564	"
Pvt	Hanson, Carl V.	37567244	"
Pvt	Cline, William E.	33721945	"
Pfc	Skeath, Albert E., Jr.	35920036	Co. "F"
Pfc	Flectwood, Donald (NMI)	35868001	Co. "C"
Sgt	Lueck, Frank W.	20708880	Co. "H"
Sgt	Eagan, Virgil H.	35697949	"
Cpl	Weisberg, Morris (NMI)	33001156	"
Pfc	Stegall, Howard E.	37608329	"
Pfc	Shelton, Lawson W.	33048118	"
Pfc	Kassinger, Lonnie (NMI)	35728910	"
Pfc	Mierwik, Paulie A.	38256176	"
Pfc	Hein, Fred (NMI)	32764385	"
Pfc	Gabriel, Carl P.	37551627	"
Pvt	Syme, John E.	32767705	"
Pvt	Arnold, Dan S.	35812936	"
Pvt	Fugit, Jesse B.	38567402	"
Pvt	DeBrio, John S.	42061723	"

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PHASE XII 135TH INFANTRY REGIMENT HISTORY (Cont'd)

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15 October 1944

Pvt Bracewell, Joseph A. 34833560 Co. "B"

17 October 1944

Pvt Boder, George J. 42065571 Co. "L"
Pvt Martin, George A. 33507751 " "
Pfc Quintana, Joe N. 37352704 " "
Pfc Phelan, Matthew W. 36625454 Co. "F"
S/Sgt Dayton, William R. 701146 " "

23 October 1944

Pvt March, Charles J. 35925036 Co. "G"
Pvt Chorvat, Vladimir A. 36384882 " "

28 October 1944

Pvt Cooper, Elbert R. 34818641 Co. "B"

LOST IN ITALIAN CAMPAIGN PRIOR TO OCTOBER, 1944, BUT NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS LISTINGS:

Killed in Action

2 February 1944

Pvt Lis, William E. 31348038 Co. "B"
(Previously listed as Missing in Action, 2 Feb. 1944)

9 February 1944

Pfc Cooper, Rosco P. 38332628 Co. "C"
(Previously listed as Missing in Action, 9 Feb. 1944)

27 April 1944

Pvt Rodophéle, Frank K. 31360267 Co. "C"
(Previously listed as Missing in Action, 27 April 1944)

28 September 1944

Pvt Devlin, William A. 32648343 Co. "C"

8 September 1944

Sgt Glöck, William (M&I) 32815064 Co. "B"

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	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Warrant Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted Men</u>
Killed in Action:	2	0	86
Wounded in Action:	7	1	288
Missing in Action:	3	0	56
Captured:	0	0	0