

Records for Individual Soldiers In Normandy

ASN 32370316

Name Wattles, Frank Jr.

Neptune Rank Technician 5th Grade

Division 82nd Abn Div

Regiment 507th Prcht Inf

Battalion

Neptune Company Hq Co 2nd Bn

Company Attached

Company Attached

Neptune Platoon MG

Neptune Squad

Neptune MOS Machine Gun Runner

Combat Infantry Badge Normandy

Combat Medical Badge

Neptune Tail # 42-92875

Neptune After Action Status LWA

Neptune After Action Date 6/15/1944

Age 26

Month of Admission June

Type of Case Casualty, battle

1st Diagnosis Wound(s), lacerated with no nerve or artery involvement

1st Anatomical Location Arm

1st Operation Graft, skin, other (preference over cast)

2nd Diagnosis Contracture, other

2nd Anatomical Location Elbow

2nd Operation Plastic repair (the building up, repairing, or restoring a lost or impaired part)

Causative Agent Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified

Final Result 1st Gen Hospital

Disposition Discharged, Sec. II, AR 615-360 (line of duty, Yes) (CDD)

Month of Disposition 28

Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Days 200

Place of Final Cure 9507

COMPANY
MORNING REPORT

ENDING 2400 25 June 1944
(DAY) (MONTH) (YEAR)

STATION Cp Tollerton Nottingham England
ORGANIZATION Hq & Hq Co 2nd Bn 507 Para Inf
(CO, DET, ETC.) (PLACET & NO) (ARM OR SERVICE)

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
17067419	Pirtle George W	Tec 4	
Hosp Abs (Hosp Unknown) to Atchd to Srv Co this Regt for 1 yr rat & qrs (Battle-Casualty)			
32370316	Wattles Frank	Tec 5	
14073053	Wadford Tom J	Pvt	
39100700	Cantara Ronald O	Pvt	
18128780	Barnes Billy J	Pfc	
15114211	Jones Lloyd M	S/Sgt	✓
Above 5 EM dy to Hosp Abs (Hosp Unknown) 15 June 44 LD Slightly Wounded in Action			
01285435	Keenan Walter F	1st Lt	✓
0430549	Hessberger George W Jr	1st Lt	
Above 2 Officers dy to Hosp Abs (Hosp Unknown) 15 June 44 LD Slightly Wounded in Action			
12056532	Gannon William G	Pfc	
20467516	Collins Herman V	Pvt	
16071421	Parker Chester J	Pvt	
33403918	Boyd Russell	Pvt	

OFFICER STRENGTH	FLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLT O	
	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST
ASGD										
ATCHD UNASGD										
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN										
TOTAL										

AVN CADET & ENL STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DUTY	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ASGD						
ATCHD UNASGD						
ATCHD FR OTHER ORGN						
TOTAL						

R ESTIMATED NUMBER OF } DAY OF WEEK
A RATIONS REQUIRED FOR } DATE

NUM-1K

II MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT

BREAKFAST	DINNER	SUPPER	TOTAL	AVERAGE
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III MEN AUTHORIZED TO MESS SEPARATELY

MEN ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS	NET	MEN ATCHD FOR RATIONS O & OTHERS MESSED	TOTAL
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IV MEN PRESENT : LESS PLUS

FORM B PARACHUTE

DATE _____

A/C NO. (TAIL NO.) _____

292875

CHALK NO. 13

PERSONNEL

DROP ORDER	ASN	RANK	NAME AND INITIALS	UNIT
1		1st Lt.	Cowan, Otis A.	Hq. Co. 2nd Br. 507
2	0-1295999	Pfc	Lawrence, Salvati J.	Ditto
3	35305854	Pvt	De Bolt, Burt E.	Ditto
4	15077040	Pvt.	Wadford, Tom J.	Ditto
5	14073053	Pfc	Kish, Julius M.	Ditto
6	12203423	T/S	Wattles, Frank	Ditto
7	32370316	Pfc	Jones, C.D.	Ditto
8	15077043	Pvt	Cantara, Ronald O.	Ditto
9	39100700	Pvt	Manson, Carl A.	Ditto
10	36614798	Pfc	Bruce, Patrick H.	Ditto
11	39237940	Pfc	Bigham, Felix S.	Ditto
12	18105278	Pvt	Coppernsmith, Donald C.	Ditto
13	36224913	Pvt	McClure, Walter T.	Ditto
14	31152809	Pvt	Kochaba, Michael Jr.	Ditto
15	33622862	Col	Holt, Paul E.	Ditto
16	38151831	Pvt	Zink, William W.	Ditto
17	15023634			
18				
19				
20				

CONTAINERS

RACK NO.	TYPE CONTENTS	GROSS WEIGHT	PARACHUTE COLOR
1	1 LMG Box Ammo	257 lbs	
2	Ditto	257 lbs	
3	Ditto	257 lbs	
4	12 boxes Ammo	275 lbs	
5	Rations	200 lbs	

Inspection completed _____

Signed _____

" I certify this to be a true and correct copy."

JOE A. GUAYANTE
1st. Lt 507th Parb Inf
Adjutant

ECFM B PARACHUTE

EXERCISE-OPERATION Overlord

DATE _____

DETAILS OF AIRCRAFT

SQUADRON 15th TCG A/C TYPE C-47A

TAIL NO. 292875

CHALK NO. 13

AIRCREW

Pilot

Perkins, Millard L. Capt. O-789592

Co-pilot

Chase, Wayne L. 2nd Lt. O-816424

Aerial Engineer

Waugh, Phillip E.C.S/Sgt 15088612

Radio Operator

Kledzinski, Thomas J. Cpl 16078183

Navigator

Davidziak, Joseph W. 1st Lt O-800690

Millard L. Perkinson,
Capt., A.C.

SECRET - (when filled in)

FORM B LOADING MANIFEST (PARACHUTE)

Exercise/Operation _____

Date _____

A/C No. (Tail No.) 292875

Chalk No. 13

PERSONNEL

Drop Order	Army Serial Number	Rank	Full Name	Remarks
1	01295999	1st Lt.	Cowan, Otis A.	507th Precht Inf Hq Co 2d Bn LWA
2	35305854	Pfc	Lawrence, Calvin J.	" " MIA
3	15077040	Pvt	De Bolt, Burl E.	" " P
4	14073053	Pvt	Wadford, Tom J.	" " LWA
5	12203423	Pfc	Kish, Julius M.	" " MIA
6	32370316	T/5	Wattles, Frank	" " LWA
7	15077043	Pfc	Jones, C. D.	" " P
8	39100700	Pvt	Cantara, Ronald O.	" " LWA
9	36614798	Pvt	Monson, Carl A.	" " P
10	39237940	Pfc	Bruce, Patrick H.	" " P
11	18105278	Pfc	Bigham, Felix S.	" " P
12	36224913	Pvt	Coppersmith, Donald C.	" " P
13	31152809	Pvt	Mc Clure, Walter T.	" " P
14	33622862	Pvt	Kochaba, Michael Jr.	" " MIA
15	38151831	Cpl	Holt, Paul E.	" " P
16				
17				
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CONTAINERS

Truck No.	Type	Contents (general)	Gross Weight	Parachute color/light

Inspection Completed _____ Signed _____

Make a New Order
July 25

Return to Col
Morgan, Personnel

HEADQUARTERS 501st PARACHUTE INFANTRY
Office of the Regimental Commander.
A.P.O. #230, U. S. Army.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

7 August 1944

NUMBER 9)

1. Pursuant to the provisions of WD Circular No. 186, 11 May 1944, the following named Officers, Warrant Officers, and enlisted men are awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in the Normandy, France, campaign, 6 June 1944 to 9 July 1944:

HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

LT COL ARTHUR A. MALONEY	021297	Pfc Edgar C. Apple	39234976
LT COL WILLIAM A. KUHN	0357704	Pfc Vernon L. Darling	39839415
MAJOR JOHN T. DAVIS	022136	Pfc Stanley Drapala	32227394
CAPT MORGAN A. BRAKONECKE	0359483	Pfc William G. Gannon	12056632
CAPT WILLIAM Z. GOTHAM	0414599	Pfc Clarence R. Hixon	13058116
CAPT ROBERT D. RAE	01288948	Pfc Charles A. Martin	19072229
CAPT WILLIAM J. MILLER, JR.	0399376	Pfc Albert F. Novak	32255152
CAPT JAMES A. DICKERSON	0371084	Pfc Enzo J. Pizzi	12065978
CAPT STANLEY L. PITCHEL	01290124	Pfc Thomas F. Redick, Jr.	15076809
1ST LT STANLEY E. ARDZIEJEWSKI	0439594	Pfc Gail Sauer	20722253
1ST LT FRANCIS E. NAUGHTON	01288940	Pfc Ira D. Shetter	13069215
1ST LT GEORGE R. O'BRIAN	01285200	Pfc Alvin W. Smith	35283232
1ST LT MARK D. PERKINS	01295756	Pvt Charles N. Ackerman, Jr.	32276003
1ST LT MORLAN F. PRICKETT	01294191	Pvt John L. Adams	39171165
1ST LT JOHN H. WISNER	01302058	Pvt Loren E. Aller	15101798
2ND LT EARL C. HAYNES	01012477	Pvt Herman V. Collins	20467516
WO (Jg) WOODROW HONEA	W-2120700	Pvt. Kenneth J. Ellsworth	32255209
1st Sgt William W. Barnes	33190376	Pvt Ernest M. Gunther	20221226
1st Sgt Sandy E. Pipolo	6710092	Pvt Robert C. Hughley	19071718
M/Sgt Joseph Ferencowitz	32160337	Pvt Thomas P. Kelly	12060340
M/Sgt Clydis J. Patton	16051469	Pvt Paul J. Mahk	16050800
T/Sgt Stephen J. Kramar	16091590	Pvt Fred A. Osborne	35590136
S/Sgt Harley G. Bennett	36344903	Pvt George R. Pollock	16175886
S/Sgt John H. Cordial	15114301	Pvt William H. Pritchard	16063911
S/Sgt John C. Fulton	13061082	Pvt Juarez Roberts	18086004
S/Sgt John C. Smith	20454314	Pvt Ambrosio Sanchez	18016722
Sgt John W. Davis, Jr.	20735769	Pvt Robert Sosnowski	33499485
Sgt Richard W. Sherman	19094146	Pvt Gerald T. Stoyke, Jr.	32252332
Sgt William L. Tippett	20454320	Pvt Mathew O. Turk	20228447
Tec 4 Theodore R. Harnessa	39375762	Pvt William H. Witt	17067675
Tec 4 George A. Shepherd	33171713	Pvt Albert J. Abbott	33344702
Cpl Lawrence F. Besker	19096554	Pvt Russell Boyd	33403918
Cpl Oscar E. Brundige	32289986	Pvt Edward F. Fox	20252769
Cpl George E. Jusseaume	31033532	Pvt Charles Frank	33472753
Cpl Joseph D. Lang	33278237	Pvt Paul Stanley	36105601
Cpl Gordon F. Matheson	11049163		32708768
Cpl Rudolph R. Sisek	36322550	Cpl Charles W. Cleveland	39306520
Cpl John H. Sumner	14119675	Cpl. Herbert W. Skarie	37271527
Cpl Walter Wolosyn	35037169	Tec 5 Leslie H. Nicoll	32349258
Tec 5 Thomas E. Brienza	37121065	Pfc Charles A. Peringian	32573618
Tec 5 Walter B. Emery	34086494	Pfc Leon B. Yee	39011205
Tec 5 CAPT E. Hamlin	39690539	Pfc Nicholas Festa	12060392
Tec 5 Earl R. Kirker	35207022	S/Sgt John P. Rea	12072252
Tec 5 William A. Ormsby	12017200		
Tec 5 Kenneth F. Robinson	14080500		
Tec 5 Avery L. Rogers	39640978		

SERVICE COMPANY

CAPT GORDON S. SHOTWELL	0343939	1ST LT KARL W. LILIGE	01289760
1ST LT RUFUS K. BROADWAY	01300124	2ND LT BERNARD R. WALLACE	01296454
1ST LT WILLIAM M. HARVILL	01287347	WO (Jg) TRAVIS E. LYON	W-2116114
WO (Jg) HARRY GOLDMAN	W-2120698		

Par 1, cont'd

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY SECOND BATTALION (CONTINUED)

S/Sgt Lloyd M. Jones	15114211	Pfc Palmer W. Lee	33530208
S/Sgt Willard J. Hardy	32168413	Pfc Joseph W. Marrs	15114412
S/Sgt John H. Staar	19096418	Pfc William E. McClanahan	15114355
S/Sgt Tom E. Denham	18109847	Pfc Russell E. Nelson	37275940
S/Sgt Bernard Raskin	33001823	Pfc Robert H. Peck	12080705
S/Sgt George H. Adams	20725135	Pfc Hal E. Perkins	37112869
Sgt Howard G. Parker	18128630	Pfc Maple T. Powell	38049245
Sgt Edmund E. Welch	36157916	Pfc Emil Ramirez	32181485
Sgt Edmund C. Moore	15101927	Pfc Herbert Steele	15077078
Sgt James L. Landrum	18104881	Pfc Francis J. Tolbert	15077072
Sgt Murray G. Marshall	38157573	Pfc Robert B. Webster	13113630
Sgt Joseph P. McMahon	15077034	Pvt Wendell F. Anderson	37176818
Sgt Allen W. Smith	15076836	Pvt Elmo H. Arthur	35791621
Sgt John W. Smedley	18104973	Pvt William D. Barrow	34723346
Cpl Donald D. Page	38049487	Pvt Gerald J. Bean	15102013
Cpl. James R. Cody	14010158	Pvt Charles Berthoud	32603238
Cpl Dudley Hale	35353728	Pvt Clarence Blanchard	31326209
Cpl Edward H. Landers	35104514	Pvt Floyd Bradford	34011907
Cpl George E. Boots	15114358	Pvt Ronald O. Cantara	39100700
Cpl Thomas O. Denham	18109848	Pvt Frank J. Fiore	6577519
Cpl Elmer H. Niemeyer	18081956	Pvt Lawrence C. Fleck	37280861
Cpl Millard C. Snow	37506088	Pvt James L. Haley	39559683
Cpl Raymond E. Baker	18081766	Pvt James M. Hardin	18115490
Cpl Lawrence C. Beerman	19071601	Pvt Aarne A. Homan	32813448
Cpl Ernest E. Borden	39234276	Pvt Donald E. Huncovsky	37506063
Cpl Burl E. DeBolt	15077040	Pvt Joseph Karhut	32238261
Cpl Arthur W. Hehle	15077057	Pvt Alexander S. Kleme	35058151
Cpl Woodrow W. Simms	35792675	Pvt Homer E. Krause	16151164
Tec 4 George W. Pirtle	17067419	Pvt Robert D. La Fluor	11101972
Tec 4 Rolland J. Duff	37175953	Pvt James C. Lee	31378096
Tec 4 Lester L. Going	18128642	Pvt Tommy V. Maddison	38116565
Tec 4 Leo T. Czerwinski	33364477	Pvt Walter T. McClure	31152309
Tec 4 Claude R. Sweetland	19084570	Pvt Ronald C. McIntyre	36119550
S/Sgt Richard H. Keiser	15100024	Pvt Carl A. Monson	36634798
Sgt Richard W. Keeler	12055066	Pvt Carl J. Nelson	39238115
Tec 5 Thomas J. Arkinson	32190043	Pvt Lee A. Ostrowski	31379264
Tec 5 Morris A. Campbell	15101919	Pvt Louis D. Panzera	12124436
Tec 5 Buell Cooke	15114353	Pvt Thomas D. Parks	39021191
Tec 5 Cleve N. McGregor	39308677	Pvt Floyd R. Paulson	36804824
Tec 5 Frank Wattles	32370216	Pvt John W. Pendlebury	32767601
Tec 5 Kenneth V. Steen	19016539	Pvt Raymond E. Roudeshush	17046786
Tec 5 Charles D. Patterson	19083260	Pvt Raymond C. Schletz	39602798
Tec 5 Orvel L. Tennyson	34802328	Pvt David Schloss	13177860
Pfc Rexford Anderson	38128347	Pvt Joseph Schartz	32922932
Pfc Felix S. Bigham	18105278	Pvt Kenneth R. Scribner	13075424
Pfc Patrick H. Bruce	39237940	Pvt Sherman L. Spaulding	18048279
Pfc William O. Caffey	38454062	Pvt Walter G. Sutton	34820372
Pfc Elmer H. Clark	20443586	Pvt Everett G. Swanson	37457390
Pfc Joseph G. Hornyak	35505628	Pvt Theodore A. Van Hull	37473873
Pfc Raymond L. Hurda	36804810	Pvt Tom J. Wadford	14073053
Pfc Carl D. Jones	15077043	Pvt William J. Ylialiturri	39237387
Pfc Julius M. Kish	12203423	Pvt George T. Miller	32727633
Pfc Calvin J. Lawrence	35305854	Pvt Roy E. Norris	34025074
Pvt Paul L. Tindall	15104147	Pvt John E. Barrett	31240176
Pvt William D. Stockard	34259407	Pvt Elijah L. Jones	34280369
Pvt Charles A. Koncaba	38160585	Pvt Marion E. Cooke	33355207
Pvt Joseph V. Gosztyla	33365270	Pvt Melvin A. Pilanik	39827787
Pvt Perry F. Reynolds	15114302	Pvt George Kourakos	32296610

Information from the Hospital Admission Cards created 2/18/2026
 by the office of the Surgeon General, Department
 of the Army (1944-1945).
 Information for the year 1944

Service Number 32370316
 Rank Enlisted Man
 Arm of Service Infantry, Parachute Troops
 Age 26
 Race White
 Length of Service 2 Year(s), 5 Month(s)
 Month of Admission June
 Year of Admission 1944
 Last Treatment Facility General hospital
 Circumstances Surrounding Injury Other or unspecified non-battle injuries.
 Type of Case Casualty, battle
 Type of Admission New
 Type of Diagnosis Primary diagnosis, no history of prior disease, injury; or battle casualty
 Line of Duty In line of duty
 1st Diagnosis Wound(s), lacerated with no nerve or artery involvement
 1st Anatomical Location Arm
 1st Operation Graft, skin, other (preference over cast)
 2nd Diagnosis Contracture, other
 2nd Anatomical Location Elbow
 2nd Operation Plastic repair (the building up, repairing, or restoring a lost or impaired part)
 3rd Diagnosis
 Causative Agent Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified
 Final Result: 1st Gen Hospital
 Disposition Discharged, Sec. II, AR 615-360 (line of duty, Yes) (CDD)
 Cause of Disposition Final result field
 Month of Disposition
 Year of Disposition 1944
 Total Days (non-effective) 443
 Hospital Days 442
 Current Days /Gen Hosp Overseas Day 200
 Place of Final Cure
 Sample Size Remaining 1944 case

Source: This information was obtained from the Hospital Admission Card data file (1944-1945) created by the Office of the Surgeon General Department of the Army. In 1970 the National Research Council first compiled this for statistical purposes using the EMTs (Emergency Medical Tags) and other Office of the Surgeon General Office Records during WWII.

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Service Number 32370316

Sample Size

Rank Enlisted Man (includes Aviation C

Age 26 26

Race White (includes Mexican)

Length of Service 2-3 yr.

Arm of Service Infantry, Parachute Units

AAF Status Neither assigned nor attached to AAF (includes all unassigned, ;

Admission Statio

Month of Admission June

Year of Admision 1944

Last Treatment Facilit General Hospital

Special Class of Cas Invalided Home (except repatriated) in other year

Type of Case Casualty, battle

Type of Admission New, not EPTS

1st Diagnosis Wound(s), lacerated with no nerve or artery involvement

1st Anatomical Locatio Arm

1st Operation Graft of skin, other (perference over cast)

2nd Diagnosis Diseases of Muscles, Fascia, and Tendons: Contracture, other

2nd Anatomical Locatio Elbow

2nd Operation Plastic repair (the building up, repairing, or restoring a lost or impaired part

3rd Diagnosis

Causative Agent Artillery Shell, Fragments, Afoot or unspecified

Circumstances Surroundir All battle casualties, and all battle injuries not intentionally inflicted by self or another person

Final Result Contracture, Upper extremity, right

Total Days (non-effective) 225

Hospital Days 442

Overseas Days 088

Type of Discharge Discharged or Retired for Disability, Line of Duty, Yes

Field of Cause of Disposit Final Result field

Unit Number 507

Month of Dispositio August

Year of Dispositio 1945

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HQ. 507 TH PRCHT. INF.

Operations in France

MAP: FRANCE 1/50,000 SHEET 6 E/5
A Graphic Picture

SECRET

BY AUTHORITY OF
C. O. 507 PRCHT INF.
INITIALS: 142 A
DATE: 26 AUG 44

1. D-DAY 0230, MAIN BODY 507 PARA INF LANDED AND COMMENCED ASSEMBLY UNDER HEAVY FIRE.

2. D-DAY 0400, COL MILLETT LANDED, GATHERED 40 MEN AND ATTACKED AMPREVILLE. HE MOVED TO VIC LES LANDES AT 1300 THAT DAY.

3. D-DAY 0400, LT COL'S MALONEY AND OSTBERG ASSEMBLED 150 MEN.

4. D-DAY 0600, LT COL MALONEY MOVED AND GATHERED 400 MEN. CAPT SCHWARTZ-WALDER, CROSSED LA FIERE BRIDGE WITH 80 MEN OF G CO AT 1500.

5. D-DAY 0900, CAPT DICKERSON'S FORCE OF 300 MEN REMAINED IN RESERVE AT THIS POINT.

6. D-DAY 1200, LT COL OSTBERG MOVED TO THIS POINT WITH 75 MEN. CAPT CREEK AND 100 MEN TOOK CHEF DU PONT BRIDGE AT 2100. CAPT CREEK WAS RELIEVED BY 50B AND REJOINED THE REGT AT 0900 D+1.

7. D-DAY 2100-2400, LT COL MALONEY ENTERED FIGHT FOR LA FIERE BRIDGE WITH 400 MEN.

8. D+1 0900, ALL AVAILABLE MEN WENT INTO DIV RESERVE AND THE REGT WAS REORGANIZED INTO 3 CO'S. CAPT'S RAE, BRANKENCKE AND CREEK COMMANDING.

9. D+1 1730, REGT COMPOSED OF 3 CO'S RELIEVED 503 AT LA FIERE BRIDGE AND HELD POSITIONS UNTIL 100 D+3 AT THAT TIME CAPT RAE'S CO FORCED THE MERDET AND TOOK LE MOTIEY AND HIGH GROUND NW OF THE LA FIERE BRIDGE. THE 325th RELIEVED US AND WE WENT INTO DIV RESERVE AT 1300 D+3.

10. D+3 0030, COL MILLETT MOVED HE AND ATTEMPTED TO JOIN COL TIMMES WITH 450 MEN. AT THIS TIME COL MILLETT'S FORCE MET HEAVY OPPOSITION AND WAS SCATTERED RESULTING IN THE CAPTURE OF COL MILLETT AND 200 OFFICERS AND MEN. CAPT P F SMITH GATHERED REMNANTS CONSISTING OF 140 MEN, FOUGHT BACK ACROSS THE MERDET AND REJOINED THE REGIMENT ON D+4.

11. D+3 1300, CONTACT BY PATROL MADE WITH LT COL TIMMES GROUP

12. D+3 1800, REGT PASSED THRU 325th AND RETOOK LE MOTIEY. 90 DIV RELIEVED REGT AT LE MOTIEY D+4. LA HAYE DU PUIITS

13. THE REGT UPON RELIEF BY 90 DIV WENT INTO POSITION E OF THE MERDET, REORGANIZED INTO 3 BN'S WITH A COMBINED STRENGTH OF 1037 MEN ON D+4.

14. D+4 LT COL TIMMES AND 125 MEN REJOINED THE REGT. THEY HAD OPERATED AS AN INDEPENDENT UNIT AND ON D-DAY ATTACKED AMPREVILLE WITH 50 MEN. AFTER THAT ATTEMPT THEY WITHDREW TO AND HELD A DEFENSIVE POSITION AGAINST REPEATED GERMAN ATTACKS.

15. D+7 THE REGT MARCHED TO ITS BIVOUAC AREA ON D+8, IT MOVED OUT ON ORDER IN A COLUMN OF BNS. 3rd BN AT TACKED RENOUF AT 0900

AND WAS PASSED THROUGH BY 1st & 2nd BNS WHO CONTINUED THE ATTACK TO THE WEST. THE 3rd BN CONTAINED RENOUF UNTIL RELIEVED BY THE 60th INF AT 1800. 1st AND 2nd BNS REACHED THEIR OBJECTIVES S OF BONNEVILLE AT DARKNESS.

16. D+9 1st AND 2nd BNS ATTACKED WEST AT DAWN AND MET SERIOUS RESISTANCE. THEY HELD ALL GROUND GAINED UNTIL PASSED THROUGH AND RELIEVED BY 505. LOSSES IN 2 DAYS 192.

17. D+10 0400, REGT MOVED BY TRUCK TO RELIEVE 308 IN STATIC POSITION AT FRANQUETOT.

18. D+12-13, THE 1st BN FORCED A RIVER CROSSING AND SEIZED VINDEFONTAINE AND C. R. TO THE WEST. THEY SUFFERED 34 CASUALTIES.

19. D+17 ENTIRE REGT TOOK UP POSITIONS AROUND VINDEFONTAINE WITH THE 1st BN HOLDING FRONT LINE POSITIONS.

20. D+28 SECOND BN UNDER DIV CONTROL TOOK OBJECTIVE AT LA FAUVRIERE, REGT LESS 2nd BN FOLLOWED ATTACK OF THE 325th AT 0600.

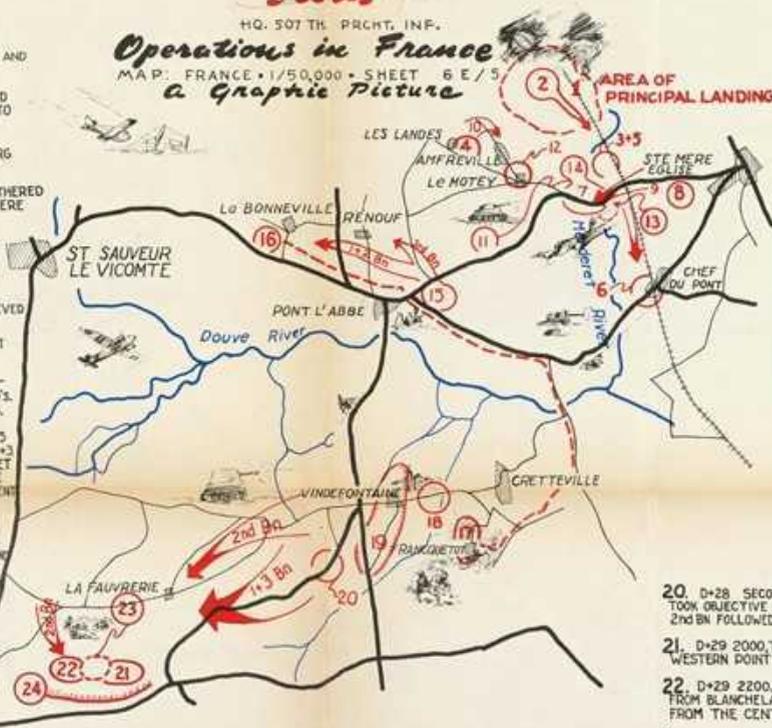
21. D+29 2000, THIRD BN ATTACKED AND TOOK WESTERN POINT OF LA POTERIE RIDGE.

22. D+29 2200, SECOND BN ATTACKED SOUTH FROM BLANCHELANDE DRIVING THE ENEMY FROM THE CENTER OF LA POTERIE RIDGE.

23. D+32 FIRST BN RELIEVED 325 AT 0600 AND SEIZED THE SADDLE OF LA POTERIE RIDGE.

24. D+32 507 ORGANIZED LA POTERIE RIDGE WITH OP LINE AS SHOWN. 8th DIV RELIEVED 507 ON D+36.

25. D+39 REGT ARRIVED IN ENGLAND.



THE 507 PRCHT INF REGT DURING THEIR INITIAL COMBAT EXPERIENCE AS A PART OF THE VETERAN 82nd Air DIV REACHED AND PROMPTLY TOOK ALL OBJECTIVES. THOUGH HANDICAPPED BY EXTENSIVE DISPERSAL DURING THE EARLY DAYS OF THE OPERATION AND HEAVY CASUALTIES, OUR REGT CARRIED OUT ALL ASSIGNMENTS AND FOR A PERIOD OF 36 DAYS CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO THE SUCCESS OF THE ENTIRE ALLIED LANDING OPERATION.

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RAFF
CO

W. Jarneff

