

Camp March Harw, Leicester, Leicestershire, England
ORGANIZATION Hq & Hq Co 2d Bn 401 Glider Inf.

RECORD OF EVENTS

1944: Company left airport at 0715. In France at 0910, arrived Etenville at 1000. Moved on to Carantilly, then on to La Fort, still no camp on to Graf De Post to the assembly area. Good, weather warm.

1944: Company left assembly area. Started crossing causeway at cleared two road crossings, pushed (over)

RECORD OF EVENTS (CONTINUED)

(9 June 44 cont'd) back once by strong counter attack. Reinforced by 120 men from 507th Parachute Infantry and retook the area. Set up a line to hold what we had. Morale good, weather clear.

12 June 1944: Company moved up to forward position. Usual camp duties.

14 June 1944: Company moved forward into Etenville, encountered strong enemy resistance. After pushing forward approximately 1500 yards were relieved by the 1st Battalion 325th Glider Infantry.

15 June 1944: Toward evening we passed thru the 1st Battalion 325th Glider Infantry to resume the attack. Pushed on to Cromille.

RECORD OF EVENTS

10 June 44: (France) 90th Div moved in, using our front line as their line of departure at 0530 to continue advance. En remained in same position. Morale good, weather clear. Still a few snipers in our area.

11 June 44: (France) Three Seabornes EM joined unit. Company withdrew to bivouac area 2500 yards from Anreville. Men clean up and rest. Morale good, weather warm.

(Over)

RECORD OF EVENTS (CONT'D)

12 June 44: (France) Rested in bivouac area. Reorganized and were resupplied. Morale good, weather clear.

RECORD OF EVENTS

16 June 44: Company moved into Reville. 1st and 2nd Bn moved on to St Savier La Vicorie. We set up outpost all along the river. Morale good, weather rain in the morning, clear in the afternoon.

17 June 44: Pulled in our outpost from river line as friendly troops had crossed river. Morale good, weather clear.

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18 June 44: Company moved back to Etenville (Over)

RECORD OF EVENTS (CONTINUED)

(18 June 44 cont'd) area in vicinity of Etenville at 0400. Stayed there until 2330. Then started on way to cross causeway over Douve River south of Etenville.

19 June 44: Company crossed causeway at 0400 under mild artillery fire. Moved on to objective under heavy fighting. Reached final objective at 0430.

20 June 44: Company remained in defensive position. Some artillery fire and ambush patrols thru day. Weather clear, morale fair.

21 June 44: Company remained in position. 60mm mortars fired concentrations every hour and when called on sent out a patrol. Got pinned down and couldn't accomplish mission. Weather warm, morale fair.

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22 June 44: Men clean up and improve defenses. Change of clothes was given all men. Weather warm, morale good.

23 June 44: Improving positions. Arrangements were made so men could clean up. Weather warm, morale good.

24 June 44: Keep improving positions. Sent out patrols. Weather warm, morale good.

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25 June 44: Keep improving positions. Friendly and enemy artillery fire throughout day.

26 June 44: Keep improving positions. Fired mortars at enemy concentrations for half an hour. Morale good, weather rain.

(Over)

RECORD OF EVENTS (CONT'D)

27 June 44: Improved positions. Enemy and friendly artillery and mortar fire throughout day. Morale good, weather warm.

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28 June 44: Improving positions, friendly and enemy artillery and mortar fire throughout day.

(Over)

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30 June 44: Company carried on usual defensive duties.

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1 July 44: Company engaged in usual defensive duties. Friendly and enemy artillery and mortar fire throughout day. Weather rain, morale good.

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2 July 1944: Usual defensive duties, weather clear, morale fair.

(Over)

RECORD OF EVENTS (CONTINUED)

3 July 1944: Left defensive position to resume attack S.W. at 0530. In Regimental reserve moved up to Faudner, where the company was committed to protect the left flank. Weather rain, morale fair.

4 July 1944: Pushed on at 0730 thru the 2nd Battalion attacking south. Push on passed La Poterie, met heavy resistance and artillery fire. Weather warm, morale fair.

5 July 1944: Push on to forward slope of high ground overlooking Lithaire. Heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. Weather warm, morale good.

RECORD OF EVENTS

6 July 44: Remained holding our lines, while 90th Div started moving across our front. Enemy and friendly artillery and mortars firing all day. Weather warm, morale good.

7 July 44: Pulled out of positions at 1100, after 90th Div passed in front of us. Returned to rear about one mile as Division reserve.

8 July 44: Remained in Division reserve, morale good, weather warm.

9 July 44: (France) Remained in Division Reserve area. Church services were held. Men took showers. Weather rain, morale good.

10 July 44: (France) Company remained in same area. Weather rain, morale good.

RECORD OF EVENTS

14 July 44: Company returned from Airborne Mission in France.

COMPANY MORNING REPORT

EX-109 14 July
Camp March Harw, Leicester, Leicestershire, England

ORGANIZATION Hq & Hq Co 2d Bn 401 Glider Inf.

COMPANY
MORNING REPORT EX-102 16 June 1944
Camp March Hare
STATION Leicester, Leicestershire, England
ORGANIZATION Co. "B" 401st Gl. Inf. Inf.
CO. REG. FILE PARENT UNIT TYPE OF SERVICE

RECORD OF EVENTS

Company left Hootery Field by gliders
at 0647 7 June 1944 and landed near
Blancville, France about 0950 7 June 44.
Weather Fair, Morale Good.
8 June 1944 Company holding position at
Chet Du Font, engaged small enemy patrols
and snipers, weather fair, morale good.

RECORD OF EVENTS

9 June 44 company left assembly area at 1030
crossed bridge and causway over Marckevik
River at 1045. Under heavy mortar and auto-
matic fire. Casualties heavy. Took high
ground west of town. Moved forward in attack
500 yds at 2000. 16 June 44 launched attack
at 1000 to secure line of departure for
advance toward St. Saviour. Subjected to heavy
mortar fire. Heavy resistance better at each
hazardous. Secured line at 1600.

RECORD OF EVENTS

10 June 44 Company occupied defensive position
in vicinity of La Motey, no activity.
11 June 44 Company occupied defensive position
moved to assembly area near Picauville at
about 1500
12 June 44 Company rested in assembly area in
vicinity of Picauville

RECORD OF EVENTS

13 June 44 Company moved fr assembly area
to Battalion assembly area near Etienville.
15 June 1944 company passed through 1st
Bn at 1500 to continue attack toward
St. Saviour. Unopposed as far as
Grosville. Hit on flank by enemy force.
Drove them off and continued to Houville.

RECORD OF EVENTS

16 June company left Houville at 1700, out-
routed river line along Douve River fr Gros-
ville to St. Saviour La Vicomte at 1800.
17 June company moved to assembly area near
Etienville. 18 June company moved fr assembly
area near Etienville at 2315.

RECORD OF EVENTS

19 June 44 Company crossed causway south of
Etienville at 0100, attacked to Southwest,
secured objective at 1800. Set up defensive
position. 20 June co
reestablished defensive position near La
21 June company moved fr defensive
position near La Poterie to assembly area
position. 22 June 44 company moved from
assembly area to defensive position as
Regimental reserve. 24 June 44 company
reestablished defensive position.

RECORD OF EVENTS

Company held Defensive position on 26 June
and 27 June 1944.

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28 June company continued to improve
defensive position.
29 June Sgt. Dunn, PFC Anderson PFC
Draig returned 0600 fr reconnaissance patrol
48 hours inside enemy positions.

RECORD OF EVENTS

1 July 44 company improving and holding
defensive position.

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2 July 44 co remained in defensive position.
3 July 44 co moved out in attack of LaPorterie
as left assault co. Crossed LD at 0800 reached
objective at 1100. Organized defensive position

RECORD OF EVENTS

3 July 44 Co. left defensive position at
0500 for assembly area. Went into attack
of reg't 1 objective as reg't 1 reserve,
crossed LD at 0630. Spent night in Bn
assembly area near Fandair. Sent out
reconnaissance patrols during the night.
5 July 44. Company repelled enemy counter-
attack at about 0530, reestablished line &
attacked 300 yds to south. Reached objec-
tive and organized defensive position on high
ridge south of La Porterie.
6 July 44 Co. improved defensive position
on ridge near La Porterie
7 July 44. Co. left defensive position at
1130, marched to Reg't 1 assembly area 2 mi.
north of La Porterie. 8 July 44 Company
remained in assembly area.

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9 July 44 Company in Reg't 1 assembly area.
10 July 44 Company remained in Reg't 1
assembly area.

RECORD OF EVENTS

12 July 44 Co. left Reg't assembly area at
2015 arrived assembly area at Utah Beach
at 2145.
13 July 44 Co. left assembly area at 1015
boarded LST 208 at 1145.
14 July 44 Co. debarked 1630 at South
hampton, boarded train at 1740 arrived in
Leicester, Leicestershire, England at 2330,
arrived at Scrattoft by truck at 0030.

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MORNING REPORT EX-102 17 July 1944
Camp March Hare
STATION Leicester, Leicestershire, England
ORGANIZATION Co. "B" 401st Gl. Inf. Inf.
CO. REG. FILE PARENT UNIT TYPE OF SERVICE

REPORT ^{FORM 23} June 23 June 1944
March Base, Leffestery,
Westershire, England

Co 257 401st Glider Inf. Inf.

RECORD OF EVENTS

Airborne part of Co left England
0700 7 Jun 44 by Glider. Arrived
in France 0900 7 Jun 44. Seaborne
part of Co left England 6 Jun 44.
Arrived in France 6 Jun 44.
Completed Special Mission and
joined rest of Co 9 Jun 44.
Company on subsequent mission in
France.

RECORD OF EVENTS

7 Jun 44 after landing near
Boutteville, France the Co moved
to Euvrille. Co participated in
Bn's capture of Caroubet and
La Fert. At 1800 Co moved to a
defensive position in Regt II area
near Chef de Font. 8 Jun 44 Co
remained in defensive position.
9 Jun 44 Co moved to assembly
area 358th Gl. Inf's attack & crossing
of the Verdun River at coord 31.5
95.6 W of France-1-25000 St. Vercy
Eglise sheet 431/18 NE. Co played
important part in drive which took
them to the intersection of roads
at coord 29.8-96.2. Established
a defensive position.

RECORD OF EVENTS

14 Jun 44 Bn with G Co leading
E & F behind, attacked Euvrille
relieving 358th Inf Regt. Co F
relieved Co G and by nightfall
the position was secured. Cur Bn
was then relieved by 1st & 2d Bns.
15 Jun 44 Cur Bn relieved 1st Bn
at 1300 in drive along improved
road at coord 21.8-94.6. Co F was
guarding right flank. Reached
Crossville at 2200. Co was supposed
to proceed to Raville but contact
was lost by the rear of Co B so
the night was spent in a driving
rain at Crossville. No rations
were had the entire day.

RECORD OF EVENTS

16 Jun 44 Co moved from Crossville
to Raville where 1st Bn was
contacted. At 1800 Co moved out to
outpost the Douve River. Night was
unsuccessful but men were without
rations or blankets. 17 Jun 44 Co
withdrew outposts and moved to
assembly area at coord 21.4-94.6
arrived at 1800 hrs. Co with Bn
left area 0500 17 Jun 44 by truck.
Arrived at area coord 28.2-92.8
at 0600. Co was permitted to rest,
received first mail since invasion.

RECORD OF EVENTS

Co left area at 2330 18 Jun 44 and
moved to Bienville where Bn was to
cross the Douve River. Crossed at
0330 hrs 19 Jun 44. Co advanced to
a line coord 259-855, W of France
1-25,000 Carentan sheet 431/18 SE.
Co resumed attack at 0530 hrs
20 Jun 44 and advanced to a line
coord 258-891 where we were stopped
by heavy automatic fire. Co was
relieved by A & B Co at 2230 hrs.
Co F withdrew to Bn reserve. Co
relieved Co G on the line at 2000
hrs 21 Jun 44. 0330 22 Jun 44 Co
moved to a position in Regt I reserve
occupying previously dug emplacement.
Men were issued new O.D. clothes.

RECORD OF EVENTS

23 Jun 44 Co spent the day slightly
altering, digging and bettering
their positions. Co received 2d
mail since invasion.

RECORD OF EVENTS

24 Jun 44 Co remained in defensive
position in Regt I Reserve, spent day
bettering positions. A combat patrol
of 11 men under 1/Sgt Urschel was
sent out to capture some enemy and
inflict casualties. Patrol returned
without casualties having killed 3
enemy and capturing 1, 23, 26 and

27 Jun 44 Co spent resting and
improving their positions. There was
frequent artillery and mortar
shelling from both sides. A 3 man
recon patrol under 3/Sgt Harris
was sent out at 2300 hrs 26 Jun 44.
Returned intact at 0730 hrs 27 Jun
44. Co remained in defensive position
27 Jun 44.

RECORD OF EVENTS

Sgt Sparks with 2 M left at 2320
hrs 27 Jun 44 as part of Combat
Patrol, returned intact at 0815 hrs
28 Jun 44. Co remained in defensive
position. A Combat Patrol of 11 M
under 7/Sgt Urschel left out lines
at 1045 29 Jun 44 and returned at
1300 hrs. They encountered no enemy
beyond a small village and gained
entrance to a church where they were
able to observe more enemy territory
from the steeple. Reported no
activity. Co remained in defensive
position. 30 Jun 44 received more
mail.

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1 Jul 44 & 2 Jul 44 the Co remained
in defensive position. 2 Jul 44 a
recon patrol of 5 M under 3/Sgt
Grigg left at 1330 hrs, returned
intact at 1545 hrs. 3 Jul 44 our
Bn in reserve for 325th Gl. Inf
moved out in the attack. I.D. extend
from coord 258-892 to 243-894. Heavy
concentration of artillery was fired
on enemy preparatory to the attack.
Some anti personal mines were en-
countered. At 1200 hrs our Bn was
given mission protecting left flank.
Co F & E took position facing east.

RECORD OF EVENTS CONT'D

Co encountered enemy resistance and
took 7 prisoners 3 of which were
wounded. Co moved from this position
at 2330 hrs. 4 Jul 44 the Bn arrived
at assembly area at 0030 hrs and dug in.
At 0730 Bn relieved 2nd Bn in
the attack. Heavy resistance with
mortar and artillery held up Co for
approx 2 hrs. A 6 man patrol was sent
out to flank and knock out enemy
position so Co could move on to the
road at coord 216-856. Co F captured
9 prisoners.

RECORD OF EVENTS

5 Jul 44 At 0515 hrs the enemy attacked
our left flank causing them to
withdraw also causing some casualties
and capturing PFC Crabtree. Va for
Vernon led a patrol of 4 M around the
enemy's rear and help route them with
hand grenades. At 1400 hrs Bn attacked
with Co F on right and reached their
objective. Co F line extended fr coord
221-853 to 216-850. Co took defensive
position and harassed the enemy with
mortar fire. Co remained on alert all
night. 2 prisoners were taken. Co
remained in defensive position 6 Jul 44.
PFC Crabtree escaped from enemy and
joined Co. 7 Jul 44 a driving rain
was sleeping in open slit trenches
disposable. At 1100 hrs Co with Bn
moved from its position to an area

RECORD OF EVENTS CONT'D

coord 221-874. Arrived at approx
1430 hrs where the Co dug in. The
rain had a chance to abate and clear
up. The morale of the men was
excellent despite the last 4 days
of engaging the enemy. Co remained
in defensive position the 8th and 9th
of Jul 44. Co embarked for England
12 Jul 44, disembarked at South
Hampton, Eng. at 1530 hrs 13 Jul 44.
Boarded train at 1745 hrs, arrived
at Leicester at 2330 hrs. Upon
unloading they were greeted by the
Band and American Red Cross who
served coffee and doughnuts. 14 Jul
44 Co spent day getting located in
base camp and cleaning up. 15 Jul 44
usual camp duties.

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MORNING REPORT ¹⁹⁴⁴ 16 June 1944
Camp March Base
STATION Leicester, Leicestershire, England
ORGANIZATION Co "G" 101st Glider Infantry Inf.

RECORD OF EVENTS

7 June 44 | 0645 Flew in gliders from Uxottery Field, England, landed near Font du Pont, France about 0850. Weather fair.
13 June 44 | Marched from assembly area near Picaucville to assembly area northwest of Stienville, France. Weather fair.
14 June 44 | Left assembly area northwest of Stienville. Attacked and took high ground, continued the attack west along the Douve River.
15 June 44 | Continued attack west along Douve River through Grosville and Rauville, France.

RECORD OF EVENTS

1 June 1944. In defense rear Chef du Pont, France. Weather fair.
9 June 1944. Left assembly area 0800, crossed causeway 1030, cleared road junction and set up defense. Pushed back by counter-attack, reinforced by 507th Pchnt Inf and took area back. Weather clear.

RECORD OF EVENTS

10 June/44 | En. remained in defense position. 30th Div moved through our defense to continue the advance. Weather clear, morale good.
11 June/44 | Left defense position and went into assembly area near Picaucville, France. Weather clear.
12 June/44 | Stayed in Assembly area near Picaucville, France. Weather clear, morale good. 10 July/44 Still in Corps reserve. Weather Rainy, Morale Fair.

RECORD OF EVENTS

16 June 1944 -- Continued the attack and seized the high ground near St. Sauveur La Monts, France. Filled by in Bn Reserve to furnish support to companies which outpost the Douve River.
17 June 1944 -- In Bn Reserve near Rauville, France. Weather clear, morale good.
18 June 1944 -- Still in assembly near Stienville, France. Weather clear, morale good.
19 June 1944 -- Moved fr assembly area to Stienville, France, crossed causeway and began attack southwest. Weather clear, morale fair.
20 June 1944 -- Moved into defense position from the attack. Morale fair, weather cloudy.
21 June 1944 -- Moved from defense position to front lines, relieved by 2d Bn Co "E", to Bn reserve assembly area. Weather clear, morale poor.
22 June 1944 -- thru 25 June 1944 -- Still in Bn reserve defense. Weather clear, morale fair.
26 June 1944 -- Still in Bn reserve defense. Weather rainy, morale fair.
27 June 1944 -- Still in Bn reserve defense. Weather clear, morale fair.

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RECORD OF EVENTS

28 June thru 30 June 1944. Still in Battalion reserve defense. Weather clear. Morale fair.

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1 July/44 | Still in Bn reserve defense. Weather cloudy and rainy, morale fair.

RECORD OF EVENTS

2 July/44 | Still in Bn Reserve defense, weather clear, morale fair.
3 July/44 | Moved fr Bn defense to assembly. (Continued on reverse side)

RECORD OF EVENTS, 3 July/44 Continued.

Moved from assembly area at 0630, following in Bn Reserve.
4 July/44. Still in Bn. Reserve defense. Weather clear, morale fair.
5 July/44. Move from Bn Reserve defense to Bn Front Line defense, weather clear, morale poor.

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RECORD OF EVENTS

6 July/44 | Still in Battalion defense, weather clear, morale fair.
7 July/44 | Move from Battalion defense to Division Assembly Area, weather clear, morale high.

RECORD OF EVENTS

12 July/44 | Left Corps assembly area at 1000 for Utah beach, arrived Utah beach 1115, +V loaded on LST for Southampton at 1130, left Utah Beach at 1815. Weather clear, morale high.

COMPANY

MORNING REPORT ¹⁹⁴⁴ 16 July 1944
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STATION Leicester, Leicestershire, England
ORGANIZATION Co "G" 101st Glider Inf., Inf.