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ROY E. LINDQUIST
COLONEL INFANTRY COMMANDING OFFICER

FOREWORD

Today the regiment is three years old. Its life has not been long in terms of years, but filled with accomplishments: at Camp Blanding, Fort Benning, Camp Mackall, Tennessee, Ireland, England, Normandy, Holland, Belgium, and now Germany. These have been years of continuous outstanding accomplishment in all fields of military action, garrison and combat.

On October 20, 1942 this regiment was activated for one purpose, to build up a fighting unit, and then to fight to help to defeat the Axis armies in battle. That has been done and done magnificently. The history of this regiment is one of glorious achievements of which we and those who follow us can be justly proud.

The successes and accomplishments of the regiment have not been without the cost that war imposes on all fighting units. The courage, honor and sacrifice of those members of the regiment now carried on our Honor Roll brought us to victory. The finest heroes are those who still remain in Normandy, and Holland, and Belgium. Their memory we keep with us in reverence and in honor as a constant inspiration for the future, in civilian or in military life, to keep the peace for which we have fought and they have died.

As we face our peacetime duties now, we cannot rest on the laurels of war. This I know every member of the regiment realizes, for you have demonstrated it in your performance of duty since V-E day. Many old members have left and are still to leave the regiment to return to their civilian duties. To them I say, 'Good luck, and my sincere thanks and appreciation for your superb contribution in finishing the task set for us three years ago!'

To the men who arrive now to replace those who have gone, I and the regiment extend a hearty welcome. You can be proud of the history of the regiment, now your regiment. It is your obligation and responsibility to write the succeeding chapters in the same magnificent way. No one doubts the manner in which you will carry on.

Ray C. Lindquist



SONJA HENIE HONORARY COLONEL
10th PARACHUTE INFANTRY

ORGANIZATION DAY PROGRAM

10:30-11:00 THIRD BATTALION PARADE

- a) All members of the regiment and their military guests.
- b) Award of Plaque to NCO Club.
- c) Commanding Officer's address to group.

11:00-14:00 OPEN HOUSE

Regimental area open to all members of the regiment and their military guests.

12:00 DINNER (with music)

All members of the regiment and their military guests.

14:00 FOOTBALL GAME

50th vs MIS Oberursel played at Frankfurt Athletic Field.

17:00 EVENING MEAL (with music)

All members of the regiment and their military guests.

18:30-20:30 USO SHOW

18:30-20:30 MOVIE AT REGIMENTAL THEATER

19:00 REGIMENTAL HOPS: AT:

- a) EM Club.
- b) NCO Club.
- c) Officers Club.



REGIMENTAL STAFF, 40915 PARACHUTE INFANTRY

Colonel Roy E. Lindquist, Commanding

1st Lt. Robert J. Tibbo, 5-1; Capt. Walter H. Silver, 5-2; Capt. Walter L. Wakefield, 5-3; Capt. George E. Miles, 5-4

H O N O R

NORMANDY, FRANCE

Abbott, Edgar E. 1st Lt.
 Ardell, Herbert F. Lt. Col.
 Bell, Bruce E. 1st Lt.
 Breen, John A. Capt.
 Cook, Mack G. 2nd Lt.
 Cooney, Hal M. Capt.
 Czapinski, Edward J. 2nd Lt.
 Daly, John J. 1st Lt.
 Davis, George C. 1st Lt.
 Flansburg, Francis E. Capt.
 Gillespie, Fred E. 1st Lt.
 Grubbe, Victor 1st Lt.
 Hamilton, Elbert F. 2nd Lt.
 Harvey, Wayne K. Capt.
 Higgins, Robert D. 1st Lt.
 Jampetere, John J. 1st Lt.
 Johnston, Donald J. 1st Lt.
 King, Edward F. Capt.
 Lehman, Paul E. 2nd Lt.
 Lehman, Robert W. 2nd Lt.
 Maternowski, I. F. Capt.
 Mumford, Robert F. 1st Lt.
 Mendenhall, Ben J. 2nd Lt.
 Murray, Roy W. 1st Lt.
 Quaid, John A. 1st Lt.
 Ruddy, Gerald A. Capt.
 Schwartz, Herbert J. 1st Lt.
 Sudder, William S. 2nd Lt.
 Stankov, Joseph J. 1st Lt.
 Stovitch, Eugene H. 1st Lt.
 Sheehan, Vincent L. 2nd Lt.
 Slocum, George W. Capt.
 Smith, Talbot A. 1st Lt.
 Soss, Arthur F. 2nd Lt.
 Stull, Elmer E. 2nd Lt.
 Williams, Gene H. 2nd Lt.

Enbjak, Andrew Pvt.
 Blair, Charles E. Pvt.
 Baldwin, Charles E. Cpl.
 Basile, Seraphia J. Pvt.
 Bateman, James D. Pvt.
 Bertine, Nicholas V. Pvt.
 Baysinger, Sylvester J. 1st Sgt.
 Beers, Donald E. 1st Sgt.
 Bolin, Raymond C. Pvt.
 Bolonkows, Arthur F. Pvt.
 Bennett, Frank A. Pvt.
 Benson, Robert W. Pvt.
 Benton, Dan E. Pvt.
 Billings, Owen W. Pvt.
 Braw, Steve Pvt.
 Ellerman, Edward Pvt.
 Blackman, Ben D. Pvt.
 Balin, Raymond H. Pvt.
 Barzain, Thomas E. Pvt.
 Bowen, Francis H. Pvt.
 Brand, Robert S. 1st Sgt.
 Brewer, Forrest V. Pvt.
 Brown, Charles H. Pvt.
 Brown, Robert G. Cpl.
 Bryant, Elmer T. Pvt.
 Buckman, Bill C. Pvt.
 Bundy, Joe 1st Sgt.
 Burns, Paul J. Pvt.
 Buscher, William H. Pvt.
 Butler, Charles E. Pvt.
 Byrne, Joseph A. Pvt.
 Carpenter, Alva L. Sgt.
 Carpenter, Edwin F. Pvt.
 Carriere, Raymond Pvt.
 Carroll, John E. Pvt.
 Chamberlin, John E. Pvt.
 Chaney, Lloyd W. Cpl.
 Chipman, Roy Pvt.
 Chubb, George L. Pvt.

Coffman, Lloyd O. Pvt.
 Conrad, Raymond L. 1st Sgt.
 Cook, Homer Cpl.
 Cropper, Ewell T. Pvt.
 Cornelius, Donald Pvt.
 Couch, Wayne E. Pvt.
 Cross, Thomas G. Sgt.
 Croston, Ross A. Pvt.
 Crossin, Robert E. Pvt.
 Crutcher, Douglas E. Pvt.
 Daly, Murray E. Pvt.
 Damico, Pat. Pvt.
 Deam, John A. Pvt.
 DeBeer, Edwin Pvt.
 Deem, Harry B. Pvt.
 DeLoach, Bryant C. Pvt.
 DePaolis Jr., Columbo Sgt.
 DeVoy, Cyril K. Pvt.
 Dronger, Arthur F. Cpl.
 Driscoll, John J. Pvt.
 Dutton, Clifton S. Pvt.
 Edman, Richard E. Sgt.
 Elfrid, James H. Sgt.
 Evert, John P. Pvt.
 Fabus, Raymond S. Pvt.
 Farmer, William H. Sgt.
 Fatsley, Glenn A. Pvt.
 Field, Edward K. Pvt.
 Fitch, Edward J. Pvt.
 Foster, Kenneth D. Pvt.
 Gainer, Virgil Pvt.
 Gardner, Emory G. Pvt.
 Garcia, Francisco Pvt.
 Gurdus, Emory W. Pvt.
 George, Maurice T. Pvt.
 Gerald, Robert S. 1st Sgt.
 Grace, Bennett M. Pvt.
 Green, Camer Pvt.
 Grissom, Max J. Pvt.
 Guilt, William O. Pvt.
 Gunter, Jack. Cpl.
 Gutman, William Sgt.
 Hall, Jr., James W. 1st Sgt.
 Hanelson, Walter W. Pvt.
 Harrold, Joseph J. Sgt.
 Hays, William E. Pvt.
 Hatrick, James E. Pvt.
 Hays, Albert L. Pvt.
 Helton, Delbert A. Sgt.
 Higgins, Harry S. Sgt.
 Hill, Merton W. Pvt.
 Hillman, Albert E. Pvt.
 Hogbin, Randall W. Pvt.
 Housh, Jettie Pvt.
 Hritsko, Andrew H. 1st Sgt.
 Huet, Earl F. Pvt.
 Hyatt, Morris E. Pvt.
 John, Robert F. Pvt.
 Jones, Carl W. Pvt.
 Jones, James C. Pvt.
 Joyce, Herman L. Pvt.
 Johnson, Clifford E. Pvt.
 Judelind, John J. Sgt.
 Jurek, Charles W. Pvt.
 Kellom, Jesse M. Cpl.
 Kinross, Glenn E. Pvt.
 King, Ernest J. Cpl.
 Kirsch, James Pvt.
 Karsen, William Pvt.
 Kotiel, David E. 1st Sgt.
 Kowalski, Richard S. Pvt.
 Labate, Augustus D. Pvt.
 Lancaster, Eugene C. Pvt.
 Lane, John E. Pvt.
 Lantry, Charles T. Pvt.
 Lapham, Drville W. Pvt.
 Lapham, Harold E. Pvt.
 Lettner, Lewis W. Cpl.

Laurell, Louis J. Cpl.
 Layan Jr., Lewis W. Pvt.
 Lazarus, Joseph C. 1st Sgt.
 Licholitzky, Marlow I. Pvt.
 Sims, Francis J. Pvt.
 Smith, John T. Pvt.
 Smith, Millard R. Pvt.
 Smith, Paul D. Pvt.
 Smith, Richard W. 1st Sgt.
 Slocum, Lawrence J. 1st Sgt.
 Slocum, Adam E. Pvt.
 Slocum, James F. Pvt.
 Stauffer, James E. Pvt.
 Stadler, Maurice J. Pvt.
 Stout, Travis W. Pvt.
 Stull, Robert L. Cpl.
 Swedman, Theodora G. Pvt.
 Swan, Charles R. Pvt.
 Tamm, Richard G. Pvt.
 Taylor, Lawrence A. Pvt.
 Tichen, Martin J. Pvt.
 Tiller, Charles S. Pvt.
 Tichone, Roland E. Pvt.
 Tink, Werner C. Pvt.
 Tooley, Albert D. Pvt.
 Tooley, Ralph Pvt.
 Torpie, William J. 1st Sgt.
 Trammell, William S. Pvt.
 Trumbull, Frank A. Pvt.
 Tuzzillo, Conchita J. Pvt.
 Turner, Walter V. Pvt.
 Ulrich, William L. 1st Sgt.
 Unger, Robert E. Pvt.
 Urbanski, John W. Pvt.
 Yarden, Arthur L. 1st Sgt.
 Walling, Donald E. Pvt.
 Weaver, Robert H. Pvt.
 Webster, Allan H. Pvt.
 Wenzel, Marcel A. 1st Sgt.
 Wilber, Harold Pvt.
 Williams, Earl D. 1st Sgt.
 Williamson, John H. 1st Sgt.
 Wilson, Earl T. Pvt.
 Winger, Paul H. Pvt.
 Wisner, Donald W. Pvt.
 Wisler, Herbert S. Pvt.
 Wood, Donald J. Pvt.
 Woods, Peter F. Pvt.
 Wycoff, Albert M. Pvt.
 Wysocki, Joseph B. Pvt.
 Yankovic, John A. Pvt.
 Yoon, Donald Pvt.
 Yant, J. Francis J. Sgt.
 Zelinsky, Bernard J. Sgt.
 Zervos, Thomas Pvt.
 Zimmerman, Harry E. Pvt.
 Zivardo, Benjamin J. Pvt.
 Lily, Gordon M. Sgt.
 Lindsey, John E. Pvt.
 Lockaby, Gordon J. W. Pvt.
 Lockwood, William Pvt.
 Lokan, Herbert F. Pvt.
 Lott, Thomas L. Pvt.
 Ludwig, William T. Pvt.
 Lut, Alex M. Pvt.
 Lysch, Nick. Pvt.
 Lyon, Myron L. Pvt.
 MacDonald, Fred G. Pvt.
 Malone, Edna A. Pvt.
 Maloney, William F. Cpl.
 Manfredi, Joseph W. Pvt.
 Manget, LeGrande T. Pvt.
 Martin, Arnold H. Pvt.
 Martin, Robert E. Pvt.
 Matheson, Walter H. Pvt.
 Matthews, Arthur F. Cpl.
 Matthews, Marion E. Pvt.
 Matyskella, Donald F. Pvt.

McCann, Basil G. Pvt.
 McCoy, Robert E. Pvt.
 McCully, Wade Pvt.
 McGary, Charles E. Pvt.
 McGuire, John J. Pvt.
 McKee, Roy A. Pvt.
 McKnight, William T. Pvt.
 Meade, Luther S. Pvt.
 Medford Jr., William A. Sgt.
 Melby, Carl E. Pvt.
 Merris, Elmer Pvt.
 Melius, Julius Pvt.
 Montgomery, Robert L. Sgt.
 Moore Jr., Clyde E. Pvt.
 Moore, George M. 1st Sgt.
 Morris, Covert J. Pvt.
 Morris, Elwood Pvt.
 Moyer, Frank W. Pvt.
 Moxon, Melbie A. Sgt.
 Mueseler, William H. Pvt.
 Murray, James J. Pvt.
 Murray, Maynard F. Pvt.
 Myers, James L. Sgt.
 Neuhay, Joseph G. C. Pvt.
 Nash, Thomas W. Pvt.
 Newton, Fred W. Pvt.
 Nicholson, Ralph W. Pvt.
 Nizicki, Frank J. 1st Sgt.
 Niemiec, Francis E. Pvt.
 Norkunas, Anthony J. 1st Sgt.
 Oann, James M. Pvt.
 Oann, Paul E. Pvt.
 Oshott, Edward C. Pvt.
 Pavlik, John Pvt.
 Pawlings, Henry S. Pvt.
 Pence, Marice L. Pvt.
 Perrone, James P. 1st Sgt.
 Peterson, Everett J. Pvt.
 Peterson, James Pvt.
 Petros, George Cpl.
 Piant, William A. Pvt.
 Pierson, Billie J. Sgt.
 Plicker, Rudi C. Pvt.
 Polansky, Edward Pvt.
 Potts, James V. Pvt.
 Prewett, Herman M. Pvt.
 Renobauer, Howard E. Pvt.
 Replagin, Gerald B. Cpl.
 Riccilli, Frank J. Pvt.
 Richardson, Carleton F. Pvt.
 Elias, Johannes M. Pvt.
 Roberts, Gladwin E. Pvt.
 Roberts, Harold E. 1st Sgt.
 Kallins, Douglas C. Pvt.
 Rosenbath, Ned D. Pvt.
 Ryan, John E. Pvt.
 Ryan, Steve L. Pvt.
 Saccos, Thomas F. Pvt.
 Sawdson, Edgar T. 1st Sgt.
 Schaeffler, Robert J. Sgt.
 Schweitzer, Harry W. Pvt.
 Schlab, Donald E. Pvt.
 Schreyer, LeRoy M. Pvt.
 Seaman, Edward E. Pvt.
 Straggins, Weldon O. Pvt.
 Semanik, Nicholas Pvt.
 Shiple, Eugene F. Pvt.
 Short, Wendell M. Cpl.
 Shewalter, Elmer W. Pvt.
 Sims, Arnold J. Pvt.
 Arico, Anthony Pvt.
 Baker, Sherman L. Pvt.
 Bartholomew, Elmer E. 1st Sgt.
 Brogan, Harold J. 1st Sgt.
 Chambers, Jack M. Pvt.
 Coan, Raymond J. Pvt.
 Dixon, Jack S. 1st Sgt.
 Greens, Chester J. Pvt.

R R O L L

Henry, David A. S/Sgt
 Jirinec, Francis M. Pvt
 Loomis, Hollis Pfc
 Mello, Henry Pfc
 Muller, David F. Pfc
 Morgan, Robert A. Pvt
 Nossamy, Edward Pfc
 Pock, Sam F. Cpl
 Poole, Colbert C. Pvt
 Ramess, Victor Pvt
 Ratterman, Fred C. Pfc
 Shelar, Thomas H. Pvt
 Sprinkle, Jack L. Pvt
 Van Eiper Jr., Hugh Pvt
 Wheeler, Jack E. Pfc
 Wajers, Glen W. Pfc
 McCoy, Walter J. Pvt
 Mundy, Craig L. Pfc
 Mackey, Frank E. Pvt
 McCombs, John Pvt
 Shaw, Harry W. Tec 5
 Youngblood, Claude M. Pvt

HOLLAND

Duffy, Joseph M. 2nd Lt.
 Alexander, Boyd A. 2nd Lt.
 Cain, Charles E. 2nd Lt.
 Covey, Kenneth A. 1st Lt.
 DeWesse, Ralph E. 1st Lt.
 Garry, William J. 1st Lt.
 Humphrey, Freder. G. 2nd Lt.
 Jatro, George 1st Lt.
 King, Edward M. 1st Lt.
 Lange, Arthur E. 2nd Lt.
 Merritt, Thomas J. 2nd Lt.
 Morris, Duane W. 2nd Lt.
 Pulverman, William E. 2nd Lt.
 Tinker Jr., John S. 2nd Lt.
 Duke Jr., James P. 2nd Lt.
 Mitchell, Robert M. 1st Lt.
 Adams, Donald R. Tec 5
 Aiken, Hugh J. Cpl
 Alfonso, Julet Pfc
 Aivo, Fidel Pvt
 Alvarez, Manuel L. Pvt
 Anderson, Eugene E. Pvt
 Apodaca, Juan O. Pvt
 Albertson, Roger L. Cpl
 Allien, Sherman E. Pvt
 Sacher, Willard Pfc
 Suran, George E. Pfc
 Boyne, Walter S. Pfc
 Bazzolis, Andrew F. Pvt
 Schneider, Walter J. Pvt
 Benson, Kenneth O. Sgt
 Bergstrom, Carl W. Pfc
 Bledsoe, Cecil W. Pvt
 Bullis, Rudolph E. Sgt
 Buller, Sherwood H. Cpl
 Butz, William M. Pvt
 Brightman, Gerald Pfc
 Brown, Edward B. Pvt
 Brunck, Robert C. Pvt
 Burleson, Joe W. Pvt
 Byrns, David F. Pvt
 Cebic, James F. Pvt
 Cassidy, Cecil W. Cpl
 Cavlovic, Edward M. Pvt
 Childs, James A. Pfc
 Christman, Edward T. Tec 4
 Ciocky, Harry B. Pvt
 Colow, Richard P. Sgt
 Coltrin, Walter L. Pfc
 Coma, Keybold Tec 4
 Crendell, Fay J. Pfc
 Davis, Richard R. Pvt
 Davis, Willard H. Pvt

Deaver, Clyde Pfc
 Dennison, Ross Pvt
 Dikson, Walter Pvt
 Ellerbach, Herbert W. Pvt
 Everitt, Edward M. Pvt
 Fisher, Clyde E. Pvt
 Foster, Emmanuel M. Tec 4
 Giacomelli, John V. Pvt
 Godwin, Donald J. Pfc
 Hacker, Charles H. Pvt
 Hajek Jr., Charles J. Pfc
 Halopoff, Martin E. Cpl
 Hartman, George E. Pfc
 Henderson, Alvin H. Sgt
 Hernandez, Joe F. Sgt
 Hess, John T. Pfc
 Hines, Cecil G. Pfc
 Holloway Jr., Benjamin Pvt
 Hughes, Garrett T. Pvt
 Jamieson, Dallas A. Pfc
 Johnson, Laverne G. Pvt
 Johnson, Malcolm N. Pvt
 Johnston, Ray M. Pfc
 Jones, Martin W. Pvt
 Karawan, Walter Pfc
 Kellogg, Rankin E. Tec 5
 Kurtz, Raymond C. Pfc
 Kurzakowski, William J. Pvt
 Kuznetsov, Daniel E. Pfc
 Laky Jr., Joseph L. Pvt
 Leon, Arthur F. Pfc
 Leonard, Theodore H. Pfc
 Lewis, Roy B. Cpl
 Matthews, Edward P. Pvt
 McPherson Jr., Graham Pvt
 Malvin, George E. Pvt
 Masmali, Julius F. Pvt
 Myers, Max. Pvt
 Nedra, Joseph Pfc
 Novakovsky, Walter G. Pfc
 Pardo, John P. Pfc
 Peterson, William L. Pfc
 Pierce Jr., V. G. Sgt
 Price, Mervyl D. Sgt
 Ramsey, Jackson T. Sgt
 Randall, Rudy Pfc
 Rendino, Joseph M. Pfc
 Repposky, Emory C. Pfc
 Richey, George L. Pvt
 Rickard, Patrick J. Pfc
 Rodriguez, John Pfc
 Rogan, Charles J. Pfc
 Rogers, Charles H. Tec 5
 Schena, Michael Pvt
 Shea, Edward T. Pfc
 Sherwood, Robert Z. Pvt
 Shindler, Jean P. Pvt
 Sides, Curtis B. Sgt
 Sidley Jr., James H. Sgt
 Siniart, Lambert C. Pvt
 Singer, Paul B. Tec 5
 Smith, Wade Pfc
 Spivey, Rex W. Sgt
 Sprague, Jr., Edgar P. Pvt
 Stabegi, John Pfc
 Stevens, Stanley E. Sgt
 Stocker, John T. S/Sgt
 Taylor, Harold F. Pfc
 Thiel, Maurice H. Pvt
 Thomas, Richard H. Cpl
 Trybulowski, Edward S/Sgt
 Tuttle, Charles E. Pvt
 Twilley, John F. Pvt
 Upton, Bennie S. Pvt
 Wade, Henry E. Pfc
 Weaver, Donald C. Pfc
 Wellock, Arthur J. Pvt
 Wilson, Donald A. Pvt

Wilson, Raymond H. Pvt
 Wolcott, Jack F. Pvt
 Woods, William F. Pfc
 Anbul, Charles E. Pvt
 Becker, Warren W. Sgt
 Castro, Silvestre P. Pvt
 Gienger, Theodore H. Pfc
 Havens, Victory F. Pvt
 Lypton, Walter E. Cpl
 Mason, Henry J. Pfc
 Modzell, Walter A. Pfc
 Ortega, Paul L. Pvt
 Parsons, Jodie L. Pvt
 Rhoads, Harry M. Pfc
 Smith, Robert L. Pvt
 Van Horn, Earl Pfc

Radich, Joseph E. Pvt
 Reed, Percy S. Pvt
 Rezzo Jr., Anthony Pfc
 Rhodes II., John A. Pvt
 Roberts, Harold H. Pfc
 Robertson, Bedford Pvt
 Roush, Keith E. Pvt
 Scott Jr., Otto L. Pvt
 Sodem, Wendell E. Pvt
 Smith, Ora C. Pfc
 Srednicki, James P. Tec 5
 Steele, Clarence A. Pvt
 Swanson, Roger A. Pvt
 Talski, Steve Pfc
 Tomaszaki, John A. Pvt
 Van Winkle, Hugh Pfc
 Wall, Dallas L. Pvt
 Wardenki, Henry L. Pvt
 Wells, Walter E. Cpl
 Westbrook, Harold V. Sgt
 Wiggan, William F. Pvt
 Williams, Herbert L. Pfc
 Williams, William A. Pvt
 Ackermann, Harry F. Pvt
 Anderson, Merlin B. Pvt
 Bonn, Evan O. Pvt
 Cline, Neil H. Sgt
 Dobbs, Thomas M. Cpl
 Fox, Richard H. Pvt
 Green, Corbin L. Pfc
 Hankinson, Lemarr E. S/Sgt
 Hiner, Harold K. Tec 5
 Larson, Lawrence H. Cpl
 Lucas, Richard D. Cpl
 Mead, Donald C. Pvt
 Mendivil, Felix S. Pvt
 Miller, Albert F. Pvt
 Miller, Willis G. Pvt
 Moskalaki, George F. Pvt
 Rasch, Edward M. Pfc
 Savage, Robert J. Sgt
 Sobolewski, William J. Pfc
 Tafaya, Frank E. Pfc
 Valinski, Solomon Pvt
 Walsh, Victor C. Pfc
 Wolf, Raymond B. S/Sgt
 Womble, Jesse J. Cpl

ARDENNES

Rockwell, Thomas L. 2nd Lt.
 Thomas, Vernon 1st Lt.
 Weaver Jr., Courtn. M. 2nd Lt.
 Polots Jr., Lloyd L. 1st Lt.
 Alfrey, Howard J. Pvt
 Arnold Jr., Robert Pvt
 Bako, Lewis F. Pvt
 Billiga, Clarence N. Sgt
 Blazek, Joseph P. Pvt
 Boyce, Emmett L. Pvt
 Campbell, James S. Pvt
 Caccio, Braslie S. Cpl
 Chase, Ernest W. Pvt
 Childers, Jesse D. Pvt
 Clogg, Robert F. Pfc
 Clement III, George W. S/Sgt
 Coburn, Roy W. Pfc
 Cordova, Manuel A. Pfc
 Cranston, Harold M. Pfc
 Derman, John E. Pfc
 Dillmer, John A. Sgt
 Dosoco, Francis J. Pfc
 Drellick, Walter Pvt
 Duncon, Charles Pvt
 Dunn, Lawrence C. Sgt
 Emsinger Jr., Joseph D. Pvt
 Fireline, Walter Cpl
 Froehle, Bernard J. Pfc
 Gowlak, Eugene F. Pfc
 Gayle, Harold N. Pvt
 Gomez, Oscar Pvt
 Gutierrez, Robert P. Pvt
 Hicks, Robert C. Sgt
 James, Wilbur E. Cpl
 Jordan Jr., William K. Cpl
 Kinney, Donald L. Pfc
 Krizek, George E. Pfc
 Landreth, Benjamin S. Pvt
 LaBoeuf, Jean B. Tec 5
 Lahatt, Albert Pvt
 Lesko, Joseph A. Pvt
 Lestroy, Robert T. Pfc
 Lewis, Andrew W. Sgt
 Lewis, Robert D. Pfc
 Mack, George E. Pfc
 Martin, Noah E. Pfc
 McDonald Jr., Howard B. Cpl
 Martinez, Victor B. M. Pfc
 McNeil, Ronald A. Pfc
 Millikin, Paul Pfc
 Muxis, Refugio A. Pfc
 Nicolette Sr., Albert C. Pvt
 Nully, John W. Pvt
 Othner, George E. Pvt
 Poczkowski, Joseph R. Pfc
 Pale, Joseph H. Pfc
 Payet, John E. Pfc
 Pfyler, Perry L. Pfc
 Price, Wilbur M. Pfc

RHINELAND

Goodale, Hoyt T. 1st Lt.
 Nation, William H. Capt
 Leatherwood, John F. 2nd Lt.
 Albright, John L. Pfc
 Bates, George J. Pvt
 Berak, Frank H. Pfc
 Bersipilski, John Pfc
 Endress, Joseph G. S/Sgt
 Goodman, Floyd G. Cpl
 Henderson, Roy J. Cpl
 Lakes, Carl Tec 4
 Lamberson, William L. Pfc
 Martinez, Victor B. M. Pfc
 McDaniel, Jess Pfc
 Micker, Charles Sgt
 Nelson, Lawrence V. Sgt
 Holland, Jack F. Tec 5
 Ward, Glenn H. Pvt
 Wild, Edward W. S/Sgt
 Wright, Willbur C. Pvt
 Wise, Joseph G. Pfc
 Bain, Robert J. Pfc
 Brown, Guy D. Sgt
 Gervais, Robert F. Sgt
 Lane Jr., John J. Pfc
 Lester, E. O. Pfc
 Scialabra, Jack J. Pfc
 Vavra, William Pfc

HISTORY OF THE 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

Although history would have it that the 508th Parachute Infantry was born on the 20th of October, 1942, plans for its activation began well before that date. Early in September Major Roy E. Lindquist was told that he would command the regiment. Between this time and the day of activation Major Lindquist procured and trained a cadre obtained from the 20th Infantry Division, the 502nd Parachute Infantry, and the Parachute School, moved his skeleton crew to Camp Blanding, Florida, and was promoted to the grade of lieutenant colonel.

During the latter part of October and the first of November, more than 4500 men, mostly fresh from Reception Centers, were processed before the original quota of 2300 had met all requirements. Their first appearance before their battalion commanders was a surprise to most of the recruits. Being inducted into a man's army, and then being asked such questions as: "What's your name? Why? Is Mickey Mouse a boy or a girl?" left several men wondering what the score was. Yet such was the indoctrination Major Louis G. Mendez, Jr. gave each man of his Third Battalion, for the men had to be mentally as well as physically alert.

The booming voice of 1st Lt. Fleming shouting at a battalion taking calisthenics symbolized life during the period of basic training: "Absolute silence and instantaneous response to command are the very essence of military training! Grab your partner in the fireman's carry! Now we'll do twenty-five slow, easy deep knee bends . . ." Courses in basic infantry subjects were interspersed with periods of alert drills, runs, rope climbing, and tumbling. It is small wonder that the officers were amazed when at the end of the day the drow whistle would be answered by a bunch of double-timing, tumbling men, screaming like wild indians.

Company competition was held at Blanding for rifle marksmanship, close order drill, and physical prowess, with streamers being placed on the winning company's guidon. In a contest open to everyone, Sgt. Andrew J. Sklivis submitted the winning suggestion for a regimental insignia, a parachuting Red Devil, and the battle-cry "Diablo!" was adopted.

The regiment was restricted to camp while undergoing basic training, and during a slight epidemic of measles, movement was limited to the company areas. Early in December this ban was lifted and the 508th went shopping in Jacksonville. The reaction to this sudden freedom can only be described as normal under the circumstances.

From the day the first recruits arrived at Blanding, the entire outfit lived for the day jump training would begin. On meeting a class in the morning, an instructor would ask, "How many days?", and the men would shout back the amount of time remaining before the trip to Fort Benning. When the First Battalion left on February 3rd, physical and mental conditioning was topped only by the superior state of morale.

Marching from the train to barracks in the "frying pan" area at Benning in the early morning, the men turned their eyes on the four 250-foot towers that loomed out of the mist. Though they looked ominous and a feeling of anxiety swept down the column, these steel mammoths were not as frightening on this morning as they would be a few weeks later when the soon-to-be jumpers were dangling from their tops.

After two weeks of preliminary training the day of the first jumps arrived. Marching through the streets of the fort, lustily singing "The Song of the Airborne Infantry" to hide their nervousness, each man suddenly realized that part of the old curiosity was replaced by uneasiness. Within the hour the first men had jumped, and by the end of the week new silver wings were beginning to appear on the blouses of the regiment. Immediately on qualifying the new paratroopers left on ten-day leaves and furloughs.

Lieutenant Colonel Lindquist was promoted to colonel at the end of March.

On returning to Benning the regiment moved to Camp Mackall, North Carolina — at that time merely a name assigned to a few buildings and upturned soil between Pinhurst and Rockingham. Here the men got their first lesson in what was to become an old story — practically building their own quarters as well as living in them. Only, the army called it "beautification of the area".

Armed with an excellent knowledge of infantry basics when they left Blanding, the paratroopers now were to apply these principles in developing a smoothly functioning team. So the next six weeks were spent doing small-unit problems in the swamps and across the sands of Camp Mackall.

On the 21st of May the regiment entrucked for Cheraw, South Carolina, where they were to receive their first test, maneuvering as ground infantry against the 101st Airborne Division. While the maneuver was successful and brought commendations to the 508th, its best value was in teaching the Joes with the rifles on their shoulders how to fight the weather along with the enemy. It rained almost continually for a week, and the regiment moved about seven South Carolina miles every night — a South Carolina mile being equivalent to roughly two American miles. They call the results of these marches aggressiveness, maneuverability, and celerity, but the only material gain that the men could see and feel were the blisters. Through the trial-and-error method most of the troopers learned to walk with the infantry slouch, and learned to rest in the peculiar half-sitting position that is unique among doughboys trying to sleep on a wet night in a hole full of water. On the return to camp everyone was dog-tired, but proud of their accomplishments.

June and July were spent in advanced tactical training, both ground and airborne, including efficiency tests, speed marches, and infiltration courses. Everyone had become foot-sore and mentally weary by the end of August, and the regimental commander ordered furloughs for all.

Immediately after the furlough period, riding in what seemed like the oldest day coaches in service, the 508th moved to Taylorsville, Tennessee, to participate in Second Army maneuvers. Working at first as ground troops, the troopers proved that the human foot, if used frequently for periods of great duration, can never replace the automobile, but can give it a good race. Again the talk about aggressiveness; again the blisters under the great toe!

In preparation for a night jump on the 5th of October, a bivouac area was set up near Northern Field, bordering on Tullahoma. For a week plans and briefing were carried on, and after dark on the 5th planes were loaded. Because of an Air Corps misunderstanding the First Battalion was dropped over a wide area, but the rest of the outfit landed right on the DZ, and all missions were accomplished.

Another short period of maneuvers followed, and then Colonel Lindquist received orders to return the regiment to Mackall previous to overseas shipment. A three-day blanket pass followed the return to North Carolina. Since the regiment's first birthday, October 20th, was spent in Tennessee, Organization Day was celebrated on November 4th. A half-day holiday, a review for the CG of Airborne Command, and a USO show were enjoyed by all.

On the twentieth of December, Camp Shanks, N. Y., opened wide its gates to the Red Devils, and the final pre-shipping processing began. After passes to New York were given for two nights, the 508th was alerted on Christmas Day, and following a final physical, the "USAT James Parker" was loaded on the twenty-seventh. Early on the twenty-eighth The Lady with the Light faded from sight, and everyone aboard began drawing extra pay for foreign service.

Information as to when and where the "James Parker" would next make port remained a secret for many days, while all around an ever-increasing flotilla assembled until the sea was filled with ships as far as the eye could see. Life reverted to eating, sleeping, gambling, and running up and down into the hold and onto the deck during boat drill.

As the big city faded from sight, the swells grew bigger and bigger, and eating, for some, ceased to be an active function. At the end of the fourth day mal-de-mer was rampant, and the medics' constant reminder, "It's all in your mind!", brought temporary relief at best. When Lt. Brian N. Beaudin, one of the medical officers aboard, began to turn a light O. D. shade, this argument lost all value.

About the sixth day out life began to get rather stereotyped, and a new shipboard diversion was devised. To play the game the men were lined up in roster order with the medics at the head of the line, enormous hypodermics in their hands. At the starting signal the men would surge forward, and the medics would swing. The victims tried to rush through untouched while the pill-rollers tried to stick everyone before the supply of needles was expended in the arms of the pressing mob. The outcome was predetermined, and for days the wearing of the Geneva cross was a sure way to start a fight.

The 8th of January was the date of debarkation, and Belfast, Northern Ireland, was the place. Within twenty-four hours the newly arrived troopers had learned that Irish trains are doll-sized but fast, that Nissen huts are not like home, and that rain is commonplace in Ireland. On the asset side of the balance sheet, however, were the facts that Ireland is a beautiful, well-kept little country, and the people were taking the American invasion in stride, and enjoying it.

After two months of indoctrination, during which time nearly every foot of ground in County Antrim felt the measured tread of parachute boots, the 508th, attached to the 82d Airborne Division, moved by water to Scotland and by rail to the city of Nottingham, England.

The new camp, destined to be the base camp for two operations, met the approval of nearly everyone. Nottingham, population 250,000, was only a ten minute walk from the tent area. Working hard in preparation for D-Day, the paratroopers were pleased to find the English so receptive to American ways.

After two practise night jumps and innumerable problems, the division at last was set to play its part in the much-heralded invasion of Europe. On the twenty-eighth of May the Red Devils made a motor march to nearby airfields. Here the job of waiting, mingled with the performing of last minute checks, went on day and night.

For the initial taste of combat the battalions were commanded as follows: Lt. Col. Herbert F. Batdeller, First Battalion; Lt. Col. Thomas J. B. Shanley, Second Battalion; Lt. Col. Louis G. Mendez, Jr., Third Battalion.

On June 5th at 2230, as the airfields throughout England roared with the din of hundreds of idling motors, the troopers loaded up for their first combat jump. The change of station from England to France was rapid, taking only two hours, and was accompanied by confusion as the close-knit formations of C-47s were split by flak and clouds.

The history of the invading airborne troops from June 6th until June 11th is a collection of seemingly unconnected incidents, united only by their common purpose — to keep the enemy from reinforcing the troops defending the beach. Completely successful in this mission, the 508th Parachute Infantry received a Presidential Citation for gallantry on D-Day and D plus 1.

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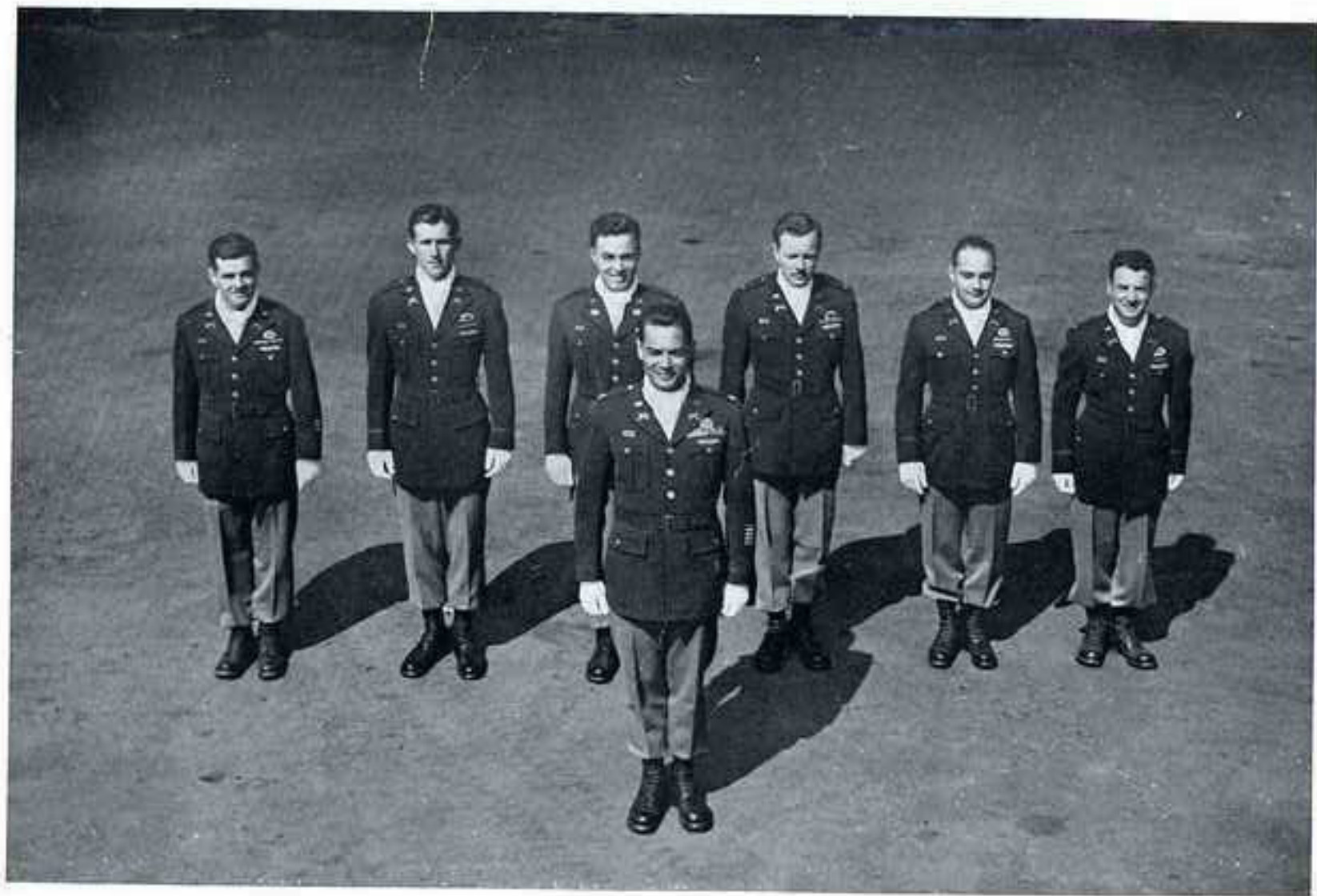
REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

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Danne, Joseph A.	Capt.	Haughney, Charles R.	1st Lt.	Breman, Harris F.	2nd Lt.
Peterson, Everett L.	Capt.			Johnson, Robert J.	2nd Lt.

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Albano, Ralph M.	Pfc	Hantz, William E.	Pfc	Paradise, Charles W.	Pfc
Anderson, Edward E.	T-4	Hayes, William D.	S/Sgt	Peterson, Robert W.	Cpl
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Beitzel, Glenn E.	S/Sgt	Hodges, Milton C.	Pfc	Pooler, John W.	Pfc
Bliss, Paul H.	Pfc	Holder, Richard P.	S/Sgt	Porter, Floyd R.	Pfc
Blithe, William L. Jr.	Pfc	Hurdley, Robert G.	Pfc	Potter, John C.	Pfc
Boatwright, Peter L.	Pfc	Isaacs, Leon	Pfc	Prakes, Robert J.	Pfc
Boland, Milton O. Jr.	Pfc	Ishoke, Frank J.	T-4	Rabinowitz, Frank	Pfc
Boroughts, Ralph Z.	Pfc	Jasper, William P.	Pfc	Raines, George B.	Pvt
Brand, George W.	Pfc	Johnson, Carl H. Jr.	T-4	Raskin, James D.	Cpl
Brighton, Frank M.	Pfc	Jordy, Roland J.	Pfc	Raper, C. L.	Pfc
Brooks, Howard W.	Sgt	Katz, Stanley	Cpl	Karkow, Stanley	Pfc
Byers, Wilbur C.	Pfc	Kennedy, Harry J.	Pfc	Richardson, Jack D.	Pvt
Camacho, Emanuel O. Jr.	T-4	Kryhn, Herman C.	Sgt	Robbins, Frederick W.	T/Sgt
Campbell, Clifford I.	T-4	Kumler, James R.	Pfc	Robinson, James J.	Pfc
Carson, Russell J.	T-4	Lander, Joel R.	Pfc	Rowell, Clifford E.	T-4
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Christmann, Clarence L.	Cpl	Linnakin, Michael P.	Pfc	Sakowski, Frank S.	Pfc
Cole, Clifford W. Jr.	T-4	Luzzat, Edwin A.	T-4	Saville, Robert T.	1st Sgt
Connors, James T.	T-4	Lundquist, Arnold	S/Sgt	Schapiro, Sidney S.	Cpl
Conroy, Thomas J. Jr.	Pfc	MacLeod, Donald J.	T-4	Schmelick, Stephen	T-4
Cook, Jack C.	Pfc	Mann, Ralph H.	M/Sgt	Schussler, Nicholas	Pfc
Czaczynander, Nicholas J.	Cpl	Marsh, Marsin	Pfc	Sellers, Henry G. Jr.	T-4
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Donahue, Matthew C.	Sgt	McKinnon, William J.	T-4	Smylie, James B.	M/Sgt
Douglass, Charles E.	Pfc	Meredith, William R.	Pfc	Seil, Wilford A.	T-4
Ellis, Eugene E.	Pfc	Merkel, John T.	T-4	Thulbary, Howard A. Jr.	Pfc
Ellis, Robert H.	Cpl	Miller, Harold J.	Pfc	Triss, William R.	Pfc
Evans, Harry L.	S/Sgt	Millind, Samuel E.	T-4	Turner, Louis H.	Pfc
Favela, Joseph L.	Pfc	Murrah, Antoine	T-4	Tylka, Albert J.	Pfc
Frister, Richard J.	Pfc	Natali, Richard A.	Pfc	Wandell, Charles M.	T-4
Godeika, Joseph A.	Cpl	Nesport, Francis C.	Pfc	Ward, Robert D.	Pfc
Gibbons, George A.	Pfc	Neison, Kenneth B.	Pvt	Watkins, James H. Jr.	Pfc
Goldner, Andrew E.	Pfc	Newmark, Horton	T-4	Wedler, Richard C.	Pfc
Gonzales, Cialito R.	Pfc	Nichols, Ralph	Pfc	Wills, John H.	S/Sgt
Graham, Jay H.	T-4	Nitshke, Frederick D.	Pvt	Wood, Marrens J.	Pfc
Gundlach, Robert C.	Pfc	O'Connell, Raymond T.	Cpl	Wright, Lawrence L.	Pfc
Hass, Donald L.	Pfc	O'Connor, Lawrence J.	Pfc	Zawalski, Joseph G.	Pfc
Hamm, Clarence J.	Pfc	Oros, John M.	T-4		



FIRST BATTALION STAFF, 101st PARACHUTE INFANTRY
Lt. Col. Shields Warren, Jr., Commanding

Col. Shanley, commanding a composite group on Hill 30, west of Ste. Mere Eglise, held the only bridgehead over the Merderet River against overwhelming odds. Capt. Jonathan E. Adams, commanding A Company, had a First Battalion group south of Col. Shanley's position. Colonel Lindquist grouped all 508 men east of the Merderet at Chef du Pont, and led them across the river to consolidate Col. Shanley's position. These three groups composed roughly one-half of the Red Devils, the rest fighting singly or in small groups. Lt. Malcolm D. Brannen of the Third Battalion killed Major General Falley, CG of one of the coastal divisions, early D-Day morning.

On the night of June 12th, Lt. Hoyt T. Goodale led Company F across the Douve river at Beuzeville-la-Bastille after a preliminary barrage by the #2d Division Artillery. The rest of the regiment followed in column, each battalion peeling off on a different mission south of the river. At this time the troopers gained the highest respect for the 307th Airborne Engineers, for while the infantry double-timed across the newly constructed bridge, the engineers stood waist-deep in water and absorbed all the lead Jerry could throw at them.

Moving south from the bridge, First Battalion went to the regimental reserve area at Coigny, while the Third Battalion established an island defense about three miles south of the Douve. The Second Battalion moved up on the left with the town of Baupre as their objective. A causeway at Baupre over a tributary of the Douve connected the 508th area with the 101st Airborne Division's bridgehead south of the river.

After an all day's fight, Baupre was taken, great quantities of materiel, including some 50 vehicles, were captured, and the 101st was contacted near the causeway. The bridgehead south of the Douve was now of sufficient size to be a constant threat to the enemy as a jumping off spot for a large-scale attack.

Two days later, on the 15th of June, after the regimental area had been cleared, the 507th Parachute Infantry relieved the regiment, and while the Third Battalion moved to a defensive position near St. Sauveur le Vicomte on the division's right flank, the rest of the outfit moved first to division reserve northwest of Erienville and then to defensive positions south and southwest of St. Sauveur.

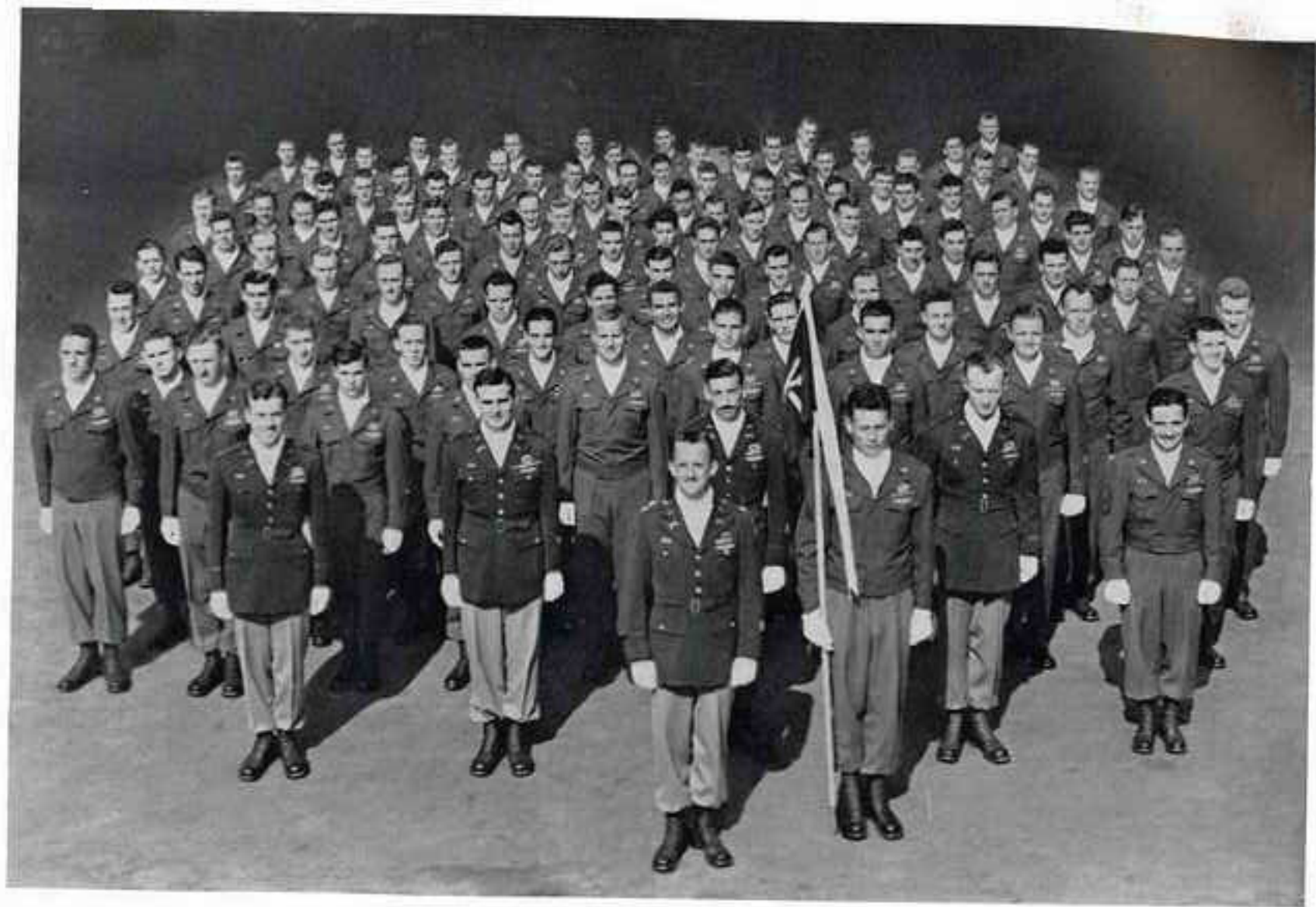
At this time the Allied plan was to sweep west, cutting a swath completely across the peninsula. As soon as Cherbourg was thus isolated, troops would move north to clear the port. Only after the peninsula had been cleared would a big drive to the south start. The #2d was assigned the mission of holding positions to the south until this drive began.

As troops of the 357th Infantry passed through the regiment on the drive to the west, the Third Battalion was alerted to move South of the Douve River again to broaden the bridgehead. Crossing the river in assault boats on the 19th of June, the battalion advanced southward without resistance until an enemy observer in the church steeple at Vindfontaine directed mortar fire on the column. Pushing on after sustaining several casualties, the battalion prepared to attack the town of Pretot the next morning.

When H Company, leading the Third Battalion in this attack, was pinned down by fire, Capt. Hillman C. Dress, commanding the company, exposed himself to enemy fire to get his men moving. Col. Mendez meanwhile worked his way to the foremost elements of his command, stood up and spurred the men onward by personally leading the attack. His actions at this time earned Col. Mendez the Distinguished Service Cross.

By now most of the Cotentin Peninsula had been cleared, and a big drive to the south was at last imminent. General Patton's Third Army was pouring ashore, ready to exploit a breakthrough. A series of hills and ridges at the base of the peninsula were affording the enemy natural defenses and excellent observation. Before a breakthrough could be negotiated, the Americans would have to hold this high ground.

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Bartlett, Wm. C. Pvt.	Fitzpatrick, L. G. S/5gt.	McMahon, James J. T/4	Simons, Alex. J. Pfc.
Beddow, Charles Pvt.	F Forrest, John R. Pvt.	Machon, Roberto F. Pfc.	Sloan, Paul J. Pvt.
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Chriman, Alb. W. Sgt.	Johnson, Gord. C. Pvt.	Orlewski, Rob. B. Pfc.	Wilkinson, Gert. S/5gt.
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Cowger, Donald J. T/4	Kelly, David D. Pfc.	Pateracki, Raymond S/5gt.	Wooten, Elm. S. Jr. Pfc.
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Crippen, Paul R. Pfc.	Kintie, Albert J. Pvt.	Pesic, Frank J. Pvt.	Wynne, James T. Sgt.
Crossman, Jew. Cpl.	Klitz, Harold K. T/4	Pierce, Charles C. Pfc.	Yoder, Arden E. Pvt.
Crossmiller, W. D. Pvt.	Knudsen, Don. N. Pfc.	Pizula, George Pfc.	Young, Thomas C. Pvt.
Cuddeback, K. R. Pfc.	Koziol, Adam M. T/5gt.	Follock, D. W. Cpl.	Yott, Eugene C. Pfc.
Cushing, Jerem. M. Pfc.	Lamb, Duard Pfc.	Frazier, Dougl. M. Pfc.	Zeller, Clarence Pvt.
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Anzo, Leo Pfc	Dubyak, Michael Cpl	Koblack, Paul F. Pvt	Perry, Raymond J. Pfc
Artoine, Albert J. Pfc	Dyer, Gordon S. Pfc	Lapso, George Pfc	Pesante, Carm. D. Pfc
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Baker, Harry P. Pvt	Festetez, Manuel I. Pfc	Leicht, Walter W. Pfc	Preziosi, Bruno S. S/Sgt
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Boont, Joe H. S/Sgt	Garlitta, W. D. Pfc	May, Jacob F. Pvt	Sager, Tennes M. Pvt
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Bridges, Murphy B. S/Sgt	Guaschino, John L. Pfc	McIntyre, Clyde E. Pfc	Shultz, John T/S
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Burns, John E. Pvt	Hamilton, Gnr. W. Pfc	Mendoza, Jose L. Pfc	Steinke, Earl H. T/S
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Campbell, Wayne F. Pfc	Hartline, Alfred E. Pfc	Miller, Bernard Pvt	Sylvester, E. B. Jr. Sgt
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Carothers, Merl R. Pfc	Hicks, Roland B. Sgt	Minnick, Jimmie S. Pfc	Upton, L. J. (io) Pvt
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Celardo, Mario A. Sgt	Hopper, Charl. H. Pvt	Miszlitz, Don. C. Pfc	Walton, Jack W. Pfc
Chance, Russell O. Pfc	Howard, John E. Pfc	Moeniak, Albert Pfc	Welch, Irvin H. Pfc
Clary, Keaneeth C. Pvt	Hudgins, Don L. Pvt	Montoya, Marg. C. Pfc	Wheeler, Gord. E. Pfc
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Coppersmith, J. B. Pfc	Hunt, Richard L. S/Sgt	Names, A. A. Jr. Pfc	Willingham, Rob. J. Pfc
Corcoran, Thom. J. Pfc	Jaccard, Kenn. V. T/S	Nelson, Robert L. Pfc	Wilson, George B. Pfc
Cough, Charles E. Pfc	Jackson, James E. Sgt	Newell, James M. Pfc	Winner, Donald E. Pfc
Cowser, Olin U. Pfc	Jesmer, Lawr. A. Pvt	Ojendyk, Rob. T. Pfc	Wondowski, Edw. J. S/Sgt
Crusemeyer, H. H. Pvt	Johnston, Don. M. Pfc	Ortega, John Pvt	Wolverson, D. M. Pfc
Cullins, Gilbert E. Pfc	Jones, William M. S/Sgt	Osborne, Hubert A. Pfc	Yates, Dillard Pvt
Curran, James C. Pfc	Jump, Richard C. Pfc	Pax, Harold A. S/Sgt	Yates, Fred E. Pfc
Davis, William H. Pfc	Kesler, Richard W. Pfc	Palmer, Lyndall L. Sgt	Zempel, Richard J. Pfc
Day, Channing M. Pfc	Klein, John J. Pfc	Parcell, Chester W. Pfc	
DeMaria, John J. Pfc		Pardak, George H. Pfc	



COMPANY "B"

COMPANY "B" 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

Millsaps, W. W. Capt.	Hoffmann, H. 1st Lt.	
Frigo, Lionel O. 1st Lt.	McInerney, W. J. 1st Lt.	
Gleim, Edward 1st Lt.	Mulligan, J. J. 2nd Lt.	
Holinski, Frank S. 1st Lt.	Sivert, John 2nd Lt.	

ENLISTED MEN

Alkire, Robert Pfc	Evanaga, John Pvt	LaMar, John F. Pvt	Reed, Luther Pfc
Affardyce, James Pfc	Fasoli, Vincent M. Pvt	Laney, James W. Pvt	Reynolds, Wendell Pfc
Anderson, Aldine Pfc	Foley, John F. Pvt	LeBlon, Roel E. Pfc	Reeves, Edward J. Pvt
Andersen, Henry I. Pfc	Forb, Vernon C. Pfc	Lesadier, Eddie E. Pfc	Reinhardt, D. D. Pvt
Aronis, John N. Pfc	Foust, Thomas F. Pvt	Loflin, Forrest J. Pfc	Richards, Adam Pfc
Arwood, Paul B. S/Sgt	Fradzer, Milton R. Pvt	Lucas, Eugene A. Pfc	Rigmaiden, Jim. S. Pvt
Austin, Harry C. S/Sgt	Fujiaki, Paul F. Pvt	Lukas, Melvin Pvt	Riley, Ireland Pfc
		Lipeles, Morris Pfc	Rollins, Charles F. S/Sgt
		Lira, Manuel L. Pfc	Rosa, Merrill Jr. Pvt
Ball, Herb. I. Jr. Pvt	Gaillaquet, R. L. Pvt	Lunger, Gerald J. S/Sgt	Rudisill, Hugh K. Pfc
Bank, George F. Pfc	Gaskins, Ruben E. Pvt		Rodrigues, John Jr. Pvt
Barrett, Walter H. S/Sgt	Gentry, Jack E. Pvt	Madock, Milton E. Cpl	Rengert, Richard D. Pvt
Bennett, Ralph L. Pfc	Godin, William H. Pvt	Maler, John E. Pfc	
Bianco, Anthony Pfc	Green, Herbert C. Pfc	Malek, Harry P. Pvt	Salzer, Heriel Sgt
Bladmon, Jasper F. Pfc	Green, Jim F. Pfc	Mangus, James W. Pfc	Schafferman, Rob. Pvt
Boccalogli, E. C. S/Sgt	Gullani, Charles A. Pfc	Martullo, Albert S. Pfc	Scott, Edward R. Pvt
Bohannon, R. B. Pfc	Gustafson, Rob. E. Pfc	Mauk, Robert L. Pfc	Serowski, Edw. C. Pvt
Bolen, E. J. Jr. Pvt		McAtee, K. R. Pvt	Smith, Daniel E. Pvt
Bols, Jules, A. Pfc	Haaker, Raym. W. Cpl	McDonald, M. R. Pvt	Smith, James W. 1st/Sgt
Bowman, Rud. F. Pfc	Haden, Adrian G. Pvt	McDonald, Neal A. Pfc	Smith, Jessie B. Pvt
Bridges, Carl I. Pfc	Harlan, Lee B. Pvt	McMasters, C. D. Pvt	Smith, Lester J. Pfc
Bruce, Everett J. Pvt	Hartman, John L. Pvt	McMullen, G. C. Pvt	Smith-West, Pvt
Brown, Charles W. Pvt	Henderson, Billy R. Pvt	McCool, Larry S. Pfc	Snowden, Ivan T. Pvt
Brown, Roy E. Cpl	Hernandez, F. R. T/Sgt	McClusky, Rich. J. Pvt	Soyka, Alexander Pfc
Burke, Fredrick L. Pfc	Hodge, Jim H. Pvt	McDonald, Theod. Pfc	Spaulding, John R. Pfc
Burt, Robert E. Cpl	Hoffman, George J. Pfc	Merks, Avery R. Pvt	Speagen, Louis Jr. Pvt
Burton, John M. Pfc	Hoffman, Jarvis H. Pfc	Mills, Robert K. S/Sgt	Spencer, Harry P. Pfc
Bywaters, James F. Pfc	Horacek, Theod. C. Pvt	Minshaw, H. M. Jr. Pvt	Staffen, Wallace C. Pfc
		Moline, Clyde W. T/Sgt	Stenrud, Russell S. Pfc
		Montgomery, H. E. Pvt	Stewart, Virgil W. Pvt
Casoy, Michael J. Pfc	Houglan, Norm. C. Pfc	Moss, Arthur G. Pfc	Summerlin, Clar. E. Pfc
Cavalcante, Vito Pfc	Howe, Robert W. Pfc	Mroczka, Henry W. Pfc	Sutherland, El. G. Pfc
Cipriano, Joseph Pfc	Huan, Thomas L. Pfc	Murray, Charlie K. Pfc	Suits, Joseph E. S/Sgt
Clark, Melvin E. Pfc			
Collier, J. D. Pvt	Jackson, William R. Pfc	Naro, James S. Pfc	Thomas, Lawr. V. Pfc
Conover, Dayton E. Pvt	Jahnke, Daniel K. Pfc	Naylor, Fred C. Pfc	Thornston, R. E. Pvt
Cottrell, Gibb. H. S/Sgt	Jeske, Herbert A. Pvt	Nemec, Arthur W. Pfc	Tostle, Edward Pfc
Critcher, James W. Pfc	Johnson, Kermit W. Pfc	Niklauski, Mich. S. Pfc	Tracey, James A. T/S
Crook, Albert V. Pvt	Jordan, Forest D. Pvt	O'Hair, Jonathan Pfc	Tripp, Walter G. Pfc
Crowell, James H. Pfc	Kabat, Robert E. Cpl	Ostrega, Henry S/Sgt	Tyndall, Monroe T/S
Cundy, Richard T. Pvt	Kessell, George P. Pvt		
	King, Donald L. Sgt	Paganelli, Frank L. Pfc	Vento, Joseph P. Pfc
	Kloebfelter, Philip T/Sgt	Payton, Robert Pfc	Warner, Harry W. Pfc
	Konstantine, C. A. Pfc	Perez, Raul T. Pvt	Whipple, Lucis L. Pfc
Dax, Robert B. Pfc	Kowalski, Steve J. Pfc	Pierce, Robert J. Pfc	Wilson, Raym. G. Cpl
Davis, Allan L. Pfc	Kremitski, Henry Pfc	Pietrowski, Edw. J. Pfc	Wyant, Clarence Sgt
Dean, William A. T/S	Krolczyk, Stanis. Pvt	Pollock, Dale E. Pfc	
Dickinson, Don. E. Pvt	Kucharski, Jos. L. Pvt	Prather, Rob. Pfc	Yarbrough, Roy Pfc
Donaldson, K. F. Pvt	Kushnle, G. W. Pvt	Prewitt, Cliff. C. Pfc	Zoller, Jack R. S/Sgt
Doucet, Earl J. Pfc	Kurz, James O. Sgt	Priwer, Paul O. Pvt	
Duwelgla, Walter Pfc			
	LaFlam, George L. Pfc		
Elliott, Carroll Pfc	Langham, Alex D. Pfc		
Ellis, George J. Pvt			



COMPANY "C"

COMPANY "C" 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

Dierrich, Jim. C. Capt

Hager, Ernest J. 1st Lt.	Kampc, Raym. L. 1st Lt.
Hamblin, P. W. 1st Lt.	Weaver, Rob. J. 1st Lt.
Harsh, Keith R. 1st Lt.	Walsh, Jim. A. 1st Lt.

ENLISTED MEN

Allenfors, R. P. Pfc	Dufault, Alfred J. Pfc	Lowery, Kenneth L. Sgt	Schieb, James M. Pfc
Allison, Rich L. S/Sgt	Durfee, Wayne E. T/4	Lakehart, Rob. L. Pfc	Schmidt, Roy F. Pfc
Anderson, N. E. Pfc	Eisler, John D. S/Sgt	Lynn, William W. Pfc	Schneider, Alex. Pfc
Anderson, Vern V. Pfc	Epps, Hiram T. Pfc	MacIntyre, Verl. R. Pfc	Schuman, Robert L. Pfc
Anderson, Ames Sgt	Evans, Fred E. Pfc	Mackey, John C. Pfc	Searle, Gale E. Pfc
Appicello, Louis R. Sgt	Farrall, Joseph N. Pvt	Madura, Clem. C. Pfc	Shaul, Stanley M. Sgt
Arthan, Mettel F. Pfc	Ferreira, Antonio Pfc	Mahan, Gordon L. Pfc	Shehon, Elvir C. Pvt
Ayers, John A. Pfc	Fleming, Joseph H. Pfc	Maranco, John A. T/4	Shelton, James B. Pfc
	Forse, Donald C. Pfc	Marra, Samuel Pfc	Shull, Stanley L. Pfc
Baar, Robert J. Cpl	Garcia, Alex. D. Pfc	Marrison, Felix N. T/Sgt	Smith, Charles L. Pfc
Budgers, Raym. L. Pfc	Gardner, Darrell L. Pfc	Matheny, James T. Pfc	Smith, Phillip A. Pfc
Burbiers, Syle F. Pfc	Garsch, Frank J. Jr. Pfc	Maysnick, Mike E. Pfc	Smith, Vearle E. Pfc
Barrh, Albert W. Pfc	Geddes, Eugene D. Pfc	McClothin, O. B. Pfc	Teacy, Harold J. Pfc
Boughman, W. K. Pfc	Giese, Robert A. Pfc	McNunn, John W. Pfc	Teaching, Albin A. Pfc
Beasley, Larry E. Pfc	Gilstead, Lyle O. Pfc	Mead, Kay E. Jr. Pfc	Teak, Edwin E. T/4
Behlan, Harry J. Pvt	Giordano, Frank A. Pfc	Meadows, Guy E. Pfc	Stewart, A. T. Pfc
Bennett, John G. Pfc	Glass, George D. Sgt	Mendoza, R. A. Jr. Sgt	Strahle, Herbert E. Pfc
Birner, Clyde E. Pfc	Goode, Obe R. Pfc	Meredith, Robert Pfc	Street, Harry J. S/Sgt
Blair, Harold R. Pfc	Graf, Ferdinand J. Pfc	Miller, Albert W. Pfc	Struth, Andrew C. Pfc
Blatt, Thomas C. S/Sgt	Graves, William L. Pfc	Miller, Clare B. Pfc	Stuckey, John F. Pfc
Boaz, W. A. Jr. Pfc	Greene, Harold L. Pfc	Milligan, Thomas Pfc	Strutler, Wilburn L. S/Sgt
Bolenley, Rich T. Pfc	Greenstrand, E. H. Pfc	Milliken, Russell E. Pfc	Suiter, Marvin D. Pfc
Boley, Isaac N. S/Sgt	Grov, Thom. M. Jr. Pfc	Mills, Eugene A. T/4	Sulzbach, Rich. H. Pfc
Bolick, Joseph C. Pfc	Hansen, Frank H. Pfc	Molhan, Mich. A. T/4	Szwercyk, Edw. J. Pfc
Boze, Carl M. Pfc	Hardie, John S/Sgt	Moore, Coy L. Pfc	Terry, Ivan W. T/4
Branssen, Glenn H. Pfc	Hart, Wayne C. S/Sgt	Moore, Elijah D. Pfc	Thomas, Wesley S. Pfc
Brodas, Henry S/Sgt	Havaland, John P. Pfc	Mooshouse, Earl A. Pfc	Thompson, A. J. Jr. Sgt
Broska, R. M. Sr. Pfc	Henry, James B. Jr. Pfc	Morrison, Rob. R. Pfc	Thompson, B. A. Pfc
Brown, Fredrick A. Pfc	Henry, Warren G. S/Sgt	Moses, Jodi E. Jr. S/Sgt	Tomlin, D. G. Pfc
Bumham, Charl. J. T/Sgt	Hupp, Robert W. Pfc	Mushinski, Joz. E. Pfc	Tomlin, Grayson E. Pfc
		Mudme, H. Q. P. S/Sgt	Trojan, Frank J. Pfc
Carson, Earl L. Sgt	Ibde, Robert L. T/4	Olenick, Mich. J. Jr. Pfc	Turner, John P. Sgt
Callick, William Sgt	Iakeway, Fredr. H. Pfc	Pagnotta, Carm. J. Pvt	Vaquets, Ysidro Pfc
Cleveland, Lawr. L. Pfc	Kestler, Ernest H. Sgt	Porcelli, Ralph D. Pfc	Von Leusenbergen, Donald T. Pfc
Collins, William L. Pfc	Kimmel, Richard F. Pfc	Porter, Wallace Pfc	
Collins, William B. Pfc	Knowles, A. W. Jr. Pfc	Pratt, Wallingron J. Pfc	
Cooper, Eli Pfc	Koblak, William J. Pfc	Ragan, Bills D. Pfc	Walsh, Roland G. Pfc
Costopoulos, G. Pfc	Kruppa, Joz. L. Jr. Pfc	Reynolds, Ernest S. Pfc	Watts, George W. Pfc
Cowles, Gerald D. Pfc	Kurtz, Albert A. Sgt	Rice, Gail L. Pfc	Webb, Ammanuel Pfc
Cox, Grover H. Pfc	La Sano, Richard Pvt	Robison, W. H. Pfc	Webber, Leo A. Pfc
Crawford, Cliff R. Pfc	Latson, John H. Jr. S/Sgt	Robinson, W. R. Pfc	Wenters, Earl E. Pfc
Crocker, Joseph C. Pfc	Lawson, Dee C. Pfc	Rondeau, Gerard R. Pfc	Whitington, Kenn. E. Pfc
Crow, Carl C. S/Sgt	Leveillee, Lucien H. Pfc	Rosella, Angelo Pfc	Whittington, H. T. Pfc
Curry, Troy L. Pfc	Little, Arthur J. Pfc	Rowe, Shufford C. 1st Sgt	Wollgram, Edw. E. Pfc
	Long, Earl J. Pvt		Workman, Rob. J. Pfc
Dalton, Raym. A. Pfc	Longhorn, Carl P. Pfc	Sandebal, Abraham Pfc	Wright, Charles L. S/Sgt
Dalton, Terry B. Pfc	Lopez, Joe R. Pfc	Sarnetly, Robert I. Sgt	Wynn, Siegfried J. Pfc
Dillard, Doug C. T/Sgt		Sivige, William H. Sgt	
Dillon, Daniel L. Pfc			Young, Edwin T. Pfc
Duarte, John G. Pfc			



MEDICAL DETACHMENT

MEDICAL DETACHMENT 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

Klein, James G.	Capt.	Keele, Jack III.	Capt.
Cornell, Robert A.	Capt.	Beatty, Earl Jr.	Capt.
Godwin, Joseph D.	Capt.	Padefsky, Solomon L.	Capt.
	Neuren, Fred A.	1st Lt.	
	Foster, John R.	1st Lt.	
	Bouchereau, Paul E.	2nd Lt.	

ENLISTED MEN

Akers, David F.	T/5	Kunkler, Frederick O.	T/5
Alderman, Edward J.	Cpl	Kelly, Joseph	T/3
Alderson, Chester E.	S/Sgt	LeSage, Gabriel N.	Pvt
Arnette, Robert F.	Pfc	Martin, Ellsworth I.	T/4
		Martin, Walter W.	T/5
Barr, Donald W.	T/4	Meinhard, Steward J.	T/3
Bednar, Michael E.	T/4	Merrill, George W.	Pfc
Borlang, Victor	Pvt	Miller, Travis T.	Pfc
		McKinley, Tom	Pfc
Carlton, John E.	T/4	Morgan, Lim A.	S/Sgt
Coates, John K.	Pvt	Morretti, Nunzio J.	T/6
Cockrell, Eugene M.	Pfc		
Coon, Ernest W.	T/4	Nagel, Melvin S.	T/4
Cullings, Gordon H.	Pfc	Perkins, Francis I. III.	Pvt
		Remillard, Phileas E.	T/5
Daugherty, James H.	Pfc	Rhodes, Herbert D.	Tech. Sgt
Deaton, Luther	Cpl	Rogers, Earl M.	Pfc
Dicken, Glenn M.	T/6	Rutherford, Donald D.	T/5
Dubey, Felix	T/5		
Drydahl, Ervin	Pfc	Scruggs, Nelson J.	T/6
		Shaughnessy, Joseph W.	T/4
Ebert, Robert L.	Sgt	Smith, Harry W.	Pfc
		Trovinger, Wilmer	T/5
Furdek, Clarence L.	T/6	Welch, James M.	Sgt
		Weigus, John	S/Sgt
Gacek, William	T/5	Wingler, Joseph P.	T/5
Goad, Jack P.	T/4	Young, Robert M.	T/5
Gordon, Charles E.	Pfc		
Greenwood, James E.	T/5		
Jarvis, Frank T.	Cpl		



SERVICE COMPANY

COMPANY "B" 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

Millsaps, W. W. Capt.	Hoffmann, H. 1st Lt.
Frigo, Lionel O. 1st Lt.	McInerney, W. J. 1st Lt.
Gleim, Edward 1st Lt.	Mulligan, J. J. 2nd Lt.
Hojinski, Frank S. 1st Lt.	Sivertz, John 2nd Lt.

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Alkire, Robert Pfc	Evanaga, John Pvt	LaMar, John F. Pvt	Reed, Luther Pfc
Allardyce, James Pfc	Fasoli, Vincent M. Pvt	Laney, James W. Pvt	Reynolds, Wendell Pfc
Anderson, Aldine Pfc	Foley, John F. Pvt	LeBlon, Roel E. Pfc	Reeves, Edward J. Pvt
Anderson, Henry I. Pfc	Ford, Vernon C. Pfc	Leonard, Eddie E. Pfc	Reinhardt, D. D. Pvt
Aronis, John N. Pfc	Foust, Thomas E. Pvt	Loffin, Forrest I. Pfc	Richard, Adam Pfc
Arwood, Paul B. S/Sgt	Frader, Milton R. Pvt	Lucas, Eugene A. Pfc	Rigmalden, Jam. S. Pvt
Austin, Harry C. S/Sgt	Fujisaki, Paul F. Pvt	Lukas, Melvin Pvt	Riley, Ireland Pfc
		Lipeles, Morris Pfc	Rollins, Charles E. S/Sgt
		Lira, Manuel L. Pfc	Rosa, Merrill Jr. Pvt
Fall, Herb. I. Jr. Pvt	Gaillaguet, R. L. Pvt	Lunger, Gerald J. S/Sgt	Rudinill, Hugh K. Pfc
Banks, George E. Pfc	Gaskins, Robert E. Pvt		Rodriguez, John Jr. Pvt
Barnett, Walter H. S/Sgt	Gentry, Jack E. Pvt	Maskey, Milton E. Cpl	Rengert, Richard D. Pvt
Bennett, Ralph L. Pfc	Godin, William H. Pvt	Mater, John E. Pfc	
Bianco, Anthony Pfc	Green, Herbert C. Pfc	Malick, Harry P. Pvt	Salyer, Hersel Sgt
Blackmon, Jasper F. Pfc	Green, Jim F. Pfc	Mangus, James W. Pfc	Schafferman, Rob. Pvt
Boccafogli, E. C. S/Sgt	Guillani, Charles A. Pfc	Mazzallo, Albert S. Pfc	Scott, Edward S. Pvt
Bohannon, R. B. Pfc	Gustafson, Rob. I. Pfc	Maud, Robert L. Pfc	Serawski, Edw. C. Pvt
Bolen, E. J. Jr. Pvt		McAttee, K. R. Pvt	Smith, Daniel E. Pvt
Bols, Jules, A. Pfc	Haaker, Raym. W. Cpl	McDonald, M. R. Pvt	Smith, James W. 1st Sgt
Bowman, Rud. F. Pfc	Haden, Adrian G. Pvt	McDonald, Neal A. Pfc	Smith, Jessie B. Pvt
Bridges, Carl I. Pfc	Harlan, Lee B. Pvt	McMasters, C. D. Pvt	Smith, Lester J. Pfc
Bruce, Everett J. Pvt	Hartnett, John L. Pvt	McMullen, G. C. Pvt	Smith-West, Pvt
Brown, Charles W. Pvt	Henderson, Billy R. Pvt	McCool, Larry S. Pfc	Snowden, Ivan T. Pvt
Brown, Roy E. Cpl	Hernandez, F. R. T/Sgt	McClusky, Rich. J. Pvt	Sopka, Alexander Pfc
Burkle, Fredrick L. Pfc	Hodge, Jim H. Pvt	McDonald, Theod. Pfc	Spaulding, John R. Pfc
Burt, Robert E. Cpl	Hoffman, George J. Pfc	Moeks, Avery R. Pvt	Specogna, Louis Jr. Pvt
Burton, John M. Pfc	Hoffman, Jarvis H. Pfc	Mills, Robert K. S/Sgt	Spencer, Harry P. Pfc
Bywaters, James F. Pfc	Horseck, Theod. C. Pvt	Minhew, H. M. Jr. Pvt	Steffen, Wallace C. Pfc
		Moline, Clyde W. T/Sgt	Stenrud, Russell S. Pfc
		Montgomery, H. E. Pvt	Stewart, Virgil W. Pvt
		Mois, Arthur G. Pfc	Summerlin, Clar. E. Pfc
		Mozecka, Henry W. Pfc	Sutherland, El. G. Pfc
		Murray, Charlie K. Pfc	Suits, Joseph E. S/Sgt
		Nato, James S. Pfc	
		Naylor, Fred C. Pfc	Thomas, Lawr. V. Pfc
		Nemor, Arthur W. Pfc	Thomson, R. E. Pvt
		Niklauski, Mich. S. Pfc	Tortle, Edward Pfc
			Tracey, James A. T/S
		O'Hair, Jonathan Pfc	Tripp, Walter G. Pfc
		Oscega, Henry S/Sgt	Tyndall, Monroe T/S
		Paganelli, Frank L. Pfc	Vento, Joseph P. Pfc
		Payson, Robert Pfc	
		Perez, Raul T. Pvt	Warner, Harry W. Pfc
		Pierce, Robert I. Pfc	Whipple, Leslie L. Pfc
		Pietrowski, Edw. J. Pfc	Wilton, Raym. G. Cpl
		Pollack, Dale E. Pfc	Wymer, Clarence Sgt
		Pricher, Bob Pfc	
		Prewitt, Cliff. C. Pfc	Yarbrough, Roy Pfc
		Priven, Paul O. Pvt	Zoller, Jack R. S/Sgt
Day, Robert B. Pfc	LaFlam, George L. Pfc		
Davis, Allen L. Pfc	Langham, Alex. D. Pfc		
Dean, William A. T/S			
Dickinson, Don. E. Pvt			
Donaldson, K. J. Pvt			
Doucet, Earl J. Pfc			
Daweglow, Walter Pfc			
Elliott, Carroll Pfc			
Ella, George J. Pvt			

SERVICE COMPANY 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

Wallace, John L.	Capt.	Sunday, Brewster	1st Lt.
Bulfinch, John F.	1st Lt.	Vance, Harold H.	1st Lt.
Hall, Joseph	1st Lt.	Lutz, Darrell W.	1st Lt.
Holinski, Frank S.	1st Lt.	Green, James E.	2nd Lt.
McConnell, R. E.	1st Lt.	Hanigan, James J.	CWO
Needham, J. K.	1st Lt.	Guilbeau, Mitch	CWO
Schedin, J. A.	1st Lt.	Kempf, Lloyd W.	WOK

ENLISTED MEN

Abrahamson, Jacob	Pfc	Diez, Vernon L.	Pvt	Kelly, John J.	Pfc	Schneider, Richard A.	S Sgt
Alley, Wendell T.	Tec 5	Doland, Willie H.	Pvt	Kilgore, Charles R., Jr.	Pfc	Schwab, Raphael C.	Pfc
Amick, Fred D.	Pfc	Douglas, Thomas K. Jr.	Pvt	King, Orbie M.	S Sgt	Schwartzman, Benj. M.	Pvt
Anderson, Ralph O.	Pfc	Doyles, Charles W.	Pfc	Kirkendall, Donald L.	Pfc	Senzra, Martin A.	Pvt
Anderson, William N.	Pfc	Dumford, Stacie A.	Pfc	Kirkpatrick, Darrel D.	Pvt	Sharyfou, James H.	Tec 5
Armore, Ronald H.	T Sgt	Dunn, Donald J.	Pvt	Klunick, Thomas H.	Pvt	Shaulis, Kenneth C.	Pvt
Arva, James	Tec 5	Dorman, Marshall L.	Pvt	Krawinski, Robert S.	Pvt	Shaw, Douglas E.	Pvt
Assore, Robert M.	Pvt	Edland, Willard R.	Pvt	Kenny, David E.	Tec 5	Shocraft, Charles D.	Pvt
Baar, Robert J.	Tec 4	Edwards, Lloyd R.	Sgt	La Tague, Stanley A.	Tec 5	Shut, John T.	T-4
Baldwin, Edward M.	Pvt	Edwards, Marcus A.	Pvt	Lambert, Lloyd C.	Pvt	Silver, Marvin C.	Pvt
Barlett, William S. Sr.	Pvt	Edwards, Paul A.	Pvt	Land, Lloyd T.	Pvt	Simmons, John C.	Pvt
Barney, Harry	Tec 5	Ellsworth, Scott E.	Tec 4	Linton, Kenneth F.	Pvt	Smiles, Harold	S Sgt
Baron, Woodford W.	T Sgt	Everhart, Paul F.	Pvt	Long, William E.	1 Sgt	Smart, Grady E.	Pvt
Barthart, Anthony L.	Tec 5	Evans, Glenn L. C.	Pvt	Lovell, Paqueline J.	Pvt	Smietana, Joseph T.	S Sgt
Barr, Maurice L.	Tec 5	Fairfax, Steven J.	Pvt	Lewis, John D. Jr.	T-4	Smith, Leon E.	T Sgt
Barnes, Eugene H.	Tec 4	Faxon, Wayne M.	Tec 4	Lytle, Roy R.	Pvt	Smith, Richard D.	Tec 4
Beckham, James L.	T Sgt	Fisher, Nathan S.	Pvt	Madney, Laver P. Jr.	Tec 5	Soldo, Daniel	Sgt
Belcher, James A.	Pvt	Fishburn, Theodore R.	Pvt	Madonia, Fred L. Jr.	Pvt	Sparry, Charles D.	Tec 5
Berchard, Richard A.	Pvt	Foley, Frank W.	Pvt	Maggis, John L.	Tec 4	Sparry, William G.	Tec 4
Brown, Thomas E.	Pvt	Ford, John J. Jr.	Pvt	Maldonado, Trino F.	Pvt	Stahl, Kenneth J.	Tec 5
Boyd, Sherman G.	M Sgt	Frick, William T.	Sgt	Martino, Edward J.	Pvt	Staley, James L.	Tec 4
Boyle, Alton J.	Tec 4	Francis, Melvin J.	Pvt	Martin, Jack B.	Pvt	Stalder, Robert H.	Pvt
Boy, Charles D.	Pvt	Fry, Buddy	Pvt	Mathis, William A.	Pvt	Staughton, Harry	Tec 4
Boighswell, Just W.	Tec 4	Gallagher Thomas J.	Tec 5	Matuszewski, Eugene J.	Pvt	Stefan, Richard E.	Tec 5
Britt, Ken	S Sgt	Garcia, John J. Jr.	T-4	Menzie, Frederick Jr.	Tec 4	Steepp, Carl T.	Pvt
Brownard, Rayn. C. Jr.	Pvt	Gardner, Nicholas L.	Tec 5	McCreary, Glenn A.	Pvt	Stevens, George L.	Tec 5
Brown, Albert L.	Tec 5	Germann, Peter	Pvt	Migliorini, Michael J.	Tec 5	Stevens, Billie J.	T-4
Brown, Charles W.	Pvt	Gibson, George E.	Pvt	Mihaly, Julius C.	Pvt	Storry, Marvin	Pvt
Bruce, Eugene	Tec 5	Gladstone, Max J.	T-5	Millum, Franz K.	Pvt	Sutton, William E.	Pvt
Buckley, John J.	Pvt	Goodwin, William	Cpl	Miller, Leo S.	Pvt	Svanovic, Herman W.	Pvt
Burman, John J.	Pvt	Grant, Clyde	T Sgt	Mitton, Frank	T-5	Svanovic, Tage E.	Tec 4
Burday, Philip	Pvt	Griffith, Tom T.	Tec 4	Moore, Harry E.	Cpl	Taylor, Robert A.	Tec 5
Burns, John A.	M Sgt	Griffith, Carl C.	Pvt	Morrison, Larc A.	Pvt	Tarl, A. W.	Pvt
Butney, Lewis E.	Pvt	Grimm, Anastasia D.	Pvt	Mortimer, Maria D.	Tec 5	Thompson, Melvin E.	Pvt
Buzone, Arthur W.	Cpl	Haddy, Frank	Pvt	Muller, John M.	Tec 5	Topfite, John N.	Pvt
Bywater, James F.	Pvt	Hampton, Olen E.	Pvt	Murt, Richard G.	Tec 4	Trenshill, David E.	Tec 5
Calhoun, John H. Jr.	Tec 5	Hansen, Donald W.	Tec 4	Neal, Harry L.	Pvt	Tuckaway, George M.	Pvt
Cammack, Robert A.	Tec 5	Hansen, Ronald C.	Pvt	Nitana, James P.	Pvt	Twishell, Eugene J.	Pvt
Carroll, Marvin H.	Pvt	Harp, Melvin L.	Cpl	Nelson, Carl T.	Tec 5	Vargo, John	Tec 5
Casby, Thomas F.	T Sgt	Harris, Cliff S.	Tec 4	Otto, John E.	Tec 4	Vaugh, Edgar R.	Pvt
Carmak, George T.	Cpl	Hartley, Alvin C.	Pvt	O'Donovan, David	Tec 5	Venris, George W.	Pvt
Chelbasa, Charles	Pvt	Hartman, Erik	T-5	Olkowski, Joseph	Pvt	Veral, George F.	Tec 5
Clark, John A.	Pvt	Herman, Albert S.	Tec 5	Pack, Elton	Tec 4	Wald, John J.	Pvt
Collette, George A.	Tec 4	Herr, Raymond	Tec 5	Parwick, Michael	Pvt	Walton, Eugene C.	Tec 5
Colgan, Frank R.	Tec 5	Hicks, Billy J.	Pvt	Pate, Ray C.	Pvt	Watkins, Clab W. Jr.	Pvt
Corrwall, Earl R.	T Sgt	Hildreth, George L.	Pvt	Raemmen, George P.	Pvt	Webster, Gerald W.	T Sgt
Cottrell, Frank I.	Tec 5	Hinton, William E.	Pvt	Rawlings, Barton W.	Pvt	Wells, Donald E.	S Sgt
Cox, Arthur W.	Pvt	Hodge, Joe H.	Pvt	Reidman, Charles W.	Tec 5	Wentworth, Francis W.	Sgt
Crandal, George L.	Pvt	Holbrook, Emil	Tec 4	Reynolds, Melvin E.	Tec 5	Wicks, Philip E.	Pvt
Crawford, Kenneth D.	Pvt	Howe, William S.	Pvt	Richardson, Earl H.	Tec 5	Willocks, Leonard V.	Pvt
Day, Lester H.	Pvt	Hueston, Warren E.	Pvt	Richardson, Faymo O.	Pvt	Wilson, Laurin D.	Pvt
Day, Robert D.	Pvt	Ivey, Walter K.	Pvt	Ridgway, George R.	Pvt	Witz, Vern T.	Pvt
Deane, Norman J.	Pvt	Jerry, Roger A.	Pvt	Rogers, Donald F.	Pvt	Wood, Kenneth A.	Pvt
DeFoil, Gene E.	Sgt	Jennings, John A.	Pvt	Roth, Earl L.	Pvt	Wood, Walter G.	Pvt
Deluca, Thomas J.	Pvt	Johnson, Carl W.	Pvt	Ross, Clifford	Tec 4	Wall, Woodrow W.	Pvt
Dermond, Richard C.	Pvt	Johnson, Ervin R.	Tec 5	Ruffalo, Sam	Pvt	Yardley, Richard K.	Pvt
DeVillier, Thomas J.	Pvt	Johnson, Jack L.	Cpl	Salvati, Salvatore	Pvt	Yanna, Waldo S.	Pvt
Deweller, Truman K.	Sgt	Kapacinski, Joseph M.	Pvt				
Dintz, Howard R.	Pvt						



113th ARMY GROUND FORCES BAND

112TH ARMY GROUND FORCES BAND 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

Leiman, Fred H. 1st Lt. Margolin, Oliver WO1G

ENLISTED MEN

Adams, Lee	Pfc	LaPenta, Anthony V.	T-4
Adelman, William E.	Pfc	LeBlanc, Henry N.	Pfc
Allen, Dave E.	Pfc	Lemke, John D.	T-3
Anden, Levid	T-3	Mayhew, Robert I.	Pfc
Barney, Robert D.	Pfc	McCormick, William E.	Pfc
Beah, Gerald L.	T-4	McCullough, Lyle M.	T-4
Boginski, Joseph V.	Pfc	McGowan, Norman I.	Pfc
Brewner, William P.	Pfc	Moon, George W.	Pfc
Bruton, Conway M.	Pfc	Moore, Edmond K.	Pfc
Burdzinski, Raymond J.	Pfc	Mabe, William A.	Pfc
Burkhart, Anselm	Pfc	Nease, Ray E.	Pfc
Casben, Robert F.	Pfc	Onwood, Donald	Pfc
Clark, William E.	Pfc	Pantz, Eymonick A.	Pfc
Coles, Edward A.	Pfc	Paxton, Robert I.	Pfc
Cooke, Arthur I.	Pfc	Perry, Raymond W.	Pfc
Cotton, Nelson D.	Pfc	Przygodka, Judd J.	Pfc
Dellagosta, Anthony V.	T-4	Roll, William	Pfc
Davis, Alfred A.	Pfc	Schritschneider, Carroll	T-3
Davison, Edward M.	T-3	Schmitt, William G.	Pfc
DeCaso, Frank	T-4	Schroenover, Meredith	Pfc
DeMarco, Peter P.	Pfc	Smith, Howard	Pfc
DeVerna, Lawrence A.	Pfc	Szrakusak, Martin E.	Pfc
DePaola, Anthony	T-3	Sullivan, Herman C.	Pfc
Dooley, Daniel J. G.	W2	Taffi, Chester	Pfc
Faricello, Joseph A.	Pfc	Teigler, Russell	Pfc
Fazney, James J.	T-3	Valladares, Antonio	T-3
Fatkar, William M.	T-3	Von Grueningen, Owen	Pfc
Fortucci, Samuel L.	T-5pt	Von Kamen, Arthur	Pfc
Frizzell, Stewart A.	S-Sgt	Wade, Abram Jr.	Pfc
Gordeman, John J.	Pfc	Way, James M.	Pfc
Greco, Angelo	T-4	Wiley, Ashton M.	Pfc
Green, Milton H.	Pfc	Wilson, Alvin P.	T-4
Garsbedien, Sam	T-4	Winter, Julius G.	T-3
Hagen, Ludell	Pfc	Wyatt, Glenn A.	Pfc
Hue, Earle E.	Pfc	Zimmerman, Le Roy M.	T-3
Janson, Edward	T-4		
Krinsky, Herman Y.	Pfc		
Kricka, Jerry S.	Pfc		



SECOND BATTALION STAFF, 505th PARACHUTE INFANTRY
Lt. Col. Otto E. Hobbs, Commanding

During the last part of June the 508th remained in defensive positions south of the Douve, waiting for the big drive. German deserters were beginning to straggle into our lines, and a public address system and propaganda shells were used to entice more of them to surrender. At one point Lt. Paul E. Lehman, S-2 of the Third Battalion, spent an hour pleading in broken German to what looked like someone waving a white flag. After closer scrutiny it turned out to be a large Norman cow with a white spot on its side grazing behind a gap in the hedgerow.

At 0630 on the 3rd of July the Second and Third Battalions passed through the positions held by the First Battalion in the Bois de Limors and attacked towards Hill 131, the highest ground on the peninsula. The attack went well, and by noon the regiment had overrun front line positions and was operating in the enemy rear areas. Hill 131 was taken by nightfall, and the Red Devils had advanced three miles through pouring rain. In position to attack Hill 95, the last of the high ground north of La Haye du Puits, the regimental commander awaited the order to move forward.

At 0740 on the 4th of July the order came down, and the fireworks started at eight. As the attack progressed, the unit on the regiment's left shelled the high ground over which the First Battalion planned to move, leaving only a draw for a route of advance. The First and Third Battalions advanced through this narrow defile, and when the friendly shelling on the left had lifted, the Krauts were able to deliver effective fire from the flank as well as from the front. Both battalions sustained heavy losses and were forced to withdraw temporarily.

This situation threw the bulk of the load on the Second Battalion's shoulders. Advancing on the right flank of the regiment, the battalion attacked Hill 95 from the northeast. Since all avenues of approach were over fairly open ground, the enemy was able to observe the troopers much of the time. Running into heavy artillery as a result of the good observation, Capt. Chester Graham, temporarily commanding the battalion after Lt. Col. Alexander had been wounded, ordered F Company to move to the right around the base of the hill, while D Company went to the left. Since the battalion was not of sufficient strength to clear the wooded crest, the plan was to isolate the enemy on the hill from their cohorts to the south with interlocking bands of machinegun fire, and then send combat patrols to the crest. Capt. Royal B. Taylor assumed command in the evening, and under cover of darkness the battalion moved onto the hill. By five in the morning the Second Battalion had cleared the ridge, although enemy movement to the immediate front was so great that during the next few days several thousand rounds of 81mm mortar ammunition was expended, and the 319th Field Artillery, in support of the regiment, kept throwing round after round onto the enemy positions. Lt. Lloyd Pollette, commanding F Company did a marvelous job with his command on the attack. Despite the fact that they were absorbing most of the artillery, F Company moved to their objective and held it.

The 508th remained in position as the 8th Infantry Division passed through to take La Haye du Puits. The regiment then broke contact with the enemy. During the whole campaign, and it was true of all future campaigns, the medics instead of being merely pill-rollers, were the most respected and best loved group of men in the regiment. Their efficiency was surpassed only by their utter disregard for enemy fire when a wounded man needed aid.

On the 13th of July the 508th loaded into two LSTs on Utah Beach, and by the 15th of July 918 of the 2,056 men who had jumped on D-Day returned via Southampton to the base camp at Nottingham.

After five day furloughs in England had been enjoyed by all, the job of training replacements and preparing for the next mission began. Rumors were rampant. Despite the fact that Colonel Lindquist had informed everyone that eight weeks was the maximum time he could expect for preparation, some men insisted that the regiment was practically on its way home. Although a practice jump was scheduled for the 29th of August, it was cancelled at the last minute. Breathing a slight sigh at not having to jump, the

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HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, SECOND BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY SECOND BATTALION 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

Tracey, David J. 1st Lt.

Anderson, Jos. R. 1st Lt. Odom, Allen C. 1st Lt.
Childress, Fl. S. Jr. 1st Lt. MacFlaher, T. D. 2nd Lt.

ENLISTED MEN

Adams, Richard L. Pfc	Corrado, Patsy Pfc	MacKrell, Alb. J. Pfc	Rogers, John K. Pvt
Aguilera, Frank V. Pvt	Coyle, Charles B. Pfc	Marton, Louis Pfc	Rosero, Arsenie Pfc
Aleck, Johnny G. T/4	Crawford, Paul T/4	Marshall, Regis S. Pfc	Rymaszewski, W. J. Pfc
Allen, David A. Pvt	Davis, Weldon E. T/4	Martin, Raymond Pfc	Sender, William W. Pfc
Amico, Freder. R. Pfc	Delgado, John L. Pfc	Mastroranni, Guido Pfc	Schlemmer, D. Z. T/5gt
Amiday, Albert B. Sgt.	Doner, Joseph J. Pfc	Martingly, Jos. W. T/5	Schnoor, Max C. Pfc
Anderson, Ch. W. Pfc	Derr, Pharon O. Pfc	Marx, Eugene J. Pfc	Seal, Richard C. Pfc
	Demetriatis, Jos. L. T/5	McDonnell, Val. S/5gt	Schroeder, K. M. 1st Sgt
	Diematta, Henry Pvt	Meadham, Edgar M. Pfc	Shanley, Irving T. S/5gt
Baker, Robert L. Pfc	Dozza, Joseph A. Pvt	Mecone, Rich. G. T/5	Shrout, T. A. Jr. S/5gt
Balea, James I. Pvt	Elmore, Thomas Jr. S/5gt	Meslich, Benjamin Pfc	Sims, Fred W. T/4
Ball, Ivan E. Pvt	Entle, John P. Pfc	Mirza, Victor A. Sgt	Smith, James L. Pfc
Ballict, Neal H. Pvt	Fagan, Wilbur J. Pfc	Miskowic, A. D. Pfc	Sothy, Jack M. Pvt
Barry, John T. M. S/5gt	Fairman, G. D. Jr. S/5gt	Meyers, Billy D. Pfc	Scipes, Richard C. Pfc
Bartlett, Eng. C. T/5	Ferguson, Frank W. Pfc	Montgomery, M. E. Pvt	Stone, Carl E. Pfc
Battle, John H. Pfc	Fowler, Celey Jr. Pfc	Moore, Orville Pfc	Sullivan, Daniel T. Pfc
Beaure, W. W. Pfc	Gabriel, Robert Pfc	Morris, Robert H. T/5gt	Speers, Robert W. S/5gt
Boring, Seward B. Pfc	Giblin, David A. Pvt	Morse, Lotan A. Pvt	Sreey, John F. Pfc
Born, Stanley F. Pfc	Greely, John F. T/5	Mulick, A. F. Jr. Pfc	Take, William M. Pfc
Bernard, Charl. F. Sgt	Grube, Martin Pfc	Murzhud, Edw. J. Pfc	Torlino, Kenn. E. Sgt
Beran, Martin D. Pfc	Gulbrandson, E. T. Pvt		Tolocky, Roger R. Pfc
Bloss, Donald H. Pfc	Hager, George L. Pvt	Neidletter, Roy E. T/4	Trisolf, LeRoy F. Sgt
Biagioni, W. H. T/5	Hines, Warren E. Pfc	Noedwall, Stanl. A. T/4	Thompson, A. C. Pfc
Boitano, Louis Pfc	Irby, W. H. Jr. T/5	Newman, Lee D. Pfc	Thompson, R. H. Sgt
Boyd, Donald L. Pfc	Jackson, Larton L. Pfc	Norland, Jack W. Pfc	Tillman, W. A. Pvt
Breuer, M. L. Jr. Pvt	Jessup, Howard T/5	Nusse, Clarence C. T/4	Tschia, H. H. Pfc
Brickey, K. J. Sr. Pvt	Jozwiak, Edward J. T/5	Oberg, Calvin E. Pfc	Unsworth, Thom. J. Pfc
Brodzinski, All. E. Pfc	Keene, Leland F. Pfc	Parsons, Harold S. Sgt	Vogel, John B. Jr. Cpl
Brooks, Frank Pfc	Koowenki, Jul. F. T/5gt	Pearson, Ned R. S/5gt	Yenahnik, H. F. Pvt
Brown, Buford L. Pfc	Kozak, Floyd C. Cpl	Pooler, Lee W. S/5gt	Vickers, Floyd E. Cpl
Brown, Richard E. Pfc	Klantz, Albert M. Pfc	Phillips, Ralph E. Pfc	Vivian, David L. Pfc
Brune, Joseph J. Pvt	Kuljn, Harold O. I. Pfc	Pilutti, Adelchi A. T/4	
Burgess, Merle D. Cpl	Ladd, Spencer C. Pfc	Pinon, Reyes M. Pfc	Walzac, Stanley A. Pfc
Burke, Cornelius J. Pvt	Lewis, Clarence V. Cpl	Pittinger, Vivian E. Pfc	Wellington, Rex A. Pvt
	Lewis, Hobart D. Pvt	Potter, Pascual E. Pfc	Wheeler, Edward Pfc
Carter, Albert R. Pvt	Loog, Foy C. Pfc	Poss, Homer H. Cpl	Wikstrom, A. L. Pvt
Cerra, Michael J. Pfc	Lowery, Vincent Pvt	Peterson, G. D. Pfc	Wilkins, Lloyd R. Sgt
Chen, George E. S/5gt	Lucero, Charles F. Pfc		Wise, Albert A. Pfc
Chandler, Billy J. Pfc	Lund, Alvin E. Pvt	Reed, Calvo S. Pfc	William, Albert Cpl
Chesire, Clinton Pvt	MacMillan, W. F. Pfc	Reimers, Lee H. Pvt	Woloschek, A. V. Pvt
Clark, Robert F. S/5gt		Richter, Virgil H. Pfc	Wright, William H. Sgt
Clawson, Merlin M. Pvt		Riley, John W. Pfc	Wise, James M. Sgt
Cofa, John Pfc		Rinchart, Thom. F. Pvt	Yount, Floyd S. Pfc
Collier, Thomas R. Pvt		Rodir, Wayne R. Pvt	
Collins, Larry R. Pfc		Rodriguez, Saly. S. T/5	
Conners, John H. Pvt			



COMPANY "D"

COMPANY "D" 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

French, Jack S. 1st Lt. Layman, Fred H. 1st Lt.
 Friek, Herman L. 1st Lt. Lyons, Robert J. 1st Lt.
 Coffey, Ward T. 2nd Lt.

ENLISTED MEN

Adams, Willie J. Pfc	Ferrarese, Saly M. Pfc	Kautz, Jack L. Pvt	Piorunski, L. L. P. Pfc
Adrian, Harry C. T/4	Franklin, McKinley Sr. P. Pvt.	Kava, Clon D. Pvt	Polansky, Edw. J. Pfc
Anderson, Alb. C. Pfc	Gallagher, H. A. Pvt	Kitchen, Roger L. T/Sgt	Porter, Carl Jr. Pfc
Atkinson, H. B. Pvt	Gatwood, W. R. Pfc	Lapombarino, Sr. E. Pfc	Price, Melvin J. Pvt
Baker, Walter E. Sgt	Gelliver, Walter G. Pfc	Landato, Rob. J. Pfc	Raimond, Mich. E. Pfc
Ball, Laverne J. Cpl	Goodgion, G. E. Pfc	Layton, R. K. Jr. T/4	Rape, Thomas J. Pfc
Balogach, John J. Pfc	Green, W. B. Jr. Pfc	Leordinski, Th. E. Pfc	Ratliff, Elmer P. Pfc
Barton, Martin Jr. Pfc	Greenwood, John Pvt	Loria, Frank J. Pfc	Rutawski, Throd. J. Pfc
Bellefontaine, J. P. Pfc	Griffin, George D. Pvt	Marquez, Raul Pfc	Reef, Joseph C. Pfc
Boylan, William D. Pvt	Gumbert, Harold C. Pfc	Marshall, Floyd D. Pvt	Richards, W. M. Pfc
Brady, Charles P. S/Sgt	Guzzetti, Louis E. Pfc	Martin, Dougl. M. Sgt	Riley, Paul E. T/4
Brammer, J. T. Jr. Pvt	Hall, Robert F. Pfc	Mastrocola, Frank Pfc	Rodriguez, J. De J. Pfc
Bray, Randall L. Pfc	Harrison, Ollie R. Pfc	McClure, Billy B. Pfc	Roseberry, Edgar W. Jr. T/Sgt
Braz, Manuel J. Pfc	Harvey, Dennis E. Pfc	McCullough, W. R. Pfc	Ross, Edward R. Pfc
Broughton, E. L. Pvt	Hayden, Charles F. Pvt	Meek, Robert D. Pvt	Rupeka, Petar Pfc
Brown, Francis S/Sgt	Heid, Lowell E. Pfc	Melia, Thomas F. Pfc	Rush, Alton G. Pvt
Brown, Freder. G. Sgt	Helson, Ray L. Pfc	Melton, John F. Jr. T/4	Rust, Frank A. Pvt
Bryant, Nelson S. Pfc	Hietala, Eli Pfc	Merseroni, Ray S/Sgt	Rybak, Frank T/4
Breznowski, John J. Pfc	Hilbrands, Benjam. Pfc	Michael, Warren J. Pfc	Santon, Rich. M. Pfc
Buhler, Melvin D. Pfc	Hinson, Billy O. Pfc	Miller, Raymond P. Pvt	Sovani, Arthur G. Sgt
Bull, Raymond O. Pvt	Hix, Almon J. Pfc	Miller, Roger P. Pvt	Schaefer, Jos. M. Pfc
Calvert, Carroll B. 1st Sgt	Hoffman, W. R. Pfc	Miner, John C. Pfc	Schell, Harry L. Pfc
Carter, W. G. A. Pfc	Holbrook, Rob. G. Pfc	Moody, Paul C. Pfc	Schmidt, Melvin A. Pvt
Charley, Harry Pfc	Holden, Robert J. Pfc	Moser, Truendell Pfc	Schoolecraft, H. W. Sgt
Chavez, Juan R. Pfc	Hoppepple, Ern. C. Pfc	Myers, Earl M. Sgt	Sargent, Nestor Pfc
Chesney, Orv. A. Pfc	Howard, Ruf. L. Jr. Pfc	Nakashima, George Pfc	Serra Federico Sgt
Clayton, Alt. R. Pvt	Hudson, Sammie E. T/4	Nakashima, K. K. Pfc	Sons, James R. Pfc
Clemmer, Gge. I. Wg	Hunt, Norman M. Sgt	Neely, Wamard S. S/Sgt	Strange, Ernest C. S/Sgt
Coart, Cecil S/Sgt	Holt, James W. Pvt	Nelson, Tommy A. Pfc	Studelika, Norb. C. Pfc
Cobb, William L. Pfc	Hirt, Paul T. T/4	Nichald, W. D. Pvt	Taylor, Jerry Pfc
Cook, Creed C. Pvt	Irons, William D. Pfc	Novak, Chester W. Pfc	Terry, Robert D. Pfc
Cooley, Jack A. Pfc	Ivanavice, Anthony Pfc	Olson, Palmer Pfc	Tracy, Samuel W. S/Sgt
Crain, Clomon C. S/Sgt	Isaacs, Lloyd R. Pvt	Osinika, Frank Sgt	Trujillo, Robert N. Pfc
Culley, James P. Pvt	James, George J. Pvt	Overby, Terry A. Pfc	Underwood, P. R. Pfc
Davis, Lisle B. T/Sgt	Johanser, Charf. F. Pvt	Oybkhan, Abraham Pfc	Vikstrom, Ald. E. Sgt
Denney, Ralph E. Pfc	Kandrac, Andrew J. Pfc	Palemino, T. M. Pvt	Villalobos, Louis L. Pvt
DeVelle, Clarr. A. Pfc	Kaminsky, Samuel Pfc	Pasalicqua, I. V. T/4	Walker, Daniel J. Pfc
Dwyer, James W. Pfc	Kawolsky, Pete Pfc	Peator, Derald D. Pfc	Walsh, Charlie F. Pfc
Doyle, Dale M. S/Sgt	Keith, Robbie A. Pfc	Pearcy, Karl E. Pfc	White, Robert J. Sgt
Eakins, E. A. Jr. Pfc	Kennedy, Rob. G. Pfc	Pesales, Ruben R. Pfc	Whitt, Venzl II. Pfc
Edwards, Jos. E. Jr. Pfc	Kirk, Kenneth Y. Pfc	Ferkins, Edwin T. Pfc	Wilson, John A. Sgt
Eide, Raymond O. Sgt	Knauff, Lyle E. Pfc	Ferkins, W. S. S/Sgt	Wing, Everett L. Pvt
Evans, Eugena L. Sgt	Knight, Harry J. Pfc	Feteman, Rob. E. Pfc	
Fedorchak, Vinc. J. Pfc	Kollman, A. K. Pfc	Petras, John A. Pfc	
Fellin, Carl J. Pfc	Krueger, Marud. M. Pfc		



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COMPANY "E" 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

OFFICERS

Higgins, Rich. A. 1st Lt.
 Duskee, Rich. W. 1st Lt. Warncke, A. F. 1st Lt.
 Liebmann, Dav. D. 1st Lt. Rinehart, Jos. E. 2nd Lt.

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Aaron, Lawr. T. 1st Sgt	Goodwin, Alvin Pfc	Livingston, Arthur Pfc	Quinana, Lew. E. Pfc
Adams, Gerald F. S/Sgt	Goodwin, Charl. C. Pfc	Lobos, Joseph L. Pfc	Randall, Roger L. Pfc
Adams, Lewis W. Pfc	Goodwin, Gene E. Pfc	Lopez, Joe J. Pfc	Raymond, Edw. A. Pfc
Anderson, Bern. E. Pfc	Grady, Walter C. Pfc	Linton, Willis I. Sgt	Raymond, Glen R. Pfc
Austin, Rommie J. Pfc	Grant, Darrell W. T/1	Lown, Leonard B. Sgt	Reed, Thomas E. Pfc
	Greco, Benny Pfc	Luff, Russell Sgt	Reith, Gerald A. Pvt
Babb, Rex L. S/Sgt	Green, John G. Jr. Pfc	Luz, Henry Pfc	Rogers, Jos. E. Pfc
Bader, Stuart O. Pfc	Grinds, A. J. Jr. T/Sgt		Rokosz, Edward H. Pfc
Bansley, Ist. L. S/Sgt		MacDonald, Jerry Pfc	Romero, Lee E. Pfc
Becker, Leo J. Pfc	Hale, Robert L. Pfc	MacNeill, Harvey Pfc	Rousebush, Dale R. S/Sgt
Bell, Donald J. Pfc	Halverson, K. O. Pvt	Maier, Lewis W. Pfc	Rowley, Edward A. Pfc
Blackmore, Kenn. E. Pfc	Harrison, Paul E. Pfc	Maisevich, Joseph Pfc	Sackenheim, W. A. S/Sgt
Bollinger, Rich. D. T/4	Henwood, Rob. L. Pfc	Maklary, W. Jr. Pfc	Socho, Rosario Pfc
Borwell, Bura H. Pfc	Hernandez, Arn. F. Pfc	Marsden, Ch. W. Pvt	Scharfer, Ralph P. Pfc
Brannon, G. N. Jr. Pfc	Hernandez, B. A. Pvt	Mayes, Kenneth O. Pfc	Scott, Clarence R. Pfc
Brookes, Marsh. R. Pfc	Hill, Lester A. Pfc	McCourt, V. W. Pfc	
Brooks, J. D. Pfc	Hinebaugh, Earl D. Pfc	McGeehan, J. H. Pfc	Sell, William F. Pfc
Broom, Dalton W. Pfc	Hobert, Herbert I. Cpl	McGuire, Beedler Pfc	Shenkle, G. A. Jr. Pfc
Brown, Doyle R. Pfc	Holt, James W. Pvt	Medeiros, Urban Sgt	Siegel, Benjamin Pfc
Butcher, Kenn. D. Pfc	Hornacky, N. Z. Jr. Pfc	Meharan, Edm. J. Pfc	Siegel, Joseph J. Sgt
Butler, Glenw. B. Pfc	Hulman, Robert C. Pfc	Memasco, G. W. Pfc	Simmons, J. L. Jr. S/Sgt
Burd, Joseph R. Pfc	Hunter, Maxwell C. Pfc	Millwood, Arthur Pfc	Simonsen, LeRoy Pfc
		Mogush, Michael J. Sgt	Stover, Vernon R. S/Sgt
Campbell, Jessie C. Pfc	Iaquino, Frank Pvt	Montano, O. M. T/4	Speed, David L. Pfc
Canard, Curtis G. Pfc	Infinger, Freder. J. Pfc	Moerini, Joseph Pfc	Stockton, Bennie A. Pfc
Carroll, Charles B. Pfc	Innes, John C. Pfc	Moreno, Proco J. Pfc	Sutherland, H. S. Pfc
Casanova,	Ivey, Walter K. Pfc	Moulton, Nels. W. Pfc	
Pasquale J. Pfc	Januszewicz, Edw. S. Pfc		Taylor, Lewis C. Sgt
Casper, Nichol. Jr. Pfc	Jeffcoat, Byron D. Pfc	Nilsen, C. D. H. Jr. Pfc	
Cheswick, Mark W. Pvt	Johnson, Noble R. Pfc	O'Connor, R. W. Sgt	Valdez, Arn. B. Pvt
Coutins, H. W. Pfc	Joplin, Johnnie J. Pfc	Oliver, Newton J. Pfc	Vines, James E. Sgt
		Out, Harry A. Jr. Pfc	Vinson, Duell T/4
Dean, Harry W. Sgt	Kamp, James V. Pfc		Vranil, Lester G. Pfc
Donnelly, H. E. Pfc	Kaplow, George S. Pfc	Face, Paul E. Pfc	
DeAngelis, Cero L. Pfc	Keating, Clar. A. Pfc	Pacheco, Ant. L. Pfc	Wadhob, Freder. W. Pfc
Drake, Hugh B. T. Pfc	Kemp, Grady E. Pfc	Pagliarini, Frank F. Pfc	Walker, Arvie E. S/Sgt
Dunn, John J. Pfc	Keat, George F. Pfc	Parent, Henry J. R. Pvt	Wampler, G. W. Pfc
	Kimble, Calvin P. Pfc	Parker, James O. Sgt	Waspedowski, H. J. Pfc
Ellis, Johnnie A. Pfc	King, Jack H. S/Sgt	Patterson, G. E. Pfc	Walsh, Gordon L. T/4
Estig, Fred Pfc	Kluender, Adolf W. Pfc	Pearson, Donald I. Pfc	Weiner, Leon B. T/4
	Kotalik, John W. Pfc	Pencola, John E. Pfc	White, Samuel W. T/4
Faulkner, Don. E. Pvt	Krenek, Richard G. Pfc	Peter, Adan Pfc	Williamson, Ulysses Sgt
Fiorio, Joseph M. Pfc		Petrulavage, Ben. E. Pfc	Willis, Norman C. Pfc
Floyd, Jackson M. Sgt	Lazzaea, Charles J. Pfc	Pierce, Francis B. Pfc	Wilson, David E. Pfc
Fortner, J. B. Pfc	Lee, Charles W. Pfc	Platsch, Francis E. Pfc	Windisch, Elmer C. Pfc
Freshnook, George Pfc	Lemke, Carlton E. Pfc		
	Lerenhagen, J. A. Pfc	Quade, Theod. L. Pfc	Yonkovich, L. W. S/Sgt
Genobles, Frank Pfc	Lewis, Lawrence S. T/4	Querbach, Harold J. Pfc	
Glowski, Frank I. Pfc			Zylka, Eugene A. Pfc
Gonzales, L. M. Pfc			



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 Coulter, Allen C. 1st Lt. Owen, David B. 1st Lt.
 Dagggett, Redm. L. 1st Lt. Knapp, William F. 2nd Lt.

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Abshier, Paul H. Pfc	Dail, William I. Pvt	Lindsay, Harold W. Pfc	Seale, Robert L. S/Sgt
Alexik, Edward F. T/S	Day, Lester H. Pvt	Lorenzi, Giulio Pfc	Sproull, Joseph L. Sgt
Adamuska, St. F. S/Sgt	Duffy, John P. Pvt	Lycan, Austin Pfc	Setzer, Carl H. T/S
Angle, Gilbert E. Pfc	Davis, Reece D. Sgt		Shores, Charlie M. T/S
Amore, Joseph A. Pfc		Morrow, Robert L. 1/Sgt	Sanchez, Arthur Pfc
	Edwards, Robert A. Pvt	Montanaro, Samuel Sgt	Sandbach, Clar. A. Pfc
Barlow, Willard H. S/Sgt	Eisich, George H. Pvt	MacCaa, Rob. R. Cpl	Sasser, Ernest Pfc
Basar, George M. Pfc	Ellis, Adam R. Pvt	McKee, Frank E. Cpl	Shainowski, Carl Pfc
Barrett, Rob. W. Pfc	Elmore, Willet Pvt	Marshall, Quinr. D. Pfc	Shepherd, W. D. Pfc
Bartlett, Charl. H. Pfc	Ettinger, Victor E. Pvt	McNicholas, J. R. Pfc	Smith, James G. Pfc
Beading, John W. Pfc		Michalak, Frank Pfc	Sommers, W. K. Pfc
Billings, John H. Pvt	Ferguson, Alb. W. Pfc	Mikulik, Gene A. Pfc	Steveline, W. J. Pfc
Blakeley, Earl E. Pvt	Ferzante, Gaet. T. Pvt	Miller, Kenneth L. Pfc	Szrama, Richard F. Pfc
Brockwell, Lois Pvt	Foster, David O. Pfc	McDowell, W. E. Pvt	Scobee, Lloyd E. Pvt
Bryson, H. W. Jr. Pvt	Fuchs, Frank F. Jr. Sgt	Mitchell, Arth. G. Pfc	Slama, Louie Pvt
Bumgarner, Bernarr Pfc	Fushino, Jos. A. Pfc	Mongold, A. W. Pfc	
Biddy, Rufus S. Pfc		Moreno, Joe L. Pfc	Tschirhart, Jac. W. Sgt
Bau, Guerrino T/S	Gallinger, John W. T/Sgt	Mouser, Louie D. Pfc	Tempera, Morris L. Pfc
Brown, Ernie T. Pfc	Greening, Marv. E. T/4	Morris, Raym. T. Pfc	Thompson, Harry S. Pfc
Buzley, David W. Pfc	Giegold, Alb. W. T/S	Myers, Orville M. Pfc	Topet, Thomas M. Pfc
Burna, Dwayne T. Pfc	Geisler, Antone J. Pfc	Meadors, Clar. W. Pvt	Talbot, Lewis W. Pvt
Bell, Glenn T/Sgt	Gizzi, Marino J. Pfc		Toler, William A. Pvt
Berry, Elbert C. Sgt	Garrison, Raym. F. Pfc	Nichols, John R. Pfc	
Boorne, James T/Sgt	Goetzinger, Elm. R. Pfc	Nobles, Dewey F. Pfc	Umberson, W. E. Pfc
Bouthot, Fern. J. S/Sgt	Golomb, Sperm. B. Pfc		Ventura, Napol. R. Pfc
	Graffius, Jam. E. Pfc	Oglesby, Jam. F. Pfc	Vitez, Charles Pfc
Caruso, James J. S/Sgt		Orcutt, David E. Pfc	Wagner, Jack B. Pfc
Castaneda, Salv. P. S/Sgt	Hall, Donald E. S/Sgt	Ormiston, John R. Pfc	Waldecke, Reyn. Pfc
Clevenger, Th. K. Sgt	Harju, George W. Pfc	Owens, Haskell K. Pfc	Waller, Thomas B. Pfc
Calendine, Rex M. Pfc	Harper, W. A. 1st Sgt	O'Neill, Robert F. Pvt	Ward, Billy E. Pfc
Cherry, Orha C. Pfc	Hartzell, William J. Pfc		Watts, Calvin Pfc
Copeland, Jos. C. Pfc	Hazeslip, Cecil Pfc	Patterson, Boyd J. Pfc	Webb, Gilbert G. Pfc
Culhane, John P. Pfc	Hickman, Earl G. Pfc	Pena, Lucas E. Pfc	Whitley, Billy W. Pfc
Chin, Albert S. O. Pvt	Howland, Leon Pfc	Pennington, Th. H. Pfc	Wilkins, Earl Pfc
Christian, Leland L. Pvt	Hunt, Paul H. Pfc	Phelps, Woodr. W. Pfc	Williams, Merl. R. Pfc
Clark, Wilburn F. Pvt		Podrasky, Edw. J. T/4	Wingate, Earl W. Pfc
Collard, Kenn. M. Pvt	Johnson, Hugh L. S/Sgt	Pickard, Ch. L. Jr. Sgt	Witzenman, Fr. Jr. Pfc
Cromwell, West. G. Pvt	James, Whitm. W. Pfc	Pickett, Jewel L. Sgt	Wojcik, Leo E. Pfc
	Janish, Kenneth E. Pfc	Pinzarroni, Carl Pfc	Wolak, Teddy A. Pfc
	Jones, Dewey A. Pfc	Plunkett, Walt. E. Pfc	Worthington, B. M. Pfc
Davison, George Pvt		Pomeroy, Kenn. E. Pfc	Wagner, Warren G. Pvt
Dobransky, John S/Sgt	Kays, Francis E. Pfc	Reynolds, James A. Pfc	
Deibel, Robert H. Pfc	Kranz, John C. Pfc	Riebsame, W. P. Sgt	Yakovich, Andr. E. Pfc
Demko, Frank Pfc		Roberts, James A. Pfc	Yasuda, Norito Pfc
Denny, Jack Y. Pfc	Ledner, Karl F. T/S	Rodriguez, Edw. A. Pfc	Young, Roger B. Pfc
Detroit, William J. Pfc	Landford, Ralph E. Pfc	Rogers, William H. Pfc	Yount, Junior M. Pfc
Donohue, Franc. J. Pfc	Landis, Marvin T. Pfc	Rushing, H. W. Pfc	
Dukes, Henry A. Pfc	Lanoix, Landry J. Pfc		Zielke, W. H. Sr. S/Sgt
Dykstra, Marlin E. Pfc	LeBourdais, Elm. J. Pfc	Seebach, Delmar L. S/Sgt	Zbinski, Sigm. J. Pvt



THIRD BATTALION STAFF, 502nd PARACHUTE INFANTRY

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troopers were surprised when the order came down to roll bundles with a combat load of ammunition and equipment. After several days at the airport, ready to drop in the vicinity of Tournai, Belgium, everyone returned to base camp, thanks to the rapidity with which Patton's men had overrun Belgium.

Slightly more than a week after this dry run, planes were loaded once more, and the 82d Airborne Division was on its way to Nijmegen, Holland. Dropping south of the city shortly after one-thirty in the afternoon on Sunday, September 17th, the Red Devils found themselves presented with an entirely different situation than confronted them on the 6th of June. Flying through cloudless skies, the three battalion lifts were exactly over the drop zone when the green light snapped on. Although the last few minutes of the trip had been through heavy flak, casualties were extremely light. Perhaps it was because of the depth of the aerial thrust — at some places troops were dropped fifty miles behind the line — that surprise was achieved. Whatever the cause, resistance on the DZ was negligible.

By 1800 on D-Day all battalions were on their objectives, strengthening their defenses. During the next few hours Companies A and B moved north into Nijmegen, while Company G did likewise, using a different route. Both groups were intent on taking the modern highway bridge over the Waal — southern branch of the Rhine.

By noon of the 18th the enemy had recovered from their surprise and were assaulting the Nijmegen salient on all sides. The main highway running through the corridor was cut at the base, preventing the British First Airborne Division from seizing the bridge across the Neder Rijn, north of Nijmegen.

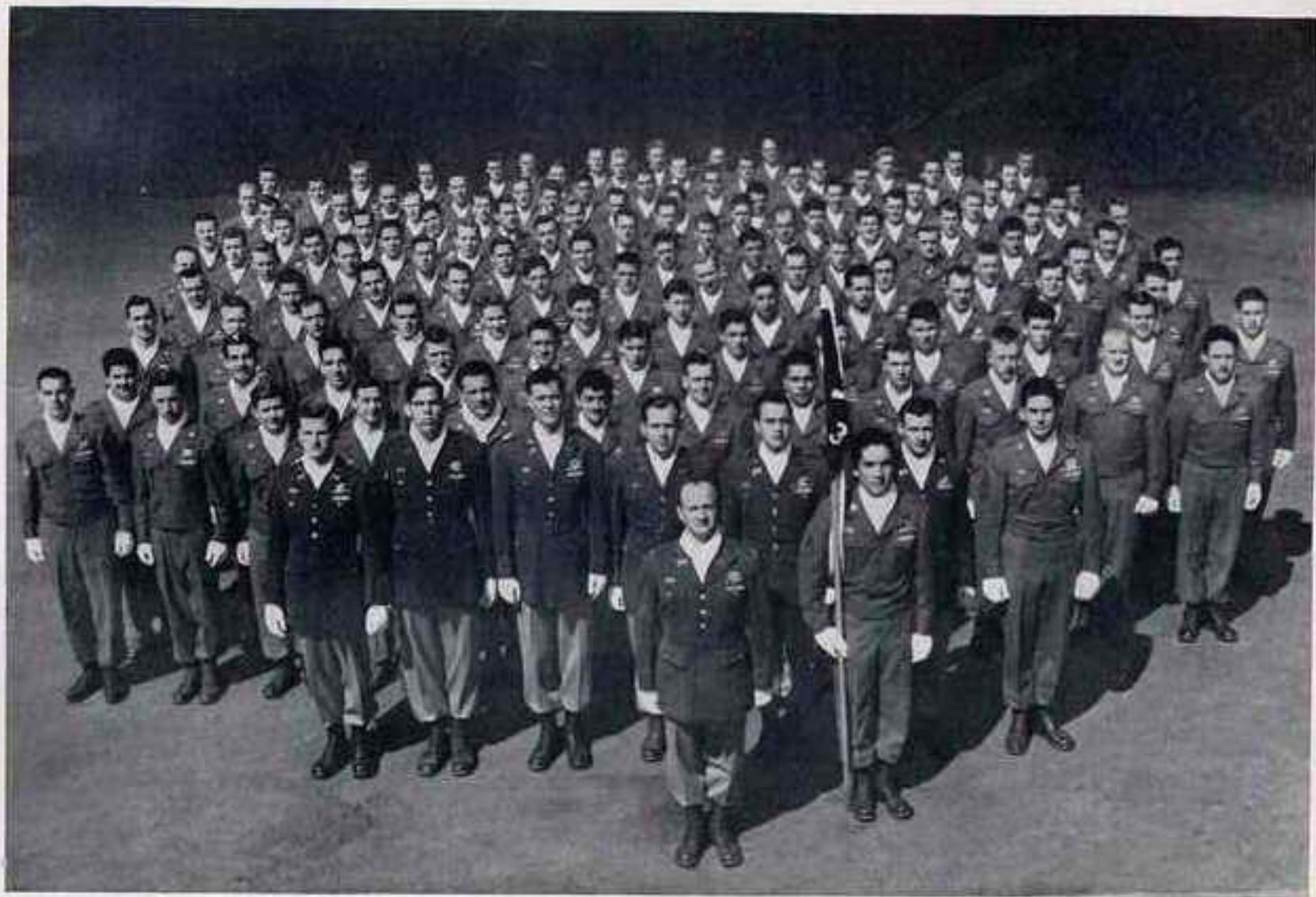
In the Nijmegen area the first week of action was highlighted by much hard fighting. Among the accomplishments of the 508th were the destruction of the demolition control for the Nijmegen bridge by a platoon of A Company under Capt. Jonathan E. Adams; the battle for "Devil's Hill" southeast of the city by part of Company A under Lt. John P. Foley, where nearly a battalion of enemy infantry was held at bay by two platoons; and the clearing of the glider landing zone on the 18th by the First Battalion and Company D. While the first of the gliders was coming in to land, the last of the Germans were being driven from the area. The Third Battalion waged a twenty-four hour battle for a small, but strategically important Dutch village, Beek. After changing hands three times, Beek was finally secured at great cost of life — but the Krauts had also paid heavily in the battle. The 319th Glider Field Artillery was instrumental in suppressing all the enemy counterattacks.

On the 23rd the Third Battalion attacked into Germany across the flats east of the city of Nijmegen, supported by a wonderful troop of British tanks — part of the Sherwood Forest Yeomanry. On the twenty-fourth of September, the 504th Parachute Infantry relieved the 508th, and the regiment reorganized near Berg-en-Dal, a small town south of Nijmegen. During this initial phase of the operation, as in Normandy, the parachute maintenance and supply sections were kept busy packing and dropping equipment bundles to keep the troopers well supplied with food, ammunition and blood plasma. For its work, the parachute maintenance section received the Distinguished Service Unit Plaque.

The Allied Armies had extended their supply lines nearly to the breaking point, and with the failure to turn the enemy's northern flank at Arnhem, the battle in the Nijmegen salient developed into defensive warfare. The 508th remained south of the city until the 6th of October, during which time the Second Battalion raided the Voxhil area on the edge of the flats. Just before midnight on the 1st of October the Krauts laid down an extremely heavy artillery barrage on the Second Battalion in such great depth that all wire communication from the battalion to higher headquarters were cut, and the regimental command post was shelled.

Shortly after midnight a battalion of Panzer Grenadiers, supported by armor and artillery, hit the Second Battalion positions, overrunning one platoon of E Company, and partially overrunning another. This soon became a real threat to the Allied corridor, since the Krauts objective was Groesbeek, a town

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Bender, Richard B. 1st Lt.	Harsh, Keith R. 1st Lt.
Crone, John L. 1st Lt.	Kenney, Edward J. 2nd Lt.
Rice, Foy 1st Lt.	Lord, W. G. II. 2nd Lt.

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Aguirre, Lusiano Pfc	Enberg, Norman R. Pfc	Kubinski, Felix J. Pfc
Alaniz, Ignacio G. Pfc	Fiorino, Vince J. Pfc	La Tourette, H. T. Pfc
Allen, Delbert D. Pvt	Fisher, Jack E. S/Sgt	Lawrence, Stew. J. Pfc
Anderson, Vergil Pfc	Fries, John H. Pfc	Leamon, John C. T/5
Arnold, Herman E. Pfc	Garnett, Don. P. Pfc	Lewis, Vernon R. T/5
Arrowood, L. Z. T/5	Getts, Arthur E. Sgt	Littleton, Rob. V. Pfc
Austin, John E. Pvt	Gibson, Eli W. Pfc	Loder, James A. T/Sgt
Bakal, Edwin H. Pfc	Glunt, Robert T/Sgt	Ludwiczak, Erv. F. Pvt
Baltar, Harry V. Pfc	Gramlich, Joseph E. Pfc	Lyall, Harry B. Pvt
Batton, Harry L. Pfc	Greene, Eddie A. Pvt	Macomber, G. R. Pvt
Beck, Bruce O. Pvt	Green, Leslie E. Pfc	Maggio, Frank T/4
Bell, Howard G. T/5	Grubbs, Jack E. Pvt	Maranzano, L. E. Pfc
Berquist, Jack V. Pvt	Grykin, Edward J. Pfc	Martin, Anth. W. Pfc
Bladson, L. W. Pfc	Haley, Leland J. Pfc	McCreary, Gl. A. Pfc
Blakeman, John R. Pfc	Hall, Calvin W. S/Sgt	McDaniel, Roy Pvt
Bober, Michael Pfc	Hautz, Carl D. Pfc	McElhenny, L. J. Pvt
Bodoh, Philip R. Pfc	Hayes, John P. Pfc	McGowan, Th. J. Pfc
Bolt, Donald E. Pfc	Hendrickson, E. W. Sgt	McGrath, W. F. Cpl
Booth, Warren H. S/Sgt	Herrera, Ben E. Pfc	McMahon, N. D. Sgt
Boucher, Clar. L. Pfc	Hanson, Walter E. Pfc	Mills, C. F. A. S/Sgt
Brecker, John O. Pfc	Hoover, Wayne B. S/Sgt	Montgomery, J. W. Pvt
Briner, Leonard W. Pfc	Howard, Fred F. Pfc	Morgan, Thom. W. Cpl
Brinkman, Robert Pfc	Howe, William W. S/Sgt	Morrison, Lane A. Pfc
Brockenbrough, James C. Pvt	Hudnall, Con D. Pfc	Neely, Melvin R. Pfc
Bromley, Arthur L. Pfc	Hughes, William J. Pfc	Neumann, Leon. S. Pfc
Brown, Robert L. Pfc	Iler, Ivan R. Pfc	Nieblas, Robert J. Pfc
Burke, King S. Cpl	Janur, John H. Pfc	Nielsen, Gunnar C. Pfc
Bush, John K. Pfc	Jeffers, Lawrence Pvt	Novobilsky, Fr. J. Pvt
Carpur, William J. Pfc	Jensen, Charles R. Pfc	O'Hanlon, Harry J. Sgt
Chock, Cecil L. Pfc	Jensen, Donald W. Pfc	Olsen, Ernest T. Pfc
Condon, W. A. Pfc	Joehnk, George N. T/5	Parker, Edwin F. Pfc
Convy, James A. Pvt	Johnson, Gordon E. Pfc	Peak, Warren G. T/Sgt
Conway, Jos. M. Pfc	Johnson, Vergil Pvt	Pender, Charles L. Pvt
Cook, John J. Pfc	Johnston, Leslie G. Cpl	Perdue, Clyde E. Jr. Pfc
Cook, Robert E. Pfc	Judd, Wallace C. S/Sgt	Peters, Gorrel Pfc
Crossman, W. C. Pfc	Juliano, Sam J. S/Sgt	Pipala, Stanley J. Pvt
Cullers, Ralph O. Pfc	Keating, Th. W. 1st Sgt	Rahn, Alvia L. Pfc
Culp, Robert J. Pfc	Keller, Robert L. Pfc	Repetsky, Adam P. S/Sgt
Cummings, Alb. F. T/4	Knox, Kenneth C. Cpl	Rice, David B. Sgt
Dagon, William M. S/Sgt	Knight, Lyle G. Pfc	Richmond, Rob. E. S/Sgt
Dallessandro, R. P. Pvt	Krejci, John J. Pfc	Riehle, Charles G. Pfc
Deekert, Edward W. Pfc		Roberts, Haydn D. Pfc
		Robertson, Rich. C. Pfc
		Root, Dallas E. Pfc
		Rostock, Donald H. Pfc
		Roy, Harold D. Pfc
		Russell, George T. S/Sgt
		Sacharoff, Leonard Pvt
		Sanford, Willis L. Pvt
		Schoff, Edwin F. Pvt
		Schwitters, Ch. E. Pvt
		Shaver, Orval L. 1st Sgt
		Sherer, William E. Cpl
		Smith, Frederic B. Pfc
		Smith, Robert H. Pfc
		Smith, Robert M. Sgt
		Sonosky, Alex T. Pfc
		Spencer, Charles E. Pvt
		Spinelli, George M. Pvt
		Stacndl, Joseph F. Pfc
		Stott, Eric T/4
		Stupp, Norman R. Pfc
		Tewawina, P. H. Pfc
		Thompson, Ch. R. S/Sgt
		Tidwell, Clyde Pvt
		Traster, Harvey J. T/4
		Trautner, W. H. Sgt
		Truback, Rud. J. Pfc
		Tschape, Fr. R. Jr. S/Sgt
		Turner, Waverly A. S/Sgt
		Vander Molen, Andrew J. Pfc
		Vickery, Britt. Pfc
		Voight, Raleigh L. S/Sgt
		Wager, Robert E. Pfc
		Wallen, Ben E. Pfc
		Wallis, James E. Pfc
		Waltman, David Pvt
		Williams, Jesse E. Pfc
		Wilson, Clyde Pvt
		Windom, William T/5
		Wood, James C. Pvt
		Woody, Hugh N. Pfc



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Allsup, Merah V. Pfc	Gray, J. D. Pfc	Lewis, Lane Pfc	Simmons, Edw. C. Pfc
Anaya, Fernando L. Sgt	Greenberg, Irving Pfc	Looney, Jack Pfc	Slaughter, Jr. L. Jr. Pfc
Arbearn, Harold J. Pfc	Griffin, Howard G. Pfc	Majka, John J. T/4	Smith, Duane L. Pfc
Attanese, P. T. Jr. S/Sgt	Gross, George O. Pfc	Markovich, Gge. J. Pfc	Smith, William L. Pfc
	Gross, William G. Pfc	Maudi, Paul J. Pfc	Smith, Charley L. Pfc
Ball, Charles W. S/Sgt	Grunda, Clyde E. Pfc	McFadden, L. E. T/Sgt	Smith, Lawrence L. Pfc
Basile, Sam S. Pfc	Guthrie, Charles Pfc	McGrath, George F. Sgt	Spero, George J. Pfc
Beach, Marl A. S/Sgt	Guyot, Fr. H. Jr. Pfc	Miller, John T. Pfc	Stacy, Ernie E. Pfc
Bedt, Ernest P. Sgt	Gwinn, Charles G. Sgt	Montagano, Samuel Pfc	Stewart, Edward T. Pfc
Beltz, Charles G. Pfc		Morrison, Edw. A. Pfc	Story, Payton S/Sgt
Brownlee, Rich. E. Pfc	Hafenbrad, J. R. Pfc	Morgan, Caleb A. Pfc	Stokes, John D. Pvt
Burks, Wilburn Pfc	Hale, Richard H. Pfc	Morrell, James W. Pfc	Storey, Marvin D. Pfc
Bursa, Dominic J. Pfc	Hall, William S. Pfc	Moynier, Ernest Pfc	Stroon, Norman. Pvt
	Hanson, Dale L. Pvt	Murphy, David J. Pfc	Stroud, Thomas V. Pfc
Calcagno, Louis S/Sgt	Harris, Jeff Cpl	Nesessoff, M. G. Pfc	Swint, W. D. S/Sgt
Campagna, Ralph Pfc	Hargrave, John L. Sgt	Nichols, Maxwell E. Pfc	Tabers, Melvin A. Pfc
Canterbury, R. W. Pfc	Hardier, Franc. M. Pfc	Novak, Arthur Jr. Pfc	Taylor, Samuel C. Pfc
Carter, Loren W. Pfc	Held, George. H. Pfc	O'Halloran, D. P. Pfc	Ten Eyck, Roy J. Pfc
Cervelli, Egitto Pfc	Henry, Robert L. S/Sgt	O'Malley, Billie L. Pfc	Thomas, Max M. Pfc
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Connors, John W. Pfc	Higdon, Glen E. Pvt	Pealor, John C. Pfc	Toles, Walter P. Pfc
Conley, Dale E. Pfc	Hilton, Raymond B. Pfc	Pennypacker, J. P. Pfc	Trudgeon, Roy. Pfc
Craford, John D. Sgt	Hodge, John H. Pfc	Piper, Robert F. S/Sgt	Tunstead, Walt. V. Pfc
Creswell, Th. C. Pvt	Houghton, Th. R. S/Sgt	Powell, Isaac L. Pfc	Tusk, John Tec 5
Crocker, James A. Pfc	House, Bruce E. Pfc	Pullen, Robert C. Pfc	Turner, Jeffery L. Pfc
	Howard, William S. Pfc	Queen, Hugh Q. Pvt	Tuttle, Allen A. Pfc
Davis, Sidney Pfc	Inman, Henry L. Pfc	Rankin, W. W. Jr. Pfc	Valente, Dominic Pfc
De Santos, John A. Pfc	Inteso, Harry M. Pfc	Risley, Robert H. Pfc	Vallier, Lawr. T. Pfc
Dill, Winfred M. Pfc		Rianes, Marvin L. T/Sgt	Vargas, Adolfo F. Pfc
	Jeffers, Warren C. Pvt	Romero, Angel Pfc	Vavera, Frank Pfc
Ebert, Leslie E. Pfc	Johnson, George J. Pfc	Rosenberger, J. M. Pfc	Vee Hey, Nellis D. Pvt
Ellis, Jennings B. Jr. Sgt	Johnson, W. G. Pvt	Roman, Albert A. Pfc	Vidrine, Cleveland Pfc
England, Theod. D. Pfc	Johnson, Edward J. Pfc	Rowland, Sam. C. Pfc	Villa, Albert J. Pfc
Ennis, Ivey C. Pfc	Jones, Gerald G. Pfc	Rowell, John Jr. Pfc	Vincent, Don. R. Cpl
Essell, Harvey T. S/Sgt		Sadorky, Clar. A. Pfc	Vlasak, Paul Pfc
	Kasper, Harold A. T/4	Santos, Joseph Jr. S/Sgt	Volpe, Louis Pfc
Fanning, Ph. F. N. Pfc	Kelly, Marion E. Pfc	Schneider, Frederick Pfc	Wahner, Arthur J. S/Sgt
Farris, William W. Pfc	Kemmerer, Paul C. Pfc	Scott, Albert J. Pfc	Walker, Bern. W. Pfc
Fauble, Floyd V. Pfc	Kenny, William T. Pfc	Scovill, Edward R. Pfc	Walters, William B. Pfc
Fishburn, Louis E. Pfc	Kinne, De Close Pfc	Shatruck, Lee C. Pvt	Ward, John W., Cpl
Fleisher, Walter E. Pfc	King, Bill V. Pfc	Sheppard, W. R. Pfc	Ward, Chester T. Sgt
Fowler, Ronald E. S/Sgt	King, William J. Pvt	Shoemaker, M. W. Pfc	Williamson, J. M. Pvt
	Kissane, Joseph M. S/Sgt	Shrader, Paul K. Pfc	Wilson, William L. Pfc
Garretty, Alb. P. Pvt	Koltermann, R. J. 1st Sgt	Shuster, Joseph W. Pfc	Wilcox, Alvie W. Pfc
Garrity, Edward C. Cpl	Kovensky, W. A. Pfc		White, William I. Pfc
Gilbertson, Edw. J. Pfc	Lamoureux, Fr. M. T/4		Young, David P. Pvt
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Adams, Arthur Jr. Pfc	Guilliams, Jam. H. Pfc	Milkovics, Lewis Sgr	Shultz, Elsworth A. Pvt
Albright, Rob. J. S/Sgt	Guntor, Charles C. Pfc	Minnick, George T/4	Shields, Roy E. Jr. Cpl
Azoto, William L. Pfc		Moria, Leo E. Pvt	Sizemore, Ever. O. T/Sgt
Beanblossom, W. H. Pfc	Hamilton, Edwin Pfc	Muffley, Charl. E. Pvt	Smith, Merritt E. Pfc
Bennett, Joseph M. Pfc	Hinshaw, Hyland Sgr	Murphy, James J. S/Sgt	Smith, Robert L. Pfc
Beutler, John A. Pfc	Hughes, Harold Pfc		Sorensen, Hans G. Pvt
Blak, Floyd H. Pvt	Hull, John E. Pfc	Neal, Mont. A. Jr. Pvt	Springer, Charles Pvt
Blehm, Glenn H. Pfc	Irving, Everett O. Pfc	Nelson, Everett Pfc	Stammal, Raym. T. Pvt
Blomeker, Sylvester Pvt	Jacob, Paul Pfc	Neebe, William H. Sgr	Steinheimer, David Pfc
Bolin, Leroy Pvt	Jacobs, Samuel Sgr	Neff, Edgar S/Sgt	Stephens, Ches. O. S/Sgt
Bolin, Paul L. Pfc	Jones, Barney C. Pvt	Nestor, Clyde E. Pfc	Stewart, Billy C. Pvt
Bagdonas, Frank Sgr	Jones, Leslie K. Pvt	Nozak, Edward Pfc	Stiles, William G. Pvt
Branthoover, D. P. Pfc	Kay, James G. T/Sgt	Oglesby, James H. Pfc	Stubblefield, E. A. Pfc
Brennan, Thomas S/Sgt	Keller, Robert E. S/Sgt	Olson, Henning T/Sgt	Sukovic, Joseph Pfc
Brown, Charles E. S/Sgt	Kline, Bernard Sgr		
Bussan, Ralph J. 1st Sgt	Knight, Robert W. Pfc	Palazzolo, Santo Pvt	Tedford, Lester D. Pfc
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Clark, Robert J. Pfc	Krischke, Albert A. Pvt	Parkenson, Clyde Pvt	Timperio, Albert Pvt
Cleaver, Stanley L. Pvt	Krueger, Raym. F. Pfc	Patterson, Paul P. Pfc	Tracy, William T. Pfc
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Cox, George C. Pvt	LaBella, Anthony Pvt	Pfeffer, Earl V. Pvt	Turner, Robert H. Pfc
Curran, Maurice J. Pfc	Landry, Francis Pvt	Phillips, Ernest H. Pvt	
	Lenon, Gail B. Pfc	Pollock, William Pfc	UnderstandingCrow, -1
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Downes, John P. Pvt	Lish, Cecil A. Pfc	Powell, Kenn. L. Sgr	
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Ellis, Gaylord M. Pfc		Raine, Jam. N. Jr. Pfc	Wajda, Albin W. Pfc
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Evans, William G. S/Sgt	McClafferty, Th. F. Pfc	Richman, Norman Pvt	
	McCullough, W. Pvt	Roberts, Charles Pvt	Walston, E. A. Jr. Pfc
Fisher, James P. Pfc	MacDonald, H. B. Pvt	Robinson, Earl Pvt	Ward, James E. Sgr
Fitzgerald, James G. Sgr	McDonald, W. S. Pfc	Rodgers, W. R. Pvt	Weir, Colin Pvt
Feltz, Robert A. Pfc	McKamey, Paul J. Pfc	Roffo, Carmen Pfc	West, Fremont W. T/4
Foskey, Dane M. Pfc	McCloughan, Joe E. Pvt	Roll, Harry A. Pfc	West, Lester T/4
	Manson, William L. Pfc	Rosey, Michael Pfc	White, Prentiss Pfc
Gebo, Fredrick L. Pvt	Martin, Edward R. Pvt	Ruiz, Frank A. Pvt	Williams, Acie Pfc
Getzendanner,	Martin, Charles R. Pfc		Williams, James L. Pfc
Eugene R. Jr. Pvt	Mashek, Clarence Pfc	Scarber, Kenneth Pfc	Wilson, Hardy O. Pfc
Gibson, Joseph C. T/4	Massoletti, Fr. Jr. Pfc	Scheve, George Sgr	Wurtzbach, John Pfc
Glover, Ernest T. Pvt	Matteson, Thurlow Pfc	Schmutzler, H. L. Pvt	
Gonzales, Jose Pfc	Mayhly, Ita F. Pvt	Scottolini, Alfred Pfc	Zalewski, Jos. A. Pfc
Goodson, Fred L. Pfc	Meyers, George C. Pfc	Segovia, Patrick Pvt	Zagata, Theodore Pfc
Goetz, Edward Pvt	Myers, James E. Pfc	Shedhan, Martin M. Pfc	Zeiber, Lew A. Pfc
Graeff, Lewis Pfc		Shannon, Russell K. Pvt	Zivkovich, Mich. J. Pfc
Gregory, Harry Pvt			



COMPANY "I"

COMPANY "I" 508TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY

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Powers, Don M. Capt. Rohrbaugh, Bern. 1st Lt.
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Gillespie, Charl. T. 1st Lt. Greene, James E. 2nd Lt.

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Agee, Everett Jr. S/Sgt
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Attmore, Rob. M. Pvt
Brandt, Walter A. Sgt
Booth, George S/Sgt
Baldwin, Freddie Pfc
Barker, Robert C. Pfc
Bostyon, Harold Pfc
Bouchelle, Elmer H. Pfc
Baugh, Smith C. Pfc
Bowling, Clar. L. Pfc
Brodd, Harold E. Pfc
Brown, Edward D. Pfc
Buell, Wilbur B. Pfc
Burek, John W. Pfc
Barnollar, Edg. M. Pvt
Beard, William T. Pvt
Brewner, Erman G. Pvt
Brewer, Cl. M. Jr. Pvt
Brewer, James R. Pvt
Brick, Victor Pvt
Budke, Bernard J. Pvt
Cochenour, J. M. T/Sgt
Chapman, W. H. Sgt
Cherry, Eugene V. Sgt
Collins, Daniel P. S/Sgt
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Cawley, W. A. Jr. T/1
Canavan, Henry J. Pfc
Carroll, Kenn. M. Pfc
Clingenpoel, Freder. Pfc
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Corrigan, Edward Pfc
Cox, Ralph Pfc
Calvert, Charles F. Pfc
Cannizzo, Salv. L. Pfc
Camar, Daniel R. Pvt
Chafin, Paul Pvt
Clark, Baxter S. Pvt
Cline, Ray R. Pvt
Crenshaw, W. E. Pvt
Czalbowski, A. K. Pvt
Czemiewski, B. J. Pvt
Casolo, Anthony J. Pvt
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Downer, Andrew S/Sgt
Drye, Jasper A. T/1
Daniel, Calvin C. T/1
Downey, James M. T/1
Duerst, Herman A. Pvt
Dosh, John Pvt
Elliot, John T. T/Sgt
Estes, Dewey K. S/Sgt
Edwards, John T. Pfc
Exstrom, Arthur R. Pfc
Fidzera, Alfio S/Sgt
Fritz, Edwin J. Sgt
Florczak, Walt. M. Pfc
Fralay, Andrew J. Pfc
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Finigan, Grant S. Pvt
Flynn, James B. Pvt
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Gallagher, Bern. J. T/Sgt
Gaffney, John J. Pfc
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Gould, James R. Pvt
Grizzard, Morris C. Pvt
Gurniak, William J. Pvt
Harder, William H. Sgt
Hutto, James C. Sgt
Hacker, Albert J. Pfc
Hall, Clifford B. Pfc
Hardin, James Pfc
Helmick, Gale D. Pvt
Hendrickson, Gge. M.
Handish, Melvin O. T/1
Jones, L. G. S/Sgt
Isaacs, Clyde E. T/1
Jones, Thomas F. Pvt
Jungblut, Joseph L. Pvt
Kishbaugh, Rob. J. Pfc
Kellaway, W. H. Jr. Pvt

Kirkman, W. G. Pvt
Lipiec, Alfred S. Sgt
Levesneur, Rol. R. Pfc
Lopez, Felix L. Pfc
Ludwig, Fedor M. Pvt
Lissak, Harrison M. Pvt
Mullins, Cass, W. T/1
Martin, Raym. E. Pfc
Massengill, J. A. Pfc
McCreary, Low. E. Pfc
Mendoza, Arm. A. Pfc
Mooney, James J. Pfc
Mrowczynski, Zigmund R. Pfc
Murray, Harry Pfc
Marculewicz, J. A. Pvt
McCue, Maur. H. Pvt
Merritt, William G. Pvt
Miller, David F. Jr. Pvt
Milligan, Don. E. Pvt
Montee, Eugene H. Pvt
Morgan, W. R. Sr. Pvt
Muir, Robert J. Pvt
Orbarzaneck, Ch. F. Pfc
Orbison, Doyle E. Pvt
Podessen, Alfr. M. S/Sgt
Pelina, Guidio C. Pfc
Prostko, John A. Pfc
Richards, Shirley N. Pfc
Richmond, John H. Pfc
Robertson, W. R. Pfc
Rosselli, Carl A. Pfc
Rozell, George J. Pfc
Rausch, Casper H. Pfc
Sauer, Wilbur C. S/Sgt
Sokola, Steve W. S/Sgt
Simmons, William M. Pvt
Stephens, Floyd L. Cpl
Strahan, Patrick E. T/1
Shelmeedine, A. G. Pfc
Sexton, John J. Pfc
Smith, Frank O. Jr. Pfc
Smith, Robert W. Pfc
Stock, Adam A. Jr. Pfc
Stanger, Herbert A. Pfc

Stasker, Emmet F. Pfc
Stemsky, John E. Pfc
Strawhecker, W. L. Pfc
Swartzendrober, Donald E. Pfc
Singleton, W. L. Pvt
Skelley, Frank P. Pvt
Smith, Kenn. W. Pvt
Spence, Robert J. Pvt
Small, James Jr. Pvt
Teague, Anth. V. Pfc
Thornburgh, R. E. Pfc
Thumson, Sud. P. Pfc
Tilko, Joseph J. Pfc
Taylor, Oden M. Pvt
Tinsley, Clark G. Pvt
Topping, Arch. F. Pvt
Van Horsen, R.W. Sgt
Valberg, Lawr. D. Pfc
Vanasky, George Pfc
Van Serat, Aaron C. Pfc
Vaughn, Hillary W. Pfc
White, Richard W. Sgt
Wolfe, Roy C. Tec-3
Webb, Elmer Pfc
West Jacob Pfc
Westmorland, C.M. Pfc
White, Bertram E. Pfc
White, John D. Pfc
Williamson, J. M. Pfc
Wilferd, Roy R. Pfc
Welsh, James P. Jr. Pvt
White, Eugene D. Pvt
Wible, Peter F. Pvt
Wilburn, Mar. H. Pvt
Williams, G. W. Pvt
Wilton, Martin W. Pvt
Wynn, Doyce E. Pvt
Wynne, Sidney J. Pvt
Walker, Milton A. Pvt
Weber, Charl. A. Pvt
Yost, Charl. K. Jr. Pvt
Yablonski, Anth. J. Pvt
Zrigler, Larome M. Pvt
Zurawiste, Edw. L. Pvt

two miles southwest of the Second Battalion. If they reached their objective, several units to the east of Nijmegen would be forced to withdraw, and supplying anyone north of Groesbeek would be difficult, if not impossible. However, Lt. Polette lead F Company in a counterattack that reestablished the lines in their original positions.

On the 6th of October the entire regiment was detached from the 82d Airborne Division, sent north of the river on the Arnhem-Nijmegen "island", and attached to the 50th British Division. From this date till the 11th of November, the regiment remained in defensive positions, getting two short rests in the city. Although the spotlight of the war had moved further south, to the men who existed in the mud and the rain in Holland, war was still a very real thing. There were no spectacular large scale attacks, but every night several patrols went deep into enemy territory, some staying twenty-four or forty-eight hours. And there was always the spasmodic artillery fire. Living on 14-in-1 "compo" rations was pretty grim, with only the occasional treat of Treacle pudding to look forward to.

On the 11th of November because of an apparent lack of transportation, the regiment walked twenty-two miles to Oss, Holland. Three days later the troopers arrived at their new base camp at Sissonne, France. Casualty totals revealed that 696 of the slightly more than two thousand men who had jumped on September 17th were killed, wounded, or missing. The 508th was the first allied airborne unit to operate in Germany, the first unit to capture prisoners in Germany, and the first unit to kill Krauts in Germany.

Back in France once again, all weapons were sent to ordnance, and most of the combat equipment was salvaged or sent back to the line in Germany. Training reverted to basic subjects. Frequent parades were held, and athletic teams were given high priority. It seemed certain that the regiment with the rest of the 82d Division would at last get a good, long rest.

Soon forty-eight hour passes to Paris were started, and when the first group returned, stories began to circulate that here at last was a serviceman's Mecca — a little bit of America on the wrong side of the Atlantic. Though not quite like home, Paris seemed good enough to make everyone look forward to the next pass.

On the 17th of December word got to Field Marshal von Rundstedt that the 82d was enjoying a rest, and immediately he assembled his best divisions and ordered a tremendous counterattack through the Ardennes in Belgium. This had the desired effect, for on the evening of the same day the division was alerted to make a hasty move by truck to meet the onslaught. By dawn the 508th was as ready to go as it could be. Lacking in winter clothes, the men loaded the trucks in the warmest apparel they could find. Before dawn on the 19th the trucks were unloaded at Werbomont, Belgium, and because the situation was so fluid, General Gavin had the division establish an all-around defense until more specific orders could be issued. The enemy advance was so rapid that shortly after the last truck cleared Houffalize, the Germans arrived in the city, and the 101st Airborne, following the 82d, was not able to move north, but detrucked and made its epic stand at Bastogne.

Although no contact with the enemy was gained until just before dawn on the 23rd, the regiment moved several times previous to that date to track down the Kraut. A defensive position was established along Thier du Mont ridge west of the Salm River. This placed the outfit in the approximate middle of the north side of the Bulge. The 106th Infantry Division and the 7th Armored Division had been overrun by the first attacks, and were to be supplied with an escape route to the rear by the 82d. For this reason a long finger had been poked out by the division to reach to the Salm, making it possible to evacuate everyone who reached the river. At the tip of this finger was the 508th.

When motorized patrols in front of the MLR contacted a Panzer unit at Petite-Langlir, the German advance had carried them west to Dinant near the Moselle River. The "Screaming Eagles" of the 101st

were at this point surrounded at Bastogne. The breakthrough, although it had been slowed at several points, had not yet been contained. On the evening of the 21st it began to snow.

No large scale attack had developed in the regimental sector by the evening of the 24th, but many vehicles had been withdrawn from the path of the German war machine. The biggest single group of American personnel and materiel to be so evacuated was Task Force Jones, part of the 7th Armored Division, which brought more than four hundred men out after fighting a running battle with the Panzers. During the late afternoon of Christmas Eve, the regimental commander received an order from General Gavin to withdraw his outfit from their present positions. A document had been captured from the Germans ordering a strong attack in the sector held by the division on Christmas morning, and higher headquarters saw fit to order a straightening of the lines to repulse this attack. Therefore the long finger which the 83d had extended into the bulge was ordered back.

Leaving a covering force of one platoon per company plus skeleton crews to man the various CPs, the 508th started moving at nine in the evening, and by the early morning of Christmas Day, 1944, a defense had been established on the high ground straddling the main highway to Liege, along the road joining Basse Bodeux and Villettes. Although the main body was able to withdraw without incident, the covering force of the First Battalion was hit by two battalions of enemy just before midnight, and a large scale attack soon developed on down the line. In what was probably the fiercest fighting anyone in the outfit had seen, Lt. Lamm of A Company led his platoon in an amazing defense. At some time during the evening all but one of his squads were overrun, but the assault was held off long enough to permit the regiment to get in position and to let the covering force get started back. By seven o'clock on Christmas morning the covering force was in the new regimental area, with surprisingly few losses.

On the night of the 25th the enemy hit the new line for the first time on the boundary between A and D Companies. After a pitched battle the Germans withdrew in extreme haste at one in the morning, leaving behind much of their equipment.

On the 28th of December at one-fifteen in the morning the Krauts again struck in what General Gavin later called the final, supreme effort to move down the Liege road. Among the more than one hundred good Germans counted in G and F Companies areas the next morning were men from all but one company of two battalions of the *Waffen-SS*. The first sign of trouble came when Capt. Russell C. Wilde of G Company informed the battalion commander that his outposts had been driven in. In the artillery barrage that followed all wires to the battalion CP were cut, and Col. Mendez, taking his radio operator with him, immediately left for the scene of the battle. Despite the fact that one platoon was overrun, the platoon leader pivoted his men on the right flank to meet the attack frontally. By a stroke of good fortune a battalion of 155mm howitzers had been attached to the 508th the morning before, and by using the observer in the Third Battalion area, these guns were able to lob their 100 lb. shells on the enemy with deadly accuracy. With 319th Glider Field Artillery adding to this barrage with more than 400 shells, by four the attackers withdrew.

A big push to pinch the Bulge off was started on the 3rd of January by the First Army. The regiment remained in reserve until the 7th of January, at which time they were to seize the same positions on the Thier du Mont ridge from which they had withdrawn more than a week before.

Attacking across open ground, G Company was to lead the regiment. The rest of the outfit would follow in a column of battalions, each unit pushing through to its own objective. Well-camouflaged 88mm rifles held their fire until the paratroopers were within five hundred yards of their muzzles, and then they proceeded to very methodically blast G Company. Realizing that to stop meant certain massacre, the company pushed on, sustaining heavy casualties. General Gavin, while visiting the Third Battalion's CP during the attack, said to Major Bell, the executive officer, "Tell Lou Mendez that's the finest job I've ever had done for me."

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PERSONNEL RECENTLY JOINING THE 101st PARACHUTE INFANTRY

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OFFICERS

Jones, Henry S. Jr. 1st Lt.

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Hq. Co. 1st Bn.
Arkeketa, Calv. S. Pfc.
Bendek, Joseph S. Pfc.
Bruner, Marlin G. Pvt.
Cook, Jack J. Pfc.
Davidson, Jam. D. S/Sgt.
Dóval, Clarence A. Pfc.
Duncan, Thomas P. Sgt.
Gilbert, Charles R. Pfc.
Hansch, Sidney Tec 4
Harris, Leonard Pfc.
Horodyski, Mich. Pfc.
Jones, Jean J. Pfc.
Karibner, Thom. W. Pfc.
Klein, Robert E. Pfc.
Levenduski, Harry Pfc.
Marley, John W. Pfc.
McClintock, L. J. Sgt.
Metcalf, Carlton P. Pfc.
O'Keefe, Daniel F. Tec 4
Patterson, Charl. G. Sgt.
Roche, Kenn. L. Pfc.
Scarborough, J. P. Pvt.
Shelton, William D. Pfc.
Walsh, Char. R. Sgt.
Wyatt, Merle C. Pfc.

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Caballero, Arm. C. Pvt.
Curran, Jam. G., Jr. Pfc.
Didieu, Ben J. Pfc.
Dyer, Gordon S. Pvt.
Davis, William H. Pfc.
Ferreira, Man. I. Pfc.
Hulas, Edward A. Pvt.
Hamilton, G. W. Pfc.
Hughes, George I. Tec 5

Jaccard, Kenn. V. Tec 5
Keeler, Richard W. Pfc.
Lester, Lloyd A. Pfc.
May, Jacob F., Jr. Pvt.
Paar, Harold A. S/Sgt.
Roberts, Herbert D. Pfc.
Sylvester, E. R., Jr. Sgt.
Tomaski, Steph. J. Sgt.

Company "B"

Baudoux, Edwin D. Sgt.
De Maggio, Philip Pfc.
Lyde, Lucy E. Tec 4
Nelson, Clifford S. 1st Sgt.
Stoddard, Will. D. Tec 5
Tokunaga, Toshio Pfc.

Company "C"

Andersen, Norm E. Pfc.
Barth, Albert W. Pfc.
Brooks, Henry S/Sgt.
Duffee, Wayne E. Tec 4
Epps, Hiram T. Pfc.
Giese, Robert A. Pfc.
Greenstrand, E. H. Pfc.
Hansen, Frank H. Pfc.
Kruppa, Jos. L., Jr. Pvt.
Kurra, Albert A. Sgt.
Little, Arthur J. Pfc.
Moldhan, Mich. A. Tec 5
Prall, Wellington, J. Pfc.
Ragan, Billy D. Pfc.
Shaul, Stanley M. S/Sgt.
Shelton, James B. Pfc.
Spjelder, Waldam. Sgt.

Hq. Co. 3rd Bn.
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Barton, Clifford F. Sgt.

Brown, John E. Sgt.
Busone, James H. Tec 5
Darling, Vernon L. Tec 5
Gubhart, Otman E. Pfc.
Glenetske, Herm. Pfc.
Hoeger, Ramon R. Pfc.
Horovak, Joseph, J. Pfc.
Huwe, Hroy V. Pvt.
Kelley, William R. Tec 4
McCord, James C. Pfc.
Nelson, Fremont J. Pfc.
Pratt, Frank W. Pfc.
Preston, Thomas W. Pfc.
Pylon, Radford W. Pfc.
Radley, Donald S. Pfc.
Taylor, Bernard G. Pvt.
Vandevere, Joe C. Pfc.
Wolfe, William H. Pfc.

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Barlow, James W. Tec 4
Bennett, Byron R. Sgt.
Budner, Chest. L. Tec 4
Butcher, Cliff. W. Sgt.
Carlson, Harry W. Pfc.
Cull, Robert E. S/Sgt.
Drodak, John F. Sgt.
Fania, Thomas F. Pfc.
Hartman, Charl. G. Tec 5
Hesterlee, David F. Pfc.
Kopplin, Arthur P. Pfc.
Mendez, Gilb. E. Pvt.
Mitchell, Aar. B. Pfc.
Phillip, Delbert H. Pfc.
Skiriotic, Christ. Tec 5
Stanisovich, Mich. Pfc.
Warner, Robert F. Pfc.

Watson, Robert D. Pfc.
Wright, Robert W. Sgt.

Company "H"

Armstrong, Burd. Sgt.
Baxter, James Sgt.
Burns, Charl. E. Pfc.
Coltza, John S/Sgt.
Draper, James B., Jr. Sgt.
Eirich, Kenneth C. Pfc.
Grigenis, Frank J. Pfc.
McCoy, Freddie L. Pfc.
Rosengren, Edw. L. Sgt.
Trottel, Celest. A. Pfc.

Company "I"

Arrow, Norm. N. T/Sgt.
Bibb, John D. Pfc.
Blackman, Milton Pfc.
Danzet, Harry E. Pfc.
Kidd, Isaac L. Pfc.
Lehan, George R. Pfc.
Loveday, Dougl. B. Pvt.
Pellegrino, Har. L. Pfc.
Pippin, Jack P. Sgt.
Powers, John W. Sgt.
Reisner, Jack A. Sgt.
Robertson, Cecil D. Sgt.
Rodiger, Robert J. Pfc.
Runkle, Franklin A. Pfc.
Schmidt, Eugene E. Pfc.
Slane, Thom. R., Jr. Pfc.
Stro, Victor, Pfc.
Tolpp, Wilbert F. Pfc.
Zeppuhar, Robert J. Pfc.

On the 10th of January the regiment, relieved by part of the 75th Division, moved to a rest area near Chevron, Belgium to regroup. In less than a month 900 men and officers had become casualties, of which more than forty per cent were victims of the weather rather than enemy shells.

During this rest the tide of battle changed in Belgium. The Kraut, reeling from the Allied counter-blows, was holding the line with Volksgrenadier-Divisions, allowing the first-line Panzer, Panzer-Grenadier, and Waffen-SS troops to withdraw to comparative safety. The offensive was wrested from the hands of von Rundstedt. On the 21st of January the Red Devils returned to the line for three days in Deidenberg until relieved by the 424th Infantry, sole remaining regiment of the badly battered 106th Division.

On the 28th the division jumped off in an attack that was headed due east to the heart of Germany. Immediate objectives were the Siegfried Line defenses. The next four days were memorable not for the enemy resistance that was met, but for the extreme cold and fatigue. In addition to the physical strain caused by walking through knee-deep snow carrying not only weapons and ammunition, but also all the blankets necessary to keep from freezing, there was the constant mental anguish caused by the common knowledge that anyone wounded in the thick, snow-bound woods would probably die from exposure before he could be evacuated.

Jerry was sitting confidently behind his defenses, knowing full well that the terrain to his front was now practically inaccessible. His certainty that no one could keep supply lines open in such weather, using the miserable ruts that served for roads, was probably the largest single factor contributing to the surprise that assured the success of the operation.

At dawn on the 29th of January the First Battalion jumped off at four in the morning, attacking towards the small village of Holzheim. On their way to the town, while still in the approach march, two Kraut wiremen wandering up the trail were captured. This seemed to indicate that surprise would be complete. B Company attacked from the north, while C Company approached the town from the southwest. The town was soon taken, and about eighty prisoners with it.

At about this time 1st Sgt. Leonard A. Funk took the spotlight. As C Company was entering the town they received direct fire from light self-propelled artillery weapons in the town. Sgt. Funk led the assault on these weapons, and they were soon neutralized. A Second Battalion contact patrol, captured by the enemy, was brought into the town by some unsuspecting Krauts. The German officer in charge took advantage of his ability to speak English and the snowsuit which hid his identity. He boldly approached the guards and bluffed his way to where the prisoners were, and then began to rearm them. Just as a counterattack was about to materialize, Sgt. Funk walked in. The Kraut officer stuck a machine-pistol in the sergeant's ribs, telling him to surrender. Sgt. Funk answered with a burst from his Tommy-gun. Taking the lead from the sergeant's actions, the rest of the men in the area soon helped quell the disturbance. Sgt. Funk has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his deeds.

Artic equipment was not yet available, and frostbite was rampant. The towns through which the regiment passed were just a series of names — they all looked the same, pounded until they offered almost no shelter, and there was always another one that had to be taken just over the next ridge. On the 1st of February the regiment reached its objective, and on the 4th, just inside Germany, the 99th Division took over the area, the paratroopers moving to Rendieux for a few days of rest.

In Holland the supply situation had been critical, and by working tirelessly around the clock the truck drivers and supply men of the regiment had been able to procure almost anything the men on the line needed. But it was during this push to the Siegfried that Major James R. Casteel and his entire supply section outdid themselves. Not only were they facing a shortage of many items, but also routes of supply through the thick woods were practically non-existent. The success or failure of the mission depended largely on keeping the Kraut reeling once the drive started, and naturally the men could move forward

only as long as they were receiving ammunition and other vital supplies. The very fact that the attack did not bog down pays tribute to the S-4 men.

The outfit moved to a spot east of Aachen, near Schmidt, Germany, where they were to spearhead a drive to the west banks of the Roer River, sole remaining obstacle before American armor could roll across the plains of Cologne. First Battalion jumped off in the attack on the 10th of February at two in the morning. As they approached Hill 400, Company C ran into an extensive field of anti-personnel mines covered by mortars and at least five machineguns. Sustaining heavy casualties, this company was pulled back and replaced with Company A after the minefield had been subjected to intensive fire by the 319th Field Artillery. Company A then pushed on through the minefield. Mine detectors were of almost no value against the wooden Sdu Mines, and heavy casualties resulted. At 0930 the Second Battalion pushed through, and by nightfall all resistance west of the Roer was eliminated.

Because the Krauts had managed to flood the river, the regiment remained in position until the 18th of February. On that day the 78th Division crossed the Roer and the troopers moved to an assembly area near Aachen, where they loaded the 40-and-8s, arriving at the base camp at Sissonne on the 20th.

Back at Sissonne everyone relaxed until the beginning of April. During the regiment's visit to Belgium and Germany hospitals had moved into the buildings previously used as billets, and a tent camp awaited the 508th's return. Microscopic extra rations were consumed with hearty delight, and passes to England, Brussels, and Paris, though also microscopic in number, were thoroughly enjoyed by the lucky few.

On the 14th and 15th of March the three battalions made a practise jump, followed by a short problem. Tragedy struck when one of the last planes in the first lift threw a propellor over the DZ and crashed through the descending troopers. Several men, picked up on the wing of the diving plane, were carried to their death.

On the 24th of March all eyes were turned skyward as hundreds of C-47s, laden with troopers, winged their way towards the Rhine. For once the Red Devils were able to sit one out, and nobody was very sad about it. April 3rd saw the regiment detached from the 82d, alerted again, waiting at airfields near Chartres, west of Paris. Although under a 48-hour jump alert to liberate Allied PWs threatened with massacre or movement deeper into the Fatherland, the stay at the airfield turned out to be the best deal the outfit had had in quite a while, for nearly everyone got into Paris on pass. Victory Day in Europe found the 508th still at the airfield.

The regimental combat team during all three campaigns included, in addition to the 508th, the 319 Glider Field Artillery, Company D of the 307th Airborne Engineers, and B Battery of the 80th Airborne AA Battalion. Not enough credit can be given these units for it was almost always with their help that the regiment was able to accomplish its mission. The 319th supported every offensive and defensive action in which the regiment participated, while the engineers assisted in river crossings as well as laying and clearing mines in conjunction with the regimental demolition section. The 57mm anti-tank guns of the 80th AA were often the only protection the regiment had against tanks other than bazookas.

Shortly after the Germans surrendered the regiment was returned to Sissonne long enough to prepare for a moment into Germany. The 508th was slated for the Army of Occupation. In fact, it moved to Frankfurt-am-Main as guards for General Eisenhower's headquarters. Billeted in apartments that were complete in every detail, with Special Services growing better all the time, few of the men doubted that by the time most of the redeployment was finished, the regiment would have the best deal in the ETO. Here, as well as at the airfields, and again at Sissonne, the men with the highest points under the redeployment system were transferred to outfits slated for the States, where they would receive discharges.

Bedecked in white parachute silk scarves and white gloves, the men of the 508th soon showed that they could be as good garrison soldiers as they were fighting men. Among other duties the regiment

stood honor guards for visiting dignitaries. In this respect the last week of July was high-point for the troopers when, on the occasion of the Big Three meeting in Berlin, the Third Battalion stood honor guard for the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and Secretaries of War and the Navy. All of these dignitaries commented on the fine appearance of the troops.

The purpose of this narrative has not been to create the impression that the 508th has won the war — far from it, the outfit was only in combat for one hundred fifty-four days, much less than many units. However, the fact that 9,654 men and officers were on the rolls of the regiment during the first three years of its life, exclusive of the men unsuccessful in their attempts to be admitted at Camp Blanding in 1942, pays tribute to the fact that when the regiment did go to battle, the fighting was pretty rough. Like every other parachute infantry regiment, the 508th is proud of the fact that she was asked to do more, with less equipment, on less food, and practically without transportation, than other outfits.

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