HEADQUARTERS & SERVICE COMPANY 540TH ENGINEER REGIMENT A.P.O. #464, % Postmaster, N.Y., N.Y.

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SUBJECT: Journal for the Month of December 1943.

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TO : CUMMANDING UFFICER, 540th Engineer Regiment, APO 464, U.S. Army.

1. In compliance with Memo your Headquarters, dated 27 December 1943 the following is submitted.

December 1st to 31st, the following named Sections were operated daily by by this Company:

Regimental Headquarters, S-1, S-2, S-3, & S-4, also Regimental Motor Pool, (Regimental Motor Pool services and repairs all Regimental vehicles.) Regimental gas dump, which supplies on an average of llOOgallons of gasoline and deisel fuel per day. Generator is operated daily to furnish lights for Regimental Headquarters, our Company and the entire Regiment when needed. Officers Mess is operated daily. The Company sections are operated daily; Company Headquarters, Company Mess, Company Supply and Company Motor Pool. (Trucks and supplies are used and lent out daily. (Trucks being dispatched thru Company Motor Pool and serviced by Company mechanics.) Other daily details of the Company are; repairing and fixing up Regimental Headquarters and policing the area. Regimental Guard duty is performed each day with three EM and 1 NCO. Water Point opereated and maintained daily(supplies on an average of 3,000 gallons of water per day. Constructed floors and Frames for all Regimental and Company tentage. Built special trailer for Commandin g Officer and Executive Officer. Usuall Bivouac details are carried on from day to day.

December 1st ; Pfc Corneal W. Hoogenboom #36173831 Awarded Purple Heart for wounds received during an enemy strafing attack near Avera, Italy on 20 November 1943.

December 2nd: 4 EM and Road Grader on S.D. with first Battalion for purpose of maintaining roads.

December 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th: A Generator and two operators for same were furnished to Company "D" for night work on there Bridge job. Lights were strung for whole of project.

December 7th, 8th and 9th: Lt. Brown put in charge of Road grader for road maintenance from Regimental Headquarters to Cascane. Also furnished $1-2\frac{1}{2}$ ton truck and 4 EM for the purpose of filling in all pot holes in Road.

December 10th: Furnished 13 EM and Vehicles to Lt. Finnegan to help and put in operating condition camp at Bagnoli. 1 Cook, 1 Motion Picture operator 2 Electricians, 2-water supply and Plummers, 1-Welder, 1-Carpenter, 1-Sgt in charge, 1-supply sgt, M/Sgt Ervin, Eugene A #14014691, Discharged for Convenience of Government, in orded to accept appointment as Warrant Officer.

December 11th: Motorcycle and driver furnished to Col. Rowland 5th Army Office of Engr.

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December 12th, to 19th: Lt. Norton and 6 EM to 337th Engr. Bridge at Dragoni to operate Pile Driver. 4 EM & $2\frac{1}{2}T$ trucks to haul coal for above job.

December 20th to 31st: A Generator and two operators for same were furnished to Company "E" for night work on there bridge job. Lights were strung for whole of project.

D.BROWN lst. Lt. C.E. Commanding