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540TH ENGINEER REGIMENT
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To : Commanding Officer, 540th Engineer Regiment, APO #464.

S-2 section developed and compiled from Army Service Forces, Office of Chief of Engineers Wash. D.C. and the Chief of Engineers A.F.H.Q. an Engineer Intelligence Summary; Nomenclature of Enemy Mines, Methods of Minefield clearance, Adopted uses of S-Mines, Improvements of M-4 Mines(U.S.), Bridging classification limitation loads and Class 70 Bailey Bridges. Demolition: Spacing of Beehives, passage of Beach Obstacles and use of the C.W.S. "Molotoff Cocktail Grenade".

The photographic section of S-2 kept a pictorial report of progress on bridge construction. One set of photos going to Army Hqs.

Minefields along beach were reported 2 Dec. 1943 to 1st Bn to be cleared. Completed 27 Dec 1943. Southern end of minefield was cleared. Minefield was fenced when clearing operations were ended. Field extended north along the coast through MONDRAGONE.

The section also published a daily news and situation report of the Italian front line.

For The Commanding Officer:

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