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On 1 March the section rearranged and brought files up to date. The section made up an extract file of diaries and statements taken from prisoners of war. These were taken from VI Corps, G-2 periodics and were consulted daily by section chiefs and other officers.

The section maintained liaison with VI Corps and 5th Army throughout the month. They kept an up-to-date situation map of the Italian and Russian fronts as well as the Southwest Pacific war fronts. The section published and distributed a daily S-2 summary. A daily world news summary was also reproduced and distributed along with the S-2 summary.

The section made reports to G-2, 5th Army and to the counterbattery officer, VI Corps, on all enemy shells landing in or near the port area and on damage caused by enemy air raids and shelling.

The section drew, printed, and distributed to the regiment greetings for St. Patrick's Day, Easter, and the Jewish Passover. Calendars for the current month and the month following were made and distributed.

The section camouflager supervised the camouflaging of 1st Battalion Headquarters and bivouac, new installations at Regimental Headquarters, and elsewhere.

The section investigated and arranged for the evacuation of unauthorized civilians living near the Regimental Motor Pool.

The section kept a pictorial record of happenings of military value during the current month. A photographic darkroom was set up and all pictures of military value taken on the beachhead were developed.

The section reproduced circuit diagrams for the Signal Corps and traffic diagrams for G-4, 5th Army. Charts for the Regimental Motor Pool and two maps for the Regimental S-3 Section were drawn and reproduced. The section reproduced numerous forms, charts, and overlays for the regiment during the month.

Several reconnaissance trips were made to the front lines to secure pictures and information.

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