

OFFICE OF THE SUPPLY OFFICER
HEADQUARTERS
540TH ENGINEER REGIMENT
APO # 464

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SUBJECT: Journal for the Month of May 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, 540th Engineer Regiment, APO # 464.

1. Submitted herewith Journal for the Month of May 1944.

The S-4 Section was located in the town of Anzio, Italy. During the month of May the S-4 Section continued its normal function of supplying the Regiment. Rations were drawn and issued daily to the Regiment and attached Units. The water section of S-4 continued the operation of their water point in the Fifth Army bivouac area and purified and dispensed 526,595 gallons of water. All winter clothing was taken in and returned to the Quartermaster Dump. A Bailey Bridge was drawn from the Engineer Depot in order that a school on bridging within the Regiment obtain practical training and demonstration. Supplies and equipment were also drawn for the Port and Harbor of Anzio. The necessary Malaria control equipment was drawn and issued to an Italian Engineer Battalion for the control of Malaria in the Beachhead Area.

Special Amphibious Equipment such as beach markers, poles, lanterns, wirecutters and mauls were gathered from the companies to be cleaned, overhauled and crated for storing with S-4 to be held for future use. The job was completed and a copy of the inventory by crate is in the files of this office.

This unit was assigned many projects by the Fifth Army Engineer and the S-4 section drew all the necessary equipment and supplies for these projects.

All Port equipment was inventoried and turned over to the 389th Port Battalion. In addition all Heavy Engineer Equipment in the Regiment was inventoried and inspected to see that proper maintenance was being taken care of.

The vehicles remaining in the Rear Echelon for which there was no available water transportation to Anzio were turned into the proper depots and credit given to the Companies concerned.

In addition the various reports as required by G-4, Fifth Army and the Fifth Army Engineer were compiled and submitted as directed.

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