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SUBJECT: Daily Journal Report for the month of November 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 540th Engineer Regiment, A.P.O. #758, U. S. Army.

1. Daily Journal Report for the month of November 1944.

1 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp.:- Constructed 500 feet of sidewalk forms and filled 300 feet with gravel. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 33 - Removed Debris from Downstream Side of Canal Bridge at Charmes:- Completed Salvage of old bridge and hauled the materials to the 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Constructed and placed 4 culverts. Started construction of 9 additional culverts. Hauled and spread 25 loads of gravel on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed mud from Route N-57 between Charmes and Bayon. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp.:- Opened drainage ditches and installed 1 culvert. Hauled and spread 21 loads of gravel on road net. 33- Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp.:- Completed 8 latrines. Constructed 38 frames and blacked out 44 windows. Project 85% complete. Hauling Material to 1st Battalion Dump:- Hauled 3 - 2½ ton trucks and 2- 20 ton trailer loads of assorted lumber to 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. Repair of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Hauled and placed 33 loads of rock in cribs around bents. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Engineer Work for 93rd Ordnance at Nomexy:- Removed 200 tons of scrap metal from parking area. Hauled and spread 29 loads of gravel on road net. Repair of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Hauled 1 load of logs to site and continued construction of cribbing. Hauled and placed 35 loads of rock in cribs. Project 95% complete. Battalion Medics and Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal duties.

2 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp. Constructed and filled 250 feet of sidewalk forms with gravel. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 99 - Maintenance of road net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Constructed 10 culverts and placed 4. Constructed 60 feet of revetting for ditches. Hauled and spread 15 loads of rock and cinders on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleaned mud and filled pot holes on Route N-57 between Charmes and Bayon. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp.:- Filled pot holes and opened drainage ditches and culverts in hospital area. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp.:- Completed stairways and latrines. Blacked out 46 windows. Project 95% complete. Hauling Material to 1st Battalion Dump:- Hauled 67 Steel I beams and 440 feet of assorted lumber to 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 20 - 2 yd. cinder piles on Route N-57 from Flavigny south toward Charmes.

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2 November 1944:- Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleared mud and opened drainage ditches on Route N-57 between Thaon and Epinal. Removed rubble blocking roadway in Charmes. 33 - Engineer Work for 93rd Ordnance at Nomexy:- Hauled and spread 10 loads of gravel on road net. Removed 200 tons of scrap metal from parking area. Project 80 % complete. Repair of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Placed 4 cribs in river around bents. Hauled and placed 26 loads of rock in cribs. Project 100 % complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 10 - 3 yard cinder piles on Route N-57 between Igney and Charmes. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

3 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp. Constructed and filled 100 feet of sidewalk forms with gravel. Removed small culvert and installed new one. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 33 - Construct Revetment on East Crib of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Placed 20 cubic yds. of rock around crib. Project 30% complete. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Completed 5 culverts and 270 feet of revetment. Hauled and spread 50 loads of gravel and cinders on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed mud from Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp. Cleaned drainage ditches, culverts and filled pot holes in road net. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon. Maintained 24 hour traffic control and policed steel from around bridge site. Construction of 9th Evac. Hosp:- Blacked out 22 windows. Project 100 % complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 24 - 2 yd. cinder piles from Flavigny south toward Charmes on Route N-57. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleared mud and filled pot holes with cold-patch on Route N-57 between Thaon and Epinal. 33 - Engineer Work for 93rd Ordnance at Nomexy:- Cleared 200 tons of scrap metal from Ordnance Pool. Project 90% complete. Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Hauled and placed 62 yds. of rock in cribs around bents. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 18 2 yd. cinder piles on Route G-C-5 from Charmes toward Mirecourt. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

4 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp. Completed bracing concrete culvert and set 200 feet of water pipe. Hauled and spread 8 loads of gravel on road net. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 33 - Construct Revetment on East Crib of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Hauled and Placed 25 cubic yards of rock around the crib. Project 100% complete. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Constructed 240 feet of revetment. Constructed and placed 1 - 20 ft. culvert. Hauled and placed 56 loads of cinders on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Continued clearing mud from Route N-57 between Charmes and Bayon. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp. Opened drainage ditches and filled pot holes in road net. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hours traffic control. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 27 - 2yd cinder piles on Route N-57 between Flavigny and Charmes. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed mud and filled pot holes on Route N-57 between Thaon and Epinal. 33 - Engineer Work for 93rd Ordnance at Nomexy:- Levelled and graded entrance road. Cleared 100 tons of scrap metal from Ordnance Pool. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Hauled and placed 23 loads of rock in cribs around bents. Placed 1 load of gravel on approaches. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 23 -

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4 November 1944:- Co. "C":- (continued) 2 yd. cinder piles on Route GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

5 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp:- Set 100 ft. of sidewalk forms. Hauled 1 load of lumber to the area. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Constructed 500 ft. of reveting. Constructed and set 1 - 20 ft. culvert. Hauled and spread 70 loads of rock on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleared mud and opened drainage ditches on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Improved drainage and filled pot holes in road net. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Erected signs on cinder piles on Route N-57. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleared mud and repaired pot holes on Route N-57 between Epinal and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Hauled and placed 15 loads of rock in cribs around bents. Policed material around bridge site and hauled it to 1st Battalion Dump. Completed construction of RR car stop on tracks at Station in Thaon. Project 100% complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles on Route N-57:- Established 7 - 3 yd. cinder piles on Route N-57 between Nomexy and Charmes. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

6 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp:- Hauled and spread 20 loads of cinders and gravel on road net. Constructed 150 ft. of sidewalk forms. Cleared 400 ft. of drainage ditches. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. Hauling Material to 1st Battalion Dump:- Hauled 2 - 2½ ton truck loads of lumber to 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Constructed 1 - 29 ft. culvert and 376 ft. of reveting. Hauled and spread 52 loads of rock on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Continued clearing mud and opening drainage ditches on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Improved drainage and filled pot holes in road net. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Repaired pot holes on approaches and removed 1 large section of old bridge from in front of bents on existing bridge. Engineer Work for 9th Evac. Hosp:- Completed removal of partition between two boms. Covered 150 screens with blackout cloth. Constructed box type latrines. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-piles:- Established 15 - 2 yd. cinder piles on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleared mud, opened drainage, and repaired pot holes on Route N-57 between Epinal and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Maintained guard and repaired pot holes on approaches. Engineer Work for Bulk fuel Installation at Nomexy:- Removed debris from building - Cut 2 holes in floor for gas pipe and laid pipe across highway. Started construction of platform and ramp for emptying gasoline drums. Project 40% complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 18 - 3 yd cinder piles on Route GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

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7 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp:- Hauled 10 loads of gravel for road net. Constructed 125 ft. of sidewalks. Hauling Material to 1st Battalion Dump:- Hauled 5 - 2½ ton truck loads of lumber to 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. 99 - Maintenance of Road net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Constructed 225 ft. of reveting on ditch line. Hauled and spread 50 loads of rock on road net. Set 1 - 20 ft. culvert in place and cut exit road. Bailey Bridge Detail at Engineer Dump #206:- Assembled and pile Bailey Bridge materials. Project 100% complete. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp. Constructed 14 blackout frames and 5 latrine boxes. Hauled 4700 sq. ft. of lumber to the site. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Filled pot holes on both approaches. Erected water level gauge on center bent. 33 - Road Maintenance:- Continued clearing of mud and improving drainage on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Filled pot holes and ruts in road net. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 25 - 2yd cinder piles, and erected sign, on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed mud and improved drainage along Route N-57 between Epinal and Charmes. Engineer Work for Bulk Fuel Installation at Nomexy:- Laid pipe and completed construction of platform and ramp for emptying gasoline drums. Project 85% complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 17 - 3yd cinder piles on Route GC-5 between Mirecourt and Charmes. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

8 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Constructed rock dam on upstream side of foundation for east pier of Bailey Bridge. 33 - Maintenance of Road Net at 51st Evac. Hosp:- Constructed 200 ft. of sidewalk. Hauled and spread 12 loads of cinders and gravel on road net. Haul Material to 1st Battalion Dump:- Hauled 2 - 2½ ton truck loads of lumber to 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Constructed 1 - 30 ft. culvert and 100 ft. of revetment along curb lines. Opened drainage ditches and hauled and spread 9 loads of cinders on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleared drainage ditches and mud from Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon. Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Filled pot holes on approaches and placed rock on abutments for fill. 33 - Maintenance of Road Net at 11th Evac. Hosp:- Filled ruts and pot holes in road net with gravel. Construction Work at 9th Evac. Hosp:- Completed winterizing of stock tent. Constructed 20 blackout frames for windows. Completed framing of 2 partitions. Constructed 4 doors and started flooring of ward tent. Project 35% complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 16 - 2 yd. cinder piles on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Opened drainage and sewers, and cleared mud from Route N-57 between Thaon and Epinal. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Maintained 24 hour guard. Sections of German bridge cabled to trees and fixed objects to prevent it from washing away. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 17 - 2 yd. cinder piles along Route GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. 109th Engineer Work for Bulk Fuel Installation at Nomexy:- Completed laying of pipe. Project 100% complete. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid and administrative duties.

9 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp:- Constructed 350 ft. of cinder sidewalks. Hauled and spread 20 loads of cinders on road

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9 November 1944:- Co. "A":- (Continued) net. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Repaired 30 ft. of revetment which was damaged by a tank. Installed 30 ft. culvert across the main road. Hauled and spread 39 loads of cinders on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes and cleared mud and water from Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Filled pot holes on approaches and hauled fill for nearside abutement. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Filled pot holes and ruts in road net with gravel. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp:- Completed 5 latrines. 50% of rafters placed on uncompleted building. Completed 35 blackout frames for windows and completed partition for operating rooms. Placed blackout cloth on 40 frames 24 swinging doors hung for operating rooms. Installed plumbing connections from main line to operating room. Project 45% complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 16 - 2 yd. cinder piles on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed mud, cleaned drainage ditches, and graded shoulders on Route N-57 between Epinal and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Removed floating debris from around cribs. Hauled and placed 8 loads of rock in cribs around bents. Hauled Material to 1st Battalion Dump:- Hauled 1 - 20 ton trailer load of lumber from Mill at Charmes to 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 18 - 2 yd. cinder piles on Route GC-5 from Charmes to Mirecourt. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

10 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Installed rock fill around east crib of the bridge. Improved channel around footing to relieve water pressure. 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp:- Constructed 400 foot of sidewalk. Hauled and spread 43 loads of cinder and gravel on road net. Hauled Material to 1st Battalion Dump:- Hauled 2 loads of assorted lumber to 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Constructed 100 ft. of revetment. Opened drainage ditches and hauled and spread 10 loads of rock on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes, cleared mud and water from Route N-57 between Charmes and Bayon. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Hauled and spread gravel on approaches. Hauled rock for abutement fill. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Hauled and spread 7 loads of gravel on road net. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp:- Completed placing rafters on unfinished building. One half of roof covered with 1 inch planking. Completed flooring and framing of one ward tent. 71 blackout frames covered with blackout cloth. Welded brackets on sink in operating room. Started installation of pipes for hot water to operating room. Project 60% complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 15 - 2 yd. cinder piles on Route N-57 between Socourt and Bainville aux Mirroirs. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleaned drainage ditches and continued clearing of mud from Route N-57 between Epinal and Charmes. Assembled cold patching materials along Route GC-5 from Charmes to Mirecourt. Placed luminous markers on bridge at Poussay. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Reconstructed 4 cribs and reinforced 4 more. Hauled and placed 1 load of rock in crib. Construction of RR Stop at Thaon:- Cut rails to size and cut holes in which supports were installed. Placed RR car back on tracks and cleared debris. Project 65% complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 14 - 3 yd. cinder piles on Route GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

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11 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance Of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Improved reveting walls on upstream and down stream side of east pier of bridge. Maintained 24 hour traffic control. 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp. Constructed 200 ft. of cinder sidewalk. Cleaned drainage ditches and hauled and spread 6 loads of gravel on road net. Construction of River Gauge on Mosele River at Charmes:- Constructed and painted river gauge in Company area. Project 50 % completed. Haul Material to 1st Battalion Dump:- Hauled 2 loads of assorted lumber to 1st Battalion Dump at Igney. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Drained roads, opened drainage ditches, and removed mud from roads. Hauled and spread 16 loads of gravel on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Continued filling pot holes, and clearing mud and water from Rt. N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon. Hauled 15 loads of rock for abutement fill. Hauled and spread 4 loads of gravel on approaches. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Hauled and spread 7 loads of gravel on road net. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 11 - 2 yd. Cinder piles on Rt. N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp:- Completed roof of unfinished building. Winterized 1 ward tent. Completed blackout of Nurse's quarters. Started blackout of 2nd gate house and kitchen. Completed installation of hot water pipe line to operating room. Project 70 % complete. Training - River Crossing:- Prepared signs for drill. Secured material for X frames and deadmen. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes opened drainage, and removed mud from shoulders on Rt. N-57 from Epinal to Charmes and on Rt. GC-5 from Charmes to Mirecourt. Started construction of guard rails on bridge at Poussay. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Repaired and reinforced cribs. Repaired approaches to bridge across Canal. Construction of RR Stop at Thaon:- Completed Construction of stop and placed 3 loads of cinders around it. Project 100 % complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 10 - 2 yd. cinder piles on Rt. GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. Battalion Medics:- Normal first aid duties. Charmes, France. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes France:- Normal administrative duties.

12 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp:- Hauled and placed 8 loads of cinders on 250 ft. of gravel sidewalk. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Deepened channel along east side of footing of east pier. Improved reveting wall on upstream side of east pier. Improvement and Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- (99) Opened drainage ditches and drained road surface. Hauled 20 loads of rock for base and hauled 15 loads of gravel for fill. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes, opened drainage ditches and cleared mud from Rt. N-57 between Charmes and Crevechamps. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control and filled pot holes on approaches to bridge. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Filled pot holes and hauled and spread 6 loads of gravel on road net. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp. Completed framing kitchen extension. Completed flooring and cut frame for winterizing ward tent. Completed blackout of 2nd gate house and personnel kitchen. Started blackout of Chapel. Project 80 % complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 7 - 2 yd cinder piles on Rt. D-6 between Rouville and Crantamoy. 119 - Road Construction for Class III Dump near Luneville:- Located quarry near Bhainville to be used to draw gravel from. Training - River Crossing:- Prepared X frames and deadmen for 3 sets of material. Orientation lecture and assignment of working squads.

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12 November 1944:- (Continued) Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes with cold patch, opened drainage ditches, and cleared mud from Rt N-57 between Charmes and Epinal and on Rt. GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. Completed construction of guard rails on bridge at Poussay. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Hauled rock and refilled cribs. Raised floor of small bridge leading to Mosele River Bridge. Established 5 cinder Piles near approaches. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Establish 9 - 3 yd. cinder piles on Rt/ GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

13 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Epinal, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 33 - Maintenance of 51st Evac. Hosp:- Hauled and spread 16 loads of cinders on 250 ft. of sidewalk. Construct River Gauge on Mosele River at Charmes:- Erected gauge on existing pier on downstream side of bridge over Mosele River at Charmes. Project 100% complete. 99 - Maintenance of Road Net in Ordnance Vehicle Depot at Nomexy:- Hauled and spread 42 loads of rock and gravel on road net. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes, cleared mud and water from Rt. N-57 between Charmes and Crevechamps. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Hauled and spread 7 loads of gravel on road net. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Filled pot holes on approaches and cleared debris from in front of bents. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp:- Completed winterizing 1 ward tent. Completed extension of kitchen. Constructed 2 doors and boarded up windows on unfinished building. Completed blacking out of Chapel. Project 90% complete. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 5 - 2 yd. cinder piles on Rt. D-6 between Rouville and Crantamoy. 119 - Road Construction for Class III Dump near Luneville:- Widened road at rock quarry. Started grading of road at site of Project. Project 5% complete. Training - River Crossing:- Held orientation with actual material and equipment. Practice of dry run. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes, removed mud and snow and opened drainage ditches on Rt. N-57 between Charmes and Epinal and on Rt. GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. Hauled and placed 13 loads of rock in cribs around bents. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Removed mud and snow from bridge floor. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 20 - 3 yd. cinder piles along Rt. GC-5 between Mirecourt and Charmes. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

14 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Entire Company moved from Epinal to Blainville, France. Distance travelled was 35 miles. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon. Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp. Completed and hung 2 doors. Put roofing paper on receiving building. Installed fixtures for hot and cold water in operating room. Percentage dropped to 50% complete due to additional work requested by Major Brown of the 9th Evac. Training River Crossing:- 4 teams formulated. Demonstrated for entire Company by demonstration Squad. Teams practiced actual preformed drills on dry gap. Prepared X frames. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Raised and reinforced 2 bents. Hauled and placed 13 loads of rock in cribs around bents. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Improved drainage system, graded road net and hauled and spread 15 loads of gravel in necessary areas. Engineer Work for 93rd Ordnance Salvage Dump at Charmes:- 1 D-7 dozer used to scrape mud from Ordnance Pool. Project 10% complete. Unloading of Train at Luneville (22 cars of Bailey Bridge):-

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14 November 1944:- (Continued) one platoon reported at directed site and waited the whole day without the train arriving. Project discontinued. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 15 - 3 yd. cinder piles on Route GC-5 between Charmes and Mirecourt. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

15 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Repaired approaches of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935. 119 - Engineer Work for Class III Dump at Luneville:- 1 D-7 dozer was furnished for necessary excavation. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Moselle River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp:- Changed the design of 6 latrines for more efficient operation. Project 90 % complete. Training - River Crossing:- Prepared material for additional group sets. 2nd group erected 600 ft. cable with 1st, 3rd, and 4th groups observing the construction, then in turn each go the groups erected cables. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- 2 road patrols used in removing mud and grading shoulders on Route GC-6 from Chatel to Morville, on Route D-9 from Bayon to Xermamenil. 33 - Maintenance of Moselle River Bridge at Chatel:- Renailed loose floor boards. Hauled and placed 9 loads of rock in cribs around bents. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Continued general maintenance. 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp:- Improved drainage system, hauled and spread 27 loads of gravel on road net. Engineer Work for 93rd Ordnance Salvage Dump at Charmes:- Hauled and spread 9 loads of gravel in Ordnance Pool. Project 15% complete. 119 - Engineer Work for Bulk Gas Dump at Luneville:- Graded entrance and exit road to proposed Gas Dump and dug drainage ditches. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

16 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- A water point was established at the Ecole de Garcon in Blainville. 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 V050935:- Maintained 24 hour traffic guard. Assisting 85th Engineers:- Un-crated 6 pontoons and loaded 73 balk. Training - Infantry Assault Raft:- Hauled 8 loads of Raft equipment Engineer Dump at Epinal to bivouac area at Blainville. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Moselle River Bridge at Bayon:- Discontinued per VOCO. To be taken over by 344th Engineers. Construction Work for 9th Evac. Hosp:- Completed putting roofing paper on unfinished building. Project 100 % complete. Training - River Crossing:- Teams 1 and 3 and 4 participated in construction of 700 ft. maneuver cable. Crew #2 received additional materials for maneuver cable sets. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleaned mud and cut down road shoulders with road patrol on Route GC-32 between Charmes and Rombervillers, and Route GC-6 between Chatel and Haillanville. Cleared mud from bridge in Romberville area, repaired hand rails and removed brush from stream bent. Filled approaches and nailed flooring on Piermont Bridge. Filled approaches on Gerbeville Bridge. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 13 - 3 yd cinder piles on Route GC-32 between Charmes and Rombervillers and on Route GC-6 between Chatel and Haillanville. 119 - Engineer Work for Gas Dump at Luneville:- Hauled and placed 11 - loads of gravel on entrance road. Dug drainage ditches. Graded and dozer work continued. Project 15 % complete. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

17 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 24 hour traffic guard. Assisting 85th Engineers:- Un-crated 18 pontoons. Unloaded 3 carloads of balk and 3 carloads of accessories. Training Infantry Assault Raft:- Assembled materials. Ponton Bridge train 95% unloaded. Discontinued pending selection of new site.

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17 November 1944: Co. "B": Bayon, France:- Training - River Crossing:- Prepared materials. Constructed 6 sets of X frames for maneuver cables. Wound cable on special type reels. Co. "C": Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Improved drainage and cleared mud from Route GC-6 between Chatel and Essay le Cote, On Route GC-32 between Charmes and Rombervillers. 33 - Maintenance of Bridges:- Repaired approaches to 5 bridges: Luneville, Gerbevillers, Moyer, Piermont, and Rombervillers. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 14 - 3 Yd. cinder piles on Route GC-32 between Charmes and Rombervillers. 119 - Engineer Work for Bulk Gas Dump at Luneville:- Hauled and spread 41 loads of gravel on entrance road. Continued digging drainage ditches and grading area for gas tanks. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

18 November 1944: Co. "A": Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Assisting 85th Engineers:- No work accomplished. Men held in preparation of moving training equipment to new location. Training - Infantry Assault Raft:- Unloaded 4 trailer loads of ponton equipment. Equipment placed in readiness for training. Co. "B": Bayon, France:- Training - River Crossing:- Secured material for 5 additional X frames. Prepared gear for river crossing. Unsuccessful attempt was made to secure 57 HP Utility boat and double assault boat. Co. "C": Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Improved drainage ditches, removed mud, and repaired hole in road caused by tank on Rt. GC-6 between Essay la Cote and V095845. 33 - Maintenance of Bridges:- Repaired hand rail on bridge at Rombervillers. Repaired approaches to bridge at Gerbeville. Nailed loose flooring on bridge at Magnieres. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 28 cinder piles on Routes IC-22 between Bayon and RJ-293. 119 - Engineer Work for Bulk Gas Dump at Luneville:- Completed on tank emplacement and started 2nd. Hauled and spread 35 loads of gravel and rock on road net. Continued digging of drainage ditches. Project 30 % complete. 126 - Engineer Work for ASP #417 at Bayon:- Placed 2 culverts. Hauled 12 yds. of rubble used in improving road shoulders. Project 5% complete. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

19 November 1944: Co. "A": Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Assisting 85th Engineers:- No work accomplished. Training - Infantry Assault Raft:- Constructed and disassembled heavy ponton tank raft. Held lecture on nomenclature and use of materials. Co. "B": Bayon, France:- Training - River Crossing:- Practiced erecting maneuver cables. Individual groups practiced trial loading of trucks. Co. "C": Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Improved road shoulders and drainage ditches along Route D-9 between Charmes and Bayon. 33 - Maintenance of Bridges:- Repaired approaches and nailed loose flooring on bridges at Rombervillers, Magnieres, Gerbeville, Xirmenil, and Moncel. Checked on suspected booby trap in vicinity of Vincey reported by the 72nd MP Co. but it was found to be nothing more than a piece of wire that was used in corduroying the road at the suspected site. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 21 - 3 yd. cinder piles on Route D-9 between Charmes and Xirmenil. 119 - Engineer Work for Bulk Gas Dump at Luneville:- Hauled and spread 18 load of rock and rubble on entrance road. Improved drainage. Site for 2nd gas tank completed. Placed pipe under roadway for gas line. Continued making emplacement for gas storage tanks. 126 Engineer Work for ASP #417 - at Bayon:- Hauled and spread 28 yards of gravel. Improved drainage system. Project 10 % complete. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

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20 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control and maintenance. Assisting 85th Engineers:- No Work accomplished. Training - Infantry Assault Raft:- Assembled and disassembled 4 - 5 ponton tank rafts. Practiced ferrying with half-track as load. Discussions were held on the assembling and disassembling of the rafts. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- Training - River Crossing:- Groups 2 and 3 participated in stringing cable across the Moselle River. Groups 1 and 4 secured and prepared equipment. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Improved road shoulders and drainage ditches along Route D-9 between Charmes and Xirmamenil. 33 - Maintenance of Bridges:- Filled approaches, removed mud and cleared floors, and removed debris from stream on bridges at Xirmamenil, Gerbeville, Magnieres, Pierremont, and Rombervillers. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 28 - 2 yd. Cinder piles on Route D-9 between Charmes and Xirmamenil. 119 - Engineer Work for Bulk Gas Dump at Luneville:- Hauled and spread 12 loads of rock and rubble on entrance road. Completed 2nd tank site. Continued digging of drainage ditches. Project 50 % complete. 126 - Engineer Work for ASP #417 at Bayon:- Hauled and spread 28 yds of gravel and stone on road net. Improved drainage ditches and leveled roads with road patrol. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

21 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control. Assisting 85th Engr. No work accomplished. Training* Infantry Assault Raft:- Assembled and disassembled 5 ponton Infantry Support Rafts. Lecture was held on assembling and use of materials. Half-track on raft used in demonstration. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- Training - River Crossing:- Groups 1 and 4 practiced erecting maneuver cable across the Moselle River. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Maintenance of 11th Evac. Hosp.- Hauled and spread 10 yds of gravel on road net. Removed mud from roads and improved drainage ditches. 33 - Maintenance of Bridges in allocated areas:- Repaired approaches and nailed loose flooring on bridges at Xermamenil, Gerbeville, Mognieres, and Rombervillers. 119 - Engineer Work for Bulk Gas Dump at Luneville:- Widened entrance road off Main highway. Completed 3rd and last gas tank site. Continued leveling of site for the storage of pipe. Project was relieved this date by the 344th Engineers. 126 - Engineer Work for ASP #417 at Bayon:- Continued widening of roads and rebuilding shoulders. Hauled and spread 22 yds of rock on road net. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

22 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control. Training - Infantry Assault Raft:- Practiced assembling and disassembling 5 ponton tank rafts. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- Training - River Crossing:- Prepared equipment and started construction of mine barriers. Additional 12 men began training in boat operation. #33 - Maintenance of Moselle River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained bridge and approaches. Co. "C":- 33 - Maintenance of Bridges in allocated area:- Cleaned mud from floors, renailed loose flooring, and repaired approaches on bridges at Xermamenil, Gerbeville, Mognieres, and Rombervillers. 33 - Maintenance of Moselle River Bridges at Chatel and Charmes:- Repaired ramps on Bailey Bridge at Charmes and maintained approaches of bridge at Chatel. 20 Mine catchers were constructed for cable mine barrier which is to be used in ensuing operations. 126 - Engineer Work for ASP #417 at Bayon:- Hauled 36 yds. of rock and used it on improving of road shoulders. Cleared mud from road net with road patrol. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

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23 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control. Repaired pot holes on approaches. Training - Infantry Assault Raft:- Completed disassembling of heavy ponton raft. Assembled and loaded equipment for return to 85th Engineer Battalion.
Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Filled pot holes on approaches and maintained traffic control. Training - River Crossing:- 16 /EM received training in operation of Utility boats and double assault boats. Remainder of Company was employed in the preparation of equipment. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed mud and improved shoulders of road on Route N-57 between Igney and Vencey. Maintenance of Bridges in allocated areas:- Continued general maintenance of bridges at Gerveville, Mognieres, and Rombervillers. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Charmes and Chatel:- Tightened Bailey Bridge at Charmes and continued general maintenance of Bridge at Chatel. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

24 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- Sgt. Henry R. Kjems, T/5 Ardash Bahtiarian, and Pvt. Orville R. Kerkow lost their lives in the Meurthe River at Blainville, France on or about 1500 hours during the training and maneuvers with Infantry Assault Boats. The accident occurred when the outboard motor on the Infantry Assault Boat went dead in midstream allowing the current to catch the boat and carry it down stream where it crashed into a bridge and overturned. S/Sgt. Pinto, Cpl. Pollan, and Pvt. Bendik were also in the capsized boat but were rescued by 1st Lt. Philips, S/Sgt. Young, S/Sgt. Duke, and Pvt. Koolish who were occupants of a nearby boat. Several hours were spent in the watersearching for the missing. 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon. Filled pot holes on approaches and maintained 24 hour traffic control. Training - River Crossing:- 12 EM participated in training with double assault and utility boats. Remainder of Company was used in the loading of equipment. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Improved drainage systems, cleared mud from road, and cut shoulders with road patrol on Route N-57 between Igney and Epinal, on Route GC-10 between Chatel and Epinal, on Route GC-6 between Chatel and Gerveville. 33 - Maintenance of Bridges in allocated area:- Cleared debris from stream beds and removed mud from approaches on bridges at Gerveville, Rombervillers, Mognieres, and Xermam-enil. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridges at Chatel and Charmes:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control and removed debris from bents on bridge at Chatel and from Bailey Bridge at Charmes. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

25 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control. Balance of Company spent the day in the assembling and loading of equipment. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Balance of Company was used in the assembly and loading of equipment. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Roads:- Cleared mud from roads recut shoulders with road patrol on Route GC-8 between Chatel and Gerveville, Route D-9 between Xermam-enil, Bayon and Charmes, on Route IC-22 between Bayon and Mognieres. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Charmes (Bailey Bridge):- Maintained 24 hour traffic control and nailed wooden cleats on approaches. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control and watch but at 1830 hours #13 bent sunk approximately 18 inches and bridge was closed to traffic. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

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26 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control. Searching parties continued their search for the bodies of the missing men in the Meurthe River but as yet nothing has been found. All River Crossing Equipment loaded. Company standing by. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Moselle River Bridge at Bayon. Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Equipment completely loaded the Company is in state of readiness. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed mud and cut road shoulders on Route GC-9 between Charmes and Route N-414. Repair of Moselle River Bridge at Chatel:- Removed flooring from three bays. Stringers removed from two bays. Prepared 8 piles and drove 4. Hauled necessary materials to site. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

27 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintain Bridge on Route D-9 at V050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control and general maintenance. Balance of the Company was used in the unloading of River crossing equipment in the Foret de Mondon near Luneville. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Moselle River Bridge at Bayon. Filled pot holes on approaches and maintained 24 hour traffic control. Balance of the Company was used in the unloading of river crossing equipment in the Foret de Mondon near Luneville. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- GE-2 Repair of Moselle River Bridge at Chatel:- Drove and capped 12 piles. Set 7 stringers and attached sway braces. Layed 18 feet of double decking. One double bent now complete. Project 40 % complete. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge over Moselle River at Charmes:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control and general maintenance. 33 - Maintenance of Roads in allocated area:- Cleared mud and cut road shoulders along Route GC-10 from Epinal to Chatel to Villencourt. GE-1 Anti-Mine Barrier Construction:- Assembled 46 mine barriers. 28 were placed on maneuver cable across the Moselle River. Work ceased when maneuver cable deadman pulled out of ground. The end of the maneuver cable was refastened but it was impossible to rearrange the mine barriers due to darkness. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

28 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintain Bridge on Route D-9 at V-050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control and general maintenance. GE-3 River Crossing Equipment now completely unloaded in the Foret de Mondon near Luneville and a 24 hour guard is being maintained. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- An accident occurred at 1650 hours on the Moselle River, 2 miles north of Charmes, when a utility boat being used in installation of Anti-Mine Barriers was sent to the far shore to pick up four men. The motor on the boat went dead when they were about a third of the way back and it could not be started again. Due to the swift current the boat was carried downstream where it hit a mine barrier, filled with water and submerged. Four of the men reach the shore under their own power and the fifth man was thrown a line and pulled in. At the time of the accident there were no other craft available at the site and due to darkness it was impossible to recover the boat. 33 - Maintenance of Moselle River Bridge at Bayon. Removed debris from around bents, filled pot holes on approaches and maintained 24 hour traffic control. GE-1 Anti-Mine Barrier Construction:- Erected one new maneuver cable and maintained two others. GE-3 Unloading of River Crossing Equipment in the Foret de Mondon Near Luneville:- All equipment now unloaded. Project 100 % complete.

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28 November 1944:- Continued - Co "C":- Igney, France:- GE - 2 Repair of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Set 14 stringers in place and attached sway braces. Installed braces between piles. Installed 2 spans of double decking. 60 feet of curbing, and 120 feet of guard rail. Project 100 % complete. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Charmes:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control and general maintenance. 33 - Maintenance of Roads in allocated areas:- Cleared mud and cut road shoulders with grader along Route GC-12 from Epinal to Zincourt, on Route GC-10 from Chatel to Gircourt, on D-9 from Charmes to Bayon. GE-1 Anti-Mine Barrier Construction:- Installed 16 arrows of mine barrier across Mosele River at Charmes. Schooled 24 EM in the installation and placing of barrier in the river. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

29 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- 33 - Maintain Bridge on Route D-9 at V-050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control and general maintenance. 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed mud and cleaned drainage ditches on Route D-9 from Xermamenil to Bayon. Assembled materials on order for mixing of black top. GE-3 Maintained 24 hour guard on River Crossing Equipment in the Foret de Mondon near Luneville. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleared mud and opened drainage ditches on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Cleared mud and water from bridge floor and repaired pot holes on approaches. Maintained 24 hour traffic control. GE-1 Anti-Mine Barrier Construction:- Removed cable of first upstream site. Retrieved all equipment from far shore of this site. Prepared equipment for erection of new cables. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- GE-1 Anti-Mine Barrier Construction:- Maintained and adjusted mine barrier installed on November 29th. Salvaged broken upstream barrier. Hauled two loads of mine barriers heads and tails from Luneville. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. 5 loads of rock placed in half empty crib. Removed old bent from between new pilings. Bolted 2 angle iron reinforcements in place between the new pilings and old bents. Hauled and placed 37 loads of rock. Jacked up trestle to original level and repaired bent. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge at Charmes:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control and general maintenance. 33 - Road Maintenance:- Repaired pot holes and improved drainage ditches along Route N-57 between Igney and Charmes. Removed from road all mud and water, on Route N-57 between Charmes and Bayon, on Route D-9 between Bayon and intersection with Route N-414. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

30 November 1944:- Co. "A":- Blainville, France:- GE-3 Maintained 24 hour guard on River Crossing Equipment stored in Foret de Mondon near Luneville. 33 - Maintain Bridge on Route D-9 at V-050935:- Maintained 12 hour traffic control and general maintenance. 33 - Road Maintenance:- Started production of black top. Hauled sand and necessary gravel. Cleared mud and opened drainage ditches on Route D-9 between Bayon and Xermamenil. 90 - Establish Cinder and Gravel Stock-Piles:- Established 8 sand piles using 12 loads of sand on Route D-9 between Bayon and Xermamenil. Co. "B":- Bayon, France:- GE-1 Anti-Mine Barrier Construction:- Disassembled cables for 2 mine barriers and installed 2 permanent mine barrier cables vertical to stream on new sites. Installed mine barrier cable on far shore with near shore anchored to D-7 and D-4 for purpose of changing angle of cable to stream as desired. The latter cable was marked at 25 foot intervals with yellow paint. GE-7 Hauling Lumber from Contrexeville to Vincey for 344th Engineers:- Furnished 1 squad for unloading detail at Vincey Dump. There 11 - 2 1/2 ton truckloads of 1" lumber were unloaded. 1 squad, 6 ton P.M. w/20 ton trailer, were dispatched to Contrexeville but the 344th Dump was not located nor was the officer from the 344th Engineers. The only thing that was found were prefabricated tent floors.

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30 November 1944:- Continued. Co. "B":- which were loaded and hauled to the dump at Vincey where they were unloaded. 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleared mud, filled pot holes, and improved drainage ditches on Route N-57 between Bayon and Charmes. 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Bayon:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control. Filled pot holes and drained water from flooring of bridge over the Mosele River. Co. "C":- Igney, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Mosele River Bridge at Chatel:- Started removal of old cribs and started construction of new ones to replace them. Repaired two other cribs. Hauled and placed 14 loads of rock into stream bed and around trestle bents on the bridge over the Canal. 33 - Daily Check on "ridges in allocated area:- All bridges were inspected and mud was removed from floor and approaches of bridge at Rombervillers. 33 - Maintenance of Bailey Bridge over Mosele River at Charmes:- Maintained 24 hour traffic control and general maintenance. 33 - Road Maintenance:- Repaired pot holes with cold-patch and improved drainage on Route N-57 between Epinal and Nomexy. Cut road shoulders with road grader along Route GC-10 from Palleney to Sercourt. GE-1 Anti-Mine Barrier Construction:- Removed one complete barrier and salvaged the material. Installed two new barriers across the Mosele River and secured them. Battalion Medics:- Charmes, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Charmes, France:- Normal administrative duties.

2. Battalion Strength:-

a. Battalion Strength as of 1 November 1944:-

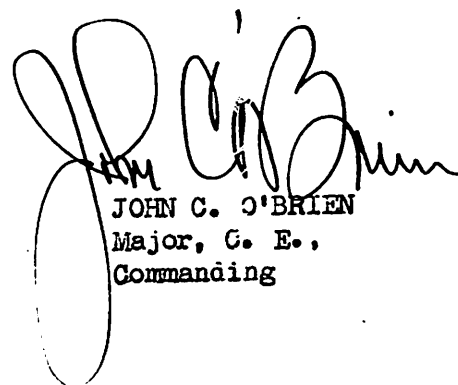
Officers 17

Enlisted Personnel 585

b. Battalion Strength as of 30 November 1944:-

Officers 17

Enlisted Personnel 597


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