

HEADQUARTERS
540TH ENGINEER REGIMENT
Office of the Supply Officer
APO #758

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SUBJECT: Journal for Month of November

TO : C.O. 540th Engr. Regt., APO #758

During the month this Section requisitioned and issued to the Regiment one (1) Sleeping Bag and one (1) High-Neck Sweater per enlisted man. Eleven hundred and ninety four (1194) Jackets, Field M-43, seventy seven (77) Overshoes, nine hundred and fifty five (955) pair of Shoe Pacs, two thousand eight hundred and sixty five (2,865) pair of Socks, wool, Artic were drawn and issued to the Enlisted Personnel of this Regiment equipping approximately 75% of this Regiment with special winter clothing. Special winter clothing was purchased and distributed to the Officers of the Regiment.

The following Major Items of equipment shortages were requisitioned, received and issued to the respective organizations.

3	ea	Shower Units, Portable, 8-man
3	ea	Motorcycles, Sole
2	ea	Trucks, 1/4-ton, 4 x 4, C & R
1	ea	Truck, 2 1/2-ton, 6 x 6, Cargo
98	ea	Tents, Pyramidal W/poles & pins

All necessary rations, gasoline, diesel oil, lubrication oil grease was requisitioned and issued to the companies.

The S-4 was detailed Regimental Purchasing & Billeting Officer and took care of all details and correspondence incident to the Regiment moving from Mirecourt to their present location in Gerbeviller.

A detail from S-4 spent five (5) days in Dijons drawing construction material for roads, bridges and to complete construction of the French Hospital at Ravinel, being occupied by the 21st General Hospital.

The following listed supplies were received:

52	ea	Barrels of Asphalt
17	ea	Panes, Glass 8 -36" x 36", 8 -36" x 31" & 1 -28" x 28"
50	ea	Length Pipe 2" x 20'
25	ea	Length Pipe 1" x 12'
1	ten	Plumbing supplies including Elbows, T's, Couplings, Nipples, & Reducers

The Regiment was alerted for a pending special operation and the following special equipment was requisitioned, received and issued to the respective companies in the Regiment:

6	ea	Bags, carrying, Paddle
30	ea	Bags, sand
196	ea	Boats, assault
97	ea	Boats, storm
4	ea	Boats, utility
2	ea	Bracket, Outboard Motor 25-ton
4,100	ft	Cable, Steel 1/4"
4,500	ft	Cable, Steel 5/8"
9,000	ft	Cable, Steel 3/4"
14	ea	Cable, 3/4" x 1500'
841	gal	Can, 5-gal. W/oil & gas mixed
6,000		Container, 5-gal. W/30,000 gal of gasoline
10	ea	Chain, hoist
900	ft	Chain 1/4"
110	ea	Clamps, "C" 18"
36	ea	Clip, Cable 5/8" (1/4 - 97)
120	ea	Clip, Cable 3/4"
32	ea	Deadmen, w/anchor cable & cable clip
37	ea	Detectors, Mine
32	ea	Frames, X w/bridle & guy rope
1,000	lbs	Explosive TNT
400	ea	Life, Preservers w/2 cart.
300	ea	Markers, Luminous
94	ea	Motor, Outboard 22 H.P.
96	ea	Motor, Outboard 50 H.P.
175	ea	Nozzle, Gas
2,000	gal	Oil, SAE 30
1,100	gal	Oil, 1120, Aviation
1,244	ea	Paddles, wood
96	ea	Paddles, steel
6	ea	Pickets, steel
48	ea	Pins, Assault boat
48	ea	Pins, Treadway
14	ea	Pole, Range
1,200	ft	Rope, 1/2"
6,400	ft	Rope 3/4"
2,400	ft	Rope 1"
500	ea	Rope Tent, Shelter Half
14	ea	Reel, Cable, Special
51	ea	Side Rails
100	ea	Stakes, holdfast, steel
12	ea	Trailers, 2 1/2-ton, Utility, Pole Type I
26	ea	Timbles 3/4"
6	ea	Timbles 5/8"
64	ea	Treadway, plywood
51	ea	Treadway stiffener
10	ea	Trolleys
20	ea	Trolley Cables
1	roll	Wire, 9 guage
26	ea	Wrench, Crescent 8"
386	ea	Clip, Cable, 7/8"

Water points were set up and operated in Mirecourt, Roville and Gerbeviller supplying all troops in their respective vicinities. In addition

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a water point was set up in the grounds of the 21st General Hospital, Mirecourt to supply water solely for hospital use which included water for toilets, medical use, cooking, washing and bathing. During a seven (7) day period when operation of the water point in the hospital grounds ceased due to the flooding of the area an additional water point was set up in Mirecourt to alleviate the shortage. A total of 1,502,805 gallons of water was dispensed for the month.

The following reports were submitted by this Section:

Weekly G-4 Report to G-4 7th Army, submitted each Sunday

Monthly Material in Hands of Troops Report submitted to the Commanding General, 7th Army on the 17th October 1944.

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