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An initial reconnaissance unit arrived in the city of Naples on Friday Oct 1, 1943. The remainder of the Regt (less Co "F") arrived in Naples on Oct 2nd. All available men and equipment were immediately employed in the reconstruction of the port of Naples. This work was continued throughout the month. While it is known that the unloading of supplies is of great importance the "back-stacking" on the piers and docks was greatly reduced the efficiency of the engineers. After the initial clearing and leveling of each berth or pier in turn would be executed by the port it would facilitate the final leveling.

For one week one company was employed to repair the Naples roadbed. This work was done under the supervision of the Base Engineer.

During the month numerous installations were inspected for time-delay and booby-trap charges that might have been left by the enemy. In a large percentage of the cases insufficient information was given and often a detail spent several hours before finding the proper location. All possible information ex. coordinates, unit operating or living in installation, officer or personnel that can be contacted at the installation, street and number should be given.

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