

HEADQUARTERS, FIRST BATTALION  
540TH ENGINEER REGIMENT  
A.P.O. #758

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

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

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

1 September 1944:- St. Raphael, France. Co. "A":- Normal operation of Red Beach #1. Co. "B":- Normal operation of Red Beach #2. Co. "C":- Road Construction on Red Beaches:- Painted 40 road posts and 700' of cable. 1 load of large rock hauled and placed at approaches to pontoon floats. 2-4'x4'x3' holes dug for installation of flood light poles. Constructed and installed 1 wooden frame in 1 hole and used 1 load of rock and 4 bags of cement for base mix. Barbed wire placed along the wall of Red Beach #2. Hauled 4 - 35' poles to the site of the flood lights. 15 loads of gravel hauled from Green Beach used in surfacing of roads on Red Beaches. Repaired all damaged matting and thoroughly policed both beaches. Battalion Medics:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Normal beach operation recording. On this date the following were landed:- Tons Cargo - 5720, Personnel-51, Vehicles - 64, Tracked Vehicles - 4. 301 POW's were evacuated.

2 September 1944:- St. Raphael, France. Co. "A":- Normal operation of Red Beach #1. Co. "B":- Normal operation of Red Beach #2. Co. "C":- Road Construction on Red Beaches:- 2-35' poles installed for flood lights. 2 loads of rock and 8 bags of cement used for the base. Hauled 60 iron pickets to fix approaches to pontoon floats. 8 loads of gravel used in surfacing of roads. Repaired all damaged matting and policed both beaches. Installation of Water Tanks in POW Stockade:- Made reconnaissance of the job and hauled 2-250 gal. water tanks to the site. SR-48 Collection of Life Belts from Camel Beaches:- 2½ truck loads of life belts hauled from Green Beach and dumped at the exit road of Red Beach #2. SR-57 Repair of RR Bridge near Seaplane Base:- Installed 120' of treadway and 4 lengths of planking. 100% complete. Battalion Medics:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Normal beach operation recording. On this date the following were landed:- Tons Cargo - 5449.5, Personnel:- 14. 950 POW's were evacuated.

3 September 1944:- St. Raphael, France. Co. "A":- Normal operation of Red Beach #1. Co. "B":- Normal operation of Red Beach #2. Co. "C":- Road Construction on Red Beaches: Constructed and erected two flank markers on Red Beach #2. Drove 84 pickets to be used on approaches to pontoon floats. Cribbed and filled one approach. 3 loads of gravel hauled from Green Beach used in surfacing of roads. Repaired all damaged matting and policed both beaches. Installation of Water Tanks at POW Stockade:- Secured materials and constructed 3 platforms, placed water tanks on same. 40% complete. SR-56 Road Maintenance:- Repaired pot holes, shoulders, and improved drainage on coast road between Red Beaches and Bridge at St. Raphael. Battalion Medics:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Normal beach operation recording. On this date the following were landed:- Tons Cargo - 3306.5, Vehicles - 1, Personnel - 1. 1000 POW's were evacuated.

4 September 1944:- St. Raphael, France. Co. "A":- Normal operation of Red Beach #1. Co. "B":- Normal operation of Red Beach #2. Co. "C":- Road Construction on Red Beaches; Hauled 18

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4 September 1944: (Continued) loads of gravel from Green Beach and used it in surfacing of roads and repairing of approaches to pontoon floats. 3-4'x4'x3' holes dug and 3-35' poles erected in them. 12 loads of gravel and 12 bags of cement were used for the base mix. Drove 40 iron pickets and cribbed same, filling them with sand bags and large rock. Repaired all damaged matting and policed both beaches. Installation of Water Tanks in POW Stockade:- Constructed outlets from the water tanks. 75% complete. SR-56 Road Maintenance:- Continued repairing of pot holes, shoulders, and drainage on coast road between Red Beaches and the bridge at St. Raphael. SR-59 Mine Clearance for Barrage Balloon Sites:- 6 sites were checked. Nothing found. 100% complete. Battalion Medics:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Normal Beach operation recording. On this date the following were landed:- Tons Cargo - 1963.5, Personnel - 1152, Vehicles - 430, Tracked Vehicles - 9. 10 casualties were evacuated.

5 September 1944:- St. Raphael, France. Co. "A":- Normal operation of Red Beach #1. Co. "B":- Normal operation of Red Beach #2. SR-15 Removal of Telephone Pole:- Pole obstructing traffic on road from Red Beach to the Engr. Dump removed. 100% complete. Co. "C":- Road Construction on Red Beaches: 3 loads of gravel hauled from Green Beach and used in surfacing of roads. 15 loads of gravel used in filling cribbing. Repaired all damaged matting and policed both beaches. Installation of Water Tanks at POW Stockade:- Dug ditch 250' long, 18" deep for pipe line. Laid 140' of 1 1/2" pipe and 40' of 1" pipe to carry water to stockade. Installed inlets to one tank. SR-56 Road Maintenance:- Continued repairing of pot holes, shoulders and drainage ditches on coast road from Red Beaches to bridge at St. Raphael. SR-53 Installation of Concertina at Class II & IV Dumps:- 24 rolls of wire placed around the Dump. SR-60 Mine Clearance for Barrage Balloon Sites:- 400' of road checked near Seaplane Base. 6 anti-personnel mines found. 100% complete. Battalion Medics:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Normal beach operation recording. On this date the following were landed:- Tons Cargo - 2112.5, Vehicles - 1147, Personnel - 1397, Tracked Vehicles - 4, Half-tracks 13, Artillery Pieces - 17.

6 September 1944:- St. Raphael, France. Co. "A":- Supervision of operation of Red Beach #1 which was taken over by Port Bn. Co. "B":- Supervision of operation of Red Beach #2 which was taken over by Port Bn. Co. "C":- Road Construction on Red Beaches:- 7 loads of gravel hauled from Green Beach and used in surfacing of roads. 2-4'x4'x3' holes dug and 2-35' poles were set in same. Bases were filled with 4 loads of rubble. Installation of Water Tanks at POW Stockade:- Laid 130' of 1 1/2" pipe to carry water to stockade. Covered pipe ditch and installed 2 inlets to water tank. 100% complete. SR -56 Road Maintenance:- Continued repairing pot holes, shoulders, and drainage ditches along the coast road from Red Beach to the Bridge at St. Raphael. Battalion Medics:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Normal administrative duties. Beach operation reports as well as the Beaches have been taken over by the Port Bn.

7 September 1944:- St. Raphael, France. Co. "A":- Supervision of operation of Red Beach #1. Maintenance of Road from Red Beach #1 to Frejus:- 4 loads of gravel used in patching pot holes. 5 loads of gravel placed at entrance road of Red Beach #1. Co. "B":- Supervision of operation of Red Beach #2. Removal of Road Blocks:- (Cannes); 1 road block removed from Route on road to Grasse. 1 road block removed from route between St. Raphael and Cannes. 1 road block removed from road between Cannes and Nice. Co. "C":- Road Construction on Red Beaches:- Loaded 22 expanded metal mats at Engineer dump and hauled them to Red Beach #2, where they were placed as approaches from LST's and LCT's.

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7 September 1944:- (Continued) 18 loads of gravel hauled from Green Beach and used in surfacing of roads. Repaired all damaged matting and policed both beaches. SR-56 Road Maintenance:- Patched 25 square feet of coast road from Red Beaches to the bridge at St. Raphael. Opened 25 square feet of coast road from Red Beaches to the bridge at St. Raphael. Opened 3 drainage sewers and improved drainage ditches. Battalion Medics:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Normal administrative duties.

8 September 1944. At 0800 hours the entire Battalion consisting of Co."A", Co."B", Co."C", Battalion Headquarters, and the Battalion Medical Detachment moved out of St. Raphael headed towards Bourg, France. Battalion arrived in Lyon at 0100 hours, 9 September 1944, and spent the night in bivouac in the city park with the 2nd Battalion.

9 September 1944. Battalion left Lyon at 0900 hours and arrived in Bourg at 1400 hours. Entire Battalion now set up in bivouac in French Military Barracks in the city of Bourg, France.

10 September 1944. Co."A":- At 1000 hours entire Company moved out of Bourg to Poligny. Co."B":- At 1300 hours entire Company moved out of Bourg to Lons le Saunier. Co."C":- Bourg, France:- 33-Maintenance of Road from Bourg to Arbois:- Repaired pot holes, improved drainage ditches and removed logs from shoulders of the road. Battalion Medics:- Bourg, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Bourg, France:- Normal administrative duties.

11 September 1944:- Co."A":- Poligny, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance from Lons le Saunier to Arbois:- Cleaned drainage ditches and removed logs from road shoulders. Arrangements made with the Mayor of Arbois for the necessary materials to make a straightway in place of a sharp curve on the road at the south end of town. Reconnaissance made and plans formulated for the widening of 1 way bridge located on Route 83, 4 miles north of Poligny across the river Glanon. Guard and Inventory of Captured Enemy Dump:- Made reconnaissance in vicinity of Valdahon and inquired of the French about the Engr. material. Also contacted the 45th Ord. and the 700th Ord. and found that there were a few I beams at an old French Garrison but found that some Divisional Engrs. had already procured them. The following materials were found:- 8-4"x9"x16' I beams and a large quantity of RR Cross ties. Co."B":- Lons le Saunier, France:- 33- Road Maintenance from Balanod to Lons le Saunier:- Filled pot holes and improved drainage ditches. Removed trees and logs from road shoulders. Co."C":- Bourg, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance from Bourg to Arbois:- Cleared road shoulders of trees and logs. Improved drainage ditches. Battalion Medics:- Bourg, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Bourg, France:- Normal administrative duties.

12 September 1944:- Co."A":- Poligny, France:- 33 - Maintenance of Roads from Lons le Saunier to Arbois:- Cleaned drainage ditches and removed logs from road shoulders. Cleaned stream bed and constructed bents for box culvert to be constructed over the river Glanon. Hauled 15 loads of gravel for by-pass at south edge of Arbois. Quarry located where crane can be operated. Co."B":- Lons le Saunier, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance from Balanod to Lons le Saunier:- Continued filling pot holes, improving of drainage ditches, and removing logs from road shoulders. Co."C":- At 0700 hours entire Company moved out of Bourg to Champagnole. Battalion Headquarters:- At 0930 hours Battalion Headquarters and the Battalion Medics moved out of Bourg to Poligny arriving at the destination at 1300 hours. Battalion CP and Aid Station now set up in a former school house in the center of Poligny, France.

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13 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Poligny, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance from Lons le Saunier to Arbois:- Completed removing logs from road shoulders. 23 loads of gravel used in surfacing of by-pass at curve at the south edge of Arbois. Construction of Culvert on the River Glanon:- Constructed three and placed 13 bents in the pass. Constructed curtain wall. Placed 2 posts forrevet wall. Co. "B":- Entire Company moved from Lons le Saunier to Pontarlier, leaving the old bivouac area at 0900 hours arriving at Pontarlier at 1200 hours. Remainder of the day was spent in setting up new bivouac. Co. "C":- Champagnole, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes, improved drainage ditches and removed logs from road shoulders from Champagnole to Frasné. Battalion Medics:- Poligny, France: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Poligny, France: Normal administrative duties.

14 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Poligny, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance from Balanod to Arbois: Continued filling pot holes and improving drainage ditches, Construction of culvert over the river Glanon continued. 30% completed. Co. "B":- Pontarlier, France: 33 - Road Maintenance from Frasné to Pontarlier to Ornans. Cleaned, widened, and improved drainage ditches. Co. "C":- Entire Company moved from Champagnole to Baume les Dames. Left old bivouac area at 0530 hours and arrived at destination at 1300 hours. Rest of the day spent in setting up in new bivouac. Reconnaissance was made for bridging materials. 2 sawmills and 3 lumber yards were found. Battalion Medics:- Poligny, France: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Poligny, France: Normal administrative duties.

15 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Poligny, France: 33 - Road Maintenance from Balanod to Arbois, Cleaned and filled pot holes in the vicinity of Balanod. Construction of road at 9th Evac. Hos: Made reconnaissance and formulated plans for the construction. Removed deep layer of mud from the road bed and dug ditches for the drainage. Construction of culvert across the river Glanon: Removed old bridge and filled ravine. Graded surface and completed culvert for class 40 all weather traffic. Co. "B":- Pontarlier, France: 33 - Road Maintenance from Lons le Saunier to Champagnole to Pontarlier to Ornans: Continued filling pot holes and improving drainage ditches. Co. "C":- Baume les Dames, France: Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Reconnaissance for materials continued. Cleared bridge site and salvaged planking from demolished bridge. One latrine built near the job. Battalion Headquarters:- At 0930 hours Battalion Headquarters and the Battalion Medics moved out of Poligny for Besancon. Arrived at Besancon at 1200 hours and set up the Bn. CP and Bn. Aid Station on Rue de Belfort on the outskirts of the city.

16 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Poligny, France: 33 - Road Maintenance: Improved roads at the 9th Evac. Hosp. Continued digging and improving of drainage ditches. Construction of by-pass on curve at the south edge of Arbois: Continued road construction and improving of drainage ditches. Co. "B":- Pontarlier, France. 3 - Road Maintenance from Lons le Saunier to Champagnole to Pontarlier to Ornans: Continued filling fox holes and improving drainage ditches. Co. "C":- Baume les Dames, France: Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames: Laid center line. Hauled 200' of 4"x8" and 3"x8" lumber to the site. Salvaged 50 I beams from demolished bridge. Constructed 2 forms for cribbing and placed one in position. Installed 2 safety lines downstream from the bridge. Battalion Medics:- Besancon: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Besancon, France: Normal administrative duties.

17 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Poligny, France: 33 - Road Maintenance from Balanod to Arbois: Continued hauling rock and gravel for the construction of by-pass at the south edge of Arbois. Filled pot holes and improved drainage. 53 loads of rock and gravel used. Co. "B":- Pontarlier, France: 33 - Road Maintenance from Lons le Saunier to Champagnole to Pontarlier



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17 September 1944:- (Continued) to Ornans: Continued filling pot holes using 6 yards of gravel. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France: Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Raised Bailey Bridge at both ends. Hauled 3 loads of gravel and filled one approach. Levelled space in river bed for one footer. Readings were taken with transit. Battalion Medics:- Besancon, France: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Besancon, France: Normal administrative duties.

18 September 1944:- Co."A":- Poligny, France: 33 - Road Maintenance: Continued construction of straightway at the south edge of Arbois. Cleared 4 inches of mud from highway south of Lons le Saunier. Co."B":- Pontarlier, France: 33 - Road Maintenance: Filled pot holes and improved drainage ditches from Lons le Saunier to Champagnole to Pontarlier to Ornans. 3 loads of gravel used. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France: Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Constructed 2 footers and placed 1. 6 posts set for bent. Constructed 100 ft. of narrow gauge railroad. Hauled rock and placed it on river bed to level it. Battalion Medics:- Besancon, France: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Normal administrative duties.

19 September 1944:- Co."A":- Poligny, France: 33 - Road Maintenance: Continued hauling of gravel and rock for construction of straightway at the south edge of Arbois. Cleared mud from the road, drained ditches and filled pot holes. 21 loads of gravel used. Improved roads in 9th Evac. Hosp. area by surfacing with gravel and corduroy construction. Co."B":- Pontarlier, France: 33 - Road Construction: Continued filling pot holes and improving drainage ditches from Lons le Saunier to Champagnole to Pontarlier to Ornans using 8 yds. of gravel. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France: Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames: Constructed 2 footers and set them in place. Set in 6 posts. Constructed table to be used to rip 3"x8"x into 3"x6"s for hand rails. Hauled 4 loads of logs. Moved 35 small cars loaded with rock. Cut 24 iron stakes to be used to anchor assembled footers. Battalion Medics:- Besancon, France: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Besancon, France: Normal administrative duties.

20 September 1944:- Co."A":- Entire Company moved from Poligny to Arbois, France. Distance of 8 miles. 33 - Road Maintenance:- Continued to haul gravel for construction of straightway at the south edge of Arbois. Improved roads at 9th Evac. Hosp. by surfacing with gravel. 12 loads of gravel used. Co."B":- Pontarlier, France: 33 - Road Construction:- filled pot holes, removed mud and improved drainage ditches on roads from Lons le Saunier to Champagnole to Pontarlier to Ornans. 24 yards of gravel used. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France: Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Hauled 4 loads of logs, 1 load of lumber, 13 loads of rock. Erected 6 posts and constructed 6 others. Started log cribbing. Cut off post of 1st bent to correct level. Made 45 drift pins. Ripped 500' of 2"x8" to 2"x6"s for hand rails. Battalion Medics:- Besancon, France: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Besancon, France: Normal administrative duties.

21 September 1944:- Co."A":- Arbois, France: 33 - Road Maintenance: Constructed and painted guide rails for culvert. Cleared mud from roads in front of 9th Evac. Hosp. and 40th Engrs. Continued hauling rock and gravel for straightway at the south end of Arbois. Filled pot holes and improved drainage ditches on road between Balanod and Arbois. 10 loads of gravel used. Co."B":- Pontarlier, France: 33 - Road Construction:- Erected 8 road signs and continued filling pot holes, clearing mud, and improving drainage ditches on roads from Lons le Saunier to Champagnole to Pontarlier to Ornans. Used 20 yards of gravel and 2 bbls. of asphalt. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France:- Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames: Completed 1 trestle and erected 8 posts. Cut 2nd trestle to the

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21 September 1944:- (Continued) proper height and placed 1 foot of base in the stream. Leveled 2 complete footers. Cut one section of emolished bridge to allow the setting of footers. Hauled 4 loads of logs to the site. Ripped 300' of 3"x8" lumber to 3"x6" for hand rails. Battalion Medics:- Besancon, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Besancon, France:- Normal administrative duties.

22 September 1944:- Co."A":- Arbois, France:- 33-Road Maintenance:- Continued hauling rock and gravel for construction of straightway at the south edge of Arbois. Procured materials and mixed 5 cubic yards of cold patch. Co."B":- Pontarlier, France: 33 - Road Maintenance:- Filled pot holes with gravel and asphalt from Lons le Saunier to Champagnole to Pontarlier to Ornans using 20 yards of gravel and 1 bbl. of asphalt. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France: Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Hauled 4 loads of logs 1 load of lumber and 2 loads of rock. Cut and fit logs for 1 complete crib. Set 10 logs and cut 1 bent to proper height. Battalion Medics:- Besancon, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Besancon, France:- Normal administrative duties.

23 September 1944:- Co."A":- Entire Company moved from Arbois to Dampierre, France. Co."B":- Entire Company moved from Pontarlier to Amanche, France. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France:- Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Cut and constructed 1 trestle and placed cribbing around it. Completed bracing 1 trestle. Placed 17 stringers across 1 span. Constructed 1 complete footer. Hauled 1 load of lumber and 3 loads of rock. Battalion Medics:- Besancon, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Besancon, France:- Normal administrative duties.

24 September 1944:- Co."A":- Dampierre, France:- Set up Water Point in Dampierre. Bn. Showers were set up. Company spent day setting up in new bivouac by digging latrines, setting up the kitchen and sleeping quarters. Co."B":- Amanche, France:- Spent the day setting up in new bivouac by digging latrines, setting up the kitchen, and sleeping quarters. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France:- Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Placed 11 stringers across 2nd span. Placed 48 spans between the stringers of 1 complete span. Constructed 2 cribs and drove 16 steel piles inside the cribbing. Continued the placing of braces on trestle. Hauled 1 load of lumber and 3 loads of rock. Battalion Headquarters and Battalion Medics moved from Besancon to Scey sur Saone, France.

25 September 1944:- Co."A":- Dampierre, France:- 33-Road Maintenance:- Removed vehicles and timber obstacles from shoulders of road on Route N-70 from Vaite to Combeaufontaine. On Route GC-3 from Combeaufontaine to Scey-s-S. Removed vehicles and debris and cleaned drainage ditches on Route N-70 from Dampierre to Vaite. On Route GC-5 from Vaite to intersection of Route N-460. On Route N-460 to intersection with Route N-19. On Route N-70 from Dampierre to Gray, from Gray 1½ miles on secondary road Route N-474. Co."B":- Amanche, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed road blocks consisting of fallen trees and logs from Route GC-7a. On Route GC-434 removed 2 wrecked vehicles. Buried three bodies near Route N-19. Bodies were burnt beyond recognition and no means of identification was possible. Removed 10 wrecked vehicles from Route N-19 and erected 10 road signs on Route GC-3. Co."C":- Baume les Dames, France:- Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Placed one layer of flooring on one span and placed 48 spans in between 2nd span. Removed support from under Bsiley Bridge. Started to erect last trestle. Hauled 13 stringers and 8 loads of gravel. Battalion Medics:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal administrative duties.

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26 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Dampierre, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Opened drainage ditches and removed timber obstacles and wrecked vehicles on Route N-67 from Gray to Longeau, on Route N-460 from intersection at GC-5 to Dijon, on Route N-474 from Bonbillon to Velliclaire to Vesoul. Co. "B":- Amanche, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Removed 17 wrecked vehicles from Route N-19. Removed fallen trees and logs from Route GC-434. Erected 22 road signs. Co. "C":- Baume les Dames, France:- 47 - Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Completed last trestle. Placed 17 stringers across 1 span. Placed cribbing around 1 trestle. Hauled 2 loads of lumber, 2 loads of gravel, and 9 loads of rock. Battalion Medics:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal administrative duties.

27 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Dampierre, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleaned drainage ditches, filled fox holes, and cleared mud from Route N-70 from Vaite to Combeaufontaine and from Gray to Dampierre. On Route N-67 from Champlette to Gray. Removed 7 wrecked vehicles from Route GC-5a between Dampierre and Neuville. Hauled 8 loads of gravel for improving of Motor Pool road at Dampierre. Co. "B":- Amanche, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Hauled 25 loads of gravel for improving of entrance road to 11th Evac. Hosp. Cleared mud and filled fox holes on Route N-19. Posted 8 road signs on Route N-19. Posted 11 road signs on Route GC-3b. Co. "C":- Baume les Dames, France:- 47 - Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Placed 17 stringers and laid flooring across two complete spans. Erected cribbing around one trestle. Completed construction of one abutement. Hauled 1 load of lumber. Battalion Medics:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal administrative duties.

28 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Dampierre, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleaned drainage ditches, filled fox holes, and cleared mud from roads on Route N-70 from Dampierre to Gray, on Route GC-5a from Dampierre to Neuville, on Route N-67 from Champlette to Gray, on Route N-474 from Gray to intersection at GC-12, on Route GC-12 from intersection at N-474 to intersection at GC-11. Co. "B":- Amanche, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Hauled and spread 28 loads of gravel at entrance road to 11th Evac. Hosp. Cleaned drainage ditches, filled fox holes, and cleared mud from the roads on Route N-19. 25 signs posted on Route GC-434. 13 signs posted on Route G-460. Co. "C":- Baume les Dames, France:- 1 Off. and 50 EM moved to Pont d'Ain to reinforce RR Bridge. 47- Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Constructed 2nd abutement and started laying stringers. Cut 8 steel stringers 27'x7". Trimmed bridge floor edges. Hauled 1 load of lumber. Battalion Medics:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal administrative duties.

29 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Dampierre, France:- 1 Off. and 31 EM moved to Girancourt for the purpose of constructing a bridge. 33 - Road Maintenance:- Cleaned drainage ditches, filled fox holes, and cleared mud from road on Route N-74 from Longeau to Orville. 13 wrecked vehicles were removed from between these two points. 9 wrecked vehicles were removed on Route between Dijon and Orville. Co. "B":- Amanche, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Hauled and spread 34 loads of gravel at the entrance road to 11th Evac. Hosp. Filled fox holes and removed mud from roads on Route N-19 and Route GC-434. Co. "C":- Baume les Dames, France:- 1 Off. and 50 men at Pont d'Ain. 47- Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Completed removal of Bailey Bridge and completed laying of stringers. Constructed approaches and laid two layers of flooring. Placed cribbing and continued filling. Erected hand rails and started painting them. At 1200 hours traffic started crossing the Bridge. Battalion Medics:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Scey sur Saone, France:- Normal administrative duties.

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30 September 1944:- Co. "A":- Entire Company, less 1 Off. and 31 EM, moved from Dampierre to Epinal, France. Reconnaissance made of Bridge at Girancourt and materials assembled at site. Co. "B":- Amanche, France:- 33 - Road Maintenance:- Hauled and spread 40 loads of gravel on 11th Evac. Hosp. road net. 9 road signs erected on Route GC-3b. 20 road signs erected on Route GC-28. Filled fox holes and cleared mud on Route N-19 from Vesoul to Langres. Co. "C":- Baume les Dames, France:- 1 Off. and 50 EM at Pont d'Ain. 47 - Construction of Bridge at Baume les Dames:- Placed guard fence at the entrance. Co. "C":- Painted hand rails and posts. Hauled 6 loads of large rock and 2 loads of crushed rock to fill cribs. Battalion Medics:- Scey sur Saone, France: Normal first aid duties. Battalion Headquarters:- Scey sur Saone, France: Normal administrative duties.

2. Battalion Strength.

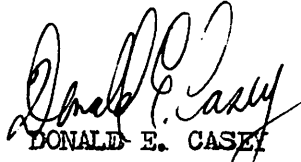
a. Battalion Strength as of 1 September 1944:

Officers - 19  
Enlisted Personnel - 606

b. Battalion Strength as of 30 September 1944:

Officers - 20  
Enlisted Personnel - 603.

For the Commanding Officer:

  
DONALD E. CASEY  
Captain, C.E.  
Executive Officer.