

Unit Journal

328th Field Artillery Battalion

Daily Log of Activities during WW2

Period: May 1944

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REPORT DETAILS

Header – includes Month of report.

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COLUMN HEADINGS

TIME IN/OUT: Time when information arrives at Battalion HQ. Or time when a report or a person left HQ.

SERIAL NO: Entry Number for this subject Month.

TIME DATED: Time of recorded event.

For example, info that is 12 hours old for day 17 will be recorded with TIME IN at 1900 but the TIME-DATE will be recorded as 161900

LEGEND

Bn - Battalion

FO - Forward Observer

RCN - Recon report

BC – Battery Commander (3 Batteries per Bn)

“From 24-1” - The Forward Observers were identified by a code name.
This begins the entry for a report from a FO identified with code 24-1.

Map Coordinates -

345-874 or 34.5-87.4 different forms of grid coordinates

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TIME	SER	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	DISPTN
IN	OUT	NO	DATED	
			Monday, 1 May 1944	
0026		1	0026 From Bn OP: Fire & vehicles behind Mt. Braucci.	
0245		2	0245 From Ln 1: Mortar fire coming from behind right Tit.	M
0440		3	0440 From A OP: Several enemy arty shells fell in OP area.	M
0515		4	0515 From B OP: Vehicles heard behind Pulcherini.	M
0515		5	0440 From Ln 1: White flare from behind left Tit.	M
	0520	6	0500 To Div: G-1 Report	
0730		7	0730 From Ln 1: Co. C area rec'd six rounds of enemy mortar fire.	M
1030		8	1030 CG Div Arty visited CP	
1400		9	1400 Bn Comdr left on Recon.	
1500		10	1500 Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
1550		11	1550 From CT-7: Patrol intentions & Intelligence report.	M
1550		12	1535 From A OP: Received light enemy shelling - no damage	M
1550		13	1530 From Ln 1: 1st Bn area received enemy arty shell fire.	M
1545		14	1545 From B OP: Received light enemy shelling from left of Pimple.	M
1830		15	1800 267 rounds expended, 23 missions	
			Tuesday, 2 May 1944	
0025		16	0025 CT patrol reported pinned down by MG fire.	M
0520		17	0500 From all Btrys: Strength report.	
	0530	18	0500 To Div: G-1 Report.	
0810		19	0810 CG Div Arty visited CP/	
0900		20	0900 CG Fifth Army inspected Bn area	
0920		21	0920 CG Fifth Army left Bn area.	
1000		22	1000 To Div: Branch shortage report	
1000		23	1000 Bn Comdr returned to CP. (VOID SEE NEXT ENTRY)	
1000		24	1000 Bn Comdr left for Btry C	
1130		25	1130 Bn Comdr returned to CP	
1200		26	1200 Bn Comdr left for CT-7, 3rd Bn.	
1410		27	1410 Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
	1630	28	1630 To Henry & Heater: Patrol plan overlay.	
	1645	29	1645 To Div Arty: Patrol plan overlay.	
	1645	30	1630 To Comd Ln: Patrol plan overlay.	
1645		31	1600 From CT Hq: Intelligence report.	
1800		32	1800 223 rounds expended, 18 missions	
1930		33	1930 From Div Arty: Situation report	M

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1930		34	1800	From II Corps: Counter-battery report.	M
2000		35	1945	From Air OP: Enemy arty btry near Spigno; fired on.	M
Wednesday, 3 May 1944					
0130		36	0130	From OP 1: Enemy MG fire in front of OP.	M
0244		37	0240	From OP 6: Vehicles heard in vicinity of Santa Maria.	M
0423		38	0423	From Ln 2: Small arms fire in vicinity of Santa Maria.	M
0455		39	0455	From all Btries: S-1 report.	
	0515	40	0500	To Div: G-1 Report	
0645		41	0645	Bn area received light shelling from enemy Arty - no damage.	
0700		42	0700	From 913th FA: Arty shell fire caused casualties.	
0855		43	0855	Bn Comdr left for Bn OP	
	1000	44	0900	To Div: Branch shortage report.	
1030		45	1030	From 3rd Bn: Patrol Party: Two Germans near Pimple.	M
1135		46	1135	Bn Comdr returned to OP.	
	1320	47	1300	To Div Arty: S-2 Report.	
1605		48	1605	From A OP: German pursuit plane flying south over OP.	S
1600		49	1546	From CT Hq: Intelligence report and Patrol Intentions.	M
1825		50	1800	442 rounds expended, 29 missions.	
1855		51	1855	Bn Comdr left for CT-7 OP.	
1955		52	1300	From Div Arty: Situation Report	M
1955		53	1500	From Div: G-2 Report	S
1955		54	1800	2 May From II Corps: Counter-battery report.	M S
2025		55	2025	Bn Comdr returned to CP	
2225		56	2225	From Ln 1: Unidentified planes headed south.	T
2315		57	2315	Five rounds enemy arty fire hit in vicinity of Btry A.	
2353		58	2353	Enemy fired small arms at patrol.	S
Thursday, 4 May 1944					
0500		59	0500	From all Btries: S-1 report	
	0525	60	0500	To Div: G-1 Report	
0800		61	0800	From all Btries: Br. Shortage report.	
0815		62	0815	From Div Arty: Change in activity chart, communication.	S
0840		63	0840	CG Div Arty visited CP.	

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1030	64	1030	CG Div Arty left CP	
1030	65	0955	Five rounds enemy arty fire hit near CP - no damage.	S
1215	66	1215	3rd Bn, CT-7 received enemy arty fire - no damage.	S
1515	67	1515	From C OP: Smoke screen 1000 yds south of Ausonia.	M
1550	68	1550	From Bn OP: Being shelled from Braucchi; mortar fire.	M
1559	69	1555	From Ln 1: Co A OP received light shelling by enemy arty	S
1605	70	1603	From Ln 1: Three rounds enemy arty shell fire from direction of Gaeta	M
1610	71	1610	From Ln 1: Red Alert	T
1610	72	1610	From Ln 2: 15 rounds mortar fire east side of Hill 199 coming from Fulcherini. Few rounds 100 yds west of BN OP. ACK-ACK firing at planes from Ausonia.	S-M
1615	73	1615	From Ln 1: Shelling coming from Gaeta.	M
1620	74	1620	Harrassing fire to the west of Bn position.	-
1655	75	1710	From 1st Bn: Patrol Report.	S
1725	76	1725	From Bn OP: Gun flashes, 350 mila left of Check Point 7.	S
1800	77	1800	279 rounds expended, 28 missions.	
1930	78	1300	From Div Arty: Situation report	M
1930	79	1500	From Div: G-2 Report.	
1930	80	1800	May From Corps: Counter-battery report.	M
2300	81	2250	From B OP: MG fire coming from left of Check Point 7	S
			Friday 5 May 1944	
0010	82	0010	From Ln 1: Mortars heard left of Check Point 7	S
0340	83	0340	From Ln 1: Mortars firing from Az 4800	M
0500	84	0500	From all Btries: S-1 report.	
0520	85	0500	To Div: G-1 report.	
0545	86	0545	From Ln 1: Enemy raid on Co C; 1 man captured.	S
0600	87	0600	From BN OP: Two men crawling over top of Pimple.	S
0800	88	0800	From all Btries: Br shortage report.	
0800	89	0800	Bn Comar left on recon.	

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			Friday, 5 May 1944 cont'd	
0905		90	0905 Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
	1000	91	0900 To Div: Branch shortage report.	
	1340	92	1300 To Div Arty: S-2 report.	
1400		93	1400 From Div Arty: Red Alert.	T
1407		94	1407 From Div Arty: All Clear	T
1800		95	1800 163 rounds expended, 17 missions	
2025		96	2015 From Btry B: 15 rounds enemy arty fire on B OP; two direct hits - no damage.	S
2025		97	1300 From Div Arty: Situation report	M
2025		98	1500 From Div: G-2 report	S
2025		99	1800 May From Corps: Counter-battery report.	M
	2030	100	2030 To Div Arty: B OP shelled; 2 direct hits - no damage.	
2035		101	2035 Bn Comdr left for CP-7 CP	
2120		102	2120 Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
			Saturday, 6 May 1944	
0500		103	0500 From all Btrys: S-1 report	
	0510	104	0500 To Div: G-1 report.	
0800		105	0800 From all Btries: Br Shortage report.	
	1005	106	0900 To Div: Branch shortage report	
1300		107	1300 First echelon of CP displaced to Minturno, Italy.	
1800		108	1800 228 rounds expended, 25 missions	
1800		109	1800 Bn Comdr arrived at new CP.	
1900		110	1300 From Div Arty: Situation report	M
1900		111	1500 From Div: G-2 Report	S
1900		112	1800 May From Corps: Counter-battery report.	S
1900		113	1900 Displacement of CP & Fire Direction completed.	
2240		114	2240 Area west of CP received heavy shelling by enemy arty-75 rounds.	
2240		115	1800 From Div Arty: Turn in Fire Plan for counter attack by 2200 7 May 1944.	
			Sunday, 7 May 1944	
0140		116	0140 From Porter OP: Trucks seen with lights on; troops believed dis- mounting.	M
0300		117	0300 Screaming Meemies hindering our patrol.	
0345		118	0345 From Ln 3: Battery of 3 guns shooting rocket-propelled screaming meemies.	M

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: Sunday, 7 May 1944 cont'd			
0401	119	0401	Unidentified plane flew across line.
0500	120	0500	From all Btries: S-1 report.
0510	121	0510	To Div: G-1 Report
0800	122	0800	From all Btries: Br shortage report.
0915	123	0900	To Div: Branch shortage report.
1355	124	1300	To Div Arty: S-2 report.
1400	125	1400	Bn Comdr left for CT-7 CP.
1445	126	1300	Bn relieved from direct support of CT-7 and reverted to general support under Div Arty control; Ln Officer 1 & 2 relieved.
1635	127	1635	Bn Comdr returned to CP
1800	128	1800	243 rounds expended, 21 missions
1930	129	1300	From Div Arty: Situation report
1930	130	1500	From Div: G-2 report.
1950	131	1800	May From Corps: Counter-battery report.
1945	132	1830	Ln 3 relieved from CT-7 3rd Bn.
: Monday, 8 May 1944			
0500	133	0500	From all Btries: S-1 report
0515	134	0500	To Div: G-1 Report
0800	135	0800	From all Btries: Br shortage report
0915	136	0900	To Div: Branch shortage report.
1225	137	1215	To Div Arty: S-2 report
1800	138	1800	62 rounds expended, 3 missions
: Tuesday, 9 May 1944			
0135	139	0135	From Btry A: Our position shelled by enemy arty fire; four men injured slightly; 270 rounds ammo destroyed.
0200	140	0100	From Btry A: Two men wounded by enemy mortar fire servicing a wire line.
0500	141	0500	From all Btries: S-1 report.
0510	142	0500	To Div: G-1 report
0800	143	0800	From all Btries: Br shortage report.
0930	144	0900	To Div: Branch shortage report
1000	145	1000	Bn Comdr left for Btry A & Rear Echelon.
1825	146	1825	Bn Comdr returned to CP
1830	147	1800	116 rounds expended, 7 missions
2030	148	1300	From Div Arty: Situation report
2030	149	1500	From Div: G-2 Report

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2030		150	18008 May From Corps: Counter-battery and shell report.	S
2030		151	1700 From 329th FA Bn: No fire line overlay.	M
			Wednesday 10 May 1944	
0445		152	0445 Btry C area shelled by enemy arty fire - no damage reported.	
0500		153	0500 From all Btries: S-1 report.	
	0510	154	0500 To Div: G-1 Report.	
0800		155	0800 From all Btries: Br shortage report.	
	0930	156	0900 To Div: Branch shortage report.	
0840		157	0840 Bn Comdr left for CT-7 CP.	
1100		158	1100 Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
1800		159	1800 159 rounds expended, 8 missions.	
2000		160	2000 From Div Arty: Situation Report	M
2000		161	2000 From Div Arty: No fire line msg.	M
2330		162	2330 From Div: G-2 Report.	S
2330		163	2330 From Corps: Counter-battery and shell report.	S
			Thursday, 11 May 1944	
0500		164	0500 From all Btries: S-1 report	-
	0510	165	0500 To Div: G-1 Report.	
0900		166	0900 Bn Comdr left for Div Arty.	
0945		167	0950 Bn Comdr returned to CP	
0945		168	0945 From Div: G-2 Report	S
	1120	169	0900 To Div: Branch shortage report.	
1200		170	1200 Bn Comdr left for CT-7 CP	
1355		171	1355 Bn Comdr returned to CP	
1800		172	1800 154 rounds expended, 7 missions	
1900		173	1800 From Div Arty: Red Alert	
1900		174	1845 From Btry C: received three rounds enemy shell fire in area - no damage.	
2020		175	1300 From Div Arty: Situation Report	M
2030		176	1500 From Div: G-2 Report.	S
2030		177	180010 May From Corps: Counter-battery & shell report.	S
2030		178	2000 From OP 1: Small vehicle & 7 men going to Formia on Hwy 7	M
2300		179	2300 Our artillery started preparation fire for attack.	
2325		180	2325 From Ln 2: Our infantry meeting little resistance.	S
2330		181	2330 From Ln 2: Co A, 338th Inf meeting strong resistance.	S
2330		182	2330 From Btry B: Rec'd few scattered rounds of enemy artillery.	S

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			Thursday, 11 May 1944 cont'd	
2345	183	2345	Our artillery completed preparation	
			Friday, 12 May 1944	
0025	184	0025	From Ln 2: Co K pinned down by Arty fire.	
0130	185	0130	From Comd Ln: 339th Inf in the outskirts of Scauri	M
0500	186	0500	From all Btries: S-1 report.	
0530	187	0500	To Div: G-1 Report.	
0730	188	0730	From C CP: Our infantry broke up 2 enemy counter attacks.	S
0840	189	0800	From 3rd Bn 337th Inf: Co K taking prisoners in groups of 15 or 20.	S
0849	190	0849	From Comd Ln: Our troops arrive at S. Maria Infante.	M
0850	191	0850	Counter attack from behind Hill 66 broken up by arty.	
0900	192	0900	From Div Arty: Enemy placing guns and mortars on top of Hill 66.	M
0920	193	0915	From 329th FA Bn: Bitter fighting in streets of S. Maria.	S
0940	194	0940	From Div Arty: Gun fire coming from Scauri falling on our troops	S
0945	195	0900	To Div: Branch shortage report.	
1000	196	1000	From all Firing Btries: 5 rounds enemy arty fire landed in area.	S
1020	197	1020	From Div Arty: Report of enemy positions: 8th Co. on Hill 66 6th Co. on Hill 69 3rd Co. of 274th Regt-right of Scauri. 7th Co.-CP at 75.8 - 96.0 2nd Bn 267th CP at 74.20-96.05 Regt CP of 267th in Formia	M
1035	198	1035	From Div Arty: Red Alert	T
1050	199	1050	From Div Arty: Hostile tanks assembling at Spigno(Unconfirmed)	M
1057	200	1057	From Div Arty: All Clear.	T
1215	201	1215	From Air OP: Enemy counter attacking from Hill 109.	M
1215	202	1200	From Air OP: Four enemy tanks at S. Maria.	M
1300	203	1300	From Heater OP: Counter attack on Hill 109 broken up.	S

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1400	204	1400	Our arty fired preparation on Hill 109 for Inf. attack.	S
1410	205	1410	Arty preparation completed	S
1420	206	1420	From Ln 2: Our tanks now on Hill 69	M
1500	207	1500	From A CP: Our tanks firing into S. Maria.	M
1500	208	1500	From Ln 2: Our infantry on forward slope of Hill 69	M
1500	209	1500	From A FO: Our tanks firing into S. Maria.	M
1500	210	1500	From Ln 2: Our infantry in the town of Solacciano.	M
1512	211	1512	From Div Arty: Red Alert.	T
1535	212	1535	From Ln 2: K Co. has taken Hill 26; G Co. of Haven being committed on their flank.	M
1645	213	1645	From Div Arty: Red Alert	T
1715	214	1715	From Div Arty: All Clear	T
1758	215	1758	From Div Arty: Red Alert	T
1806	216	1806	From Div Arty: All Clear	T
1825	217	1825	From C Btry: Shells from enemy artillery falling in our position; Two casualties; light.	S
1828	218	1828	From B Btry: Enemy shelling in our area; no casualties.	S
1915	219	1915	From Ln 1: Our troops have taken Hill 66 but they are weak; request arty fire.	S
1938	220	1800	3479 rounds expended, 59 missions	
2010	221	2010	From Ln 1: Hill 66 receiving enemy artillery.	S
2015	222	2015	From Ln 1: Co C on Hill 66; B Co. reorganizing to reinforce C Co., A Co. pinned down on Hill 69.	M
2027	223	2027	From Ln 1: Two prisoners from 267th Regt; statement from prisoner: Enemy will hold Hill 66 at all costs; strength of Regt-900	S
2030	224	2030	To Div Arty: 3 civilians seen working blinkers on house above Cava di Calcare.	T-S
2140	225	2140	From Div Arty: 88th Div has one Co. in S. Maria and moving another in.	S-M
			Saturday, 13 May 1944	
0500	226	0500	To Div: G-1 Report.	
			Saturday, 13 May 1944 cont'd	
0540	227	0540	From Ln 1: 20-30 Germans advancing up the slope of Hill 66; attack destroyed by our fire.	

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0800		228	0800 From all Batteries: Br shortage report.	
	0910	229	0900 To Div: Branch shortage report.	
0930		230	0930 Bn Comdr left for GI-7 CP	
0938		231	0938 From Div Arty: Red Alert	T
1005		232	1005 From Div Arty: All Clear	T
1052		233	1052 Bn Comdr returned to CP	
1200		234	1200 From Ln 2: Our troops are still moving forward toward Cav D'Argilla	M
1225		235	1210 From Ln 1: Enemy reserves coming up behind Scauri.	M
1320		236	1320 From Comd Ln: Co. F in Cave d'Argilla.	M
1330		237	1330 From Comd Ln: 8 bombs dropped by enemy planes on Height CP	S
1340		238	1340 From GI-7 Hq: 9% casualties of all types.	S
1345		239	1345 From Comd Ln: Solacciano was bombed by enemy planes.	M
1420		240	1420 CG 5th Army in CP area.	
1430		241	1430 From Comd Ln: Enemy reserves assembly area southwest of Castelonorata and north of Scauri.	M
1453		242	1453 From Div Arty: Red Alert	T
1610		243	1610 From A FO: Friendly planes bombed Castelonorata.	S
1735		244	1735 From B FO: Six B-25's bombed St. Maria; good effect.	S
1825		245	1825 From A FO: Hill 85 is surrounded; 15 prisoners taken.	M
1835		246	1835 From Div Arty: Red Alert.	T
1845		247	1800 From A FO: 36 prisoners and one officer captured on vicinity of Hill 131.	M
1845		248	1815 From Ln 3: 88's firing on our tanks in Solacciano.	M
1850		249	1850 From Ln 2: Our troops on Hill 131 have reached their objective.	M
1915		250	1800 1684 rounds expended, 39 missions	
1928		251	1928 From Comd Ln: Mortar fire has cut all forward lines at RJ north of Height CP.	S
2000		252	1735 One man Hq. Etry slightly wounded	
2030		253	2030 CP area shelled by enemy arty; approx 5 rounds-no damage.	S
2130		254	2130 From Comd Ln: 1st Bn of 274th Inf Regt pulling out of Domenico sector to Cava D'Acqua. No force on our part.	M

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2130	255	1900	From Comd Ln: 9 prisoners from 267th Regt captured at 76.8-97.2 and 76.6-97.2.	S
2345	256	2345	From Ln 1: Intercepted German message: When Hill 60 is taken there will be a counter attack on Hill 66; artillery fire will be placed on Hill 69.	S
2400	257	2400	From Comd Ln: Intercepted German message: Withdraw from Hill 131 & Scauri. To take place sometime tonight. - Bridge at 77.8-00.2 out.	M-S
			Sunday, 14 May 1944	
0130	258	0130	Intermittent rounds on Mortar Junction every 10 minutes; about 88 mm.	S
0200	259	0200	From Div Arty: Our troops forced to withdraw from Hill 131 and Hill 85.	M
0200	260	0200	From Ln 2: Attack plan with K Co on Hill 131 and A Co. on Hill 85	M
0500	261	0500	To Div: G-1 Report.	
0600	262	0600	From Ln 1: Small scale counter-attack on Hill 66 - we fired 6 volleys and successfully stopped it.	S
0635	263	0635	From Div Arty: Red Alert.	T
0655	264	0655	From Div Arty: 15 enemy planes to SE flying at 1500 ft.	S
0705	265	0705	From Div Arty: We hold Hills 131 and 85; little opposition there; mine fields on top of both.	M
0717	266	0717	From Div Arty: Red Alert; Planes in vicinity of Cassino.	T
-918	267	0918	From Ln 2: Mt. Bracchi taken; our troops have moved off of Hill 131 forward; same on Hill 85	M
0920	268	0900	To Div: Branch shortage report	
0935	269	0900	Bn Comdr left for Div CP	
1045	270	1045	Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
1150	271	1150	Bn Comdr left for CT-7 CP.	
1328	272	1328	Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
1430	273	1430	Bn Comdr left for CT-7 CP.	
1430	274	1430	From Div Arty: Hill 86 and S. Maris Infante in our hands.	M
1600	275	1600	From C CP: Enemy throwing time fire on Hill 58.	S

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					Monday, 15 May 1944 cont'd	
1130	297	1130			From Div Arty: Red Alert	T
1150	298	1150			From Div Arty: All clear	T
1325	299	1325			Bn Comdr returned to CP	
1330	300	1330			Bn Comdr left for Div Arty CP	
1405	301	1405			Bn Comdr returned to CP	
1455	302	1455			Bn Comdr left for CT-7 forward CP	
1624	303	1624			From Ln 2: Our infantry reached base of objective; captured 18 prisoners	M
1624	304	1624			From Comd Ln: Bn of enemy troops in Castelonorata.	S
1630	305	1630			From Comd Ln: Our troops receiving little opposition from caves; prisoners coming out voluntarily	S
1645	306	1645			From Comd Ln: Prisoners coming out of Penitro and the Cave with white flags.	M
1830	307	1800			1361 rounds expended, 31 missions	
1940	308	1940			From Ln 1: Liaison plane shot down over Hill 66; one man bailed out.	S
2035	309	2035			Bn Comdr returned from CT#7	
2105	310	2105			From Comd Ln: Our troops are in Castelonorata meeting little resistance.	S
2100	311	1300			From Div Arty: Situation Report	M
2100	312	1500			From Div: G-2 Report	S
2100	313	1800	14		May From Corps: Counter-battery report	S
2215	314	2215			From A Btry: Air attack, flares dropped to SE, bombs dropped to SE of Btry position, distance unknown.	T
2325	315	2325			Flares reported at Az 4200	S
					Tuesday, 16 May 1944	
0615	0500	316	0500		To Div: G-1 Report	
0810		317	0615		Bn Comdr left on recon for new position	
0825		318	0810		From Comd Ln: 2nd & 3rd Bn's have reached 3rd phase line and are continuing; 75mm gun 1 Kil west of Castelonorata.	M
0825		319	0825		Bn Comdr returned to CP	
0825	0825	320	0825		To A CO: Report to CP with recon party.	
0825		321	0825		From all Btries: Br shortage report.	
	0828	322	0828		To CO, Btry C&B: Report to CP with recon party	

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			Sunday, 14 May 1944 cont'd	
1625	276	1625	Intercepted message: Germans will counter-attack from Mt. Penitro.	M
1629	277	1629	From C OP: Our troops are advancing on Hill 108. Attack going well meeting little opposition.	M
1650	278	1650	From Bn Comdr: Request counter-battery fire behind Mt. Scauri.	M
1650	279	1650	From Div Arty: Batteries being counter-battered behind Mt. Scauri.	M
1727	280	1727	From Div Arty: Our troops are on Hill 108; no resistance.	M
1730	281	1730	From Bn Comdr: Our troops have taken Hill 108 and Hill 80; 88th Div has taken Capo D'Acqua.	M
1735	282	1735	Several shells falling in our CP area.	
1745	283	1745	From Bn Comdr: Request more smoke on Mt. Penitro.	M
1805	284	1805	From 337th FA: French have taken Ausonia & St. Giorgio a Liri.	M
1930	285	1800	2293 rounds expended, 33 missions	
1945	286	1945	From Bn Comdr: We occupy near slope, enemy reverse slope of Hill 108	M
2030	286	2030	From G FO: Fire north of Trivia; blockade 600 yds west of Scauri.	M
2040	287	2040	From G FO: Fire in Castelonorata	M
2050	288	2050	From Bn Comdr: We are moving infantry & tanks to retake Hill 108.	S
2340	289	2340	From Bn Comdr: Hill 108 in our hands again.	S
			Monday, 15 May 1944	
0520	290	0500	From all Btries: S-1 Report	
	0530	291	0500 To Div: G-1 Report.	
0900	292	0900	From C OP: 100 enemy infantry moving north from Castelonorata.	M
0930	293	0930	From Div Arty: 88th Div in possession of Mt. Civita, Hill 573 & Hill 616.	M
	0930	294	To Div: Branch shortage report.	
1018	295	1018	From Ln 2: Hill 79 has been cleared of enemy. Small groups infiltrating behind lines not causing any trouble.	M
1018	296	1018	From Div: 88th Div in possession of Spigno and Hill 616.	M

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			Tuesday, 16 May 1944 cont'd	
0930		323	0930 From Comd Ln: 338th Inf has	
			reached 1st phase line and are	
			continuing.	M
1030		324	1030 From Comd Ln: 338th along Acqua-	
			Traversa held up.	M
1035		325	1035 From Comd Ln: 1 PW stated that	
			they had been digging in for 14	
			days along line 66. Arty is S of	
			Maranola and in line SW and also	
			behind high hills NW of Formia.	M
	1045	326	0900 To Div: Branch shortage report.	
	1530	327	1530 To Btry A: Displace your btry	
			forward.	
1645		328	1645 Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
	1645	329	1645 To Div Arty: Fire plan for attack:	
1717		330	1717 Bn Comdr left for forward CP	
1730		331	1730 Remainder of Bn displaced to	
			vicinity of Mt Penitro,	M
1730		332	1730 Hq Btry received 1 round enemy	
			shell fire-one casualty	
1800		333	1800 435 rounds expended, 6 missions	
2030		334	2030 All batteries in position ready to	
			fire, Btry B registered	
			Wednesday, 17 May 1944	
0200		335	0200 Rear FDC closed out & displaced	
			forward to Mt Penitro.	
0500		336	0500 From all Btries: S-1 report	
0930		337	0930 From Comd Ln: Our infantry reach-	
			ed 3rd phase.	M
1035		338	1035 CG Div Arty visited CP	
	1300	339	0500 To Div: G-1 report	
	1300	340	0900 To Div: Branch shortage report	
1400		341	1400 Bn Comdr left on recon.	
1600		342	1600 From Div: Our Div within 1 mile	
			of objective.	M
1608		343	1608 Bn Comdr returned to CP	
1630		344	1630 Bn Comdr & party left on recon	
1705		345	1705 Bn Comdr returned to CP	
1800		346	1800 1286 rounds expended, 4 missions	
2045		347	1500 From Div: G-2 report.	M-S
2045		348	1800 15 May From Corps: Counter-battery	
			& Shell report.	M-S
			Thursday, 18 May 1944	
0300		349	0300 Bn Comdr left on recon for new	
			position.	
	0500	350	0500 From all Btries: Strength report	
	0500	351	0500 To Div: Br Short. report & G-1	
			report.	

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			Thursday, 18 May 1944 cont'd
0600		352	0600 Bn left Mt. Penitro for new area
1100		353	1100 Bn arrived at Maranola
1115		354	1115 CP & FDC established.
	1415	355	1415 To Div Arty: Information gathered from captured German map.
1415		356	1415 From Comd Ln: our front lines are from grid line 66 SW of Formia thru S. Remigio, Mt S. Maria & then follows grid line 65 up to Hill 815.
1450		357	1450 Bn Comdr left for OP
1520		358	1520 Bn Comdr returned to CP
1545		359	1545 From Comd Ln: 339th to relieve 337th. We will be in direct support of 339th. 910th will reinforce.
1740		360	1740 From Div: 338th just cleared Formia, pushing forward to Mt. Conca & north thru Mostaga to S. Marino.
			Friday, 19 May 1944
	0500	361	0500 To Div: G-1 report
0915		362	0915 From Ln 1: Our troops have reached their objective.
0930		363	0930 Btrys will be ready to move within 15 min. notice at 1045. Order of march B,C,A,HQ.
0940		364	0940 Bn comdr left on recon.
1025		365	214018 May From Div Arty: Operations plan overlay.
1115		366	1115 Bn left Maranola.
1345		367	1345 Bn arrived at Staz. d'Itri.
1545		368	1545 From Div Arty: Our troops occupy Itri, Gaeta cut off; Ost Bn captured.
1625		369	1625 From Div Arty: Your Bn will revert to General Support status.
1640		370	1640 CG Div Arty visited CP.
1800		371	1800 372 rounds expended, 8 missions.
			Friday, 19 May 1944
	1800	372	1800 No rounds expended, no missions (VOID SEE NEXT ENTRY)
1800		373	1800 No rounds expended, no missions
2100		374	2100 From Div Arty: Our front lines from Mt. Dragone, N to Mt. Carbonaro, N to Mt. Cefalo, N to Mt. D'Onofrio; 88th troops cut road N of Itri.
	2400	375	2400 To Div: G-1 report

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IN	OUT	NO	DATED		
Saturday, 20 May 1944					
0200		376	0200	From Div Arty: Our troops have taken Mt. Marano and holding Hill 408, 339th reached objective	M
0850		377	2100	19 May From Div Arty: Situation overlay.	M
0850		378	1500	19 May From Div: G-2 report	S
1145		379	1145	Bn Comdr & party left on recon.	
1645	/	380	1645	From Bn Comdr: Hill 390 taken by 2nd Bn, 337th Inf at 1540	M
1940		381	1800	5 rounds expended, 1 mission	
1935		382	1935	Bn Comdr returned to CP	
	2130	383	2130	To Btry C FC: Return to CP	
Sunday, 21 May 1944					
0030		384	0030	Bn reverted to direct support of 337th Inf. Bn comdr left for CT-7 CP.	
0200		385	0200	Bn Comdr returned to CP	
0215		386	0215	BC & Staff meeting at CP	
0650		387	0650	Bn Comdr & party left on recon.	
1000		388	1000	Bn left Staz d'Itri.	
1145		389	1145	Bn arrived at Fondi; CP & FDC established.	
1225		390	1145	Bn comdr returned to CP.	
1420		391	1420	Bn Comdr left on recon.	
1540		392	1540	CG Div visited CP	
1550		393	1550	CG II Corps visited CP.	
1830		394	1830	Bn Comdr returned to CP	
1840		395	1840	BC party HQ. Btry ready to move	
	1835	396	1840	To Btry A&C: BC parties report to CP at once.	
	1845	397	1845	To all Btries: Be ready to move at 1930	
1930		398	1930	Bn left Fondi for displacement	
2015		399	2015	Bn arrived at San Biagio; CP & FDC established.	
Monday, 22 May 1944					
1030		400	1030	Bn reverted to general support of 910th FA Bn	
1030		401	1000	From Comd Ln: Deserter reports ammo dump moved from Terracina to Rocca Gorga route of withdrawal.	M
1030		402	1000	From Comd Ln: Land flooded; 12 bridges blown along route of advance. Line of defense on line of Hills N of Piperno.	M
1330		403	1330	Bn Comdr left on recon.	
1820		404	1820	From Bn Comdr: Send BC parties forward.	

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1825	405	1825	Monday, 22 May 1944, cont'd	
			To all Btries: BC parties report to CP at once.	
1820	406	1820	From Div Arty: Revert to direct support.	
2130	407	2130	Bn left San Biagio for new position.	
2230	408	2230	Bn arrived at position 3000 yds SE of Mt. Croce; CP & FDC estab.	
2330	409	2330	To Div Arty: Bn Coordinates & time closing into position.	
Tuesday 23 May 1944				
0915	410	2000	From Comd Ln: Our front lines are:	
			1st Bn 339th - Terra L'Acquara	
			2nd Bn 339th - Copoccio	
			1st Bn 338th - 42-99 Reserve	
			2nd Bn 338th - Tulleccio	
			3rd Bn 338th - Mouth of tunnel on sides of hills to SW.	
			1st Bn 337th - Stefano	
			2nd Bn 337th - Mt. Croce.	M
0945	411	0900	From Comd Ln: Front Lines:	
			2nd Bn 339th - 40.8 - 09.8; one company left at 40.8 - 08.5	
			3rd Bn 339th - 41.5 - 10.5. Last Bn reported ahead of 3rd Bn but contact lost; advancing slowly with little opposition.	M
1010	412	1010	From Bn Comdr: Enemy withdrawing from Terracina.	M
1010	413	0915	From Comd Ln: 338th front lines:	
			1st Bn at M Cervaro S. Stefano	
			3rd Bn at 39.8 - 03.0	M
1510	414	1510	From Bn Comdr: 339th Regt is in the outskirts of Sonnino	M
1615	415	1615	From Comd Ln: 100 Germans coming N or E down a draw in the vicinity of San Biagio.	T
1800	416	1800	From Comd Ln: Enemy infantry mortars 500 yds N of Terracina.	M
1800	417	1800	829 rounds expended, 9 missions	
Wednesday, 24 May 1944				
0330	418	0330	From Div Arty: Enemy bombed Fondi	
0800	419	0800	From Comd Ln: Friendly patrols sent into Terracina.	
0915	420	0915	From Comd Ln: Our troops taken Terracina and moving west.	
1020	421	1020	Bn comdr returned to CP	
1155	422	1155	Bn Comdr went forward.	

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Wednesday, 24 May 1944 cont'd				
1445		423	1445	Bn Comdr returned to CP
1530		424	1530	Bn comdr left for Div Arty CP.
1530		425	1500	Bn reverted to general support.
1800		426	1800	283 rounds expended, 7 missions
2030		427	2030	Meeting of all BC's and Ln Off.
Thursday, 25 May 1944				
0830		428	0830	Bn comdr left on recon.
	0845	429	0845	To all Btries: BC parties stand by on call.
1345		430	1345	Bn comdr returned to CP.
	1355	431	1355	To BC's: Forward parties to leave at 1415; battalion to leave at 1500; 6 road markers to be used, 1 from each btry & 3 from Hq.
1420		432	1420	Bn Comdr & party went forward to new position
1500		433	1500	Bn left Mt. Croce.
1930		434	1930	Bn arrived at Cas Pelligrini; CP & FDC established; firing btrys in position.
2130		435	2130	Bn attached to 6th FA Group.
Friday 26 May 1944				
0815		436	0815	Bn comdr left on recon.
1015		437	1015	Bn comdr returned to CP.
	1145	438	1145	To all Btrys: Have forward parties ready to move at once.
1150		439	1150	Bn comdr & party left for forward position.
1300		440	1300	Bn left Casa Pelligrini.
1500		441	1500	Bn pulled into position at Cava di Pietra; CP & FDC est.
1800		442	1800	30 rounds expended, 2 missions
1800		443	1700	Bn comdr returned to CP
Saturday, 27 May 1944				
0830		444	0830	From 337th Inf: Our patrols in Sezze; 338th has taken Mt. rivi and Mt. Nero. M
1220		445	1220	From Div Arty: One officer to report to S-3 for recon.
1300		446	1300	Recon party left for Sabaudia.
1800		447	1800	236 rounds expended; 16 missions.
1800		448	1800	Recon party returned to CP.
2300		449	2300	From Div Arty: Your Bn will move at 0500.
Sunday 28, May 1944				
0500		450	0500	Bn left Cava di Pietra.
0700		451	0700	Bn arrived at assembly area 3 miles east of Sabaudia.
1100		452	1100	From Div: Reequip Bn as soon as possible

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Sunday, 28 May 1944, cont'd								
1200	453	1200					From Div Arty: Unit Comdrs report to Div Comdr at Sabaudia at 1600.	
1520	454	1520					Bn Comdr left for Sabaudia.	
1700	455	1700					Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
1800	456	1800					All BC's report to CP.	
Monday, 29 May 1944.								
0200	457	0200					From Div Arty: Prepare recon party and move at 0630.	
0630	458	0630					Bn Comdr & party left on recon.	
0830	459	0830					From Div Arty: Your Bn be ready to move at 1300.	
1400	460	1400					Bn left position 3 mi east of Sabaudia.	
1645	461	1645					Bn arrived at new position 5 mi NW of Cori.	
1700	462	1700					Bn in general support of 39th FA Bn, 3rd Div.	
Tuesday, 30 May 1944								
0830	463	0830					From Div Arty: Location of 3rd Div Arty OP's.	M
0925	464	0925					Bn left for CT-7 CP to go on recon for CT.	
1050	465	1050					Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
1300	466	1300					Bn will reinforce fires of 10th FA BN, 3rd Div.	
1345	467	1345					To all Btrys: All FO parties to report to CP at 1800 to go forward. They will be gone for next phase.	
1355	468	1355					Bn Comdr left for 3rd Bn CP.	
1400	469	1400					From Div Arty: Enemy heavy & medium arty withdrawn NW of 97-59, along HWY 6. Placed for quick withdrawal.	M
1420	470	1420					From B Btry: Five rounds enemy arty in area - no damage.	
1455	471	1455					Bn Comdr returned to CP	
0925	472	0925					ENTRY #464 FALSE SEE NEXT ENTRY	
0925	472	0925					Bn Comdr left for recon with CO CT-7.	
1900	473	1900					Liaison officers went forward to respective CP's.	
2120	474	1830					From Div Arty: Situation overlay and Plan of Fires.	M
1930	475	1800					219 rounds expended, 4 missions.	
Wednesday, 31 May 1944								
0830	476	2300					From Div: FO #12 with attached overlay.	M
1130	477	1130					From 337th: Start preparation fires for attack at 1300 and continue unril 1330.	

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			Wednesday, 31 May 1944 cont'd	
1130	478	1130	From 337th: Plan of maneuver with attached overlay.	M
1300	479	1300	Bn started preparation fires in support of Infantry attack.	
1305	480	1305	Preparation stopped; our patrols in Lariano; enemy withdrawing.	M
1340	481	1340	From Height: 3rd Bn on road going NE from Velletri; 2nd Bn in Lariano.	M
1415	482	1200	From Div Arty: Annex 1 to FO #12	M
1415	483	1200	From Div Arty: Air OP bulletin.	
1415	484	1415	From Ln 1: 1st Bn just short of coord. 03.58-48.5	M
1525	485	1525	From Ln 3: I Co. on 1st phase line, L Co. on road.	M
1555	486	1555	From Comd Ln: 3rd Bn 700 yds past 1st phase line.	M
1600	487	1600	From Comd Ln: 1st Bn, B Co. held up at Lariano.	
1615	488	1615	From Comd Ln: Co C at 04.71-49.71. B Co. 600 yds short & 300 yds left of Co I.	M
1635	489	1635	From Comd Ln: 1st Bn reached 1st phase.	M
1650	490	1650	From Comd Ln: I Co. at 1st obj. on Hill 891; L Co. 2000 yds NW of 1st phase line.	M
1745	491	1745	From S-3: Work down to basic load, a mobile ASP is following us up.	
1815	492	1815	Bn comdr left for CT-7 CP.	
1840	493	1840	From Ln 2: 1st Bn, B Co. 800 yds NW Lariano.	M
1902	494	1902	Bn Comdr returned to CP.	
2015	495	2015	From Div: G-2 report.	
2015	496	180030 May	From Corps: Counter-battery report.	M-S
2035	497	2035	Bn Comdr left for CT-7 CP	
2045	498	2045	From Ln 1: Able FO slightly wounded.	
2045	499	1800	632 rounds expended, 22 missions	
2335	500	2335	From Btry B: Enemy planes dropped approx 8 bombs 300 yds behind btry position - no damage.	M
2400	501	2400	Bn comdr returned to CP	
2400	502	2400	Journal closed.	

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