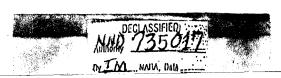
- JOURNAL 17 June - 1745 Marched from beach; CP located at Sheet 6E-5 CP elesed T293944 - receive erders to move 2230 18 June - 1600 headow GP GSGS 4347 Sheet 21-18 NW 243988 19 Jume - 0330 Put on 2 hour alert for tuck move 1800 Western plan called eff; reverted to Div - to stand by for edders Orders to move - picked up by trucks after mewing 4 miles by fact 1915
 - 20 June 0200 Close into new area - 3120 NW 188067
 - Go ever attack plan in detail with Co CO's
 - Change in attack plan Bigwig 3 to S-5; 3 to follow 1 in attack
 - 0535 Co's leave assembly area to from for attack
 - Bigwig 3 to S-5 -- Haudalang objective 1st Bn
 - 0620 K reports sniping bridge blown and vehicles tied up
 - 0700 S-6 to K Fellow I and take read to left
 - 0500 From S-6 Attack stepped off from LD at 0649
 - 0715 Bigwig 3 informed situation by S-5
 - 0720 S-5 to Rigwig 3 request for Engrs to repair blown bridge
 - 0730 Plan strafes near CP
 - 0825 Moving as planned
 - 0850 Lst Bn new 1200 yds N ID Bigwig 6 erders 1st to continue push going to left of town and using read as right boundary to intercept body of Germans retreating from Valognes later in day
 - 0915 S-5 to Bigwig 2 -- Ask for infe 1st and 2nd; nothing to report
 - 0930 "LE about 1 mile above RR going across country thin heavily wooded section
 - 0945 White 6 to Bigwig 6 3 now passing thru; 2nd Bn ordered to keep pushing. following 3
 - 1030 Red 6 to Bigwig 6 1st to left main read; 3rd slightly to rear and left 1st; 2nd to rear 3rd and left; CT3 to right of read moving up fast
 - 1045 Moving CP forward

- 1515 Column held up by road blown at RJ 1 mile north of Brix
- 1640 Read block repaired by Engrs and troops resume meve forward
- 1830 In temporary assembly area 138153 3120 NW
- 2045 Artillery fire thought to be 88 in area; dud 50 yds from CP
- 2100 Only 2 men Of 6 man "L" Co patrol return; info incoherent
- 2120 88 fire in area
- 2245 Lt Stock and other men retum from patrol; located gum positions; M3 and wire entanglements. Also reported artillery concentration fired by Biscuit White very effective.
- 2300 Artillery concentration to be fired on gun positions located by patrol
- 21 June 0630 Report requested by Bigwig on enemy activity
 - 0950 Artillery fire on area
 - 1030 Gen Wyche at CP confers S-6, S-3 gets situation
 - 1130 Men from 3rd Bn 39th Inf 9th Div in area, exchange situation
 - 1210 Wire in to OP run in conjunction with Recon
 - 1220 Cn Co fires concentration on 88 position
 - 1250 Scattered 88 fire on area
 - 1930 1405 OP reports artillery fire knocked out pill box holding 85,men seen running into woods; artillery laid into entire area
 - 1435 Artillery fire in area
 - 1500 Chemical Mortar Liason at CP to coordinate plans
 - 1555 Bigwig 3 inquires as to artillery fire Nebulwerfer fire spetted adjacet area
 - 1630 I and K reports on patrols and routes taken
 - 1650 OP reports location 2 Howitzers info to Bigwig
 - 1715 Check on ammo S-4 and Bigwig Ammo Officer to Sew Co
 - 1735 I's security line checked and strengthened on right flank
 - 1800 Liason 3 checks with S-6 on fire effect
 - 1845 S-6 issues orders for patrolling
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June 21 1930 Red 2 contacts Blue 2 on patrols for evening

1940 L warned of patrolling to thir front; to coordinate with Red

1955 Blue 6 at Bigwig

2000 S-2 gets info from French civillians of location blockhouses and tank witch

2050 Co CO's meeting - Air bombardment of forward area 1200-1600 22 Hune; to withdraw Bn 1000yds to rear

2310 Nebulwerfer fire on area

2330 Vehicle is ave for new area Must, Capt

22 June 0400 Bn on daylight alert

0630 Artillery fire vicinity old OP

1010 Co CO meeting - plans for final push to Cherbourg

1030 Bigwig 3 to S-3 - final details and signals on bombing and artillery

1040 Bigwig 3 to S-6 - orders to move out immediately

1110 Column moves to withdrawal area, CP set up, 1000 yds to rear

1250 Air force starts bombing

1310 Bombing and strafing all over area by planes thought to be friendly; A-T gun and truck hit, 5 WIA

1320 L and K ordered to pull back to avoid bombing and strafing

1350 Bn to move back to original area at 1400

1415 Now at original location

1600 2 patrols report that stream is fordable 250 grds N of Tollevast

1616 Artillery and mortar fire hitting in vicinity -

1710 Nebulwerfer fire in area

1820 L reports sniper fire in their area

1900 Patrol in force ordered to reconnoiter route

1935 Counter attack reported in Red area

1935 Harrassing sniper fire at cross roads 100 yds from CP

2010 Go CO°s meeting - to attack at 2045

2022 Artillery, mortar and Nebulwerfer fire in area

2030 Order of march for attack - L-I-M-Hq-K

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23 June 0115 CP on move with column

0290 CP closes into temporary area; vehicular park in same location

0250 Heavy 88 fire on CP area, casualties

0315 Night attack to be launched

0320 K moving to attack heavily hit by MG fire

0345 Patrol in area fitting Machine Pistol and harrassing sniper fire

0415 Vehicles evacuated to rear assembly area

0610 Sniper and 88 fire in CP area

0820 GP group plus pl from K launches attack on snipers and follow thru and capture pill bex and dug in positions; 15 prisoners taken

1005 CP group attacks other by-passed positions

1100 CP moves forward with vehicles; BN in attack, I leading Co

1400 Bn holding gains; dug in and under heavy mortar and 88 fire

1715 CP pulls back and digs in for air attack at 2120

1845 Time of air assault changed to 2000 instead 2100

2000-2110 Air bombing of enemy positions

2230 Heavy 88 fire in vicinity

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24 June 0700 Plan for attack- objective allotted- 3rd to attack with 2nd on right and CT3 on right flank; CT5 protecting supply lines - Time attack 0820

0805 S-6, S-3 leave for attack

0825 Attack jumps off under preparatory fire

1010 3rd has taken objective at 1000 - several 88 positions

1015 Now in contact with G Co on right and continuing attack

1040 I Co to adavance behind L

1055 GT3 has taken 27 - per Bigwig 2

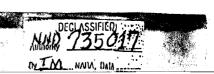
1115 CT4 to advance on 45 - Bishop 3 to Bigwig 6

1150 CP moving forward

1300 CP temporarilly located; tied down by by-passed MG and pill box

1435 Mortar supposedly enemy falling CP area

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24 June 1/710 3rd on attack to take 45; 2nd to attack 46; Bigwig 6 to White 6

1730 To fire serenace immediately to precede 3rd attack

1805 Mortar and artillery fire CP area

- 1915 L-I jumped off on attack meeting fire in hollow; 88 at flat trajectory and MG: moved in twice and forced to withdraw
- 1930 Bigwig 6 to S-6 p to withdraw to chest of hill also 2nd; to setup defense lines for night

2115 CP at night location

2345 S-5 returns ffom Bigwig - plan for 25 Jume, 3rd to return to old positions and support by fire attack of 1st and 2nd

25 June 0715 Co*s to be ready to return to original area by 0750 and support attack with covering fire

0800 Artillery, mortar and dive bombing preparation

0830 2nd pimned down, very little advance

0900 CT3 moving fast and will take objective

1020 F has taken fortress in valley; moving up to 46

1030 1st ordered to move up to tear of 2nd per Bigwig 6

1135 Enemy white flag on 45

1145 45 not taken; fighting still in progress

1215 Hill 45 taken

1230 Mortar fire on CP area and M Co mortar section

1415 Advancing left side 45; meeting resistance, asking for pole charges

1530 Co L digging in after crossing open field under heavy fire; pill box ahead

1700 Bigwig 3 reports PW says tunnel leads from Octeville to pill boxes on 45

1715 Chief of Staff atCP to Bigwig 6- want men in town tonight unless too costly otherwise stay on this side of river

1730 Naval Shore Fire Officer to OP - reports naval fire on Cherbourg from 1200-1500

1800 Wire to OP out

1930 9th Div artillery firing on targets hill to left

1950 Heavy 88 fire on road to right CP

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2230 Pill box on 45 Larrenders; lower gunse of large cliber firing on town; first prisoners out shot down by Germans; demolition of stores in Cherbourg started; lower guns silenced by pole charges let down by wire.

2245 Fires throughout countryside as Germans blow up installations

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- 26 June 0030 Bigwig calls S-6 on latest plan 1 to move in town starting 0445
 - 0100 Time for morning attack changed to 0530; units on 45 warned of alert
 - 0610 Troops start move into town
 - 0645 Meeting opposition on move from 45; to maintain consact with 1st on right; order of attack L = I-K = M
 - 0745 CP area under fire; sniper and flak gun
 - 0830 CP group moves forward
 - 0835 3rd has moved down left side of 45 into town; searching houses; clean out pill box near canal
 - 0905 CP temporarilly located on road 1000 yds from Cherbourg
 - 1105 Troops at rail tracks in Cherbourg; meeting pill boxes, send back for
 - 1305 3rd short of men due to number left behind for read blocks; G to go forward to assist
 - # 1700 1st and 3rd have pushed thru to beaches; to go back over route again; 3rd to clean up M3 nests near RR
 - 1745 Overheard on phone Gen VonSteedman CG of German forces in Cherbourg on way to Jayhawk CP to see Gen Collins; to be held there until Gen Collins returns.
 - 1750 2nd still working on pill box; lower section hasn't fired for l_2^1 hours, still working on lower section
 - ₹ 8000 CP moves into Chebbang located at post office on Carnol Ave
 - 2035 9th Div has made contact with our left flank in town
 - 2145 No civillian movement after 2200; garrison your section of the city; 0800 27th send bivouac billet party to Bigwig CP at 0900; Bigwig 5 to 5-6

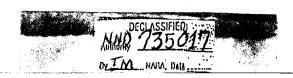
7 2150 Report that German Commander has surrendered Cherbourg Theoler White

27 June 0800 Billeting party leaves for Bigwig

0930 To move to temporary area at 1300

0945 Organics brought forward

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27 June 1215 Leave by foot for temporary bikouac area 1300 Closed into area 4 miles 5 Cherbourg 1330 Billeting party leaves to setup new area 1430 Co CO s meeting - briefing of campaign; casualty figures to be submitted 1815 S-6 to go to Bigwig at 0900 28 June Hein Theology MWest left 2035 S-6 to meet Gen Wyche at Bigwig at 0800 28 June 0730 S-6 leaves for meeting at Bigwig 0915 \$-6 returns - to move by motor 1400 1450 Leave by truck for new area 1545 Closed in new area - 154970 1700 Replacements arrive - Hq Co 9-1; Co I 50-1; K Co 42-1; L Co 42-1; M Co 14 1800 Casualty report for Cherbourg campaign: KIA #43 WIA 1951 29 June 0800 5-6 to Bigwig 1000 5-6 returns with plans for next several days and move to new area 1530 CO's and Pl Ldrs meeting - critique Cherbourg campaign 1845 Lisaon Officer back with latest situation uing Theolog by West left 30 June 1000 S=6 addresses men up for promotion 1110 Billeting party to leave 1230 \$\oldsymbol{Q}\$ 1315 Co CO*s meeting - to move out by foot 1430; rolls to be left in Co piles at entrance to area; cooks to be sent to CP to act as guards; organics to follow 1600; 3rd to follow 1st Bn; order of march I - K - L p Hq - M 1530 Leave area closed 1700 at 124926 1945 Co CO's meeting - plan of attack; K Co to lead; S-6, S-3, K Co CO to go to 2nd Bn OP 1 July 0830 1 Muly 0815 \$-6, \$-3 and K CO leave for 2nd Bn OP 1215 Additional enemy info - 7 MG at cross roads √ 2100 Replacements arrive: Hq-5; I 33-2; K-21; L -40; ¥ 33-1 2350 Artillery fire + mile * page 7 -

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