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4 October 44.

Subject: Report of Action against the Enemy..

To : The Adjutant General, US Army, Washington 25, D. C.  
(Thru Commanding General, 35th Inf. Div.)

- 1.. Movement orders: All movement per VOGG.
- 2.. Mission: To furnish medical service and evacuation to the Division and attached troops..
- 3.. Not applicable for this unit..
- 4.. Not applicable for this unit..
- 5.. The following units were used during this period:
  - a.. Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment with the following Officers and key enlisted men:
    - Lt. Col. MILLARD W. HALL, 0245542 MC Bn Commander
    - Major PAUL J. HUBER, 0347934 MC Executive Officer
    - Major MARVIN A. MACK, 0309447 SD Actg Div Surg
    - Capt. HAROLD W. TAYLOR, 0338302 MAC, S-3
    - Capt. (Ch) NELSON A. THOMAS, 0511194 Chaplain
    - 1st Lt. ORCENITH S. SMITH, 01547801 MAC, S-1
    - 1st Lt. ANDREW J. STEVES, 01544764 MAC, S-2
    - 1st Lt. RICHARD R. CONARROE, 01547571 MAC, Mtr O
    - 2nd Lt. JAMES E. SHIPPS, 0887595 MAC S-4 & CO Hq Det
    - WOJG RICHARD A. BURKE, W2108793, Personnel Officer
    - M/Sgt. Ferdinand G. Brodfuehrer, 20738041
    - T/ Sgt. James F. Aylward Jr., 20738720
    - T/Sgt. Ervin A. Bagley, 37037211
    - T/Sgt. William R. Martin, 20738008
    - T/Sgt. Donald A. Prohaska, 37033945
    - S/Sgt. Louis F. McGrory, 20737989
  - b.. Company A., with the following Officers and key enlisted men:
    - Capt. FREDERICK S. WEBSTER, 0370294, MC CO.
    - Capt. EVANS Z. HORNBERGER Jr., 0469007 Junior O
    - 1st Lt. HERMAN M. WEISMAN, 01543488, MAC Junior O
    - 1st Lt. JOHN A. BARBER, 02047912, MAC Junior O
    - 1st Sgt. Charles H. Putman, 20738045
    - S/Sgt. Lawrence J. Friedlan, 20738079

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S/Sgt. Frank J. Hebda, 20738057  
 S/Sgt. Harley A. Palmer, 30735095  
 S/Sgt. William A. Schwader, 20738097  
 S/Sgt. Cyril T. Tworek, 20738047  
 Tech. Gr. III Chester E. Lemon, 6822808  
 Tech. Gr. III Robert E. Washko, 35283316

## c. Company B, with the following Officers and key enlisted men:

Capt. JOSEPH H. SHEPARD, 0464283, MC Company Comdr.  
 Capt. DAVID B. ROTH, 0511186, MC Jr. O  
 1st Lt. JOSEPH A. PERRY, 02047103 MAC Jr. O  
 2D Lt. DONALD J. JEWELL, 02049287, MAC Jr. O  
 Capt. JOHN C. CONROY, 01701034, MC Jr. O

1st Sgt. Francis J. Keller, 6066144  
 S/Sgt. Albin J. Dvorak, 37033926  
 S/Sgt. Robert Gouldy, 39079524  
 S/Sgt. Elmer E. Johnson, 20738632  
 S/Sgt. Willard J. Olson, 20738091  
 S/Sgt. Glenn L. Small, 37033918  
 S/Sgt. Robert C. Zweifel, 20738424  
 Tech. Gr. III Ruber Bauer, 20738757

## d. Company C, with the following Officers and key enlisted men:

Capt. LOGAN E. JACKSON, 0517822 MC Company Comdr.  
 Capt. HAROLD A. WOODCOME, 0499147 MC Jr. O  
 Capt. JOHN A. KAPSTEIN, 0511180 MC Jr. O  
 1st Lt. FRED F. KOBETISCH, 02047028 Jr. O  
 2D Lt. DUDLEY P. COOK, 02049204 MAC Jr. O

1st Sgt. Rodney K. Greathbaum, 20738598  
 1st Sgt. Walter J. Gorick, 6897723  
 S/Sgt. Hubert J. Badura, 37037502  
 S/Sgt. Waldo M. Banker, 37038106  
 S/Sgt. Newton Dockman, 37018938  
 S/Sgt. Ralph C. Pillard, 20738645  
 S/Sgt. Robert Trout, 20738751  
 S/Sgt. Francis E. Weed, 37037221  
 Tech. Gr. III Douglas C. Clark, 20738074  
 Tech. Gr. III Edward R. Moore, 37551134

## e. Company D, (Clearing Company) with the following Officers and key enlisted men:

Major IRVING FAVUS, 0386350, MC Company Comdr.  
 Capt. EVERETT G. BRILLHART, 0390017, MC Jr. O  
 Capt. KARL B. DYRUD, 0332583, DC Junior Officer  
 Capt. THOMAS E. HAVEL, 0332534, MC Junior Officer  
 Capt. ROBERT I. KAPLAN, 0369557, DC Junior Officer  
 Capt. JOSEPH D. LEA, 026401, MC Junior Officer  
 Capt. STEPHEN D. PEABODY, 0438290 MC SD to Co A  
 Capt. LUDWIG J. PYRTEK, 0443877, MC Junior Officer

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Capt.. ROBERT J. RALSTON, 0463164, MC Jr. O  
 Capt.. GERRIT J. BLOEMENDAAL, 0227111, MC Jr. O  
 1st Lt. DONALD W. ROMSIEWICZ, 02047475, MAC Jr. O

1st Sgt.. Norman D. Culver, 20738697  
 S/Sgt.. Harold C. Mahaffey, 20738643  
 S/Sgt.. Harold L. McGreer, 37085126  
 S/Sgt.. Robert D. Roach, 13026601  
 S/Sgt.. Lewis B. Vogelgesang, 20738656  
 S/Sgt.. Leo L. Wabs, 37037516  
 Tech.. Gr. III Everett W. Kennedy, 20739746  
 Tech.. Gr. III Carl J. Nieman, 37034046  
 Tech.. Gr. III Ervin F. Stephan, 37034008

- 6.. Not applicable for this unit.
- 7.. Not applicable for this unit.
- 8.. Weather: Generally fair and presented no problem during the period.
- 9.. Supply: There were no major shortages in TE. Adequate supplies were available to this unit.
- 10.. Communications: Very satisfactory. Telephone service was provided for Bn. Hq. through-out period. Communication by ambulance and Motor Messenger were normal.
- 11.. Morale: Generally excellent, during this period personnel from Company D and Headquarters Detachment voluntarily acted as litter bearers during the influx of heavy casualties. Nearly all personnel have rendered valuable services not required in their assigned duties.
- 12.. Casualties: During the period this Battalion had the following casualties:

Battle

- 3 EM - Killed in action .  
 5 EM - Lightly wounded in action.  
 1 EM - Seriously wounded in action.  
 2 EM - Missing in action.  
 2 Off - Lightly wounded in action but remained on duty.  
 3 EM - Lightly wounded in action but remained on duty.  
 1 EM - Returned to duty.

Non-Battle

- 18 EM - Non-battle casualties and  
 12 returned to duty.

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13.. Decorations: Captain FREDERICK S. WEBSTER, 0370294, MC, CO Collecting Company A, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy in the vicinity of \* \* \* France, on 9 August 1944.  
Copy of order with inclosures.

14.. Decisive exploits: None..

15.. Prisoners taken: No Prisoners of War were taken during period covered, however, one hundred and ninety-one prisoners were treated by the Clearing Company and evacuated to higher echelon Medical Installations.

16.. Summary: On 9 Sept 1944, Surgical Teams #9 and 93, and Shock Teams #104 and #106 joined 3rd Platoon of 60th Field Hospital, vicinity of Bulligny.. Unit composed of 8 Medical Officers, 4 Nurses and 8 EM and commanded by Major Mansfield, MC..

On 24 Sept 44, at 1100, 431st Med. Coll. Amb. Plat commanded by Lt. Starr was relieved by 1st Plat, 456 Amb Co., commanded by Lt. Rosenbaum in the vicinity of Haraucourt.. On 26 Sept 44, Hq & Hq Det, Co. D of 110th Med. Bn., 3rd Plat 60th Field Hospital and the Plat of the 456th Amb Co moved to Saint Max (Nancy) and established stations for the first time in buildings.. Co D and Hq & Hq Det established station in a school house adjacent to 3rd Plat of 60th Field Hospital which estab station in the Foyer Familial.

On 24 August, not included in report of 4 Sept 44, Capt. Bloemendaal, MC, S-3 was relieved as S-3 and assigned to Company D. Capt. Taylor, Harold W., 0338302, MAC relieved as S-2 and Appointed S-3. 1st Lt. Steves, Andrew J., MAC relieved as S-4 and appointed S-2..

On 18 Sept., WOJG Shipps, James E., discharged to accept field appointment as 2D Lt. MAC and appointed S-4..

It is the opinion of this Hq. formed from actual experiences and personal knowledge, that the red crosses on the helmets of the front line Medical Troop Aid Men, (Litter

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Bearers and station personnel) afford a greater degree of protection from enemy small arms fire than the regular OD helmet.

While it has been reported by French civilians that the enemy is making unauthorized use of the Red Cross questioning of wounded prisoners disclose that they themselves have received specific orders not to fire on personnel displaying the Red Cross. This information tallies with actual experiences of our own Medical personnel who have, on occasions, gone forward of Bn Aid Stations to treat and evacuate our own wounded (see Par. 14 Unit History for 11 July to 20 July dated 25 July 44 and 2nd par. of Summary, Unit History 20 July to 5 August 44, dated 17 Aug 44). Several litter bearers have reported that enemy machine gun and rifle fire have ceased when they appeared on the field with their marked helmets.

It is certain that without the Red Crosses more casualties will result to Medical Personnel because of the lack of distinctive marking and the enemy's assumption that they are armed troops. It seems that the Medics have everything to lose and nothing to gain in the removal of the Red Crosses from helmets.

For the Commanding Officer:

*Orceuth S. Smith*  
 ORCENITH S. SMITH  
 1st Lt., MAC  
 Adjutant.

## 5 Incls:

- Incl 1 - Unit Journal.
- Incl 2 - Ltr CO Co A, commending outstanding work.
- Incl 3 - Ltr CO Co C, commending outstanding work.
- Incl 4 - Ltr CO Co D, commending outstanding work.
- Incl 5 - Extract of GO No. 30, Hq. 35th Inf. Div., dated 7 September 1944.

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Incl 1, Unit Journal..

Incl 2, Ltr CO Co B, Commending outstanding work..

Incl 3, Ltr CO Co D, Commending outstanding work..

Incl 4, Ltr CO Co A, Commending outstanding work..

Incl 5, Extract of GO No. 21, 35th Inf. Div., dated 19 Aug 44.

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HQ 35TH INF DIV, APO 35, U S Army, 20 Sep 44

TO: Commanding General, XII Corps, APO 312, U S Army

Forwarded in compliance with paragraph 2, Memo 2, Headquarters XII Corps,  
2 August 1944.

For the Commanding General:

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*Richard G. Chadwick*  
RICHARD G. CHADWICK  
Lt. Col., A. G. D.  
Adjutant General

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