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G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

From: 111600

To : 121600

35th Inf Div

121600 December 1944

PERMANENT HISTORY

NO. 155

Maps: France 1/50,000. Sheets 36/12, 36/13 and 37/13.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- a. Enemy front line - See overlay.
- b. Defensive organization - Enemy is strongly defending from prepared positions on the high ground N of BLEIS RIVER. See overlay. Extensive mine fields were reported as shown on overlay.
- c. Units in contact - PWs were captured during the period from 2d Bn, 37th Regt, 1st Bn, 38th Regt (17th SS Div), and Bn Lehman.
- d. Artillery - The intensity of artillery fire was resumed yesterday afternoon and has continued throughout the period. See overlay for reported artillery positions.
- e. Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - PW states that on 8 December he saw 30 tanks vicinity BLIESCASTEL Q6570 and 50 tanks vicinity of woods Q6466. PW also states that 3000 to 4000 SS troops arrived vicinity ROHRBACH Q5676 about 3 days ago.
- f. Supply and Administrative Elements - Air reports vehicles headed N vicinity BEBELSHEIM Q5863 and WITTERSHEIM Q5865 about 1200 today. Heavy AA fire was received in that vicinity.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- a. General summary - Enemy strongly defended from high ground N of the BLEIS RIVER with intensive artillery fire, mortar and small arms fire on our forward elements.
- b. Operations of component elements:
  1. Armor - Separate groups of from 1 to 3 tanks were reported during period as shown on overlay.
  2. Artillery - SP artillery and AA artillery reported from positions as shown. Artillery fire was particularly intensive at the following coordinates: Q508568, 535595, 553601, 504569, 512567, and 505565.
  3. Infantry - Small arms, MG and mortar fire were received from the defensive positions N of the river as shown on overlay.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Estimated enemy casualties 225. 1 enemy dead buried.
- b. Prisoners - 77 PWs had passed thru Div cage since 1600. Total for this operation 836. Grand total 10,657.
- c. Weather - Partly cloudy tonight with fog tomorrow morning with scattered showers tomorrow afternoon. Little change in temperature.
- d. Miscellaneous - Third Army reports enemy agent was captured with lumps of "explosive coal" which he stated was to be placed in coal tenders of Allied locomotives - illustration of this coal is attached.
- e. Password - GENERAL reply GAFFEY from 131200 to 141200 December 1944.

4. ENEMY CAPABILITIES: - No change.

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