



From: 161000
To : 171600
35th Inf Div
171600 December 1944

NO. 10

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

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - See overlay.
- Defensive organization - See overlay for located strong points. Enemy continues to defend from those strong points and from the high ground as shown on overlay.
- Units in contact - Elements of 37th Pz Gr Regt and 38th Pz Gr Regt (17th SS Div), Bn Lehman, 2d Bn, 165th Regt (36th Div) and one Bn of the 347th Inf Div (A new identification) contacted in our sector.
- Artillery - Shell reports from the units enabled our artillery to locate and fire upon numerous battery positions as shown on overlay.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - Night fighters last night report 8 or 6 convoys of vehicles, each approximately 2 miles long, moving S vicinity Q59972 7150. There are no indications that units other than Pz Bn of the 347th Div are coming into our sector.
- Supply and Administrative Elements - See overlay.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Enemy continued to defend with an increasing amount of artillery, mortar and small arms fire on our forward elements.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Armor - Direct fire was received from tracked vehicles as shown on overlay.
 - Artillery - Much increased artillery fire was reported throughout the day. Heavy concentrations were reported in GRUNHEIM Q597537, GRUNHEIM Q628610, FRABTBERG Q597503, HANAUERHEIM Q598535. Intermittent artillery fire was reported throughout the forward areas during the day.
 - Aviation - One PW 100 was over the area approximately 1600, some strafing was reported. The plane was fired upon by our AAA and a probable loss is claimed.
 - Infantry - Enemy infantry continued to defend, employing a large amount of mortar and small arms fire on our forward elements.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Estimated enemy casualties 200. 16 enemy dead buried.
- Prisoners - 196 PW's had passed thru Div care since 1500. Total for this operation 1,377. Grand total 11,198.
- Weather - Continued cloudy tonight and tomorrow morning with occasional light showers during the period.
- Miscellaneous - Enemy counter-attack in strength reported in VIII Corps sector.
- Password - LOCKLEY reply HALL from 161200 to 161200 December 1944.

ENEMY CAPABILITIES: - No change.

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