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3-2 PERIODIC REPORT

PERIODIC HISTORICAL FILE

191600
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35th Inf Div
191600 December 1944

NO. 162

Maps: France 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 and defensive overprints, 2d edition, 1/25,000.
- Units in contact - PWs captured from 38th Pz Gr Regt (17th SS Div) report that all elements of this Regt are combined under CT Pick (Estimated strength 400) and in position as shown on overlay - no other identification or change noted.
- Artillery - The enemy continues to use artillery fire in great strength along our front. Artillery positions as shown on overlay have been located by shell reports, recent photos and observation.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.
- Supply and Administrative Elements - See overlay for reported CPs and supply installations.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Enemy continued to defend with an increasing amount of artillery fire on our forward sector.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Armor - 3 enemy tanks were reported at Q584623 about 1000 this morning.
 - Artillery - Most of the artillery fire received is of a harassing nature, both observed and unobserved. Mass fire continues to be used in greater strength during the period. Heavy concentrations of enemy artillery fire fell at the following locations: Q563606, 665621, 613611, and 612612. In addition to the above locations large volumes of fire were reported about 1200 along our entire front.
 - Infantry - Continued to defend from positions as shown on overlay.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Estimated enemy casualties 125. 5 enemy dead buried.
- Prisoners - 31 PWs had passed thru Div cage since 1600. Total for this operation 1,447. Grand total 11,268.
- Weather - Clearing tonight with fog early tomorrow. Generally scattered clouds tomorrow with no precipitation and slightly cooler temperatures.
- Miscellaneous - PW H CO of the Medical Bn of 17th SS Regt reports handling 184 German casualties and 34 American casualties in a 24 hour period on 14-15 December in our sector.

2100 lbs. of dynamite, with fire fuse attached (with 3 days to run) was removed from potato pile in basement of house at edge of SARREQUEMIVES vicinity Q523578.

- Password - OLIVE reply GROVE from 201200 to 211200 December 1944.

4. ENEMY CAPABILITIES: - No change.

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