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564th Signal AW Battalion
Historical Record
(30 April - 31 December 42)

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DATA

564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
Drew Field
Florida

DATE OF ACTIVATION
TO
31 DECEMBER 1942

PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

Activation

Designation: The Battalion was activated as the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, Separate and was composed of the following:

Headquarters Company Plotting Company
1st Reporting Company 2d Reporting Company

Date of Organization: 30 April 1942

Place of Organization: Drew Field, Florida.

Authority for Organization: Third Air Force General Orders No. 74, 21 April 1942 by TO 11-445.

Sources of personnel:

553d Signal Aircraft Warning Bn Separate.
501st Signal Aircraft Warning Regional.
503d Signal Aircraft Warning Regional.

Changes in Organization:

None during period reported upon.

Strength:

<u>At date of activation</u>	<u>31 Dec 42</u>
Officers <u>1</u>	<u>52</u>
WO <u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Enl Men <u>86</u>	<u>418</u>

Stations of Unit:

Drew Field, Florida.

Correspondence:

All First Sergeants were called to Battalion Headquarters and instructions were issued on the proper methods of correspondence in all its phases. The results obtained were satisfactory.

INTELLIGENCE

The duties of the Intelligence Officer was the safeguarding of all classified correspondence except "Restricted". He handled all matters pertaining to subversive activities. Duties were of a routine nature.

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Several well conducted Basic Training Courses were held and also plans were made from time to time for the betterment of the training program. Physical achievement tests were held and the personnel were found to be in good physical condition. This, in addition to usual routine duties.

SUPPLY

This organization's supply history in my estimation is a history of supply on Drew Field. It is a story of a new army base trying to operate efficiently with limited help and limited space. An example of this is post, camp, and station property, which in the summer and fall of 1942 was issued on any officer's signature. This situation has been corrected through the installation of adequate office help, on the part of the various supply branches. Because of the added help the branches of supply have been able to initiate a system where the battalion S-4's signature is the only accepted signature at each branch. The S-4 in turn may authorize others to sign for property for which he accepts responsibility. This system which is now running smoothly and efficiently makes it easy for any interested party to find out what property, and in what amount, is in the battalion at any time.

The other notable improvement in facilitating supply procedure was the reorganization of the battalion under Table of Organization and Equipment 11-400. This reorganization authorized a battalion S-4 for the first time, and this authorization in turn allowed for a closer check being kept on property shipped into the battalion. Under the old Table of Organization 11-445, 11-446, etc., equipment was constantly being shipped direct to companies within the battalion. This again caused a lack of knowledge on the part of any individual, to know what organizational equipment was in the battalion at all times. Consolidated reports on equipment were therefore frequently submitted late, as counts on the items of equipment reported had to be taken before the report could be submitted; otherwise incorrect totals would be constantly reported. With the aforementioned Table of Organization and Equipment 11-400, however this situation has been corrected.

SPECIAL STAFF ACTIVITIES

There were no Special Staff Activities other than routine duties.

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HISTORY OF 564th SIGNAL AW BATTALION

FROM

JANUARY 1943 to JANUARY 1944

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ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL

The administration of this Battalion from Jan.1, 1943 to Oct.1, 1943 was for the most part, very routine. We did however have a large turn over in personnel which will be outlined in a later paragraph.

January 1, 1943 saw Major Raymond E. Morang as the Commanding Officer. Under his leadership the Battalion helped to train new men for other units. At no time during the first few months of the year, was an attempt made to bring the Battalion up to full T/O strength.

On March 19, 1943 the Battalion moved to a Site near Myakka State Park, about 18 miles East of Sarasota, Fla. This Site was called Camp Martin. We enjoyed life very much at Camp Martin. There were several other organizations at the Camp with us and in all there were about two-thousand men and Officers at the Camp.

While we were in the Camp, the 564th Sig AW Bn was re-organized. The date was April 10, 1943. The 564th was now under T/O 11-400.

We were ordered back to Drew Field on April 20 and immediately prepared for Operational Training. The 564th Signal AW Battalion was composed of the following:
one Headquarters and Plotting Company
Two Reporting Companies
one Ground Observer Company.

The 564th left Drew Field for OT on May 9, 1943. We were located at the West Information Center, about one mile from Drew Field, until May 17. On May 18 the Bn HQ was located near Bartow, Fla. Reporting Platoons were located as follows:

1st Platoon Co A	Odessa
2nd Platoon Co A	Crystal Springs
3rd Platoon Co A	Bartow
4th Platoon Co A	Ft. Green
5th Platoon Co A	Ellenton

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(I Administration and Personnel-Cont'd)

At This time Major Fred M. Steigman became the En
Commander and Major Morang was the Executive Officer.

On May 25th the Battalion moved to Dunedin, Fla.,
but moved back to Drew Field on May 28.

We stayed on Drew Field until July 2, 1943 when
the Battalion moved to Largo Florida. We were on Drew
Field again on July 15.

Major Steigman was transferred out of the organ-
ization and Major Morang was again the Commanding Officer.

Since July 15, 1943 to the date of October 1, 1943
there have been no radical changes.

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II
OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

During January 1, 1943 and October 1, 1943 numerous tactical situations were scheduled in which the Enlisted Men and Officers were taught the fundamentals of warfare, which included, booby traps, foxholes, etc., the firing of all weapons and continued training in weekly road marches.

During the interim the organization scheduled and followed a weekly training program in accordance with a master schedule submitted by the 4th and 5th Signal AW Training Battalions, under whose jurisdiction we were at that time.

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SUPPLY

Battalion Supply for the 564th Signal AW Battalion was purely routine for most of the period between Janl, . 1943 and Oct. 1, 1943.

The most important phase of Supply work occurred at the time of the reorganization under T/O 11-400 and the Operational Training Period.

Battalion Supply continually tried to see that the men were well clothed and well equipped as possible.

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INTELLIGENCE

During the period of January 1, 1943 to October 1, 1943 the only heavy Intelligence work was checking on Enlisted men for their qualification to receive instruction in classified equipment. During the Operational Training period this required quite a bit of time.

Since that time there have been no unusual occurrences.

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MISSION

Our mission is to detect, through the use of Radar and Ground Observers, the movement and status of aircraft in the air, both friendly and enemy; to report the information by the most rapid and secure means, to the designated location; to analyze and display the same information rapidly and coherently for the use of the Army Air Force Controller.

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564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
Drew Field
Florida

1 OCTOBER 1943
TO
31 OCTOBER 1943

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PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

This battalion was provisionally reorganized on the second of October 1943. (See General Order No. 5, this hq. 5 October 1943 attached as Appendix A.)

Changes in Organization:

Major Raymond E. Morang, SC was relieved as Commanding Officer of this Battalion by paragraph 3, SO#108, Hq. 5th SAW Training Bn, 10 Oct 43 and was assigned to Hq & Hq Co. that organization.

Lieutenant Colonel Henry C. Floyd, SC formerly Commanding Officer of the 3d SAW Training Bn., Hattiesburg, Mississippi, was assigned this Battalion by paragraph 3, SO#247, Hq ANUTC, 28 Sept 43 (Marked Appendix B) and assumed command 11 October 1943 (See Appendix C)

Captain Harold F. Schwede, SC was assigned this Battalion by paragraph 6, SO#255, Hq. ANUTC 6 Oct 43 (See Appendix D) and Par. 3, SO# 102, Hq 3d SAW Tng Bn, 20 Oct 43 (See Appendix E) and was detailed as Battalion Executive Officer and S-3 by Par 6, SO #160, this Hq 23 Oct 43 (See Appendix F), vice Captain Bertram G. Chalmer, SC who was detailed as Commanding Officer of Company "D" this Battalion by Par 1, SO #158, this Hq 20 Oct 43. (See Appendix G).

Major Carlton A. Fleming, MC assigned this Battalion by Par 1, SO #95, Hq 3d SAW Tng Bn, 13 Oct 43 reported for duty and was detailed as Battalion Surgeon by Par 2, SO #159, this Hq 21 Oct 43 (See Appendix H.)

WO (JG) Millard A. Shively, AIC assigned this Battalion by Par 5, SO #102, Hq 3d SAW Tng Bn, 20 Oct 43 (See Appendix E) reported for duty and was detailed as Assistant Adjutant this Battalion (See Appendix I).

Strength of Battalion:

Officers: 51

Warrant Officers: 3

Enlisted Men: 670

Stations of Unit: - All units of this battalion are stationed at Drew Field, Florida except Company "B" which is stationed at Bradenton, Florida on Special Duty and training.

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INTELLIGENCE

Nothing but routine duties of the Intelligence Officer.

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OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

On or about the 2 October 1943, the Battalion received orders for reorganization. Immediately, personnel with the proper specialist qualifications were transferred in to fill the vacancies created by the new Table of Organization. Personnel in excess of those required in particular SSN's were in turn transferred out except for about ten (10) per cent overage in officers.

Plans were made for processing and training personnel in preparation for Operational Training scheduled to start 1 November 1943. Processing was given first priority and was completed by 30 October 1943. Firing of the "C" Course on the .30 caliber rifle was scheduled next, and about ninety (90) percent completed before the end of the month.

Several well conducted Advanced Basic Training Courses were conducted by the 5th Signal AW Training Battalion for a group of men from each company to be used later as instructors in teaching the others in the organization. The courses were given in camouflage, truck driving, .50 caliber anticraft machine gun, Browning automatic rifle, and Infantry Tactics. All radio operators and radio repairmen were sent to the 5th Signal AW Training Battalion Radio School for a refresher course. Thirty-nine (39) of these radio operators had received no previous radio instruction; so they started the course by learning the code. A training program to cover the period from 1 November 1943 to 23 December 1943 was drawn up and distributed to all companies.

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SUPPLY

During October 1943 this units reorganization caused a change in all companies supply personnel. All property books had to be cleared in order to ship the new authorized allowances to the newly designated companies. In this exchange all companies functioned smoothly and efficiently.

A showdown shortages inspection was held by the various branches of supply on the 27th and 28th of October. This inspection went off very well. All companies cooperated fully with the battalion S-4 and his assistants. Because of this cooperation we were commended by the Base S-4 Drew Field, for having the best showdown shortages inspection ever held on the base. Signal, Engineer, and Quartermaster, in particular, remarked on the manner of display, and the condition of the material inspected.

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SPECIAL STAFF ACTIVITIES

There were no special Staff activities during the period covered except routine duties.

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APPENDIX

- Appendix "A" - Reorganization of Battalion
- Appendix "B" - Par 3, SO # 247, Hq AMTC 28 Sept 43
- Appendix "C" - General Order #6, 564th SAW Bn, 11 Oct 43
- Appendix "D" - Par 6, SO #255, Hq AMTC, 6 Oct 43
- Appendix "E" - Par 3, SO #102, Hq 3d SAW Tng Bn, 20 Oct 43
Par 5, SO #102, Hq 3d SAW Tng Bn, 20 Oct 43
- Appendix "F" - Par 6, SO #160, 564th SAW Bn, 23 Oct 43
- Appendix "G" - Par 1, SO #158, 564th SAW Bn, 20 Oct 43
- Appendix "H" - Par 2, SO #159, 564th SAW Bn, 21 Oct 43
- Appendix "I" - Par 2, SO #161, 564th SAW Bn, 25 Oct 43

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Office of the Commanding General
Drew Field

G:52
Tampa, Florida
26 Sept, 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 247)

E-X-T-R-A-C-T

1. LT COL EDWARD A EVERITT 06558 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 2d Sig AW Tng Bn and asgd to 3d Sig AW Tng Bn Hattiesburg A Air Fld Hattiesburg Miss eff 29 Sept 43 and WP thereto. Travel by rail. This is a temp change of sta. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).
TDM, TOT. 1-5250 P 431-01 02 03 07 08 A 0425-24.

2. LT COL EDWARD A EVERITT 06558 Sig C is detailed as CO 3d Sig AW Tng Bn eff upon arrival Hattiesburg A Air Fld Hattiesburg Miss vice LT COL HENRY C FLOYD reld. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

3. LT COL HENRY C FLOYD 0234159 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 3d Sig AW Tng Bn and asgd to 564 Sig AW Bn this sta eff upon arrival of LT COL EDWARD A EVERITT and WP fr Hattiesburg A Air Fld Hattiesburg Miss to Drew Fld Fla. Travel by rail. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).
TDM, TOT. 1-5250 P 431-01 02 03 07 08 A 0425-24.

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By command of Brigadier General SMERRILL:

N F STRADLEIGH
Capt Sig C
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

N F Stradleigh
N F STRADLEIGH
Capt Sig C
Adjutant

SYMBOLS: WP-will proceed to;
TDM-travel directed is necessary in the military service;
TOT-transportation officer will furnish necessary transportation.

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564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
Drew Field

Tampa, Florida
11 October, 1943

GENERAL ORDERS)
NO. 6)

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-20 the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, Drew Field, Florida vice Major Raymond E. Morang. (Trfd)

Henry C Floyd
HENRY C FLOYD
Lt Col., Sig Corps
Commanding

OFFICIAL:

HENRY C FLOYD
Lt Col., Sig Corps
Commanding

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Office of the Commanding General
Drew Field

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Tampa, Florida
6 Oct, 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)
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NUMBER 255)

E-X-T-R-A-C-T

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2. MAJ J W (IO) GODFREY 0356198 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 2d Sig AW Tng Bn and SD with S-3 Sec this hq and is asgd to 555 Sig AW Bn. NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

3. MAJ JAMES B MCKENZIE 025057 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 501 Sig AW Regt and is asgd to 571 Sig AW Bn. NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

4. LT COL WILLIAM L McBRIDE 0171829 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 4th Sig AW Tng Bn and is asgd to 563 Sig AW Bn. NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

5. MAJ MAURICE E BYRNE 0341435 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 4th Sig AW Tng Bn and is asgd to 563 Sig AW Bn. NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

6. CAPT HAROLD F SCHWEDE 0250158 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 3d Sig AW Tng Bn and is asgd to 564 Sig AW Bn. CAPT SCHWEDE will remain on DS at 3d Sig AW Tng Bn pending further orders. NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

7. LT COL DAVID T GRIFFIN 020600 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 503 Sig AW Regt and is asgd to 552 Sig AW Bn and will remain on SD with this hq as S-3. (Add dy). NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

8. MAJ FRANK E HERRELKO 0385125 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 3d Sig AW Tng Bn and is asgd to 552 Sig AW Bn. MAJ HERRRELKO will remain on DS at 3d Sig AW Tng Bn pending further orders. NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

9. LT COL HENRY R CHAMBERLIN 0255481 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 503 Sig AW Regt and is asgd to 553 Sig AW Bn and will remain on SD with this hq as Deputy Ex O. (Add dy). NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

10. MAJ WILLIAM V RETTGER 0340254 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 5th Sig AW Tng Bn and is asgd to 553 Sig AW Bn and will remain on SD with 5th Sig AW Tng Bn. (Add dy). NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

11. MAJ GEORGE M HIGGINSON 022003 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 6th Sig AW Tng Bn and is asgd to 570 Sig AW Bn and will remain on SD with 6th Sig AW Tng Bn. (Add dy). NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

12. CAPT RAYMOND F O'PRAY 0375225 Sig C is reld fr asgmt to 589 Sig AW Bn and asgd to 570 Sig AW Bn. NEG. (Auth: 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

Appendix B

SO No 255 Hq AWUTC Drew Fld Fla 6 Oct 1943 (Contd)

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By command of Brigadier General SHERRILL:

OFFICIAL:

N F Stradleigh
N F STRADLEIGH
Capt Sig C
Adjutant

N F STRADLEIGH
Capt Sig C
Adjutant

SYMBOLS: NEG-no expense to the government involved in this transfer.

HEADQUARTERS
3RD SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING TRAINING BATTALION
Hattiesburg Army Air Field

G-8
Hattiesburg, Miss
20 October 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 102)

1. Following Off and EM Sig C Hq & Hq Co this orgn W this sta to vicinity of Perry Fla o/a 21 Oct 43 for temp dy for approx three (3) days on matters pertaining to this cond. Upon completion of this dy Off and EM will return to their proper sta Hattiesburg Army Air Fld Hattiesburg Miss. Travel by govt mtr T journey going and returning. (Auth: Radiogram AEB104 Hq ANUTC dated 19 Oct 43 and 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

(MAJ LEUIS A CARY 0211135 Pfc (245) Perry B Reed 90274052

In accordance w/ Table II AR 35-4520 FD will pay in advance to above TM mon alws in lieu of rat a/r \$2.25 per day for three (3) days; in lieu of qcs a/r \$1.50 per day for three (3) days while on this temp dy.

Q. will furnish necessary gas and oil.
TDM. 1-5250 P 432-02 A 0425-24.

2. CAPT RALPH A WILKINSON 0508718 MC 574 Sig AW Bn is reld fr SD with 572 Sig AW Bn. (Auth: ANUTC Memo 150-1 dated 1 Jul 43).

3. CAPT HAROLD F SCHWELB 0250150 Sig C 564 Sig AW Bn is reld fr SD this hq and WP this sta to Brow Fld Tampa Fla o/a 21 Oct 43 RJA to CO 564 Sig AW Bn thereat for asgmt to dy. TPA. PCS. (Auth: Radiogram AMB104 Hq ANUTC dated 19 Oct 43 and 3AF Memo 75-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

TDM. TOT. 1-5250 P 431-01 02 03 07 08 A 0425-24.

4. Following Off Sig C fr orgn indicated have successfully completed course of instruction in Def Against Cal Attack and are qualified as Unit Gas Off. Appropriate notation will be made on MD AGO Form 66-1 of these Off. (Auth: 3AF Memo 10-3 dated 29 Aug 43).

	Fr: 568 Sig AW Bn	
1ST LT ERNEST V CONKLING	0434849	2D LT CHARLES A HARBICH 0507636
2D LT CAULFON W ALBERG	01640338	2D LT KENNETH D KENNEDY 0914065
2D LT CHARLES L BAUMANN	0477234	2D LT EDWARD S McCULLY 0509012
2D LT IVAN B BILLAR	01642187	2D LT STANLEY R LILATO GRI 01640807
2D LT EARLE F BLANCHARD	0430914	2D LT GEORGE W ROBERTS 0481055
2D LT DAN (HAI) BIRICK	01641269	
	Fr: 574 Sig AW Bn	
2D LT MERLIN J ADAMS	0472935	2D LT CARL F KOHL 0507640
2D LT WILHELM A CARRETT	0412796	2D LT EDWARD C MURDOCK 01636381
2D LT HOWARD I GROESBEIN	01645010	2D LT GARDNER J WOLFORD 01634816
2D LT HAROLD E KOLSKUSAR	01637694	
	Fr: 575 Sig AW Bn	
2D LT JOSEPH (HAI) SMITH JR	01645594	2D LT STANLEY W SEAN 01643324
	Fr: Hq & Co this orgn	
1ST LT HARRY R SMITH	0374740	2D LT PAUL W LACURTO 01645770

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SO No 102 Hq 3rd Sig AW Tng Bn Hattiesburg Air Fld Miss 20 Oct 43 (Contd)

5. WOJG MILLARD A SHIVLEY #2103433 USA is held in SD this Hq and asgmt to 575 Sig AW Bn and is asgd to 564 Sig AW Bn Drew Fld Tampa Fla. WO AF this sta to Drew Fld Tampa Fla by rail o/a 21 Oct 43 RJA to CO 564 Sig AW Bn thereat for asgmt to dy. PCS. (Auth: Radiogram AW115 Hq AMUTC dated 20 Oct 43 and 3.F memo 7-5 dated 28 Aug 43).

TDM. TOT. 1-5250 P 431-01 02 03 07 08 A 0425-24.

6. Following EL Sig C Hq & Hq Co this orgn are trfd in gr to orgn indicated. NEG. (Auth: AMUTC Memo 150-1 dated 1 Jul 43).

	To: 572 Sig AW Bn		
N Sgt (584) Edward (MHI) Stefanik	6137888	T/5 (813) Daniel B Smith	34161725
	To: 729 Sig AW Co		
T/5 (275) Dewitt G Dove	32377625	Pfc (405) Ivan E Bonar	37663310
	To: 760 Sig AW Co		
Pfc (405) Harry (MHI) Zanikoff	33381100	Pfc (055) Laurice J Riney	36526934

7. Following EL Sig C unless otherwise indicated 575 Sig AW Bn are trfd in gr to Hq & Hq Co this orgn. NEG. (Auth: AMUTC Memo 150-1 dated 1 Jul 43).

T/5 (245) Robert L Baggett	35718159	Pvt (510-PT) Samuel H Barnett	34766628
Pvt (521) Alex Sawyer	36851024	T/5 (953-270) Edward Bender	13097288
Pvt (514-270) Lawrence W Berry	35578550	Pfc (060) Ellis Burch	35461240
Pvt (521) Dennis F Cahill	34722197	Pfc (953-270) Barbara F Connolly	
Pvt (521) Charles W Gurth	36656114		12123832
Pfc (060) James Detam	36416575	Pfc (510-PT) Kenneth A Dilley	37546558
Pvt (514-270) Melton D Glass	38371129	Pvt (521) Frank E Gray	31215070
Pvt (060) Dominick A Grosse	34944554	T/4 (060) James T Harrison	37294650
Pvt (521) Walter L Jacobsen	32601844	T/5 (953-270) Clifford B Jarvold	
Sgt (824) George H Johnson	32295902		37193128
Pvt (521) Walter P Robus	31281283	Pfc (510-PT) Michael L Maroon	31186122
Pvt (514-270) Lester L Lamko	36294767	Pvt (060) Peter P Lukaszik	33457264
T/5 (060) Paul E Koya	37355645	Pfc (521) Alford O Peltier	38730663
Pvt (514-588) George R Puckett	32855353	Pvt (510-PT) Ernest F Quick	37491728
Pvt (521) Thearon E Scott	34579968	Pvt (675) Ralph Stillman	16146118
Pfc (017) Guy L Stout	34503464	Pvt (521) Francis K Sullivan	31288680
Pvt (521) Frank S Zerkot	33441371	Pvt (510-PT) Leonard P Murray	32766303
Pvt (409) Robert E Bogle (MC)	33756610	T/5 (174) William P Clark	35685702
Pvt (521) Irving Cohen	32639117	Pvt (055) Edwin R Convery	32355485
Pvt (521) Clayton C Dechaine	36250172	Pfc (510-PT) Michael W Haborak	31231368
T/5 (953-270) Ernest E Evans	17075351	Pvt (521) Claud E Harden	14138996
Pvt (766) Norman H Hoback	18184823	Pfc (013) Elye G Jourey	31217602
T/5 (121) Robert G Krieger	34248674	Cpl (055) Frank J Navratil	36007631
T/5 (953-270) Jack J Newman	12088732	Pvt (510-PT) Philip L Patch	31267474
Pvt (405) Calvin J Floop	31254207	Pvt (345) Morris Ruznick	36556123
Pvt (521) Ralph Scharf	34786057	T/5 (060) Samuel Shulman	32588237
Pfc (668) John A Tensfield	34367703	Pfc (835) Wayne C Gayman	36068483
Pvt (521) Earl A Randall	35677730	Pvt (345) Thomas L Leale	32696564
Pvt (521) Marvin L Middleton	33628774	Pfc (510-PT) Ralph E Graham	37657070
Pvt (245) Louis A Marinelli	34424242	Cpl (345) William W Carter	37318010
Pvt (510-PT) William E Sandholm	36444424	Pfc (855) Patrick C Regen	32550242

SO No 102 Hq 3rd Sig AW Tng Bn Hattiesburg A Air Fld Miss 20 Oct 43 (Contd)

8. Sgt (821) Frank M Malama 11019581 Sig C Hq & Hq Co this orgn is trfd in gr to 575 Sig AW Bn for further asgmt to 2nd Reporting Co thereof. NEG. (Auth: AMUTC Memo 150-1 dated 1 Jul 43).

9. Following EM Sig C 574 Sig AW Bn are trfd in gr to Hq & Hq Co this orgn. NEG. (Auth: AMUTC Memo 150-1 dated 1 Jul 43).

Pvt (521) Manuel G Lleras 32881431 Pvt (510-PT) Lee W Jones 33558833

10. Following EM Sig C 575 Sig AW Bn are trfd in gr to Hq & Hq Co this orgn and placed on SD with S-3 (Plans & Tng) Sec this hq. NEG. (Auth: AMUTC Memo 150-1 dated 1 Jul 43).

Pfc (766) Colin C Taylor 38312446 Sgt (766) Robert W Bremer 12040119
Sgt (174) Roland J McNulty 12040551

11. So much of par 3 SO 100 this hq es as pertains to Cpl (510) William A Rowan 33102951 Sig C trfd in gr to Hq & Hq Co this orgn and atchd to 574 Sig AW Bn for qrs and rat as read "Fr: 575 Sig AW Bn" is amended to read "Fr: 572 Sig AW Bn".

12. So much of par 6 SO 101 this hq es as pertains to EM Sig C 1st Hq & Hq Co this orgn trfd in gr to 564 Sig AW Bn Drew Fld Tampa Fla is amended to delete T/5 (903) John J Buoye 32243728.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel EWALITT:

ROBERT N WHITE
Capt Sig C
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

Robert N. White
ROBERT N WHITE
Capt Sig C
Adjutant

SYMBOLS: NEG-no expense to the government involved in this transfer; PC-permanent change of station; RA-reporting upon arrival; TR-travel directed is necessary in the military service; TCT-Transportation Officer will furnish necessary transportation; TA-travel by officer or his dependents by privately owned automobile is authorized; P-will proceed from.

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HEADQUARTERS
564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
Drew Field

Tampa, Florida
23 October, 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NO. 160)

1. 2ND LT LEIF H HOVICK 0473413 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 10 SO 117 Hq 6th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta dtd 20 Oct 43 is further asgd to Company "B".
2. 2ND LT WILLIAM R DAVIS 0496675 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 11 SO 117 Hq 6th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta dtd 20 Oct 43 is further asgd to Company "B".
3. 1ST LT MORRIS L MARKEL 0430530 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 12 SO 117 Hq 6th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta dtd 20 Oct 43 is further asgd to Company "B".
4. T/5 Lawrence D Merriman 34493749 is discharged fr AUS eff 19 Oct 43 under the provisions of Sec V AR 615-360 per Ltr Hq AMUTC Drew Fld Fla file 201-Merriman, Lawrence D, subj Discharge of EM dtd 15 Oct 43.
5. 2ND LT ARTHUR HOROWITZ 01642201 Sig C is granted a fifteen (15) day lv of abs eff o/a 21 Oct 43 per 3rd Ind Ltr Hq 5th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta file 210.711 subj Lv of Abs dtd 21 Oct 43.
6. CAPT HAROLD F SCHWEDE 0250158 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 6 SO 255 Hq AMUTC this sta dtd 6 Oct 43 is further asgd to Bn Hq & Plot Co and is detailed as Battalion Executive Officer and Battalion S-3.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel FLOYD:

JAMES B MONTGOMERY
1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

James B. Montgomery
JAMES B MONTGOMERY
1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
Drew Field

Tampa, Florida
23 October, 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NO. 160)

1. 2ND LT LEIF H HOVICK 0473413 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 10 SO 117 Hq 6th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta dtd 20 Oct 43 is further asgd to Company "B".
2. 2ND LT WILLIAM R DAVIS 0496675 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 11 SO 117 Hq 6th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta dtd 20 Oct 43 is further asgd to Company "B".
3. 1ST LT MORRIS L MARKEL 0430530 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 12 SO 117 Hq 6th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta dtd 20 Oct 43 is further asgd to Company "B".
4. T/5 Lawrence D Merriman 34493749 is discharged fr AUS eff 19 Oct 43 under the provisions of Sec V AR 615-360 per Ltr Hq AWUTC Drew Fld Fla file 201-Merriman, Lawrence D, subj Discharge of EM dtd 15 Oct 43.
5. 2ND LT ARTHUR HOROWITZ 01642201 Sig C is granted a fifteen (15) day lv of abs eff o/a 21 Oct 43 per 3rd Ind Ltr Hq 5th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta file 210.711 subj Lv of Abs dtd 21 Oct 43.
6. CAPT HAROLD F SCHWEDE 0250158 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 6 SO 255 Hq AWUTC this sta dtd 6 Oct 43 is further asgd to Bn Hq & Flot Co and is detailed as Battalion Executive Officer and Battalion S-3.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel FLOYD:

JAMES B MONTGOMERY
1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
564 SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
Drew Field

Tampa, Florida
20 October, 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NO. 158)

1. CAPT BERTRAM G CHALMER 01633750 Sig C is reassg'd to Company "D" and detailed as Commanding Officer of Company "D" vice 1ST LT THOMAS J SMELT 01635347 reld. CAPT CHALMER and 1ST LT SMELT will make the necessary transfer of property responsibility in accordance with AR 35-6680.

2. CAPT SERGE T MIGDAL 0364462 Sig C asgd to this Bn per par 4 SO 261 Hq AWUTC this sta dtd 12 Oct 43 is further asgd to Company "A" and detailed as Commanding Officer, Company "A" vice 1ST LT BARNEY H FLEEMAN 01634759 reld. CAPT MIGDAL and 1ST LT FLEEMAN will make the necessary transfer of property responsibility in accordance with AR 35-6680.

3. 2ND LT WILFRED F SMITH 01644793 Sig C is granted a fifteen (15) day lv of abs eff o/a 21 Oct 43 per 3rd Ind Ltr Hq 5 Sig AW Tng Bn file 210.711 subj Leave of Absence dtd 19 Oct 43.

4. 1ST LT ROBERT M WARREN 01636781 Sig C is reassg'd to Company "D", fr Bn Hq & Plot Co.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel FLOYD:

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1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
Drew Field

Tampa, Florida
21 October, 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NO. 159)

1. 2ND LT JOHN A BOSSELER 01640211 Sig C asgd to this Battalion per par 9 SO 114 Hq 5th Sig AW Tng Bn this sta dtd 16 Oct 43 is further asgd to Company "C".

2. MAJOR CARLTON A FLEMING 0506347 MC asgd to this Battalion per par 1 SO 95 Hq 3rd Sig AW Tng Bn Hattiesburg Miss dtd 13 Oct 43 is further asgd to Bn Hq & Pilot Co and is detailed as Battalion Surgeon.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel FLOYD:

JAMES B MONTGOMERY
1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

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JAMES B MONTGOMERY
1st Lt., Sig Corps
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HEADQUARTERS
564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
Drew Field

Tampa, Florida
25 October 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)

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1. MAJOR CARLTON A FLEMING O506347 MC is granted a ten (10) day lv of abs eff o/a 26 Oct 43 per 4th Ind Itr Hq AWUTC this sta file 201-Fleming, Carlton A (O) subj Lv of Abs dtd 23 Oct 43.

2. WO (jg) MILLARD A SNIVLEY W2103433 asgd to this Bn per par 5 SO 102 Hq 3rd Sig AW Tng Bn Hattiesburg Army Air Fld Hattiesburg Miss dtd 20 Oct 43 is further asgd to Bn Hq & Plot Co and detailed as Asst Adjutant.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel FLOYD:

JAMES B. MONTGOMERY
1st Lt., Sig Corps
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

James B. Montgomery
JAMES B. MONTGOMERY
1st Lt., Sig Corps
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DAILY DIARY
OCTOBER 1943

- Oct. 1 - No change.
Oct. 2 - 564th Sig AW Bn is provisionally reorganized in accordance with T/O & E 11-400 17 June 1943 per General Orders 37 Hq AWUTC dated 2 October 1943.
Oct. 3-9 - No change.
Oct. 10 - Major Raymond E. Morang was relieved as Commanding Officer of the Battalion per par 8 SO 108 Hq 5th Sig AW Tng Bn dated 10 Oct 43.
Oct. 11 - Lt Col. Henry C. Floyd Sig C was assigned to this Bn per par 3 SO 247 Hq AWUTC 28 Sept 43 and assumed command
Oct. 12-17 - No change.
Oct. 18 - Pursuant to authority contained in General Orders #41 Hq AWUTC dated 18 October 1943 the 564th Sig AW Battalion is reorganized effective this date in accordance with T/O & E 11-400 17 June 1943.
Oct. 19 - No change .
Oct. 20 - Capt. Harold F. Schwede Sig C asgd this organization per par 5 SO 255 Hq AWUTC 6 Oct 43 was detailed as Battalion Executive Officer and S-3 this date vice Capt. Bertran G. Chalner who was detailed as Commanding Officer of Co "D".
Oct. 21 - Major Carlton A Fleming M.C. asgd this Bn per par 1 SO 95 Hq 3d Sig AW Tng Bn 13 Oct 43 reported for duty and was detailed as Bn Surgeon per par 2 SO 159 this Hq dtd 21 Oct 43.
Oct. 22-25 - No change.
Oct. 26 - WO(jg) Millard A Shively A1S assigned this Bn per par 5 SO 102 Hq 3d Sig Tng Bn 20 Oct 43 reported for duty and was detailed as Asst Adjutant this Bn
Oct. 27-31 - No change.

James B. Montgomery
JAMES B. MONTGOMERY
1st. Lt., Sig Corps
Adjutant

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HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1943

MISSION

The mission of the Aircraft Warning Service is to observe the movement of aircraft and to collect, evaluate, and exhibit the information obtained.

The mission of this organization is to detect, through the use of radar and ground observer, the movement and status of aircraft in the air, both friendly and enemy, and surface vessels, (when required); to report the information, by the most rapid and secure means, to the designated location; to analyze and display the same information rapidly and coherently for the use of the Army Air Forces controllers; all to be accomplished at such a time and location as directed by higher headquarters.

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HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1943

ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL

Major GEORGE M. HIGGINSON
Commanding Officer
Capt RAYMOND F. O'PRAY
Executive Officer
1st Lt JAMES B. MONTGOMERY
Adjutant

The reorganization of the 564th Signal AW Battalion, which was effective November 15, 1943, left us very short of enough administrative personnel to operate the Battalion. The Battalion reorganization left us with 1 A Team and 1 B Team for 82 Officers, 7 Warrant Officers and 1078 Enlisted Men.

Throughout the month we were in Operational Training. During this time we were continually getting in new men to fill up the T/O vacancies. These men were completely processed and their records were brought up to date as far as possible.

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HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1943

S-2

1st Lt. JAMES B. MONTGOMERY
Bn S-2

The duties of the Battalion Intelligence Officer for the past month have been very routine.

He has had the job of making out the Unit Historical Report for the Battalion in addition to the regular S-2 activities.

With the large increase of personnel it has been necessary to conduct investigations on several of the men to determine their eligibility to receive instruction on classified equipment. This has of course taken up quite a bit of time.

We have also helped several men to obtain their citizenship through the cooperation of the Base S-2/

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HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1943

S-3

Capt RAYMOND F. O'FRAY
S-3

During the past month we have been busy training the men on their individual weapons. This included every weapon that the Battalion was authorized to carry. When the men had completed their course in the various weapons, they were taken out to the range for a familiarization and qualification course firing procedure. At the present about ninety-five per cent of the Battalion have fired the weapons.

The men have also been receiving training in CWS which included the wearing of the gas mask for a 4 hour continuous period.

The above mentioned training was in addition to the regular training received by Signal AM Troops while on Operational Training.

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HISTORY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1943.

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1st Lt. JOHN A. GRAFFIUS
Battalion S-4

The new reorganization left our Battalion Supply Section short of personnel also.

During the month of November our Supply Officer was busy turning in all overages and unauthorized equipment as well as drawing new equipment.

The Supply Section supervised the marking of all clothing and equipment of the Enlisted Men and Officers.

Our Supply Section has done a brilliant job with what little personnel they had for help during the past month.

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HEADQUARTERS
564TH SIGNAL AW BATTALION
DREW FIELD

Tampa, Florida

DAILY DIARY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1943

November 1-

The 564th Signal AW Battalion entered its first phase of Operational Training this date. The BN HQ remained at its present location (Drew Field) until a later date.

November 2-

No Change

November 3-

Major GEORGE M. HIGGINSON assigned this Battalion.*
Lt. Col. H.C.FLOYD Trfd.**
1st Lt. MALCOLM F. CAMPBELL assigned.***

November 4-

Major GEORGE M. HIGGINSON assumed command this date.
Capt HAROLD F. SCHUELE trfd.****
Capt RAYMOND F. O'FRAY assigned this battalion and assumed the duties of Battalion Executive Officer.*****

November 10-

The 564th Signal AW Battalion was reorganized. *****
The reorganization was completed 16 Nov 43 and was confirmed 18 Nov 43.*****
The BN HQ moved out into the field for Operational Training this date

FOOT NOTES:

- * Par 17 SO 281 HQ AWUTC dated 2 Nov 43.
- ** Par 17 SO 281 HQ AWUTC dated 2 Nov 43.
- *** Par 3 SO 283 HQ AWUTC dated 4 Nov 43.
- **** Par 3 SO 283 HQ AWUTC dated 4 Nov 43.
- ***** Par 10 SO 282 BQ AWUTC dated 3 Nov 43.
- ***** GO 47 HQ AWUTC dated 10 Nov 43
- ***** Ltr to Commanding General AWUTC.

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Section I

Administrative & Personnel

Personnel

During the month of December 1943, the Battalion was mostly concerned with the Complete processing of each individual in the organization. Every effort was made to check each record so that this unit would be fully prepared for the POM inspection on Dec 16-17.

Officers and EM were brought up to date on their immunization and all were given complete Physical Examinations.

Section II

Intelligence

Each man handling Classified Equipment was checked to see that he was qualified for such work. It was a tremendous job but at the end of the month everything had been completed.

Section III

Plans in Training

All men were checked to see that they had completed Firing and CWS training, Those who had not were given the required training.

S-3 was responsible for all Field Orders and March Orders, during the Operational training period.

Section IV

Supply

There was a tremendous Supply job during the past month. Showdown inspection was held Dec 23-24 and all poor clothing & equipment was turned in, and new clothing & equipment drawn for the men.

Every effort was made to see that Officers & EM were properly clothed & equiped prior to Jan 1.

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564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION

APO-638 U.S. ARMY

1ST FEBRUARY 1944
TO
31 JANUARY 1945

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZATION:

During the period covered within these pages the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion operated under two Tables of Organization.

a. On February 1, 1944 this organization was operating under T/O & E 11-400 dated 30 June 1943. The Battalion consisted of eighty two (82) Officers, seven (7) warrant Officers, and one thousand seventy eight (1078) Enlisted Men. The following teams were authorized:

A - B - C - D - I - J - L - N - P - Q - S - U
 1 - 1 - 5 - 7 - 6 - 5 - 12 - 42 - 8 - 1 - 6 - 6

b. On 15 December 1944 a reorganization was effected and the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion is now operating under T/O & E 11-400, 1 March 1944. The Battalion consists of fifty-four (54) Officers, seven (7) Warrant Officers, and seven hundred and seventy nine (779) Enlisted Men. The following teams were authorized:

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2. STRENGTH OF ORGANIZATION AS OF 31 JANUARY 1945

Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
51	6	682

3. MOVEMENTS

a. Left New York POE 22 January 1944 and arrived in the United Kingdom on 29 January 1944. Proceeded immediately from the point of debarkation (Grennock, Scotland) to Stanlake Park, Twyford, Berks, England.

b. Left Stanlake Park, Twyford, Berks, England on 9 April 1944, Arrived Beaulieu, Hants, England the same day.

c. Left Beaulieu, Hants, England 29 April 1944. Arrived Church Fenton, Yorkshire, England 30 April 1944.

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e. Left Remenham, Berks, England 12 August 1944 to move to Marshalling area at Southampton, England. Within 24 hours the first units were moved out by boat for the continent. Official landing day for the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion on the continent was 18 August 1944. From Omaha Beach, where the various echelons landed, the first official station of the battalion was Chateau de Pepinvast, Le Vast, Manche, France.

f. Left Chateau de Pepinvast, Le Vast, Manche, France, 26 August 44. Arrived Paviers, Eure-et-Loir, France on 31 August 44.

g. Left Paviers, Eure-et-Loir, France on 5 September 44. Arrived Ozoir La Ferriere, Seine-et-Marne, France the same day.

h. Left Ozoir La Ferriere, Seine-et-Marne, France 5 October 44. Arrived Bioul Castle, Province of Namur, Belgium the same day.

i. Left Bioul Castle, Province of Namur, Belgium 29 October 44. Returned to Ozoir La Ferriere, Seine-et-Marne, France in the evening of the same day.

4. LOSSES IN ACTION

Negative Report

5. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

a. Bronze Star Medal awarded to E/5 William A. Ballas on 20 November 44 for meritorious service with Red Ball Trucking Company.

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UNIT HISTORY

1. Reorganization was the first important incident that occurred in the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion after its arrival in the European Theater of Operations. Letter, IX Fighter Command, dated 31 January 1944, Subj: "Reorganization of Certain Army Air Force Units", directed the reorganization and General Order #2, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion dated 13 February 1944 confirmed it and is herewith attached as a supporting document.
2. During this period of reorganization, the Battalion was assigned to the 84th Fighter Wing which had its headquarters located at Beaulieu, Hants., England. The 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion was to furnish radar cover and airwarning service to the 84th Fighter Wing, whose duty it was to establish a Fighter Control system utilizing radar information from units assigned to their command. (Field Order #3 and Annex #1, Headquarters IX Air Support Command, dated 22 February 1944 is attached herewith as a supporting document.) In order to execute this plan it was necessary for the Battalion to train personnel and to requisition the equipment needed immediately.
3. Information Center and Radar personnel were placed in training at various RAF schools, and the Battalion conducted a Truck drivers school and a radio school for operators and maintenance men.
4. Battalion supply continued to requisition equipment which was needed and by the end of February some of our RAF equipment began to arrive.
5. By 1 March 1944, it became quite apparent that the Battalion did not have sufficient equipment to operate at that time. Present training plans would not be completed before 22 April 1944 and therefore we would be unable to execute our duties as outlined in Par 2 above. Critical shortages included all Information Center equipment (AN/PT-1), all radio equipment and three (3) radar sets.
6. During the entire month of March 1944 our men were continually in training. We began receiving some radar, Information Center and radio equipment. Our total percentage of equipment on hand at the end of the month was seventy (70) per cent.
7. On 29 March 1944 we received a warning order from the IX Air Support Command, alerting us for movement to Beaulieu, Hants., England, the headquarters of the 84th Fighter Wing. (Letter, IX Air Support Command, Subj: "Movement Orders", dated 29 March 1944 is attached herewith as a supporting document.)

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UNIT HISTORY

8. On 9 April 1944, the Battalion moved to Beaulieu, Hants., England. (Field Order #1, Hq. 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion dated 7 April 1944 is attached herewith as a supporting document.)

9. The move to AAF Station 408 and outlying sites was completed on April 9, 1944. No attempt at communications could be made until 0001 B, 12 April, due to radio silence. Intermittent communications were established with two sites during the morning of the 12th, but reliable communications were not possible with the present frequency assignments. For full scale operations the battalion was badly in need of additional radio equipment and frequencies. None of the special radio equipment authorized had been received, and of the twelve (12) SCR 188 sets received, six (6) had defective rectifiers and were undergoing repairs. Due to a shortage of replacement parts at the depot, no commitment could be obtained as to the date these rectifiers would be available.

10. Detachment "A", 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion consisting of one (1) officer and thirty one (31) enlisted men, comprising the Ground Observer Platoon, Company "B", was placed on Detached Service with the 563rd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion effective April 14.

11. On 20 April 1944, the battalion was relieved from assignment to the IX Tactical Air Command and re-assigned to the IX Air Defense Command. (General Orders #108 Headquarters Ninth Air Force dated 20 April 1944 is attached herewith as a supporting document.)

12. On 23 April, the battalion was alerted for movement to Church Fenton, Yorkshire, England. (Field Order #3 & Field Order #4 headquarters 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion are attached herewith as a supporting document). The move was accomplished with a forward and rear echelon. The forward echelon moved on 23 April.

13. The move to the new location was accomplished in good order. All platoons proceeded immediately to their outlying sites and contact was made by radio immediately with all sites within twenty-four (24) hours.

14. Pursuant to instructions contained in Ninth Air Force Ltr, dated 3 May 1944, Subject: "Alert Order No. 28" the battalion was alerted for movement to the "Far Shore".

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15. Immediately we set about marking all Vehicles, Clothing and equipment in accordance with instructions received from higher headquarters.

16. On June 26 "A" Echelon of the battalion moved to Wimbourne, England on the South Coast in preparation for movement to the "Far Shore" they were to wait in Wimbourne until such time as they were to proceed to the Marshalling Area.

17. On July 3, 1944, the second group of troops left Church Fenton for Bournemouth, England to await further movement to the Marshalling Area and thence to the "Far Shore". The remainder of the battalion was still located at Church Fenton.

18. During the entire month of July the first and second echelons waited on the South Coast for movement to the far shore. This comprised about one-quarter of the entire battalion. The remainder of the battalion was still located at Church Fenton waiting for movement orders.

19. On 4 August 1944 the entire battalion assembled at Remenham, Berks, England. All equipment was again checked, embarkation personnel rosters were brought up to date and the battalion was ready to move on a moments notice.

20. On August 12, the entire battalion moved by rail and Motor Convoy to the Marshalling area at Southampton, England. Within twenty-four (24) hours the first echelon moved out by boat for the continent.

21. On 16 August the battalion was together again at "Chateau de Pepinvast", Le Vast, Manche, France. (Field Order #9 headquarters 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion dated 20 August 44 is attached herewith as a supporting document.) The Filter Center was set up immediately and the various platoons and company headquarters proceeded to their designated sites.

22. On 28 August the battalion moved to Paviers, Eure-et-Loir, France and set up its Filter Center again. All sites took up new positions and made immediate contact with the Filter Center.

23. On 5 September the battalion moved again. This time to the vicinity of liberated Paris in the town of Ozol-La-Perriere, Seine-et-Marne, France. All Radar sites took up new positions and the Filter Center was again put in operation immediately.

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UNIT HISTORY

24. Again we moved. On October 3, 1944 we moved to Bioul Castle, Province of Namur, Belgium. (Field Order #11 headquarters 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, dated 30 September 44 is attached herewith as a supporting document.) All sites took up new locations in four different European Countries; Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and France. We began to wonder if we would if we would ever stay in one place for a period of one month or longer when all of a sudden we moved again.

25. On 29 October we moved back to Ozoir-la-Ferriere, Seine-et-Marne, France. (Field Order #12 Headquarters 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, dated 28 October 44 is attached herewith as a supporting document) This time we were to be there for several months. Our mission was to supply early warning for the Paris area. Needless to say, morale was very high.

26. On 12 November 44, COL-A Platoon, which had been left in Armiton-sur-Biert, Belgium, awaiting further orders was placed on Detached Service with the 52nd AAA Brigade to supply early warning to that organization. (Special Order #174 Headquarters 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, dated 12 November 44 is attached herewith as a supporting document.)

27. We won our first medal in the Battalion when Technician Fifth Grade William A. Ballas of Company "A", placed on Temporary Duty with the Red Ball Trucking Company was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 19th September 44 to 13 November 44 (General Orders #90, Headquarters, IX Air Defense Command dated 20 November 44 is attached herewith as a supporting document.)

28. Nothing much happened outside of normal duties during the month of November. On 15 December 44 the rumor of reorganization which had been floating around for many a month was finally put into effect and the set up was as follows: (General Order #10, headquarters 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion dated 15 December 44 is attached herewith as a supporting document.) T/O and E 11-400, 1 March 1944, C-1 and 2.

The Battalion consists of 54 Officers, 7 Warrant Officers and 779 enlisted men. The following teams were authorized:

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UNIT HISTORY

29. Things continued along normal lines for the month of December. The snow and ice were bad at times. It got pretty cold and with fuel being scarce, effects of the winter were felt somewhat. However - everybody came thru in good shape-colds were at a minimum and Christmas and New Years were celebrated with services by the Chaplain. No special parties were held but with plenty of packages arriving from home everyone enjoyed themselves.

30. The New Year started off right on schedule with no change in pace. COI-A was recalled from Belgium and their assignment with the 52nd AAA Brigade and took up their new position near Soissons, France. (Field Order #13 Headquarters, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion dated 3 January 45 and Special Order #3 Headquarters, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, dated 3 January 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.) They were glad to be back, having gotten a slight taste of the Battle of the Bulge as inside spectators to some of the air action that occurred over the Meuse River during that period.

31. The rest of the month of January passed by in normal manner and nothing of interest is to noted.

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HEADQUARTERS
564th Signal AW Battalion
APO-638 U S Army

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AUTH: CO, 564TH SAW BN
DATE: 13 FEB 1944
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13 February 1944

GENERAL ORDER)

NUMBER 2)

1. Pursuant to authority contained in General Orders # 153, Hq Ninth A.F., APO 696, 30 December 1943, Letter, Hq Ninth A.F., APO 696, 30 December 1943, File 322, Subject; "Reorganization of Signal Aircraft Warning Units", and Letter, Hq IX Fighter Command, APO 638, 31 January 1944, File 322, Subject; "Reorganization of Certain Army Air Force Units", the reorganization of the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion is hereby confirmed, effective this date.

2. a. Headquarters and Plotting Company is redesignated as Battalion Headquarters and Headquarters Company
 b. Company "A" is redesignated as Composite Company "A"
 c. Composite Company "B" activated 5 February 1944
 d. Radar and Plotting Company "C" activated 6 February 1944.

3. This battalion is constituted as follows:

TEAM COMPOSITION T/O & E 11-400, 17 June 1943	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH			ATTACHED MEDICAL	
	Off.	T.O.	E.M.	(Included in Col. 2)	
				Off.	E.M.
Bn Hq & Hq Co					
<u>A J P Q R T</u> <u>I I I I I I I</u>	a	13	2 64	4	19
Composite Company "A"					
<u>B C D I J L M N P S</u> <u>I 2 1 3 1 1 5 5 1 2</u>		9	2 185		4
Composite Company "B"					
<u>B C D I J L M N P S</u> <u>I 2 1 3 1 1 5 5 1 2</u>		9	2 185		4
Radar and Plotting Company "C"					
<u>B C J L P S U</u> <u>I 1 2 4 5 2 1</u>		20	1 218		4
TOTAL AUTHORIZED STRENGTH 564th Sig AW Battalion		51	7 652	4	31

a. Authorized strength of team will include one (1) First Lieutenant, Battalion Personnel Officer.

4. This battalion will be equipped in accordance with T/O & E 11-400, 17 June 1943, and published changes thereto, plus the additional items of Motor Transport and related equipment as listed below:

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Par 3 GO No. 1 Hq 564th SAW Bn dated 13 Feb 1944 (cont'd)

QUANTITY	ITEM
52	<u>CHEMICAL</u> Apparatus, decontaminating, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -qt capacity
12	<u>ENGINEER</u> Net, camouflage, cot on, shrimp, 22 x 22 ft
24	Net, camouflage, cotton, shrimp, 29 x 29 ft
44	Net, camouflage, cotton, shrimp, 36 x 44 ft
4	<u>ORDNANCE</u> Trailer, $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton, 2 wheel, cargo
24	Trailer, 1-ton, 2 wheel, cargo
8	Truck, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, 4 x 4
20	Truck, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton, 6 x 6 cargo and personnel carrier
24	Truck, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton, 6 x 6 cargo
52	<u>QUARTERMASTER</u> Bucket, canvas, water, 18qt
112	Drum, inflammable liquid (gasoline) with carrying handle, capacity, 5-gallon
52	Tube, flexible-nozzle
2	Paulin, canvas, large
52	<u>SIGNAL</u> Flashlight, TI-1221(A)

5. The provisions of Section III, AR 345-800, 1 July 1942 and AR 345-900; 22 May 1942 as amended have been complied with.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HIGGINSON:

JAMES B. MONTGOMERY
1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

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s/ James B. Montgomery
t/ JAMES B. MONTGOMERY
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IX Air Support Command
 APO 638, U S Army
 22 Feb 44 1200.

ANNEX NO. 1 to F.O. NO. 3

SIGNAL ORDERS.

MAPS: CGSGS 3957 (Air) $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to one mile, Sheet 11

1. a. Enemy Air Forces are operating from bases in Continental Europe.
2. b. The RAF, US Eighth and US Ninth Air Forces are actively engaged with the enemy from bases in the U.K. Separate communication systems for control of airplanes are employed by all commands.
 - (1) The 84th Fighter Wing will exercise Fighter Control, covering a front of approximately 50 miles from Bournemouth (U.5312) thence west on the southern coast of England to Lyme Regis (T.7713). The deployment area of 84th Wing is along the front and north to Highbridge (T.7568), thence northeast to Chippenham (U.3594) and Bournemouth.
 - (2) The 70th Fighter Wing of IX Air Support Command is operating in the area South Benfleet (M.2204) to Chelmsford (M.1525) New Market (M.1082) to Aldeburgh (M.7491).
 - (3) The 71st and 100th Fighter Wings are forming to operate from Greenham Common and Ibsley areas respectively. The Greenham Common area is bounded by Selsey Bill (Q.2912), Aldershot (Q.3070), Swindon (P.6005) and Bournemouth (U.5312). The Ibsley Area is bounded by Bill of Portland (Z.1188), Sturminster Newton (U.2234) Romsey (U.7941) and Southampton (U.8632)

c. Command Posts:

IX Air Support Command	- - - - -	MIDDLE WALLOP
IX AS Command Mobile Combined Ops	- - - - -	MIDDLE WALLOP
70th Fighter Wing	- - - - -	BOXFED AREA
71st Fighter Wing	- - - - -	GREENHAM COMMON
84th Fighter Wing	- - - - -	BEAULIEU
100th Fighter Wing	- - - - -	IBSLEY
321st Fighter Control Squadron	- - - - -	KEEVIL
564th Signal A W Bn	- - - - -	STANLAKE PARK
48th Fighter Group	- - - - -	WINKTON 15 Mar
50th Fighter Group	- - - - -	LYMINGTON 15 Mar
405th Fighter Group	- - - - -	BEAULIEU 15 Mar
365th Fighter Group	- - - - -	CHRISTCHURCH 1 Mar
IX Bomber Command	- - - - -	MARKS HALL, EARLS COLNE ESSEX.

All IX Air Support Command Fighter Wings furnish their own control systems from units assigned.

2. The 84th Fighter Wing will establish a Fighter Control system utilizing radar information from units assigned to 84th Fighter Wing in the Keevil Area with the least practicable delay.

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Annex No. 1 to F O No. 3 (Cont'd)

3. a. The 321st Fighter Control Squadron will establish a fighter control system in accordance with IX Fighter Command Memo 100-22 dated 12 January, 1944 as rapidly as equipment becomes available, except that the D/F Fixer Service will be deployed to give maximum coverage over the English Channel to provide an Air/Sea Rescue Service. Air/Sea Rescue D/F Fixer Stations may be sited outside the area designated in par 1 b. (1) above to provide coverage required. The exact location of the Fighter Control Center is to be designated by 84th Fighter Wing. Other control installations will be sited by the 321st Fighter Control Squadron.

b. The 564th Signal A W Bn will furnish radar cover and aircraft warning service in accordance with IX Fighter Command Memo 100-23 dated 12 January, 1944 as rapidly as equipment and trained personnel become available. Radar equipment radiating on a frequency of 209 mcs. is not to be deployed within 15 miles of any static RAF station, radiating on the same frequency, unless the equipment is within 400 yards of the RAF Station and the transmitter of the mobile unit is locked to the transmitter of the static station. In accordance with Hq. A.E.A.F. instructions the locking of the mobile unit's transmitter to the static station transmitter is the joint responsibility of the Technical Officers of the respective stations. Locations in vicinity of the allocated area are as follows:

Blackgang Z 9397	Worth Matravers Z 4196	Longload T 8844
Sopley U 5918	Bonnyface Down V 0098	Bear Head Y 6690

GCI and CHB Radars are to radiate on 209 mcs.

c. The 932nd Signal Bn ASC (Sep) will install and maintain the following circuits:

(1) One speech circuit between Fighter Control Center and each of the following installations using telephone repeater EE-89-T3 if required.

- (a) Middle Wallop Sector Operations Room
- (b) Each of 3 D/F Fixer Stations
- (c) Each of 2 Forward Director Posts
- (d) Each of 3 CHB Radar Reporting Stations
- (e) GCI Radar Stations

(2) One 5-pair cable between the Fighter Control Center and 84th Fighter Wing Switchboard.

4. a. All items of Signal Supply will be requisitioned and drawn from the 1012th Signal Company, Service Group at Keevil, with exception of VHF crystals which will be supplied by the Signal Officer, IX Air Support Command.

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Annex No. 1 to F.O. No. 3 (Cont'd)

b. Sites selected for signal installation will be obtained in accordance with the provisions of Cir. 41 Hq. ETO SOS OCE (Construction and Quartersing No. 14) SUBJECT "Requisition and Use of Land for Mobile Vehicle Temporary siting" dated 13 Nov 1943.

5. See current IX Air Support Command Signal Operation Instructions.

By Command of Brigadier General QUESADA:

JOHN F. WHITELEY
Colonel, Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

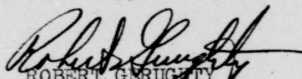
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CO, 1012 Sig Co Svc Gp	1 cy
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1st Lt., Sig Corps
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HEADQUARTERS
IX AIR SUPPORT COMMAND

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AUTH: 53, IX ASC
DATE: 29 MAR 44
INIT: K.J.M.

E-1-20

In reply refer
to 370.5

APO 595, U S Army
29 March 1944

SUBJECT: Movement of Troops

TO : Commanding Officer, 56th Signal AV Bn, APO 595, U S Army.

1. The 56th Signal AV Battalion, consisting of 58 officers and 638 EM will move o/a April 1944 from Stanlake Park, Berks to Beaulieu, Hants.
2. Movement will be made by motor, air and/or rail transportation. TDN 91-5 P433-01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 07, 08, A 212/40425.
3.
 - a. This is a permanent change of station.
 - b. All organizational equipment will be taken.
 - c. Sufficient class "C" or "K" rations to last the journey and three (3) days class "B" rations will be taken.
 - d. Tentage, tent stoves and canvas cots necessary for actual housing purposes at the new station will be drawn by requisition placed on Quartermaster of service team. (Ninth Air Force letter, file 424, dated 21 Jan 44, subj: Return to Depots of Tentage, Tent Stoves and Canvas Cots not in use.)
4. Provisions of Par 18, Ar 345-300, 1 July 1942, Adm Cir 83, Hq S O S ETOUSA, 10 November 1943; Adm Cir 52, Hq SOS ETOUSA, 17 August 1943; Adm Cir 93, Hq ETOUSA, 21 December 1943 and letter 370.5, IX Air Support Command, 22 March 1944, subj: Reports of Troop Movements, will be complied with.
5. Before departing from the old station, the Commanding Officer will secure a clearance from the Custodial Officer at that station. After arrival at the new station, the Commanding Officer will, over his signature, transmit a letter to this headquarters stating that no post, camp or station property was removed from the old station to the new station, except as allowed in letter 427, Hq Ninth Air Force dated 2 January 1944, Subj: Transfer with units of Blankets, British and Spanish type, received from RAF sources.
6. In compliance with unnumbered Memo, Hq Ninth Air Force, dated 7 December 1943, the movement will be made with full assumed combat conditions. March tables, entraining and loading schedules will be prepared and forwarded through this Headquarters by 7 April 1944 to Movements Control Office, Ninth Air Force.

By command of Brigadier General QUESADA:

s/ R. J. Mays,
t/ R. J. MAYS,
Major, AGO,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
564th Signal AW Battalion

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AUTH: CO 564 SAW BN
DATE: 7 APRIL 1944
INIT: R.F.O.

B-O-2

Field Order No.1

AWO-795, U S Army
7 April 1944

Maps: GSGS 2957 (air) 1942 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to one mile, Sheet 11.

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b. The R.A.F., US Eighth and US Ninth Air Forces are actively engaged with the enemy from bases in the U.K. The 84th Ftr. Wng. of the IX Air Support Command is operating from the South England Area, in support of the Ninth Air Force as well as the Eighth Air Force upon request.
2. The 564th Sig AW Bn will furnish radar cover and aircraft warning service in accordance with IX Ftr Cmd. Memo 100-23 dated 12 January 1944, for a front of approximately 50 miles extending from Bournemouth (U7712) thence West on the southern coast of England to Lyme Regis (T1113)
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b. Composite Company B will install and operate GCI radar reporting equipment in the vicinity of Drimpton (T0420) and COEL radar reporting equipment in the vicinity of Portland. (21294) Co. B will also operate a ground observer net consisting of five G.O. posts at pre-selected sites between Portland and Lyme Regis on the southern coast. The Plotting platoon will be attached to Radar and Plotting Company C, for duty.
c. Radar and Plotting Company C will install and operate MRU radar reporting equipment in the vicinity of Burton Brasstock (T9311) and a Filter Center in the vicinity of Bn. Hq.
4. a. Supply points for the drawing of rations are as follows:
 - (1) Station 408 for Bn Hq.
 - (2) QM Team B, 32/4th Sv Gp., Sta. 307 for 1st Reptg. Plat., Co A.
 - (3) QM Team B, 9th Sv GP., Sta 454 for 2nd Reptg Plat., Co A; 1st and 2nd Reptg. Plat., Co. B; and 2nd Reptg Plat, Co. C.
 - (4) G.O. posts will be attached for rations to nearest military mess.b. Sick and wounded will be evacuated to the Medical Det. at Bn Hq. Emergency cases will be evacuated to the nearest military hospital.
c. Movement from present station will be in accordance with March Table Incl. #1.
d. Mail will be picked up at station 409, by Bn. APO, and distributed to companies. Companies will distribute to lower echelons of command.

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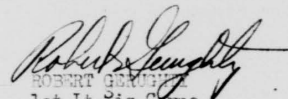
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564th Signal AW Battalion

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DATE: 7 APRIL 1944
INIT: R.F.O.

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Field Order No. 1

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7 April 1944

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3. a. Composite Company A will install and operate GCI radar reporting equipment in the vicinity of Corfe Mullen (U4019) and COEL radar reporting equipment in the vicinity of St. Alban's Head. (Z4096) Co. A will also operate a ground observer net consisting of five G.O. posts at pre-selected sites between Bournemouth and Portland on the southern coast. The Plotting platoon will be attached to Radar & Plotting Company C, for duty.
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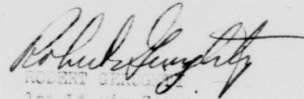
5. a. (1) See current SOI.
(2) Complete radio silence will be observed at all locations until instructions by the NCS to break silence. Radio receivers will be manned at all times.
(3) All radar reporting equipment will be set up and prepared for operation, Radar will not be operated until ordered on the air by the Filter Center.
- b. Battalion and all Company Command Posts: vicinity of Beaulieu, in communication with Filter Center. Open 1400 B, 9 April 1944.

By order of Lt. Col. HIGGINSON:

s/ Raymond F. O'Pray
t/ RAYMOND F. O'PRAY
Capt. Signal Corps
Executive Officer

Incl #1: March Table

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504th Signal AV Battalion

AFG-505, U S Army
7 April 1944

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March Table

Ser. No.	Designation	New Grid Location	No. Veh.	Approx. Mileage	B Time		Serial Commander
					I.P	E.T.A.	
1	Bn Hq & Hq Co	U7821	19	65	1045	1400	2nd Lt Muncaster
2	Hq Co A	U7821	14	67	1330	1645	2nd Lt Shuster
3	1st Reptg. Co A	U4019	11	78	0900	1415	1st Lt Talty
4	2nd Reptg., Co A	Z4096	8	98	0930	1600	1st Lt Blodgett
5	G.O. Plat., Co A	U3210	6	88	1015	1445	2nd Lt Corning
6	Hq Co B	U7821	14	65	1030	1345	1st Lt Schrensel
7	1st Reptg., Co B	T8426	12	114	0830	1600	1st Lt Gans
8	2nd Reptg., Co B	Z1294	9	113	0915	1645	2nd Lt O'Brien
9	G.O. Plat., Co B	U0816	7	99	1000	1500	2nd Lt Duncan
10	Hq Co C	U7821	18	67	0945	1300	2nd Lt Gutowski
11	2nd Reptg., Co C	T9311	12	112	0845	1615	2nd Lt Krumm

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SERIAL No. 1,2,6,10 -A4 Reading; A33, A32 Hook; HF222 Basingstroke; A30, A33 Winchester; A31 Romsey; A31 Cadnam; A33/ Lyndhurst; A337 Brockenhurst; B3033 to site.

SERIAL No. 3 - A4 Reading; A33, A32 Hook; HF222 Basingstroke; A30, A33 Winchester; A31 Romsey; A31 Ringwood; A31 Womborne Minster; A31 Cerre Mullen to site.

SERIAL No. 4 - A4 Reading; A33, A32 Hook; HF222 Basingstroke; A30, A33 Winchester; A31 Romsey; A31 Cadnam; A31 Ringwood; A31 Wimbourne Minster; A349, A33 Lyncett Minster; A331 Wareham; A331 Cerre Castle; B3069 Kingston; to site.

SERIAL No. 5 - A4 Reading; A33, A32 Hook; HF222 Basingstroke; A30, A33 Winchester; A31 Romsey; A31 Cadnam; A31 Ringwood; A31 Wimbourne Minster; A349, A33 Lyncett Minster; A331 Wareham; to site.

SERIAL No. 7 - A4 Reading; A4 Newberry; A343 Andover; A343, A30 Salisbury; A30 Wilton; A30 Shartesbury; A30 Yeovil; A30 Crewkerne; B3163, B3162 Drimton; to site.

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F.O. No 1 Incl: Nol, Mq 564th Signal AW Bn dtd 7 April (Cont'd)

SERIAL No. 8 - A4 Reading; A23, A52 Hook; HF222 Basingstoke; A20, A22 Winchester; A51 Romsey; A31 Cadram; A31 Ringwood; A51 Womborne Minster; A249, A27 Lytchett Minster; A351 Wareham; A352, A225 Poxville; A323, A354 Weymouth; A274 Isle of Portland (site).

SERIAL No. 9 - A4 Reading; A4 Newberry; A343 Andover; A343, A30 Salisbury; A354 Blandford; A353 Puddletown; A354 Dorchester; A22, A226 Grimston; to site.

SERIAL No. 11 - A4 Reading; A4 Newberry; A343 Andover; A242, A30 Salisbury; A374 Blandford; A353 Puddletown; A374 Dorchester; A22 Bridgeport; B2127 Burton Bradstock; to site.

CONVOY OFFICER: WO(jg) VERNON E. WARD W2116709

IP; RR Bridge east end of Twyford RR Station

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APO 696, U S Army
20 April 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)
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NUMBER.....108)

SECTION I: ASSIGNMENT OF UNITS
SECTION II: AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDER

SECTION I

1. The 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Bn, is relieved from assignment to the IX Tactical Air Command, and assigned to the IX Air Defense Command, effective the date of this order.
2. The 573rd Signal Aircraft Warning Bn, is relieved from assignment to the XIX Tactical Air Command, and assigned to the IX Air Defense Command, effective the date of this order.

SECTION II

1. Pursuant to the instructions contained in Letter, Headquarters, USSTAF, file 322, 15 April 1944, subject: "Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Force Units", so much of Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders No 64, this Headquarters, 20 March 1944, as reads: "3rd AAF Rad Sq, Mobile (G)", is amended to read: 3rd Rad Sq, Mobile (G).

By command of Major General BRERETON:

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Brig Gen USA
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/t/ C R BIRBARI
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F O 3 (Warning Order)

Maps: GSGS 3957 Sheet No. 3, 6, 8 and 11.

1. Omitted.
2. a. The battalion will move from its present location to proposed locations in two echelons. The forward echelon will leave present sites o/a 29 April 1944 and will consist of all personnel and equipment required for immediate tactical operation. The move will be made under full combat conditions and operations will be started as soon as possible upon arrival at new locations. The forward echelon will be commanded by the Bn C.O. with Hq at *****.
- b. The rear echelon will consist of all personnel and equipment not included in the forward echelon. It will be commanded by the Bn Executive Officer with Hq at present battalion Hq location. The rear echelon will leave this location o/a 5 May 1944 and will proceed to forward echelon Hq near *****.
- c. Detailed breakdown of personnel and equipment for forward and rear echelons will be submitted at least 48 hours prior to IP time by each company to meet general requirements as set forth in Par 2, a and 2,b. Breakdown of Bn staff will be supplied to Hq Co by the Bn Executive Officer.
3. x. The forward echelon is charged with the installation and operation of an AW net in area to be designated. The rear echelon is charged with the dismantling and collection of tents, cots and other organizational equipment left at Bn Hq site; the safe arrival of these items at forward echelon Hq; thorough policing of old Bn Hq area; and clearance from the proper authorities.
4. a. (1) Sufficient B, C and K rations to feed twenty-seven (27) meals will be carried by each convoy serial. These rations will be carried in the following amounts:
 - (a) B rations - nine (9) meals.
 - (b) C rations - nine (9) meals.
 - (c) K rations - nine (9) meals.

On the march, B rations will be served at the morning and evening meals and C and K rations will be alternated at the noon meals. Reporting and GO platoon commanders will be responsible for the messing of their own personnel except those with the rear echelon. Messing of remaining personnel with the forward echelon will be consolidated under the direction of Composite Co "B". Sufficient mess personnel (p teams) to adequately handle this detail will be atdhd, for duty, to Composite Co B. from Bn Hq & Hq Co and Composite Co "A" and Radar & Plot Co "C". Mess trucks will precede convoy serials to bivouac areas, set up, serve a hot evening meal, hot breakfast, pack up and proceed to the next bivouac site. Mess trucks need not stay in convoy, but may travel alone in order to be set up and operating prior to the arrival of the convoy at a bivouac area.

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Radar & Plot Co "C" will retain sufficient mess personnel to operate a consolidated mess for the rear echelon at the present Bn Hq location and on the march. Messing, on the march, will be handled exactly as prescribed for the forward echelon. Upon arrival at new locations, each reporting and G O platoon commander will set up and operate his own mess. Composite Co "B" will operate a consolidated mess for all personnel located at Bn Hq. Mess personnel atchd to Composite Co "B" will remain atchd for duty and upon arrival of rear echelon at new Bn Hq, remainder of Radar & Plot Co "C" P teams will be atchd to Composite Co "B" for duty in the consolidated mess.

The nine (9) days rations will be drawn from Sta 408 by Bn Mess Officer and distributed to companies at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the first IP time for further distribution to reporting and G O platoons.

Beginning 1 May 1944, reporting and G O platoons will send ration truck to Bn Hq at 1500 B, daily.

(2) Each platoon will carry a minimum of 25% of each calibre ammunition authorized, with the forward echelon. No boxes will be broken to make this division. If ammunition is expended en route, replacement will be requisitioned through Bn S-4. Rear echelon will bring up remainder of ammunition.

- (3) All motor vehicle gas tanks and gas cans will be filled prior to time of departure. Sufficient white gas to supply stoves and lanterns for five (5) days will be carried. If white gas is unavailable, leaded gasoline will be substituted.

S-4 will designate gassing points along the general route of march. Company march tables will be planned to make use of these points.

Platoons will draw gasoline and fuel oil from Bn Hq after arrival at new locations.

Due to indefinite sources of supply in new area, it is imperative that each reporting platoon take with it as much Diesel fuel oil as can be procured and carried from present location.

b. Omitted.

- c. S-3 will designate bivouac areas for forward echelon. Reporting and G O platoons will travel as separate serials. Co Hq and Plotting platoons will be consolidated where practical. Companies will prepare own march orders for forward echelon units and submit to Bn Hq for approval and coordination with RTO prior to 0800 B, 26 April 44.

S-4 will designate bivouac area and prepare march order for rear echelon.

d. Omitted.

- e. (1) At least twelve (12) hours prior to departure time, reporting and G O platoons will turn in to Co supply officer, all cots, mattresses and pyramidal tents used for sleeping. Ammunition in excess of 25% mentioned in Par 4, a, (2) will also be turned in at this time. Every effort will be made to take all organization equipment with the forward echelon.

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(2) Class "A" Finance Officers will pay officers and men of designated company. They will draw payroll at Sta 408 on 30 April 44 and pay officers and enlisted men located at rear echelon and then proceed to bivouac areas and other necessary locations to pay remainder of company. After all possible payments have been made, they will return surplus money and payroll to Finance Officer at Sta 408 and then join rear echelon.

- 5. a. (1) See current SOI.
- (2) All forward echelon wire work will be the responsibility of Bn Hq & Hq Co and will be done under the supervision of the Bn Communications Officer. One (1) wire team from Composite Co "A", one (1) from Composite Co "B" and One (1) from Radar & Plotting Co "C" less one (1) switchboard operator who will be attached to Bn Hq & Hq and will move with the forward echelon. One (1) wire team from Radar & Plotting Co "C" plus one (1) extra switchboard operator will remain with the rear echelon. All rear echelon wire work will be the responsibility of Radar & Plot Co "C".
- (3) All radio equipment will go with the forward echelon. Distribution of complete sets where required will be coordinated by the Bn Communication Officer. It will be the responsibility of individual platoon commanders having complete sets to insure their arrival at new locations in an operable condition.
- (4) Establishment of radio communications at the Filter Center will be the responsibility of Bn Hq & Hq Co. All radio men from companies A, B & C who are not normally assigned to a reporting platoon will move with the forward echelon and will be attached to Bn Hq & Hq Co for duty.
- (5) Establishment of radio communications at outlying sites is the responsibility of each platoon commander.
- b. Command Posts.
 - (1) Forward echelon.
 - Bn route: Head of Bn Hq serial.
 - Bivouac 29-30 April: Vicinity of Coventry, opens 1400 B.
 - Bivouac 30 April-1 May: Vicinity of Silby, opens 1400 B.
 - (2) Rear Echelon.
 - AAF Sta 408.

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564th Signal AW Battalion

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AUTH: CO 564SAW BN
DATE: 29 APRIL 44
INIT: GMI GMI

AAF Station, 408
28 April 1944, 1200B

FO 4

Maps; G.S.G.S. 3957, Sheets 3, 6, 8, and 11.

1. a. Enemy air forces are operating from bases in continental Europe.
b. The ABAF, consisting of TAF, U.S. Eighth and U.S. Ninth Air Forces are actively engaged with the enemy from bases in the U.K. The IX Air Defence Command is providing air defence for north-eastern England.
2. a. See FO 3 and add * * * * The vicinity of SELBY (A509452) and will remain there for further orders.
b. See FO 3.
c. See FO 3.
3. x. See FO 3.
4. a. (1) So much of paragraph 4 a (1), FO 3 reading:
"Sufficient B, C, & K rations * * * noon meals," will be changed to read: Sufficient C, and K rations to feed eight--
teen (18) meals will be carried by each convoy serial. These rations will be carried in the following amounts:
(a) C rations - nine (9) meals.
(b) K rations - nine (9) meals.
On the march C rations will be served at the morning and evening meals and K rations will be served at the noon meal.
b. (1) On the march, reporting platoons will be taken care of by assigned medical personnel. List of U.S. Army hospitals along the route has been forwarded to Co. C.O. In case of emergency, if no U.S. hospitals near, a British or Canadian hospital will be used and the En Surgeon will be notified at once. Water will be carried, or if secured on the march, will be chlorinated. Straddle trenches will be dug and latrine screens will be erected at the noon and evening halts. There will be two (2) medical technicians remaining with the rear echelon.
(2) Salvage. No salvage or refuse will be discarded enroute. Collection of salvaged material and refuse will be made at the overnight bivouac sites. Salvage will be turned in to En. S-4 after arrival at final location.
c. (1) See FO 3. Serials leaving from present En. Hq. location will bivouac in the vicinity of Coventry night of 29 April. Serials leaving from outlying sites will bivouac in the vicinity of Leamington night of 29 April. All serials will bivouac in the vicinity of Selby night of 30 April. See Annex I, March Table.

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FO 4 Par 4 Hq 564th Sig AW Bn dtd 28 April 44 (cont'd)

- d. Omitted.
 - e. (1) See FO # 3.
 - (2) See FO # 3.
 - (3) Uniform will be fatigues (Officers and enlisted men), leggings, helmets, packs with horseshoe roll, (enlisted men only), gas mask, and field jackets (optional). Helmet liner is sufficient if steel helmet is kept readily available for emergency. Horseshoe roll will contain two (2) blankets. One additional blanket may be carried.
 - (4) Mail will be collected prior to movement and will not be posted until after arrival at final destination. Handling of mail will continue as before by the Bn and Co. mail clerks.
 - (5) On the march the companies will continue to complete the morning reports but will hold them in the company Hq until arrival at new location. Immediately upon arrival the M/R will be forwarded to the Bn Hq. Particular attention will be paid to the "Station and Record of Events" section on the M/R. After arrival, daily M/R will be forwarded by each company so as to reach Bn. Hq. no later than 0745B each day.
5. a. See Fo 3 with following deletions and additions.
Delete sub-paragraph (2) and substitute the following:
- (2) Wire work at the forward echelon will be the responsibility of the individual companies as directed by letter, Hq 564th SAW Bn, 27 April 1944, Subject: Distribution of Wire Personnel. All rear echelons wire work will be the responsibility of Co. C. One (1) wire team plus one (1) switchboard operator will remain with the rear echelon for this purpose.
 - (3) No change.
 - (4) No change.
 - (5) No change.
 - (6) Cryptographic facilities for transmission of messages between higher headquarters and within the battalion net will be carried in safe by all serials and will be available during entire movement.
- b. No change.

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MARCH TABLE

28 April 1944, 1730B

FIRST DAY

Convoy	Serial	Leave	Halt	Halt	Halt	Halt	Leave	Halt	Halt	Halt
Hq	Hq	0400	0445	0645	0845	1045	1200	1345	1545	1745
	A	0415								
	B	0430								
	C	0500	X							
GO-A	0400	0445								
GCI-A	0400									
GCI-B	0400									
COel-A	0400					Noon Halt				
COel-B	0400									
MRU	0400	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

SECOND DAY

CONVOY	SERIAL	Leave	Halt	Halt	Halt	Halt	Leave	Halt	Halt	Halt
Hq	Hq	0400	0445	0645	0845	1045	1200	1345	1545	1745
	A	0415	Y							
	B	0430	Y							
	C	0500	X							
GO-A	0500	X								
GCI-A	0515	X								
GCI-B	0530	X								
COel-A	0545	X				Noon Halt				
COel-B	0600	X								
MRU	0615	X	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Halts will be for 15 minutes except noon halts, which will be for 1 hour and 15 minutes. Headquarters convoy will not exceed 30 miles per hour.

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564th Signal AW Battalion

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AUTH: CO 564TH SAW BN
DATE: 20 AUGUST 1944
INIT: GMM

Chateau de Pepinvast (O-348206)
Le Vast, Manche, France
20 August 1944 2200 B

FO 9

Maps: G.S.G.S. 4249, Sheets 5E and 6E.

1. a. See latest Ninth Air Force Intelligence Summary.
b. 2nd Air Defense Wing (Prov.), located at Le Vast (O-348206) will schedule patrols, arrange for scramble missions, and coordinate matters pertaining to operations of the 564th Sig AW Bn and the 321st FC Sqn with the Night Fighter Sqn. The 321st FC Sqn, located at Le Vast (O-348206), will control available day and night fighters of the 422nd Night Fighter Sqn based at A-15 (O-250239) for operational training.
2. The 564th Sig AW Bn will set up and operate an AW net on the Cherbourg Peninsula in order to provide filtered aircraft and shipping information on friendly and enemy forces to the 321st FC Sqn for operational training.
3. a. Composite Co A, with Hq located at (O-372200), will set up and operate a GCI to be located at (O-074277) and a COL to be located at (O-372200).
b. Composite Co B, with Hq located at (T-067864) will set up and operate a GCI to be located at (T-078866) and a COL to be located at (N-945115).
c. Radar and Plotting Co C with Hq. located at (O-348206) will set up and operate a Filter Center in the Chateau De Pepinvast (O-348206), a GCI to be located at (O-184041) and an MRU to be located at (O-201165).
x. Normal sweep angles (based on true north) for the radars will be assigned by the Filter Officer after reporting platoon has made contact with Filter Center. Units will go into operation as soon as possible after arriving at sites. Flexible scale maps of sites will be drawn up and submitted to the Bn Hq within twenty-four (24) hours after occupation of site; these will include location of direct on signs. Defense plans for each site will be submitted to the Bn Hq within seventy-two (72) hours after arrival at site. Detachments from 321st FC Sqn will move with the GCI's they are attached to. All moves will be made upon receipt of verbal orders.
4. See Administrative Order No. 1.
5. a. (1) See current SOI and Annex 1, Signal Orders
(2) Mailman from companies "A" and "B" will pick up and deliver traffic to Bn Msg Cen at 1400 daily. Delivery to Hq Co and Co C. will be made by Bn Msg Cen.

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Par 5 FO 9 Hq 564th Sig AW Bn dtd 20 Aug 44 (cont'd)

- b. Command Rosts:
Bn Hq: No Change
Co A : O-372200, opens (verbal)
Co B : T-067864, Opens (verbal)
Co C : No change

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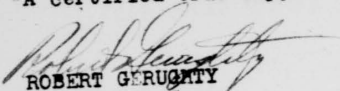
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Date: 30 Sep 1944

Init: GMH

Chateau Des Agneaux (VS-271310)
OZOIR LA FERRIERE, Seine Et Marne,
France

30 September 1944, 1730A

FO 11

Maps: G.S.G.S. 4042, Sheets 3, 5, 6, 8 and 9.

1. a. German aircraft, forced to evacuate airfields in France and Belgium, and threatened in Holland, have returned to Germany proper. Because of the concentration of enemy fighter aircraft at airfields in Germany, and because the battle line is moving into Germany, Allied aircraft can expect to encounter more severe opposition by the Luftwaffe. Jet propelled enemy fighters will probably be used in increasing numbers. At present it is reported that two staffeln, equipped with ME-163, are operational in Northeast and Central Germany. Also two staffeln using ME-262 are operational in Southwest Germany, and one ground attack staffeln, thought to be equipped with ME-262, is located in Western Germany. The fighters engaged in the battle area number some 535. For distribution of these and other type a/c, see Annex 1, Intelligence Annex. Both the quality and quantity of the GAF effort has taken an upward trend this week, in contrast to the weak and spotty activity recorded during the preceding weeks. While most of the sorties were flown in an effort to break up Eighth Air Force formations, there was a relatively ambitious effort devoted to patrolling and attacking objectives over the various battle area. Night activity, however, remained negligible, with few fighters airborne and no evidence of night bomber operations.
- b. the 2nd Air Defense Wing and the 321st Fighter Control Squadron will be located in the vicinity of xxxxxxxxxxxx. The 422nd Night Fighter Squadron will be located in the vicinity of FLORENNES (VO-8080) and the 425th Night Fighter Squadron will be located in the vicinity of xxxxxxxxxxxx. Both squadrons will be used for night fighter and intruder missions.
2. The 564th Signal AW Bn will advance from present location to the vicinity of xxxxxxxxxxxx and will be prepared to set up an AW net under the direction of the 2nd Air Defense Wing.
3. a. Composite Co A will set up their headquarters and a GCI which will be located at xxxxxxxxxxxx. COL-A will remain unoperational at company headquarters.
- b. Composite Co B will set up their headquarters and a GCI which will be located at xxxxxxxxxxxx. COL-B will remain unoperational at company headquarters.

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- c. Radar and Plotting Co C, with headquarters in the vicinity of Bn Hq, will set up and operate a Filter Center at Bn Hq, a FCI to be located at xxxxxxxx. The MRU will remain at MONTMIRAIL (vc-944391) and will report early warning information to 47th AAA Brigade as soon as communication facilities are available.
 - d. LW-3 of Co D, 563rd Signal AW Bn will set up and operate at the airbase at which the 422nd Night Fighter Squadron is based.
 - x. Company Commanders will be responsible for the movement of their respective platoons in accordance with verbal orders. Attached units will move with the units they are attached to at the present time. Units will go into operation as soon as possible after arriving at sites. Normal sweep angles (based on grid north) for the radars will be assigned by the Filter Officer after reporting platoon has made contact with Filter Center. Defense plans for each outlying Co Hq or radar site will be submitted to the Bn Hq within seventy-two (72) hours after arrival at site. All moves will be made upon receipt of verbal orders. Ops Memo #8, Hq 564th Sig AW Bn, dtd 20 Aug 44 will be complied with by radar platoons. Locations of new sites will be given verbally.
4. a. See Adm O 1, 20 Aug 44 and as amended by FO 10, 27 Aug 44.
- b. Companies will arrange to serve hot morning and evening meals, and cold noon meals while enroute. All water trailers will be filled before departure from present location. All efforts to conserve water will be made.
 - c. All fuel tanks and containers will be filled prior to move. Every effort to transport extra fuel will be made, as a shortage of all types of this item exists in the new area.
 - d. All casualties will be treated by attached medical personnel. Serious cases will be taken to nearest hospital.
 - e. All trash and garbage will be buried in bivouac areas enroute. No debris of any kind will be thrown from vehicles.
 - f. Drivers will maintain proper interval of 60 yards while in motion and at halts. All vehicle tarps will be removed, except those carrying equipment. All canvas cab tops will be rolled back. Drivers will observe priority of other vehicles and take extreme caution with transportation.
 - g. Routes - Verbal.
 - h. Routes will be marked by temporary signs consisting of a red arrow painted on a background of yellow cardboard. The size of the signs are approximately ten inches by five inches.

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1. There will be no mail pickup while enroute to the new location. When the Battalion Command Post has been established mail will be picked up by the Co mail clerk at 1500 hours daily. Outgoing mail will be delivered to the Bn mail clerk at this time. All platoons will handle mail through the Co mail clerk. There will be no direct delivery to platoons.
- j. Companies will hold Morning Reports and will turn them in to Bn Hqat new destination.
5. a. (1) See current SOI and Annex 2 to FO 11, Signal orders.
(2) The advance party will contain three wire team personnel from Co A with wire truck complete with equipment, two SCR-188 and one AN/CRC-3 to be used as directed by Communications Officer.
- b. Command Posts.
 - (1) On the March.
 - Bn - Head of Hq Co Serial
 - Hq Co - Same
 - Co A - Head of Co A Hq Serial
 - Co B - Head of Co B Hq Serial
 - Co C - Head of Co C Hq Serial
 - (2) Bivouac
All CP's located in bivouac area open upon arrival.
 - (3) At Destination: Verbal - All CP's to open upon Arrival.

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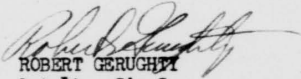
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BICUL, Namur, Belgium
28 October 1944, 1200A

FQ #12

Maps G.S.S.S. 4042, Sheets 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8. G.S.S.S. 2730, Sheet 3A / 8.

1. a. The present mission of GAF fighters is the interception of USAAF and RAF bombers attacking strategic targets in central Germany. The present fighter strength of the GAF on the Western front is now estimated at 1,370 SE and 750 TE fighters. Long range bomber strength is estimated at 175 aircraft, of which 27 are engaged in the releasing of flying bombs against targets on the continent and Southern England. In the past week the flying bomb has been employed in increased numbers against front line troops, the port of Antwerp and communication centers in Holland and Belgium. Because the release of flying bombs from Bombers has met with a certain degree of success against targets in Southern England, the possibility of their use against the City of Paris should not be dismissed. The Southern North Sea is the area from which flying bombs are now being released.
- b. The IX Air Defense Command is located at Versailles (VR9056) and is responsible for the air defense of Paris and certain port areas. AAA and AW are dispersed at strategic locations with SOR at LeHavre (VL5020), Rouen (VM2015), Paris (V30540) and at Mortefontaine (V32570).
2. The 564th Sig AW Bn will move from present location to the vicinity of Ozoir-la-Ferriere (V32731) and will set up an AW net to supply early warning to SOR as required.
3. a. Bn Hq & Hq Co, will proceed on 29 Oct 44 to Chateau Des Agneaux, (V321510), Ozoir la Ferriere.
- b. Composite Co A, will move on 29 Oct 44 to vicinity of Soissons (V31999) and will set up and operate Type 11 and 15 radar for early warning, located vicinity of Fournies (V02660), COL-A will remain in present location and await further orders.
- c. Composite Co B, will move on 29 Oct 44 to vicinity of Meaux (V34451) & will set up and operate Type 11 and 15 radar for early warning, located at Etrepilly (V35303). COL-B will remain in present location and await further orders.
- d. Radar and Plotting Co C with attached Ground Radar Service Teams will move on 29 Oct 44 to Chateau Des Agneaux, Ozoir la Ferriere (V321510) and will set up and operate a Filter Center at Bn Hq, and Type 11 and 15 radars, early warning located at Pontarcy (VT5841). MRU-C will remain at Montmirail (V3944391) and upon receipt of verbal orders will report early warning to the Filter Center.

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- e. LW-3 or Co D, 503rd Signal AW Bn will move on 29 Oct 44 to Chateau Des Agneaux, Osoir la Ferriere (vSz11210) and await further orders.
 - x. Units will go into operation as soon as possible after arriving at sites. Normal sweep angles (based on grid north) for the radars will be assigned by the Filter Officer after reporting platoon has made contact with Filter Center. Defense plans for each outlying Co Hq and radar site will be submitted to the Bn Hq within seventy-two (72) hours after arrival at site. Ops Memo #8, 504th Sig AW Bn, dated 20 Aug 44 will be strictly complied with.
4. a. Every effort will be made to serve hot morning and evening meals while enroute. Water trailers will be filled before departure from present location. All efforts to conserve water will be made.
- b. Fuel tanks will be filled prior to move. Gasoline and diesel fuel, and all empty jerry cans will be transported to new location.
 - c. Casualties will be treated by attached medical personnel. Serious cases will be taken to nearest hospital.
 - d. Trash and garbage will be buried in bivouac areas enroute. No debris of any kind will be thrown from vehicles.
 - e. Drivers will maintain proper interval of sixty (60) yards while in motion, and at all halts. Extreme caution will be practiced by all drivers. Priority of other vehicles will be observed.
- f. Routes: Bn Hq & Hq Co; Hq and Filter Center, Radar and Plotting Co "C" and L/W 3, Co D, 503rd AW Bn; see Annex #2. Company Commanders will be responsible for all routes not designated in Annex #2.
- g. Routes will be marked by temporary signs consisting of a red arrow painted on a background of yellow cardboard. The size of the signs is approximately ten inches by five inches.
- h. There will be no mail pickup while enroute to the new location. When the Battalion Command Post has been established mail will be picked up by the Co mail clerk at 1500 hours daily. Outgoing mail will be delivered to the Bn mail clerk at this time. All platoons will handle mail through the Co mail clerk. There will be no direct delivery to platoons.
- i. Companies will hold Morning Reports and will turn them in to Bn Hq at destination.
5. a. See current SOI and Annex 1 to FO 12, Signal Orders.
- b. Command Posts.
(1) On the March.
Bn - Head of Hq Co Serial
Hq Co - Same

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- Co A - Head of Co A Hq Serial
- Co B - Head of Co B Hq Serial
- Co C - Head of Co C Hq Serial
- LW-) - Head of LW Serial
- (2) Bivouac.
All CP's located in bivouac area open upon arrival.
- (3) At Destination: All CP's open upon arrival.

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Major, Sig C
Executive

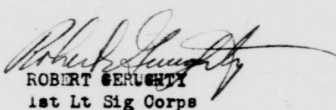
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ANNEX 2: Route Map

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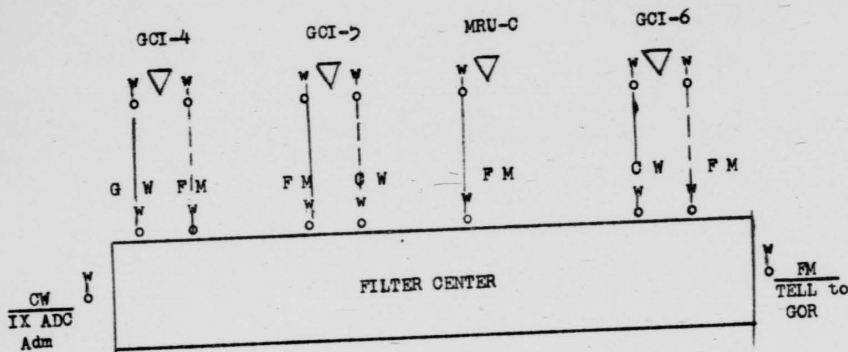
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ANNEX 1 to FO 12, Signal Orders.

HEADQUARTERS
564th SAW Bn
APO-658, US Army
29 October 1944



By order of Lieutenant Colonel HIGGINSON:

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Executive

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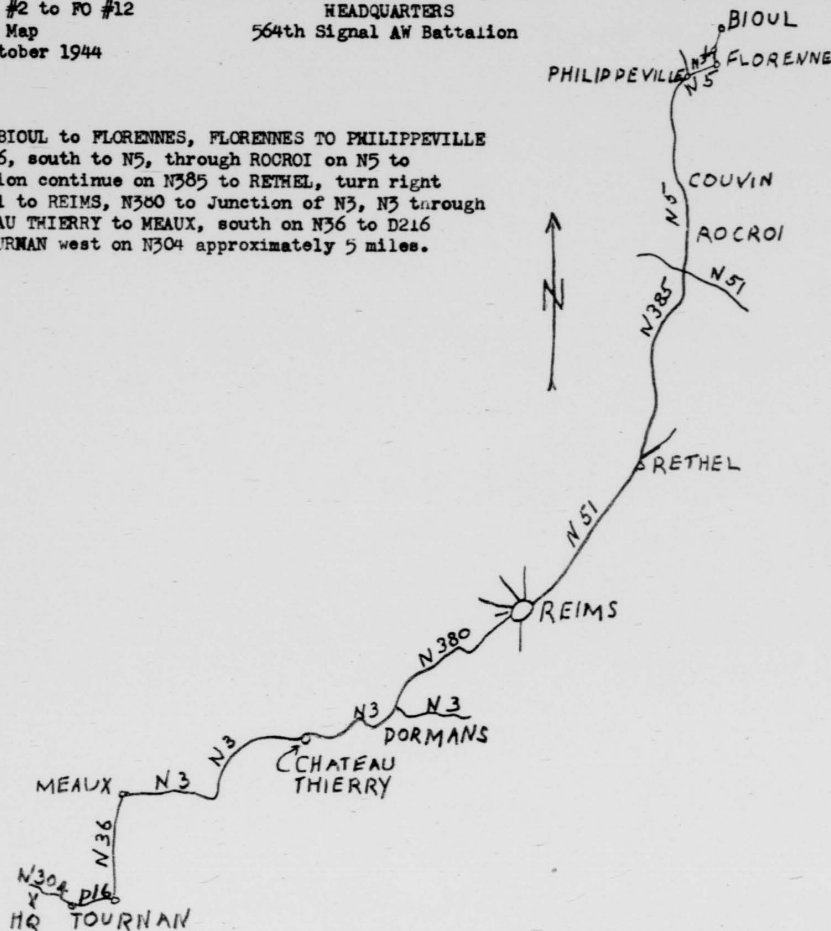
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ANNEX #2 to FO #12
Route Map
28 October 1944

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564th Signal AW Battalion

From BIOUL to FLORENNES, FLORENNES TO PHILIPPEVILLE on N36, south to N5, through ROCROI on N5 to Junction continue on N385 to RETHEL, turn right on N51 to REIMS, N380 to Junction of N3, N3 through CHATEAU THIERRY to MEAUX, south on N36 to D216 at TOURNAN west on N304 approximately 5 miles.



By order of Lieutenant Colonel HIGGINSON:

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Major, Sig C
Executive

OFFICIAL:

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t/ JOHN A. GRAFFIUS
Capt., Sig C
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

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HEADQUARTERS
564th Signal AW Battalion
APO-638, US Army

12 November 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)

: * * * * * E X T R A C T * * * * *

No 174)

1. The following named O & EM, 2nd Reporting Platoon Composite Company "A" this orgn, are placed on DS, will proceed from this station to 52nd AAA Brigade, APO-638, U S Army, eff o/a 12 Nov 44, for an indefinite period of time. RUA to CO 52nd AAA Brigade. Upon completion of this temp dy, unless sooner relieved, will return to proper orgn and sta. (AUTH: T/T N-213 Hq IX ADC, dtd 11 Nov 44) TDM by MT

1ST LT	BLODGETT, MORRIS R.	0-471080	0110
2D LT	GERUGHTY, ROBERT (NMI)	0-1638660	2120
CWO	FUERMAN, NORMAN (NMI)	W-2121628	0110
M/Sgt	Borde, Peter P.	20600694	953
S/Sgt	Hoole, William G.	32333813	953
Tec 3	Prague, Burton S.	11095867	953
Sgt	Frahnappfel, Francis L.	32571700	821
Sgt	Severson, Arthur E.	36802463	514
Sgt	Strasser, Robert H.	12189055	514
Sgt	Sullivan, Donald J.	36614198	514
Sgt	Ziebell, Charles R.	36806549	766
Tec 4	Grand, Saul A.	12140570	953
Tec 4	Kendrick, Obe (NMI)	37408405	060
Tec 4	Rieg, Edwin W.	32475400	081
Tec 5	Breault, Ernest C.	36724185	514
Tec 5	Cave, John T.	31015225	081
Tec 5	Jones, Colonel E.	33432766	514
Tec 5	Karolyi, Louis (NMI)	36567180	514
Tec 5	Lograno, Charles M.	32708559	901
Tec 5	Mitchell, E. P. Jr.	38231059	060
Tec 5	Nadeau, Henry J.	31512564	514
Tec 5	Ragar, Daniel E.	37412730	514
Tec 5	Ragley, Joseph O.	32769998	766
Tec 5	Smith, Warren A.	31253356	514
Tec 5	Spence, Robert N.	34764373	648
Tec 5	Maddell, Charlie W.	14125494	014
Tec 5	Wallen, Edward D.	33621943	409
Tec 5	White, Paul B.	32734341	766
Tec 5	wieczorkowski, Walter V.	33557309	514
Pfc	Cox, James H.	34608372	514
Pfc	Fox, John R.	31301872	514
Pfc	Hamilton, Joe B.	38392464	514
Pfc	Lazzara, Walter F.	35346157	776
Pfc	McEntire, Joe D.	38444068	345

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Par 1 SO 174 Hq 564th SAW Bn dtd 12 Nov 44 (cont'd)

Pvt	Carbonia, Charles A.	34702081	409	(Hosp)
Pvt	Cieri, Elmer H.	33244303	521	
Pvt	Leland, Robert S.	33642605	521	
Pvt	Listhartke, Howard J.	36654971	514	
Pvt	Mendenhall, William C.	38345428	521	
Pvt	Reed, William E.	33727766	521	
Pvt	Streeter, Bowman F.	32487055	514	(Hosp)
Pvt	Tomasino, Joseph J.	32855406	835	
Pvt	Vitale, Anthony S.	33607725	521	

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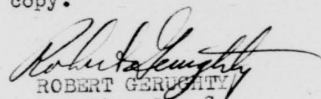
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Asst. Adjutant

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Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

APO-638, US Army
20 November 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)
:
NUMBER 93)

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), and in accordance with authority delegated by the Ninth Air Force, letter 200.6, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, dated 13 September 1944, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded the following named personnel, organization indicated, IX Air Defense Command:

* * * * *
COMPANY "A", 564th SIGNAL AIR WARNING BATTALION

WILLIAM R. BALLAS, 35454917, Technician Fifth Grade. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 19 September 1944 to 13 November 1944.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

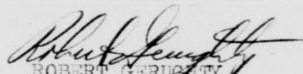
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CARLETON R. FORD
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Lt Col AC
Adjutant General

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564th Signal AW Battalion

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AUTH: CO, 564TH SAW BN
DATE: 15 DECEMBER 1944
INIT: G.M.H.

APC-638, U S Army
15 December 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)
:
No. 10)

1. Pursuant to authority contained in General Orders #280, Hq Ninth A.F., 1 December 1944 and Letter, Hq. Ninth A.F., AG 322, 1 December 1944, subject: "Reorganization of Signal Aircraft Warning Units", the reorganization of the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion is hereby confirmed, effective this date.

2. a. Battalion Headquarters and Headquarters Company is redesignated as Headquarters and Plotting Company.
- b. Composite Company "A" is redesignated as Company "A"
- c. Composite Company "B" is redesignated as Company "B"
- d. Radar and Plotting Company "C" is redesignated as Company "C".

3. This battalion is constituted as follows:

Team Composition T/O and E 11-400, 1 March 1944, C-1 and 2	Auth. Strengths			Atchd Medical (Incl in Auth Str)	
	Off.	WO	EM	Off.	EM
Hq. and Plotting Co.					
A B E H I J L P Q R T 1 1 1 1 6 5 4 5 1 1 1	30	1	254	3	12
Companies "A", "B" and "C" (each)					
B C D P R S U 1 2 2 2 1 3 1	7	2	162	0	9
Total Battalion					
A B C D E H I J L P Q R S T U 1 4 5 6 1 1 6 5 4 1 1 9 1 3	51	7	740	3	39

* Indicated strengths include reduction of Basics (SSN 521) in accordance with provisions of Sec. V, Cir. 201, WD, 1944 as amended by Sec. III, Cir. 266, WD, 1944.

4. This battalion will be equipped in accordance with T/O and E 11-400, 1 March 1944, as amended, with modifications and special instructions as follows:

- a. Battalion will operate mobile equipment; hence, note "m", paragraph 7, Section II, General, T/O and E 11-400, 1 March 44 will apply.

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GO#10 Hq 564th Sig AW Bn dtd 15 Dec 44 (cont'd)

b. Radar equipment such as SCR 270, SCR 527, SCR 602, is not authorized Radar Reporting Platoons C or Lightweight Radar Reporting Platoons U; however, each Radar Reporting Platoon C operating Radio Sets SCR 510, including SCR 188. Special Radar and Radio Equipment will be assigned by the Theater Commander.

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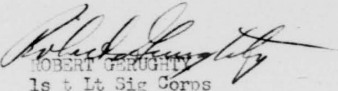
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HEADQUARTERS
564th Signal AW Battalion
APO-638, US Army

3 January 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS)

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No. 3) 1. The following named O & EM are reld fr DS
52nd AAA Brigade, APO-638, US Army:

1ST LT	BLODGETT, MORRIS R.	0-471080	0110
2D LT	GERUGHTY, ROBERT (NMI)	0-1638660	2120
CWO	FUERMAN, NORMAN (NMI)	W-2121628	0110
M/Sgt	Borde, Peter P.	20600694	953
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Pfc	McEntire, Joe D.	38444068	345
Pvt	Carbonia, Charles A.	34702081	409
Pvt	Cieri, Elmer N.	33244303	521
Pvt	Contreras, Phillip M.	39854989	521
Pvt	Kenyon, Harold R.	37672358	521

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Pvt	Leland, Robert S.	33642605	521
Pvt	Listhartke, Howard J.	36654971	514
Pvt	Mendenhall, William G.	38345428	521
Pvt	Reed, William E.	33727766	521
Pvt	Streeter, Bowman F.	32487055	514
Pvt	Tomasino, Joseph J.	32835406	835
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Pvt	Wojdyla, Henry NMI	32673299	409

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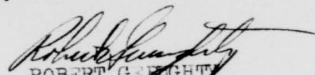
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HEADQUARTERS
56th Signal AV Battalion

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AUTH: CO 56th SAW BN
DATE: 3 JAN 1945
INIT: RPO

Chateau-Des-Agneaux
Ozoir-Le-Ferriere,
Seine-et-Marne
3 January 1945, 1400A

FO #13

Maps: G.S. G. S. 4238, Sheets 53, 56, and 61.

1. See current A-2 summary.
2. See FO #12.
3. COI-A will move from present location without delay and proceed to Bn Hq preparatory to setting up and operating type 14 radar in the Paris area. One (1) sitting officer will precede the platoon and arrive at Bn Hq as soon as possible.
4. Administrative Order #2.
5. Current SOI.

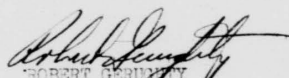
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UNIT HISTORY

564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION

— APO-688 U.S. ARMY

1ST FEBRUARY 1945
TO
28th FEBRUARY 1945

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZATION:

a. One "C" team consisting of two (2) Officers, one (1) Warrant Officer and forty-five (45) enlisted men assigned to 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, 15 February 1945.

b. One platoon of Ground Observers consisting of two (2) Officers and sixty-one (61) enlisted men relieved from assignment with 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, effective 15th February 1945.

c. Company and platoon organization modified for operational purposes, effective 15th February 1945.

d. Detachment "A" Company "B" (one "U" team) consisting of one (1) Officer and thirty-two (32) enlisted men assigned to 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, effective 22 February 1945.

e. Detachment "A" Company "B" attached to XIX Tactical Air Command effective 22 February 1945.

2. STRENGTH OF ORGANIZATION AS OF 28 FEBRUARY 1945

Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
52	7	667

3. MOVEMENTS

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4. LOSSES IN ACTION

Negative report

5. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Negative report

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UNIT HISTORY

1. The administrative affairs of the Battalion were rather heavy during the month. A "C" team was added from the 566th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion and a Ground Observers platoon was lost to the 566rd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion. (Extracts of Special Orders # 36 Headquarters Ninth Air Force, dated 5 February 1945 attached herewith as supporting documents) At the same time the various platoons of the several companies were checked and it was deemed necessary to revise the distribution of some teams for operational purposes. This was carried out. (Letter Headquarters, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, Subject: "Company Organization" dated 10 February 45 attached herewith as supporting document.) Several days later we were notified by Ninth Air Force that a "U" team of the 566rd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion was being assigned to the Battalion (Special Order 48 P 19 & 20 Headquarters, Ninth Air Force dated 17 February 45 attached herewith as supporting document.) This team, known as Detachment "A" Company "B" 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion was then attached to the XIX Tactical Air Command and has been with them ever since. (Letter Headquarters Ninth Air Force Subject: Assignment & Attachment Order (No. 25) dated 22 February 1944 attached herewith as supporting document)

2. Operational activity varied from light to very heavy. Mass raids from Britain at night kept the Filter Center operators on their toes and the few enemy plots being picked up every now and then made things more interesting. The 1st Gunnery & Tow Target Squadron (Prov) was contacted and a series of calibration flights for the radars was worked out for daytime when enemy air activity was curtailed.

3. Morale lifted as rain replaced the snow and ice, giving indication of an early spring for basket ball and baseball. Lt Klarer Special Service Officer got busy on his equipment and several games had already been played by the time the end of the month rolled around.

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HEADQUARTERS
NINTH AIR FORCE

AFPO 696, U S Army
5 February 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER.....36)

***** E X T R A C T *****

19. The fol named Officers are reld fr asgmt w/ 566th Sig AW Bn, asgd, WP orgn indicated, eff 0001 hours, 15 Feb 1945. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail. 60-114 P 431-02 A 212/50425.

564TH SIG AW BN
1ST LT CLARENCE H. RITTER 01642506 SigC
2D LT DELMORE BRICKMAN 01644412 SigC
WOJG LEWIS B. AYERS W2120230 USA

20. The fol named EM, 566th Sig AW Bn, are trfd in gr, WP orgn indicated, eff 0001 hours, 15 Feb 1945. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail. 60-114 P 431-02 A 212/50425

564TH SIG AW BN

M/Sgt Frank P. First	39167555 (953)	Sgt Frank H. Welch	35684884 (518)
S/Sgt Oscar F. Barry Jr.	35356574 (953)	Tec 4 Lester Hima	6982607 (953)
Sgt Salvatore Licce	11111451 (821)	Tec 4 William G. Payne	39274900 (081)
Sgt Royce A. Myers	39275188 (514)	Tec 4 George A. Sherk Jr	39164233 (014)
Sgt Troy H. Phillips	36556099 (514)	Tec 4 Gerald J. Wilson	35108033 (648)
Cpl Dewey Miner	35386933 (514)	Pfc Wilson W. Faust	16155258 (931)
Tec 5 Raoul E. Chicoine	31284164 (514)	Pfc Edward J. Goodwin	31227703 (345)
Tec 5 Glenn A. Cochran	15105091 (953)	Pfc Raymond W. Minic	37394622 (521)
Tec 5 Frank R. Divoky	36605456 (776)	Pfc Herman F. Smith	32798736 (521)
Tec 5 Loyse R. Ellenburg	34288602 (514)	Pfc Quinon Wise	37396113 (521)
Tec 5 Sidney H. Finkelstein	32705301 (766)	Pvt Omer Arnold	37394906 (514)
Tec 5 Marvin C. Foss	37464459 (931)	Pvt Clyde L. Brooks Jr.	14130341 (835)
Tec 5 Herbert J. Gerschevske	36622280 (931)	Pvt Richard Brooks	33405707 (521)
Tec 5 Lester T. Hughes	34184461 (060)	Pvt James R. Burrow	34629889 (521)
Tec 5 Leroy A. McAuley	39275021 (514)	Pvt Metro Glowa	31312901 (514)
Tec 5 Clyde E. Norden	39197461 (514)	Pvt Gordon W. Henderson	36216120 (514)
Tec 5 Robert F. Shreve	14091720 (081)	Pvt Edward J. Klabon	16109629 (521)
Tec 5 Paul J. Walker	33332061 (766)	Pvt Roy P. Mosteller	39274875 (514)
Tec 5 Clyde Wolford	35682408 (514)	Pvt Rolland F. Parker	39274957 (521)
Pfc Arlie E. Benson	14056794 (521)	Pvt Robert C. Plank	36297550 (405)
Pfc John J. Dempsey	32707482 (514)	Pvt William A. Skrabal	37469198 (514)
Pfc Joseph T. Emerson	32757483 (521)		

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By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

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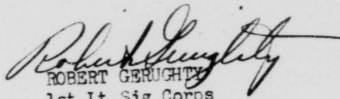
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NINTH AIR FORCE

APO 696, U S Army
5 February 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS)
:
NUMBER.....36)

*****EXTRACT*****

21. The fol named Officers are reld fr asgmt w/ 564th Sig AW Bn, asgd WP 563rd Sig AW Bn, eff 0001 hours, 15 Feb 1945. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail, 60-114 P 431-02 A 212/50425.

1ST LT JIMMIE P. DUNCAN 01644945 SigC
2D LT JAMES R. CORNING 01633777 SigC

22. The fol named FM, 564th Sig AW Bn, are trfd in gr, WP 563rd Sig AW Bn, eff 0001 hours, 15 Feb 1945. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail. 60-114 P 431-02 A 212/50425.

S/Sgt Walter F. Griffin	14091754	(518)	Tec 5 Leo L. Pavey	35708975	(776)
S/Sgt Carrie Miller	32760710	(518)	Tec 5 Cephas L. Ray	34599536	(518)
S.Sgt Russell L. Wells	32196229	(518)	Tec 5 George S. Talas Jr	35765815	(518)
Cpl Joseph C. Balusik	35547311	(518)	Pfc Garnet L. Alexander	36622099	(518)
Cpl Alford J. Cutrell	37406386	(518)	Pfc Russel W. Chandler	32677436	(518)
Cpl Ruben O. Duran	39853280	(518)	Pfc Eugene C. Cheek	34770444	(518)
Cpl Reuben A. Hartl	16094723	(518)	Pfc Carl R. Fryer	33474722	(518)
Cpl John F. Hawn	35694329	(518)	Pfc Walter B. Grazer	33186320	(518)
Cpl John A. Hemminghouse	38074213	(518)	Pfc Warren H. Hawkins	38462179	(518)
Cpl Melvin C. Herring	33538128	(518)	Pfc Eugene W. Headtke	35727111	(518)
Cpl Arthur W. Joslin	33720931	(518)	Pfc James E. Jantti	31269045	(518)
Cpl Richard Joyce	16068193	(518)	Pfc James T. Keziah	34604737	(518)
Cpl Herbert L. Kreith	36708291	(518)	Pfc James Klein	32912494	(518)
Cpl Merie F. Livingstone	33496968	(518)	Pfc Thaddeus P. Maliszewski	36639490	(518)
Cpl Joseph F. McDermott	31310214	(518)	Pfc Pino J. Malpeli	32783447	(518)
Cpl Daniel H. Meyer	33570125	(518)	Pfc Frank McDermott	12136580	(776)
Cpl Walter Myslicki	36072904	(518)	Pfc Raymond H. Mechlin	35625327	(518)
Cpl Daniel O'Connor	6713555	(518)	Pfc Richard V. Melikian	31243919	(518)
Cpl Wallace Panchik	33668965	(518)	Pfc Eugene T. Mondoux	39457913	(518)
Cpl Richard J. Pechous	36639955	(518)	Pfc Vernon P. Morton	13064587	(518)
Cpl John F. Romanowski	36281679	(518)	Pfc Charles F. Murphy	32792021	(518)
Cpl Dee W. Sorrels	38446263	(518)	Pfc James Nunziata	32689433	(518)
Tec 5 Alex Brunetti	34611465	(518)	Pfc Wayne W. Osborn	17168397	(518)
Tec 5 Walter T. Dudley	32837395	(518)	Pfc Albert Paragamian	36801070	(518)
Tec 5 William I. Evans, Jr	15326751	(518)	Pfc Edward A. Sanchez	37342774	(518)
Tec 5 Gilbrand Fossom	39457038	(518)	Pfc Charles S. Sharkitt	35139203	(518)
Tec 5 William E. Gurtatowski	132774976	(518)	Pfc Joseph D. Sullivan	31235619	(518)
Tec 5 Henry H. Hight	34526466	(518)	Pfc Russell H. Sumner	38320963	(518)
Tec 5 John Lazo	32570744	(518)	Pfc Francisco Tapia	39540664	(518)
Tec 5 David G. McGaffey	37654419	(518)			

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Extract, SO No 36, Hq, Ninth Air Force, 5 February 1945, contd.

Pfc Carl C. Turpen 38283995 (518) Pfc William J. Wright, Jr. 33678478 (518)

Travel dir is pursuant to the auth contained in 1st Ind fr Hq, U S Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 2 Dec 1944, to Ltr, Hq, European TO USA, 22 Nov 1944, file 300.4 MPM.

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By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

W W MILLARD
Colonel, GSC
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OFFICIAL:

s/ Harold L. Carter
t/ HAROLD L. CARTER
Lt Col, A G D
Asst Adj Gen

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MEMORANDUM
 HEADQUARTERS
 564th Signal AW Battalion

SECRET
 AUTH: CO 564 SAW BN
 DATE: 10 FEB 1945
 INIT: RG *RG*

B-E-9
 APO 638, U S Army
 10 February 1945

SUBJECT: Company Organization.

TO : All Commanders, 564th Signal AW Battalion, APO 638,
 U S Army.

1. Letter, Headquarters, 564th Signal AW Battalion, subject as above,
 dated 15 May 1944, is rescinded and will be destroyed.

2. The organization of the battalion as directed in General Order No 10,
 No. 564th Signal AW Battalion, dated 15 December 1944 will be modified to conform
 to the following operational team breakdown. It is desired that platoons
 be organized accordingly, effective ~~1001A~~, 15 February 1945.

	Total
	O WO EM
<u>HEADQUARTERS AND PLOTTING COMPANY</u>	30 - 1 - 256
<u>Headquarters Platoon</u> (a,c,d,e,f, 1A, 1B, 5P, 1T) (g,h,i,& j)	12-1-68
<u>Communications Platoon</u> (b,d,f,i) 1H, 6I, 5J	1-0-90
<u>Plotting Platoon</u> (b,c,d,e,g,h,i,& j) 1E, 4L	14-0-84
<u>Medical Detachment</u> (k) 1Q, 1R, 1S	3-0-14
<u>COMPANY "A" (1)</u>	8 - 3 - 175
<u>Headquarters Platoon</u> 1B, 2P, 1R	2-0-26
<u>1st Reporting Platoon</u> (CHB) 1C, 2D, 1S	2-1-55
<u>2nd Reporting Platoon</u> (CCL) 1C, 1S	2-1-47
<u>3rd Reporting Platoon</u> (MRU) 1C, 1S	2-1-47

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COMPANY "B"

7 - 2 - 162

<u>Headquarters Platoon</u> 1B, 2P, 1R	2-0-26
<u>1st Reporting Platoon</u> (CHB) 1C, 2D, 1S	2-1-55
<u>2nd Reporting Platoon</u> (GCL) 1C, 1S	2-1-47
<u>3rd Reporting Platoon</u> (LW) 1U, 1S	1-0-34

COMPANY "C" (k,1)

6 - 1 - 147

<u>Headquarters Platoon</u> 1B, 2P, 1R	2-0-26
<u>1st Reporting Platoon</u> (CHB) 1C, 2D, 1S	2-1-55
<u>2nd Reporting Platoon</u> (MRU) 2U, 1S	2-0-66

BATTALION STRENGTH 51 - 7 - 740

Remarks:

- a. Comm O in Team A acts as S-3.
- b. One (1) 1st Lt, Plotting Platoon to Comm Platoon as Comm O.
- c. One (1) 1st Lt, Plotting Platoon to Hq Platoon as Asst S-3.
- d. Thirteen (13) Comm personnel in Teams A & E to Comm Platoon.
- e. Two (2) S/Spts (518), Plotting Platoon to Hq Platoon.
- f. One (1) Tec 4 (095), Comm Platoon to Hq Platoon (Bn Mail Clerk).
- g. One (1) Sgt (510), Plotting Platoon to Hq Platoon (Provost Sgt).
- h. Ten (10) auto Equip Oprs (345) Plotting Platoon to Hq Platoon.
- i. Eight (8) Basics (521), Teams E, H & L to Hq Platoon.
- j. Three (3) Draftsmen (070) Hq Platoon to Plotting Platoon.
- k. One (1) Team S, Company "C" to Med Det, Hq & Plotting Company.
- l. One (1) Team C, Company "C" to Company "A"; one (1) Team U, Company "A" to Company "C".

By Order of Lieutenant Colonel HIGGINSON:

Richard L. Eisenbise
RICHARD L. EISENBISE
Capt., Sig C
Executive

DISTRIBUTION: "O"
Plus: 1 Cy Bn Surgeon

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HEADQUARTERS
NINTH AIR FORCE

APO 696, US Army
17 February 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS)

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19. 1ST LT LLOYD G. MARTINSEN, O1638008, Sig C, is relifrom asgmt w/563d Sig Acft Warning Bn, asgd, WP 564th Sig Acft Warning Bn eff 22 Feb 1945. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail. 60-114 P 431-02 A 212/50425.

20. The fol named EM, 563d Sig Acft Warning Bn are trfd in gr, WP 564th Sig Acft Warning Bn, eff 22 Feb 1945. TDN by MT, mil acft or rail. 60-114 P 431-02 A 212/50425.

S/Sgt Willaim J. Cardwell	15319838	953	Tec	5	Stanton L. Blank	36722868	514
S/Sgt Edward E. Frisbie	36170738	824	Tec	5	Andrew J. Briskey	33668497	514
Sgt William J. Betts	16100474	953	Tec	5	James O. Cheatwood	34390337	060
Sgt Harry Bier	39120006	514	Tec	5	Donald O. Dexter	12171209	514
Sgt Paul F. Detrick	17059867	953	Tec	5	Joseph J. Klinek Jr	33675362	514
Tec 4 James T. Fletcher	39187669	166	Tec	5	Robert P. Miele	31219776	514
Tec 4 Pietro P. Santi	39030996	060	Tec	5	Edward J. Vesely	36637018	166
Col John P. Bach, Jr.	33552510	514	Tec	5	James J. Woods	38466517	766
Col Robert G. Bryarly	15383024	514	Tec	5	Harry A. Wooten	13112529	514
Col Michael Chironna	32690487	766	Pfc		Philip P. Brac 1a	32883899	514
Col Emil L. Fimbinger	36584856	776	Pfc		Frederick R. Bullock	39207974	514
Cpl William J. Frank	32832813	514	Pfc		Howard A. Fluhr	32317090	931
Cpl Norman C. Hall	37514095	514	Pfc		Luther J. Haas	37450602	766
Cpl Roy B. Hudson	37516253	514	Pfc		Walter S. Hatch	34674664	514
Cpl Robert L. Pease	36733217	514	Pfc		Harvey C. McGuire	17169218	776
Tec 5 Howard C. Beach	33509553	166	Pfc		George Perkins	31310521	514

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By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

W W MILLARD
Colonel, USA
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s/ F H Monahan
t/ F H MONAHAN
Lt Col, AGD
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Auth: CG 9 AF
Date: 22 Feb 45
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APO 696, U S Army
22 February 1945

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In reply refer
to: 370.5

SUBJECT: Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 25).

TO : Commanding General, IX Air Defense Command, APO 638, U S Army
Commanding General, XIX Tactical Air Command, APO 141, U S Army
Commanding General, XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov), APO 151, U S Army

1. Pursuant to authority contained in letter, Hq, European TO USA, 15 February 1945, file AG 322 OPGCGD, subj: "Troop Assignment (No 29)", the following unit assigned to Comm Z and attached to Ninth Air Force and IX Air Defense Command, is relieved from further attachment to 21 Army Group for operations, effective as of 8 February 1945:

152d AAA Opr Det

2. Pursuant to authority contained in letter, Hq, European TO USA, 15 November 1944, file AG 322, OPGCGD, subj: "Troop Assignment (No 150)", the following unit assigned to IX Fighter Command and attached to XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov), is further attached to Twelfth Army Group for operations, quarters, rations and supply only, effective as of 15 November 1944. Administrative control of unit will remain with XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov). The IX Air Force Service Command is responsible for the supply of such equipment as is peculiar to the Air Force. Technical reports required by Army Air Forces will be submitted direct to Hq, XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov):

125th Liaison Squadron

3. The following detachment assigned to IX Air Defense Command is attached to XIX Tactical Air Command, effective as of 22 February 1945:

Det "A", Co B, 564th Signal Air Warning Bn
(Det "A" consists of one "U" team)

4. The 3d AF Clearing Station, 40th (US) Field Hospital is attached for administration only to the 39th (US) Field Hospital, effective as of 17 February 1945.

By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

C. W. Seebach
C W SEEBACH
Colonel AGD
Adj General

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Plus: 6 cys. TAG (1 cy mrkd attn: Opns Branch) CG US
Strategic Air Forces in Europe; AOC-in-C, Air Staff Supreme Hq
Allied Expeditionary Air Force (Main); CG Twelfth Army Gp APO
655; CG First US Army APO 230; CG Third US Army; CG Ninth US
Army; CG First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
10 cys ea. CG, AAF (Attn: Air AG, Publications Branch); CG Air Technical
Svc, U S Strategic Air Forces in Europe; CG Base Air Depot Area
ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe; CG IX Air Force Sv Comd
26 cys. CG European TO USA (1 cy mrkd attn: Chief of Supply Sv APO 887)
6 cys add: P&O Sec (2 cys mrkd attn: Adm; 2 cys mrkd attn: Movements
Control and 2 cys mrkd attn: Organization)
1 cy ea. CO 26th SCU, CO 31st, 40th, 41st and 93rd MRU

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512-564-41
11 MARCH 45

UNIT HISTORY

564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION

AFG-638 U.S. ARMY

1ST MARCH 1945
TO
31ST MARCH 1945

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZATION:

a. Detachment "A" Company "B" 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion further attached to XIX Tactical Control Group (Prov) effective 22 February 45.

b. Lieutenant Colonel GEORGE M. HIG INSON, Battalion Commander placed on Detached Service with Headquarters IX Air Defense Command.

c. Major RAYMOND P. O'PRAY assumed command of the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

2. STRENGTH OF ORGANIZATION AS OF 31 MARCH 1945

Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
52	7	742

3. MOVEMENTS

Negative report

4. LOSSES IN ACTION

Negative report

5. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

a. Letter of commendation to Truck Drivers of 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion by Colonel P.W. LEWIS, Commanding Officer, 71st AAA Group.

b. Battle Partition Award - Normandy Campaign (No 4)

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UNIT HISTORY

1. Administratively, this was another busy month for the 564th. Of major importance was the fact that Lieutenant Colonel GEORGE M. RIGGINS, our Battalion Commander, who had been with us for a year and a half, finally left us to go to IX Air Defense Command as Signal Officer (Special Order 65, Headquarters, IX Air Defense Command dated 6 March 45 attached herewith as supporting document.) A farewell party was held in the Officers Club to wish the Colonel on his way, and it was with deep regret we all bade him good bye.
2. Captain Eisenbise, Executive Officer took over control of the organization for a few days until Major RAYMOND F. O'PRAY assumed command on the 19th of March 45. (General Order #3, Headquarters, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, dated 19 March 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.)
3. Notice came thru that our Detachment "A" Company "B" had been further attached to the 18th Tactical Control Group (Prov) (Letter Headquarters XII Tactical Air Command, Subject: "Assignment & Attachment Orders (No. 5) dated 25 February 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.)
4. Operationally, the Battalion remained busy. Heavy raids continued from the U.K. at night and calibrated flights for the radars went on during the day. CHB-A reported some strange targets on their scale which were finally explained as possible meteorological phenomenon. The high light of the month was the airbourne operations over the Rhine which were followed with great interest. The majority of the flights were lost due to the low altitude at which the planes were flying.
5. On 13 March the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion had the honor of being the first unit to donate type "O" blood in response to an appeal in the Stars and Stripes. One hundred and fifty-two (152) pints of blood were added to the ETO Blood Bank.
6. Twenty trucks and drivers returned to us after working on the preparation of an AA firing range at Camp Bailly. With them came a letter of commendation from Colonel P.W. LEWIS, Commanding officer of the 71st AAA Group lauding them for the exceptional performance of their duties. (Letter Headquarters, 71st AAA Group Subject: "Commendation" dated 9 March 45 attached herewith as supporting document.)
7. Notice was received that the first of our battle stars had been authorized (Letter, Headquarters ETOUSA Subject: Battle Participation Awards- Normandy campaign (No 4) dated 17 Mar 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.)

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UNIT HISTORY

8. Baseball came into full swing and a diamond was laid out on the grass in the field in front of the Chateau. Several teams sprang quickly into existence and with the warm sunny weather continuing and average of 2 games per day were played during the latter part of the month.

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IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

APO 633, US ARMY
6 March 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER.....65)

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7. LT COL GEORGE M. HIGGINSON, 022003, SigC, 564th Sig AW Bn, is placed on DS, WP Hq, IX Air Def Comd, eff o/a 10 Mar 1945, for an indefinite period of time, for dy as Acting Comd Sig O. Upon compl of this DS he will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MT, mil acct or rail. 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

J.A. BOWMAN
Lt Col GSC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

ROBERT RUBIN
Captain CAC
Asst Adj Gen

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IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

APO 688, US Army
6 March 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS)

NUMBER.....65)

*** E X T R A C T ***

7. LT COL GEORGE M. HIGGINSON, 022003, SigC, 564th Sig AW Bn, is placed on DS, WF Hq, IX Air Def Comd, eff o/a 10 Mar 1945, for an indefinite period of time, for dy as Acting Comd Sig O. Upon compl of of this DS he will ret to proper orgn and sta. TDN by MP, mil acft or rail. 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

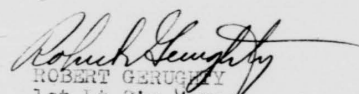
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HEADQUARTERS
864th Signal AW Battalion

APC-638, US Army
19 March 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

No. 3)

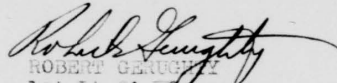
ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of paragraph 4, AR 600-20, the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 864th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

s/ Raymond F. O'Pray
t/ RAYMOND F. O'PRAY
Major, Sig Corps
Commanding

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1st Lt Sig Corps
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XIX TACTICAL AIR COMMAND

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APO 141, U S Army,
25 February 1945

In reply refer
to: 322

SUBJECT: Assignment and Attachment Orders (No 6).

TO : Commanding Officer, 19th Tactical Control Group (Prov), APO
141, U S Army.
Commanding Officer, Det "A", Co "B", 564th Signal AW Bn,
APO 638, U S Army.

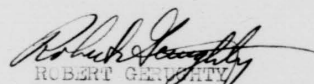
Det "A", Co "B", 564th Signal Air Warning Bn, attached to
this Command by Par 3, Letter, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, file
370.5, subject: Assignment and Attachment Orders (No 25), dated 22
February 1945, is further attached to the 19th Tactical Control Group
(Prov), effective 22 February 1945.

By command of Brigadier General WEXLAND:

s/ Francis M. Whitlock, Jr.
t/ FRANCIS M. WHITLOCK, JR.
Major, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
71st ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY GROUP
Office of the Commanding Officer

APO-638, US Army
9 March 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding Officer, 564th Signal AT Battalion, APO-638, U S Army.

THRU : Commanding General, IX ADC, APO 638, U S Army.

1. During the period 19 January 1945 to 8 March 1945, the 71st AAA Group was employed in the preparation of an AA firing range at Camp WALLY.

2. The 564th Signal AT Battalion and the 504th AAA AT Battalion furnished a total of forty 2½ ton trucks and drivers for the necessary heavy hauling and construction work. It is my desire to commend these drivers for their excellent work throughout this period. They have been required to drive continuously for long hours each day and to make long hauls without rest or relief. Work continued seven days a week and it became necessary to haul materials to Camp Wally at times when drivers should have been permitted free time. Despite the rigorous schedule, these men displayed unusual interest in their job and willingness to cooperate. They have been zealous in their attention to the condition of their vehicles and have conscientiously performed preventive maintenance to keep them on the job. They are capable drivers and have contributed much to the success of the project to date.

s/ P. W. Lewis,
t/ P. W. LEWIS,
Colonel, 71st AAA Group
Commanding

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Ltr, Hq. 71st AAA Group, 9 March 1945. "Commendation"

1st Ind
HEADQUARTERS, IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND, APO 638, US ARMY, 15 March 1945. G
AG/Opns
TO: Commanding Officer, 564th Signal Air Warning Battalion, APO-638,
US Army.

The Commanding General is pleased to forward this commendation and desires that his appreciation to each man concerned for the outstanding manner in which he carried out his work, thereby contributing materially to the establishment of the firing range.

For and in the absence of the Commanding General:

s/ C R Ford
t/ C R FORD
Colonel CAC
D/Cmdr for Adm

2nd Ind. A-0-2
HEADQUARTERS, 564th Signal AW Battalion, APO 638, US Army, 21 March 45.
TO: Commanding Officer, All Companies, 564th Signal AW Battalion, APO
638, U S Army.

Forwarded with enthusiasm. It gives me great pleasure to add my personal acknowledgement and appreciation to each man concerned.

Raymond F. O'Pray
RAYMOND F. O'PRAY
Major, Signal Corps
Commanding

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3. Attention is invited to paragraph 7b, Section I, Circular 195, War Department, 18 May 1944, regarding eligibility of individuals to wear a bronze star on the theater ribbon.

4. In compliance with paragraph 8, Circular 62, War Department, 11 February 1944, and letter this headquarters, AG 200.6 OpGA, subject: "Individuals Entitled to Battle Participation Credit", 30 December 1944, necessary entries will be made in service records (WD AGO Form NO. 24) of enlisted personnel, and on qualification cards (WD AGO Form No 88-1) of officers and warrant officers, whose eligibility to wear a bronze service star on the theater ribbon is established.

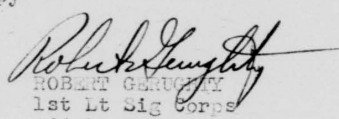
BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/ R. B. Lovett
t/ R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General, USA

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UNIT HISTORY

564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION

APO-638 U.S. ARMY

1ST APRIL 1945
TO
30TH APRIL 1945

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZATION:

a. Major RAYMOND F. O'PRAY, Battalion Commander, returned to Zone of Interior to attend No. 8 Senior Comm Officers Course, Orlando, Florida.

b. Captain SERGE T. MIGDAL, assumed command of the 584th Signal AW Battalion.

2. STRENGTH OF ORGANIZATION AS OF 30 APRIL 1945

Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
52	7	740

3. MOVEMENTS

Left Ozoir La Ferriere, Seine et Marne, France 12 April 1945. Arrived at Schlosskollerei, Reichartshausen Bei Hattenheim a/RH, Germany 13 April 45.

4. LOSSES IN ACTION

Negative report

5. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

a. Bronze Star Medal awarded to Tec 4 Benjamin F. Squires on 9 April 45 for meritorious service.

b. Battle Partition Award - Northern France Campaign (No. 3)

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UNIT HISTORY

1. The month of April 45 started off slowly for us. Rumors of a move were making the rounds as the allied armies moved swiftly ahead into Germany, but outside of the tension this caused, operations proceeded along a normal line. On 8 April 1945 orders were received from Hq IX Air Defense Command awarding the Bronze Star Medal to Tec 4 Benjamin F. Squires. Accordingly, a formal ceremony in front of the Chateau was planned upon. At 1700B 9 April 1945 the entire organization was assembled, citation read to the troops and ribbon presented by Major Raymond F. O'Pray, Battalion Commander. Following the presentation the troops passed in review. (Extract of General Order #10, dtd 24 March 45, Ltr, Subj: Award of the Bronze Star Medal, and Ltr, Subj: Presentation of Award, dtd 4 April 1945 all of Hq IX Air Defense Command are attached herewith as supporting documents.)

2. At the same time orders finally came down to move out. Supplies were loaded and plans were drawn up. Due to a previous commitment by SHAEP to furnish AW to Paris it was decided to leave the two CCL platoons in position, tied in to the 47th AAA Brigade, until the rest of the Bn could move ahead and furnish wire communication back to Paris. This policy established, the Bn shut down operations and moved, the first serial leaving Ozair La Ferriere at 0700B 12 April 1945. (FO #18, Hq 564th Sig AW Bn dtd 10 April 45 attached herewith as a supporting document)

3. A field kitchen had left Bn Hq on the night of 11 April 45 and set up a bivouac area near Zimming, France. By the time the Bn convoys caught up with it everything was in good order and an excellent supper was served to the men & officers. Camp was made for the night and as usual, it rained. Nobody got very wet though, and the next morning after another excellent hot meal the convoy proceeded into Germany. The Rhine river was reached and crossed in the early afternoon of 13 April 45 at Mainz, Germany and after another 30 minutes drive we had arrived at our destination, Schlosskellerei, Reichartshausen Bei Hattenheim a/RH Germany

4. Major O'Pray, who had remained behind with the rear echelon at Ozair, received his orders placing him on temp dy in the Zone of Interior for the purpose of attending the Senior Comm Officers School at Orlando, Florida. (SO Extract 100, Hq 9 AF, dtd 10 April 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.)

5. The filter center had been quickly set up upon arrival and had been ready to operate by the night of 13 April 45. Difficulties with communications were experienced but by 16 April 45 all platoons were contacted and reporting in by CW & PM. A separate communication platoon was formed and placed on a mountain top five miles from the filter center for an experiment and immediately better communications were the result. The CW ~~platoons~~ ^{platoon} were picked up by this "Radio City" team and piped down by PM to the Filter Center where they were plotted on the board.

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6. Notice was received on 19 April that the second of our battle stars had been authorized (Ltr Hq AFMUSA, subj: Battle Participation Award - No. France Campaign (No 3) dtd 30 March 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.)

7. Captain Migdal who had been in command during the absence of Major O'Pray, officially assumed command of the 504th Signal AW Battalion on 20 April 45 (FO #4 Hq 504 Sig AW Bn attached herewith as a supporting document.)

8. Events moved swiftly along during the last few days of the month. The two COL platoons which had been left behind in the Paris area moved from there to rejoin the Bn on 26 April 45. (FO #16 Hq 504 dtd 22 April 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.) Coinciding with this move it was decided to leap frog the rest of the platoons forward one or two at a time to extend our coverage and still keep the Filter Center in operation to handle any emergency. (FO #17 Hq 504 Sig AW Bn dtd 28 April 45 attached herewith as a supporting document) This operation was in progress as the month of April drew to a close.

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IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

APC-638, U S Army
24 March 1945

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SECTION II: AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944, (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), and in accordance with authority delegated by Ninth Air Force, letter 200.6, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, dated 13 September 1944, the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to:

BENJAMIN F. SQUIRES, 37166031, Technician Fourth Grade, 564th Signal Air Warning Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 15 August 1944 to 7 February 1946. Entered military service from Minnesota.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

s/ J.A. Bowman
t/ J. A. BOWMAN
Lt Col GSC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

s/ C.B. Black
t/ C.B. BLACK
Lt Col AC

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Robert G. Gentry
ROBERT GENTRY
1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

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IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

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APC-038, US Army

200.6 - Squires, Benjamin F. (Enl)

SUBJECT: Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Technician Fourth Grade Benjamin F. Squires, 37166031,
United States Army.

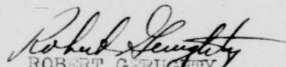
Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, and in accordance with authority delegated by Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, you are awarded the Bronze Star Medal for outstanding achievement as set forth in the following:

CITATION

Technician Fourth Grade Benjamin F. Squires, 37166031, Signal Corps, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 August 1944 to 7 February 1945. Technician Fourth Grade Squires, as Battalion postal clerk, performed his duties in an outstanding manner. At a time when units of his organization were located in four different European countries, he contributed materially to morale by his determined efforts to get mail to each man without delay. He worked untiringly of his own free will to accomplish his job as rapidly as possible. The efficiency, industry, and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fourth Grade Squires are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

s/ William L. Richardson
t/ WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON
Brigadier General, USA
Commanding

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ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

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IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

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APO-638, US Army
4 April 1945

Z.O.6

SUBJECT: Presentation of Awards.

TO : Commanding Officer, 564th Signal AW Battalion, APO 638,
U S Army.

1. Tec 4 Benjamin F. Squires, 3716031, your organization, has been presented the Bronze Star Medal as set forth in General Orders Number 10, Headquarters, IX Air Defense Command, 24 March 1945.

2. It is desired that presentation of the Bronze Star Medal be made by you with appropriate ceremony. Due to the unavailability of the Bronze Star Medal in this theater at the present time, the Bronze Star Ribbon will be presented in lieu thereof; medals being furnished at a later date.

3. A report of the presentation will be made to this headquarters.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

s/ C.B. Black
t/ C.B. BLACK
Lt Col, AC,
Adjutant General

3 Incl:

1. GO 10, Hq IX ADC, 24 Mar 45
2. Citation (dup)
3. Bronze Star Medal Ribbon

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ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

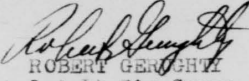
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200.6 1st Ind. C-G-2
HEADQUARTERS, 564th Signal AW Battalion, APO-638, US Army, 15 Apr 45.

TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, IX Air Defense Command, APO-638, U S Army

The Bronze Star Medal was presented to Tec 4 Benjamin F. Squires, 37166031, during a formal ceremony held in his honor 1700H 9 April 1945. The entire organization was assembled, citation read to the troops and ribbon presented by Major Raymond P. O'Pray Commanding Officer of the Battalion. Following the presentation the troops passed in review.

For the Commanding Officer:


ROBERT GERAGHTY
1st-Lt Sig Corps
Adjutant

3 Incl: w/d

FO #15, 10 Apr 45, (Cont'd)

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Liaison, where possible, will be established with the IX, XII, XIX, XXIX TAC's and such other units as are necessary to provide overlap telling and extension of the radar coverage. Liaison with local airfields and Flying Control units will be established to provide maximum Movement Liaison information. Due to fluid tactical situation period of occupation of the sites may necessarily be brief.

3. a. Hq & Hict Co will depart present location and establish a FC in the vicinity of Wiesbaden, Germany (WL-3567) to supply filtered radar information for warning via broadcast telling and such wire lines as may be secured to units of the IX ADC. Alert warning and radar information will be supplied to units other than those of IX ADC upon command of CG IX ADC.
- b. Hq, Co A will depart present location and establish Hq with CHB-A, located in the vicinity of Dreiforn, Germany (WL-082168). CHB-A will move from present location to the vicinity of Dreiforn, Germany (WL-082168), and will supply radar information to the FC. MRU-A will move from present location to the vicinity of Mersch, Germany (WL-080630) and will supply radar information to the FC. MRU-A antenna will be so sited that main line of shoot is directed 40° (Magnetic). COL-A will remain at present location and will supply radar information to the 47th AAA Brig Ops Room located at Paris, France, until forward AW net is fully established, at which time orders to move to site with forward AW net will be issued.
- c. Hq, Co B will depart present location and establish Hq with CHB-B located in the vicinity of Hemering, France (WL-245465). CHB-B will supply radar information to the FC. COL-B will remain at present location and will supply radar information to the 47th AAA Brig Ops Room located at Paris, France, until the forward AW net is fully established, at which time orders to move to site with forward AW net will be issued.
- d. Hq, Co C will depart present location and establish Hq with MRU-C located in the vicinity of Lingerhalm, Germany (WL-868660). CHB-C will move from present location to the vicinity of Brouch, Luxembourg (WL-010270) and will supply radar information to the FC. MRU-C will move from present location to the vicinity of Lingerhalm, Germany (WL-868660) and will supply radar information to the FC. MRU-C antenna will be so sited that main line of shoot is directed 85° (Magnetic).
- x. All units of this command, with the exception of COL-A and COL-B, will depart present locations at 0700B 12 Apr 1945. Normal sweep angles (based on Magnetic North) will be assigned by the Officer in Charge of the FC after reporting. platoons have established communications. Temporary Defense Plans will become operative immediately after occupation of site and written Defense Plans will be completed and operative no later than 72 hours after occupation. Written Defense Plans for all sites will be submitted to S-3 as soon as is practicable thereafter. Attention is directed to 564th SAM Bn Memo 55-3 dtd 6 Apr 45.

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4. a. Only water drawn from a US Army approved Water Point will be used. Water trailers will be filled before departure from present location. Every effort will be made to serve hot morning and evening meals while enroute.
 - b. Procurement of supplies will be in accordance with 564th SAK Bn Memo 65-1, dtd 4 Apr 45. Reference Par 2 of Memo 65-1, the 7th ADG located at airstrip Y-33 (U-886855) is the assigned ADG for companies of this bn.
 - c. Fuel tanks will be filled prior to move. Gasoline and diesel fuel, and all empty Jerricans will be transported to new locations.
 - d. Casualties will be treated by attached medical personnel. Serious cases will be taken to nearest hospital.
 - e. Trash and garbage will be buried in bivouac areas enroute. No debris of any kind will be thrown from vehicles.
 - f. All winterizing will be removed from vehicles before departure from present locations. Drivers will maintain proper interval of sixty (60) yards while in motion and at all halts. Extreme caution will be practiced by all drivers. Priority of all other vehicles will be observed.
 - g. Selection of routes will be the responsibility of the company commanders except Hq & Plt Co. See Annex #2 for routes for Hq & Plt Co. Convoys of ten (10) or more vehicles will obtain clearance from Base Section WFO before departure from present location. Routes will be marked by temporary signs consisting of a red arrow painted on a background of yellow cardboard. The size of the signs is approximately ten (10) inches by five (5) inches.
 - h. Buildings will be occupied in accordance with instructions contained in Ninth AF Memo 85-5, dtd 29 Mar 45 and confidential Ltr Hq Ninth AF, Subj: "Establishment of Ninth AF in Germany" dtd 2 Apr 45.
 - i. There will be no mail pickup while enroute to new locations. When Bn CP has been established, mail will be picked up by Co mail clerks at 1500 hours daily. Outgoing mail will be delivered to the Bn mail clerk at this time. All platoons will handle mail through the Co mail clerk; there will be no direct delivery to platoons.
 - j. Companies will hold Morning Reports and will turn them in to Bn Hq at new location.
5. a. (1) See Annex #1, Radio Net Diagram.
 - (2) See Current SOI.
 - (3) An advance party, composed of com pers and equipment as directed by the

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Comd G, will proceed to the FC location and install wire lines and radio equipment.

(4) Sufficient com pers will remain at the present Ho (VS-267310) to pick up wire.

b. Command Posts.

(1) On the March.

- Bn - Head of Ho & Plot Co Serial
- Ho & Plot Co - Same
- Co A - Head of Co A Serial
- Co B - Head of Co B Serial
- Co C - Head of Co C Serial

(2) At Destination.

Bn CP in vicinity of Wiesbaden, Germany (WD-3567).

Opens 13 Apr 45, 2000B.

By Order of Major O'PRAY:

RICHARD L. EISENBEISE
Captain Signal Corps
Executive

OFFICIAL:

George D. Gantz
GEORGE D. GANTZ
Capt, Sig C
S-3

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NINTH AIR FORCE

SPECIAL ORDERS)

AGO 896, U S Army

10 April 1945

NUMBER... 100)

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19. The fol named Officers are placed on TDY, WP Casual Pool, 70th Reinforcement Depot, (AAF), Advanced, Sta 592, for ret to ZI for the purpose of attending No 8 Senior Comm Officers Course, for five (5) weeks, beginning 9 May 1945, at AAF Tactical Center, Orlando, Fla. Upon compl of TDY and lv of absence, will ret to proper orgn and sta. A baggage alws of sixty-five (65) pounds is auth while traveling by mil acft. TDN by MP, mil acft or water. 60-114 P 452-02 A 212/50426. AUTH: VCCG, U S Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 9 Apr 1945 and Ltr, Hq, AAF Washington, DC, file 50-2, subj: "Senior Comm Officers' course, 29 Nov 1944.

MAJ RAYMOND E. O'PRAY 0375225 SigC

Travel dir is pursuant to auth contained in Ltr, Hq, European TO USA, 22 Nov 1944, file 500.4 MPH.

By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

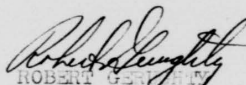
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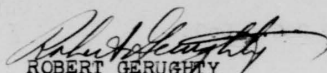
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1st Lt., Sig C.
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
564th Signal AW Battalion

APO-638, US Army
20 April 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

No. 4)

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of paragraph 4, AR 600-20, the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

Serge T. Liguat

SERGE T. LIGUAL
Captain, Sig Corps
Commanding

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564th Signal AW Battalion

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Reichartshausen Bei
Hattenheim a/RH,
Germany
22 April 1945, 1700B

FO #16

Maps: GSGS 4416 (1:100,000), Sheets S-1 & U-2.

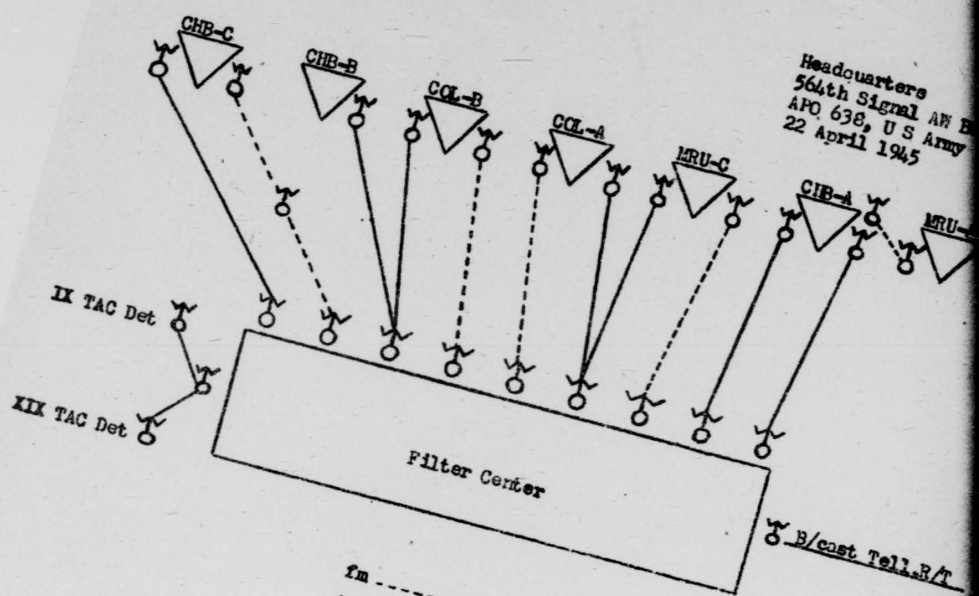
1. a. Enemy capabilities in the areas now occupied by this Bn are confined to sabotage and the remote possibility of attack from the air by aircraft in small numbers. It is known that individuals and teams have been left behind by the German High Command for the purpose of sabotage, and there is a strong possibility that their missions may be attempted in this area. All individuals, especially guards and sentries, will be alert to detect saboteurs by checking the identity of strangers on or near any installation. Unfamiliar US uniformed persons and unauthorized civilians should not be permitted to enter military installations or occupied areas. Although the possibility of attack from the air is very remote, camouflage discipline will not be relaxed.
- b. See FO #15.
- c. See FO #15.
2. See FO #15.
3. a. COL-A will move from present location to the vicinity of Stadt Meckenheim, Germany (WF-510235), and will supply radar information to the FC.
- b. COL-B will move from present location to the vicinity of Herschberg, Germany (WF-868778), and will supply radar information to the FC.
- x. COL-A and COL-B will depart present locations at 0600B 26 April 1945. Normal sweep angles, (based on Magnetic North) will be assigned by the Officer in Charge of the FC after reporting platoons have established communications. Temporary Defense Plans will become operative immediately after occupation of site, and written Defense Plans will be completed and operative no later than 72 hours after occupation. Written Defense Plans for all sites will be submitted to S-3 as soon as is practicable thereafter. Attention is directed to 564th SAW Bn Memo 55-3, dtd 6 Apr 45.
4. See FO #15.

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ANNEX 1 to FO 16, Radio Net Diagram

Headquarters
564th Signal AW B
APO 638, U S Army
22 April 1945



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By Order of Captain MIDAL:

OFFICIAL:
Bert Patterson
BERT PATTERSON
1st Lt, Sig C
Comm O

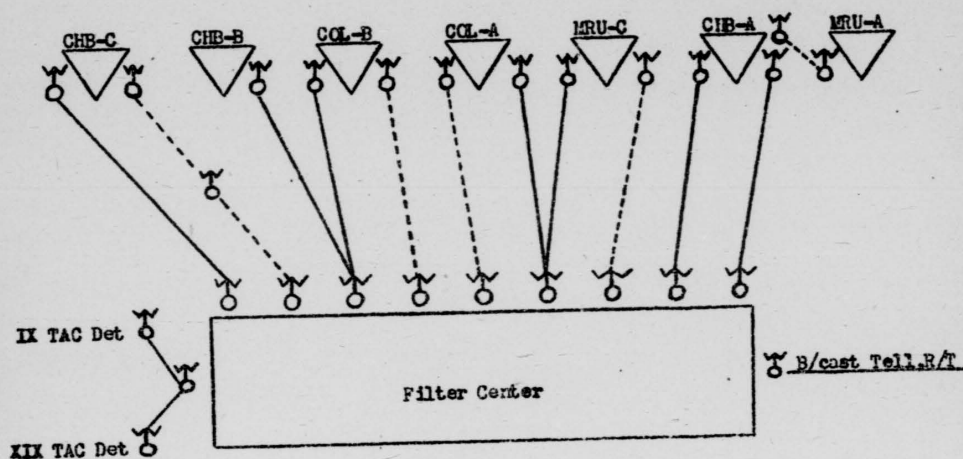
RICHARD L. EISENBERG
Captain Signal Corps
Executive

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ANNEX 1 to FO 16, Radio Net Diagram

Headquarters
564th Signal AW Battalion
APO 638, U S Army
22 April 1945



fm -----
hf -----

By Order of Captain MGDAL:

RICHARD L. EISENBISE
Captain Signal Corps
Executive

OFFICIAL:

Bert Patterson
BERT PATTERSON
1st Lt, Sig C
Comm O

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564th Signal AW Battalion

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Reichartshausen Bei
Hattenheim a/RH,
Germany
22 April 1945, 1700B

FO #16

Maps: GSGS 4416 (1:100,000), Sheets S-1 & U-2.

1. a. Enemy capabilities in the areas now occupied by this Bn are confined to sabotage and the remote possibility of attack from the air by aircraft in small numbers. It is known that individuals and teams have been left behind by the German High Command for the purpose of sabotage, and there is a strong possibility that their missions may be attempted in this area. All individuals, especially guards and sentries, will be alert to detect saboteurs by checking the identity of strangers on or near any installation. Unfamiliar US uniformed persons and unauthorized civilians should not be permitted to enter military installations or occupied areas. Although the possibility of attack from the air is very remote, camouflage discipline will not be relaxed.
- b. See FO #15.
- c. See FO #15.
2. See FO #15.
3. a. CCL-A will move from present location to the vicinity of Stadt Meckenheim, Germany (WF-510235), and will supply radar information to the FC.
- b. CCL-B will move from present location to the vicinity of Herschberg, Germany (WA-862778), and will supply radar information to the FC.
- x. CCL-A and CCL-B will depart present locations at 0600B 26 April 1945. Normal sweep angles, (based on Magnetic North) will be assigned by the Officer in Charge of the FC after reporting platoons have established communications. Temporary Defense Plans will become operative immediately after occupation of site, and written Defense Plans will be completed and operative no later than 72 hours after occupation. Written Defense Plans for all sites will be submitted to S-3 as soon as is practicable thereafter. Attention is directed to 564th SAW Bn Memo 55-3, dtd 6 Apr 45.
4. See FO #15.

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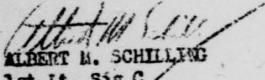
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5. a. (1) See Annex #1, Radio Net Diagram.
(2) See Current SOI.
(3) CW and fm communications will be established immediately upon arrival at new locations.

By Order of Captain MIDDAL:

RICHARD L. EISENBEISE
Captain Signal Corps
Executive

OFFICIAL:


ALBERT M. SCHILLING
1st Lt, Sig C.
Asst S-3

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ANNEX #1: Radio Net Diagram

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FO #17, 28 Apr 45, (Cont'd)

- c. Hq Co B will depart present location and establish Hq with CCL-B in the vicinity of Oberlauterbach, France (WR-229385). CCL-B will continue to supply radar information to FC. CHB-B will depart from present location and move to the vicinity of Gemmingen, Germany (WR-918619) and will supply radar information to the FC.
- d. Hq Co C will depart from present location and establish Hq with MRU-C in the vicinity of Wintersheim, Germany (WM-397306). MRU-C will turn in MRU equipment to 925th Sig Avn Dep, Chalons, France (VT-5446) and will pick up SCR-270-DA equipment from Bn Ia. MRU-C will set up SCR-270-DA equipment in the vicinity of Wintersheim, Germany (WM-397306) and supply radar information to the FC. CHB-C will depart from present location and move to the vicinity of Gundernhausen, Germany (WM-755425) and supply radar information to the FC.
- 3. x. Individual units will move upon receipt of verbal orders. Initial sweeps of all radars will be 360 degrees. Temporary defense plans will become operative immediately after occupation of site and written defense plans will be completed and operative no later than 72 hours after occupation. Written defense plans will be submitted to the S-3 as soon as possible. Memo 55-3, Hq 564th SAL Bn, dtd 6 April 45 will be carried with.
- 4. a. Only water drawn from a US Army approved water point will be used. Water trailers will be filled before departure from present location.
- b. Procurement of supplies will be in accordance with 564th SAL Bn Memo 65-1, dtd 4 Apr 45. Reference Par 2 of Memo 65-1, the location of the Air Depot Group is not known at this time. Companies will be notified by most expeditious means when this information is available.
- c. Fuel tanks will be filled prior to move. Gasoline, diesel fuel, and all empty Jerricans will be transported to new locations.
- d. Casualties will be treated by attached medical personnel. Serious cases will be taken to nearest hospital.
- e. Trash and garbage will be buried in bivouac areas enroute. No debris of any kind will be thrown from vehicles.
- f. Drivers will maintain proper intervals of sixty (60) yards while in motion and at all halts. Extreme caution will be practiced by all drivers. Priority of all other vehicles will be observed.
- g. Selection of routes will be the responsibility of the company commanders.
- h. Buildings will be occupied in accordance with instructions contained in

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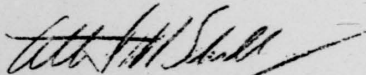
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"Establishment of Ninth AF in Germany" dtd 2 Apr 45.

- i. There will be no mail pickup while enroute to new locations. When Co CP has been established, Co mail clerks will pick mail up at 1500 hours daily from Bn mail clerk. Outgoing mail will be delivered to the Bn mail clerk at this time. All platoons will handle mail through the Co mail clerk; there will be no direct delivery to platoons.
5. a. (1) See Annex #1, Radio Net Diagram.
(2) See Current SOI.
(3) FM relay sites will be manned immediately, equipment set up, but not operated until crystals are available.

By Order of Captain MIGDAL:

RICHARD L. EISENBISE
Captain Signal Corps
Executive

OFFICIAL:



ALBERT M. SCHILLING
1st Lt, Sig C
Asst S-3

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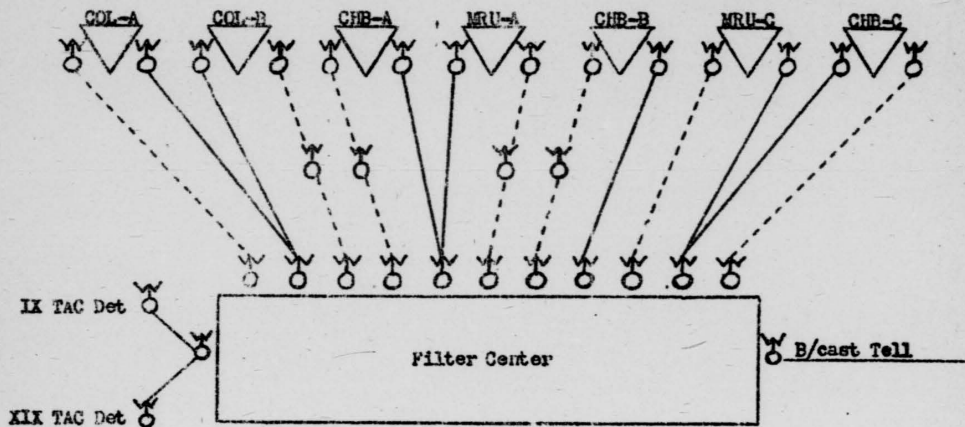
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ANNEX 1 to FO 17, Radio Net Diagram

Headquarters
564th Signal AW Battalion
APO 638, U S Army
28 April 1945



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By Order of Captain MCDAL:

RICHARD L. EISENBERG
Captain Signal Corps
Executive

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1st Lt, Sig C
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SIG-564-H1
JUNE 1945

UNIT HISTORY

564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION

APO-638 U.S. ARMY

1ST JUNE 1945
TO
30TH JUNE 1945

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZATION:

No Change

2. STRENGTH OF ORGANIZATION AS OF 30 JUNE 1945

Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
50	7	721

3. MOVEMENTS

Left Schlosskellerei, Reichstshausen Bei Hattenheim a/RH, Germany on 4 June 45, arrived Aulhausen, Germany on same day.

4. LOSSES IN ACTION

Negative report

5. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star Medals awarded to Sergeant Edward G. Lindberg and Technician Fourth Grade Charles M. Boylan on 27 June 45 for meritorious service.

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UNIT HISTORY

1. Consolidation of the separate platoons and companies as contemplated during the latter part of the month was carried out on 4 June 45. (FO #18 Hq 564th Sig AW Bn dtd 2 June 45 attached herewith as a supporting document). A former asylum, St. Vincenzstift, Aulhausen, Germany was the new location of the Bn and was found to be large enough to accommodate all the EM and the various departments of the Bn. The officers quarters were located at a small hotel named Jagdschloss Niederwald approximately 2 miles away.

2. The earlier part of the month was spent in cleaning up the new building. Windows by the hundreds had to be replaced and trash and junk cleaned up. German PW's and materials were utilized to the fullest extent and towards the middle of the month the building began to look fairly presentable.

3. Planning for the I & E program went ahead with intentions to start classes the first week of July. A parade grounds was laid out and every Wednesday evening a retreat parade was held with competition between companies for best appearance. A Bn orchestra of 16 EM was organized and sent to IX Air Defense Command orchestra school returning with a commendation from General Richardson for the manner in which they completed their school. (Ltr Hq IX ADC Subj: Dance Orchestra School dtd 23 June 45 attached herewith as a supporting document)

4. Word was received from IX ADC that two of the EM of the Bn had been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service (Ext GO #23 Hq IX ADC dtd 1 June 45 attached herewith as a supporting document) Accordingly, on the Wednesday evening retreat parade of the 27 June 45 the entire Bn was assembled, citation read to the troops and medals presented by Major Serge T. Migdal, Battalion Commander. Following the presentation the troops passed in review.

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HEADQUARTERS
564th Signal AW Battalion

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Schlosskeller 1,
Reichartshausen Bei
Hattenheim a/RH,
Germany
2 June 1945, 1200B

FO #18

Maps: GSGS 4478 (1:500,000), Sheets 4 & 5, GSGS 4416 (1:100,000), Sheet 2.

1. a. Since the collapse and surrender of the German armed forces, no organized warfare can be anticipated. However, continued vigilance against espionage, sabotage, and subversion will be maintained. With the possibility of guerilla warfare, all possible security safeguards must be employed.
- b. The IX ADC is responsible for flak disarmament and defense of certain Ninth AF installations.
2. The 564th Sig AW Bn will conduct a unit school and an athletic program in accordance with theater directives, and will also conduct military training.
3. a. All company headquarters will depart present locations at 040800B and move to battalion headquarters at AULHAUSEN (WE-119558), Germany.
- b. Platoons will join company headquarters upon receipt of verbal orders from their respective company commanders.
4. a. Only water drawn from a US Army approved water plant will be used. Water trailers will be filled before departure from present location.
- b. Memo 65-1, Headquarters, 564th Sig AW Bn, dated 4 April 1945, is being revised and a new Memo 65-1 will be published. Upon arrival at Battalion Headquarters, supplies will be obtained in accordance with instructions contained in new Memo 65-1. Platoons will continue to draw supplies in accordance with Memo 65-1, dated 4 April 1945, until arrival at Battalion Headquarters.
- c. Fuel tanks will be filled prior to move. Gasoline, diesel fuel, and all empty Jerricans will be transported to new location.
- d. Casualties will be treated by attached medical personnel. Serious cases will be taken to nearest hospital.
- e. Trash and garbage will be buried in bivouac areas enroute. No debris of any kind will be thrown from vehicles.

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- f. Drivers will maintain proper interval of sixty (60) yards. Extreme caution will be practiced by all drivers.
- g. Selection of routes will be the responsibility of the company commanders.
- h. Buildings and grounds will be occupied in accordance with Ninth Air Force Memo 85-5, dated 29 March 1945. Paragraph 7 of Ninth Air Force Memo 85-5 will be strictly complied with.
- i. There will be no rail pickup while enroute to new location.
- j. Instructions contained in GO #238, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, Subject: "Relations Between Members Of This Command and Inhabitants of Germany", will be strictly adhered to. Violators will be severely dealt with.
- 5. (1) See IX Air Defense Command SOI for radio frequencies.
- (2) Radio and telephone communications will be established to IX ADC immediately upon arrival at new location.
- (3) Location of command post: Vicinity of AUCHAUSEN (am-119558), Germany.

By Order of Captain MINGDAL:

RICHARD L. EISENBICE
Captain, Sig C
Executive

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IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND
Office Of The Commanding General

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APO-638, US Army
23 June 1945

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SUBJECT: Dance Orchestra School.

TO : Commanding Officer, 564th Signal AW Bn, APO 638, US Army.

1. The newly organized dance orchestra of the 564th Signal AW Battalion, composed of the following listed personnel, has completed the IX Air Defense Command Orchestra School:

Sgt Theodore S. Alden	Tec 5 Walter S. Kohl
Sgt George M. O'Brien	Tec 5 Daniel R. Quay
Tec 5 Joseph A. Franchetta Jr.	Pfc Charles H. Baker
Tec 5 Lowell W. Brevier	Pfc Jack N. Osborne
Tec 5 Paul B. White	Pfc Robert C. Plank
Tec 5 Norman E. Myers	Pfc John S. Molinari
Tec 5 Kenneth H. Simmons	Pfc Henry M. Berman
Tec 5 Harold D. Dundun	Pvt William R. Wood

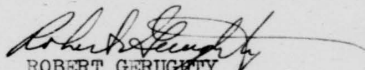
2. Very satisfactory results were achieved by this orchestra and the members are to be complimented on the fine manner in which they conducted themselves during the course of the school. The orchestra played several engagements at this station and are scheduled to entertain the troops at the IX Air Defense Command Rest Area in the near future.

3. It has been a pleasure for all concerned to work with this group and it is believed the orchestra will prove a great morale factor to the 564th Signal AW Bn.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

s/ C. B. Black
t/ C. B. BLACK
Col, AC,
Adjutant General

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1st Lt Signal Corps
Adjutant

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IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND

AFO-638, US Army
1 June 1945

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SECTION II

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944, (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), and in accordance with authority delegated by Ninth Air Force, letter 200.6, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, dated 13 September 1944, the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to:

EDWARD G. LINDBERG, 37341327, Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

CHARLES M. BOYLAN, 33435717, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

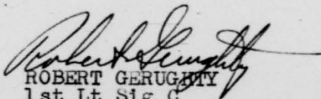
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JULY 1945

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564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION
APO-638 U.S. ARMY

1ST JULY 1945
TO
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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZATION:

- a. One "C" team, transferred from 564th Signal AW Battalion to Hq Eighth Air Force, 12 July 45.
- b. Detachment "A" Company "B" 564th Signal AW Battalion relieved from attached to XIX Tactical Air Command and joined 13 July 45.
- c. One C team transferred from 564th Signal AW Battalion to activate 67 Sig AW Detachment (close control) 26 July 45.
- d. Transferred from IX Air Defense Command to XII Tactical Air Command on 30 July 45.
- e. Lt. Col. George M. Higginson, on DS to IX Air Defense Command, returned to duty and assumed command of the 564th Signal AW Battalion 31 July 45.

2. STRENGTH OF ORGANIZATION AS OF 31 JULY 1945

Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
46	5	610

3. MOVEMENTS

Negative report

4. LOSSES IN ACTION

Negative report

5. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

- a. Battle Participation Award - Rhineland Campaign (No 5)
- b. Bronze Star Medals awarded to T/Sgt Louis A. Gableman and T/Sgt Christian H. Jensen on 11 July 45 for meritorious service.

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UNIT HISTORY

1. Routine duties played the leading role for the first week of July for every one except the I & E Dept under the supervision of 1st Lt. Edward N. Sanchez, I & E Officer. They, in keeping with Phase II of their program, opened the doors of the school on 9 July 1945, with an enrollment of 227. The schedule of Geometry, Arithmetic, three classes in English, two in Algebra, Morse Code, Trigonometry, American Government, Business Law, and American History embraced a week of five unvarying days, beginning at 0830 and concluding its day at 1400.

2. The instructors for the opening session were: S/Sgt Jacob Binn (Geometry), W/O Leon Kanable (Arithmetic), Sgt Joseph Thorpe (English 1 and English 3), Tec 5 James Lampen (Morse Code), Tec 4 Gerald Sears (Trigonometry), Sgt Theodore Alden (English 2), Lt. Douglas Eustace (Algebra 1), Lt William Creamer (Algebra 2), Tec 4 Saul Grand (American Government), S/Sgt William Brownell (Business Law), and Sgt Herbert Hatfield (American History).

3. Each succeeding week was marked by expansion. The schedule for 16 July introduced three additional subjects. S/Sgt Wendell Hiersekorn instructed in Auto Mechanics, Pfc Elmer Rocco in Photography, and Tec 5 Charles Trumbo in principles and types of speech. Lt. Robert Dienhart began mechanical drawing the week of 23 July and Pfc Cyrus Woodworth took over the additional class in photography on 30 July.

4. In all, seventeen classes were in session at the close of July. Files and cross-files were set up to facilitate class rosters, together with a card system to record the attendance and weekly proficiency reports for each student.

5. Besides the activity of the I & E Dept, July, which had come like a lamb, was soon to bow out roaring like a lion. Two men, T/Sgt Louis A. Gableman & T/Sgt Christian H. Jensen were awarded the Bronze Star Medal for Meritorious Service. (Ltr. Hq IX ADC Subj, Presentation of Awards dtd 10 July 45 and GO #24 Hq IX ADC dtd 11 June 45 attached herewith as supporting documents) Accordingly, a formal retreat parade was held, the men presented with the decorations by Major Serge T. Migdal, Battalion Commander, and as they stood alongside the Battalion Commander, the Battalion marched by in review.

6. The next day, one complete "C" team was reld from assignment to the 564th Signal AW Battalion and after one false start, due to adverse weather, flew to England for their new assignment with the Eighth Air Force (SO #188 Hq 9th AF dtd 7 July 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.

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UNIT HISTORY (CONT'D)

7. Notification that Detachment A Company "B", attached to XIX TAC, was relieved from attachment came in at this time (Assignment & Attachment O #75 Hq Ninth Air Force dtd 17 June 45 attached herewith as a supporting document) and on the 13th of July 45 they reported back to the Battalion for duty.
8. Events had hardly settled back to normal when a TWX (Extract Copy TWX 9AF Y-822-J attached herewith as a supporting document) reached us from 9AF Hq, informing us that we would be responsible for the organization of the 67th SAW Det (CC). Accordingly, Companies were scoured for the correct type personnel and on the 26th July 45 was born the aforementioned Det. (SO 131 Extract Hq 564th Sig AW Bn dtd 5 Aug 45 attached herewith as a supporting document).
9. In the midst of this activity the Athletic Department still found time to send out various teams of athletes to compete against other organizations. One team of swimmers particularly, were commended by letter (See Ltr Hq IX ADC Subj IX ADC Swim Meet, dtd 17 July 45 attached herewith as a supporting document) which was reproduced and sent to the companies. Pvt Edwin W. Rieg won the IX ADC Championship for the backstroke during the swimming meet and was presented with an athletic scroll by Brigadier General Richardson, CG, IX ADC.
10. Also, on about the 26th July 45 notification was rec'd that the Battle Participation Award for the Rhineland Campaign has been awarded to the Battalion in lieu of the former "German Campaign" award (Ltr Hq USFET Subj, Battle Part. Awards - Rhineland Campaign (no 5) dtd 5 July 45 attached herewith as a supporting document.)
11. Closing out the month, 9th AF then transfers the 564th Signal AW Battalion from IX ADC and assigned us to the XII TAC. Lt Col. Higginson on DS with IX ADC was recalled to the Battalion and formally re-assumed command as of the last day of the month. (Assignment & Attachment O 100, Hq 9AF dtd 29 July 45 & GO 7, Hq 564th Signal AW Battalion dtd 31 July 45 attached herewith as a supporting document)

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APC-638, US Army
11 June 1945

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SECTION III

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 February 1944, (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), and in accordance with authority delegated by Ninth Air Force, letter 200.6, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, dated 13 September 1944, the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to:

LOUIS A. GABELMAN, 36056071, Technical Sergeant, Medical Department, Hq & Plotting Company, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 1 February 1944 to 14 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

CHRISTIAN H. JENSEN, 11071891, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, Hq, 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 1 May 1944 to 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Connecticut.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

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APO 696, U S Army
7 July 1945

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53. The fol named EM, "E" Team, 582d Sig Acft Warning Bn, aretrfd in gr WP Hq, Eighth Air Force. EDGMR: 12 July 1945. TDN by WE, mil acft, rail or water. 60-115 P 431-02 A 212/60425. AUTH: VOCC US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 7 July 1945.

T/Sgt (70Q)	Jerry P. Lenihan	32393972	(766)
Sgt (78Q)	Paul E. Carlson	39679311	(766)
Sgt (83Q)	Clinton H. Dixon	39008209	(510)
Sgt (83Q)	Charles R. Marshall	39233396	(518)
Sgt (52Q)	Charles V. O'Grady	11009933	(518)
Sgt (81Q)	Alan H. Paine	31046244	(510)
Sgt (66Q)	Robert S. Willis	35669724	(766)
Cpl (76Q)	Hooley F. Barnes	18054207	(070)
Cpl (49Q)	Willard M. Johnson	36367463	(766)
Cpl (64Q)	Raymond W. Jones	32631263	(766)
Tec 5 (72Q)	Walter P. Borman	39014073	(510)
Tec 5 (78Q)	Hollis Bostick	39013707	(510)
Tec 5 (80Q)	Gerald J. Clark	36218375	(510)
Tec 5 (78Q)	David D. Frisby	39679908	(510)
Tec 5 (79Q)	John A. Sowa	36128310	(510)
Tec 5 (65Q)	Joseph M. Weaver	18226605	(648)
Tec 5 (79Q)	William G. Whittington	37069949	(510)
Pfc (63Q)	Francis M. Branstetter	37413235	(097)
Pfc (75Q)	Lawrence M. Dieter	36303279	(510)
Pfc (69Q)	Pete G. Gallanes	39527493	(510)
Pfc (74Q)	Wilbur E. Gross	35600886	(590)
Pfc (66Q)	Donald A. Johnson	32551926	(510)
Pfc (66Q)	Walter L. Larson	32552004	(510)
Pfc (79Q)	John F. Little	39164164	(766)
Pfc (62Q)	Delbert C. Miller	37473188	(776)
Pfc (39Q)	J.H. Mooney	18119377	(590)
Pfc (62Q)	James C. Propst	37601057	(345)
Pfc (77Q)	Charles H. Rice	19062171	(510)
Pfc (63Q)	Raymond E. Summerfield	35748714	(345)
Pfc (78Q)	John Wegley	39013338	(510)
Pfc (62Q)	Malcolm R. Warner	36451586	(510)
Pfc (62Q)	Alvin G. West	39200203	(510)
Pfc (66Q)	Bill A. Winkler	37354009	(510)
Pvt (62Q)	Harry C. Piper	39122274	(522)

54. The fol named Officers are reld from asgmt w/ "C" Team, 564th Sig Acft Warning Bn, asgd WP Hq, Eighth Air Force. EDGMR: 12 July 1945. TDN by MT, mil acft, rail or water. 60-115 P 431-02 A 212/60425. AUTH: VOCC US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 7 July 1945.

1ST LT (76Q)	CHARLES H. BUTLER	0448644	(0110)	SigC
2D LT (81Q)	PAUL BROOKS	01636372	(2120)	SigC
WOJG (82Q)	RAYMOND J. WESTRA	W2121626	(0110)	USA

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55. The fol named EM, "C", Team, 564th Sig Acft Warning Bn, are trfd in gr WP Hq, Eighth Air Force. EDGMR: 12 July 1945. TRN by IPT, mil acft, rail or water. 60-115 P 431-02 A 212/60425. AUTH: VOCC US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 7 July 1945

M/Sgt (63Q)	Paul F. Lecocq	36068314	(953)
S/Sgt (64Q)	Henry L. Miller	15105410	(953)
S/Sgt (63Q)	Burton S. Prague	11095867	(953)
Sgt (58Q)	Donald G. Johnson	33422912	(514)
Sgt (56Q)	Donald K. Johnson	39205128	(514)
Sgt (76Q)	Kenneth C. Liesmeyer	39248955	(953)
Sgt (58Q)	Carl D. Moore	31323921	(766)
Sgt (67Q)	James A. Reeves	16114798	(514)
Sgt (57Q)	William H. Whetstone, Jr	16118432	(514)
Tec 4 (71Q)	Stanley Barron	32740306	(081)
Tec 4 (59Q)	Obe Kendrick	37408405	(060)
Cpl (57Q)	Edward F. O'Connell	32812794	(756)
Tec 5 (66Q)	Merle V. Armstrong	37206043	(081)
Tec 5 (59Q)	Langley P. Galarneau	39036766	(514)
Tec 5 (59Q)	Luther O. Graphman	35579953	(931)
Tec 5 (64Q)	Paul J. LaSota	36408585	(821)
Tec 5 (57Q)	Robert J. Lyons	32761102	(514)
Tec 5 (57Q)	Kenneth L. Matthews	37343297	(514)
Tec 5 (59Q)	Merlin G. Moore	37498447	(060)
Tec 5 (71Q)	John L. Newton	36187552	(514)
Tec 5 (58Q)	Joseph P. Paris	32676056	(514)
Tec 5 (71Q)	Stanley A. Polka	31270729	(514)
Tec 5 (58Q)	Daniel R. Quay	32837381	(514)
Tec 5 (59Q)	Cecil C. Rogers	14091721	(348)
Pfc (58Q)	Alvin R. Clark	33427408	(514)
Pfc (62Q)	Edward Cohen	11091248	(835)
Pfc (54Q)	Philip D. Bartolomeo	32951422	(514)
Pfc (54Q)	Bortis C. Drake	36070836	(521)
Pfc (57Q)	Gerald W. Elbers	32867501	(514)
Pfc (58Q)	John D. Hood	32812032	(014)
Pfc (35Q)	Frank K. Korczakowski	36901546	(522)
Pfc (63Q)	Davis K. Hills	31163260	(766)
Pfc (59Q)	Harry T. Quinn	37546351	(521)
Pfc (62Q)	Silvaore Sosa	36273553	(345)
Pfc (57Q)	Anthony S. Vitale	33607725	(514)
Pvt (58Q)	James P. Collingwood	31295325	(766)
Pvt (34Q)	Edward C. Curry	31153108	(521)
Pvt (56Q)	Howard J. Lishartke	36654971	(514)
Pvt (59Q)	Ralph Melinari	37500814	(345)
Pvt (62Q)	James A. Robert	34079302	(521)
Pvt (62Q)	Milton E. Russ	17107381	(522)
Pvt (49Q)	Irving H. Schuler	36599102	(345)
Pvt (72Q)	Eugene M. Schwartz	35133541	(405)
Pvt (61Q)	Alvis E. Simmons	18217277	(522)
Pvt (68Q)	Adam J. Slovik	32266137	(521)

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 To facilitate the redeployment and reorganization of Aircraft
 Warning and Fighter Control personnel the program outlined below
 has been established. This program had been based on current and
 anticipated Ninth Air Force commitments for redeployment and
 occupational air force operation.

2. On 26 July, eight Signal Aircraft Warning Detachments will be
 activated as follows:

DETACHMENT NUMBER	* * * COMMAND RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTIVATION	* * * SIG AW EN PROVIDING AW PERSONNEL	* * * CONTEMPLATED DISPOSITION	* * * DATE OF CONTEMPLATED DISPOSITION
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564th Signal AW Battalion

APC 638, U S Army
5 August 1945

SPECIAL ORDERS
NUMBER 131

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1. Confirming verbal orders VOOC Ninth Air Force and auth contained in TEX
Y-822-4 Ninth Air Force, the fol named O & EN are trfd in gr to 67th Signal AW Detach-
ment (Close Control) eff 26 July 1945:

LST LT	(92Q)	BRILEY, HOWARD B.	01642306	(2120)	Hq & Plot Co
LST LT	(72Q)	SAITH, OLIVER R.	0701595	(0110)	Company B
WOJG	(72Q)	KANWELL, LEON H.	02128653	(0110)	Company B
S/Sgt	(66Q)	Betts, William J.	16100474	(953)	Company B
S/Sgt	(63Q)	Hiebach, Don H.	36426353	(953)	Company B
Sgt	(66Q)	Bier, Harry HUI	39130006	(514)	Company B
Sgt	(70Q)	Detrick, Paul F.	17059867	(953)	Company B
Sgt	(60Q)	Partini, Frank A.	31239717	(953)	Company C
Tec 4	(67Q)	Hall, Norman G.	37511095	(514)	Company B
Tec 4	(71Q)	Santi, Pietro P.	39030966	(060)	Company B
Tec 4	(67Q)	Woods, James J.	38466517	(765)	Company B
Cpl	(69Q)	Bach, John P., Jr.	35552510	(514)	Company B
Cpl	(70Q)	Bryanly, Robert G.	15389024	(648)	Company B
Cpl	(69Q)	Chironna, Michael HUI	32690487	(766)	Company B
Cpl	(68Q)	Frank, William J.	32832813	(514)	Company B
Cpl	(67Q)	Hutson, Roy B.	37516253	(514)	Company B
Cpl	(68Q)	Pease, Robert L.	36733217	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(65Q)	Bauch, Howard G.	33509553	(081)	Company B
Tec 5	(69Q)	Blank, Stanton L.	36722868	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(64Q)	Carlo, Joseph M.	15131439	(405)	Company C
Tec 5	(73Q)	Cheatwood, James O.	34350337	(050)	Company B
Tec 5	(61Q)	Cooper, Ellis HUI	38301682	(345)	Hq & Plot Co
Tec 5	(72Q)	Duster, Donald O.	12171209	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(57Q)	Gibson, Maurice B.	34608663	(014)	Company B
Tec 5	(66Q)	Klinak, Joseph J, Jr.	33675362	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(56Q)	Klotz, Marvin W.	36179608	(835)	Company A
Tec 5	(68Q)	Miele, Robert B.	31219776	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(69Q)	Vesely, Edward J.	36637018	(081)	Company B
Tec 5	(71Q)	Wooten, Harry A.	13112529	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(66Q)	Bravata, Phillip P.	32883899	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(69Q)	Hullock, Frederick R.	39207974	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(71Q)	Kas, Luther J.	37450602	(766)	Company B
Pfc	(71Q)	Patch, Walter S.	34674664	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(59Q)	Lelani, Robert S.	33642605	(521)	Company A
Pfc	(70Q)	McGuire, Harvey G.	17269218	(776)	Company B

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Pfc	(500)	Perkins, George MI	31310521	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(600)	Saber, Kenneth E.	32588577	(345)	Hq & Plt Co
Pfc	(580)	Tomasiac, Joseph J.	32835405	(835)	Company A
Pfc	(450)	Kronobitter, Arthur E.	35520068	(521)	Hq & Plt Co
Pfc	(541)	Pribilo, Robert E.	17159210	(521)	Hq & Plt Co
Pfc	(480)	Jinonaz, Francisco C.	39267473	(521)	Company A
Pvt	(570)	Bane, Lawrence E.	33538553	(345)	Company C
Pvt	(514)	Fry, Ray W.	36370179	(521)	Company C
Pvt	(650)	Karger, Otto W.	36432655	(521)	Company A
Pvt	(580)	Parker, Philip J.	31312557	(514)	Company B
Pvt	(690)	Padil, Glenn A.	36177681	(521)	Company C
Pvt	(610)	Skulnick, Frank MI	13053816	(521)	Company C
Pvt	(680)	Sandoval, Winchell R.	39267513	(931)	Company B

By Order of Lieutenant Colonel HIGGINSON:

ROBERT GERUGHY
1st Lt Signal C
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5 August 1945

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I. Confirming verbal orders VOOB Ninth Air Force and auth contained in TRX
Y-322-J Ninth Air Force, the fol named O & EM are transf in gr to 67th Signal Av Detach-
ment (Close Comm L) eff 26 July 1945:

1ST LT	(920)	BRILEY, HOWARD B.	01642306	(2120)	Hq & Plct Co
1ST LT	(732)	SMITH, OLIVER H.	0201595	(0110)	Company B
1/SGT	(720)	KAMBLER, LEON H.	02128653	(0110)	Company B
S/Sgt	(660)	Betts, William J.	16100074	(953)	Company B
S/Sgt	(690)	Hiebach, Don H.	36426353	(953)	Company B
Sgt	(660)	Blax, Harry MEI	37130006	(514)	Company B
Sgt	(700)	Deorick, Paul F.	17059667	(953)	Company B
Sgt	(600)	Fontini, Frank A.	31239717	(953)	Company C
Tec 4	(670)	Hall, Herman G.	37514095	(514)	Company B
Tec 4	(710)	Santi, Pietro P.	39030996	(060)	Company B
Tec 4	(670)	Woods, James J.	38466517	(766)	Company B
Cpl	(690)	Bach, John P., Jr.	33552510	(514)	Company B
Cpl	(700)	Bryanly, Robert G.	15383024	(648)	Company B
Cpl	(690)	Chorram, Michael MEI	32690487	(766)	Company B
Cpl	(660)	Frank, William J.	32832613	(514)	Company B
Cpl	(670)	Hudson, Roy B.	37516253	(514)	Company B
Cpl	(660)	Pease, Robert L.	36733217	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(650)	Bouch, Howard G.	33509553	(081)	Company B
Tec 5	(690)	Blank, Stanton L.	36722868	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(500)	Carlo, Joseph M.	15131429	(408)	Company C
Tec 5	(750)	Crestwood, James O.	34390337	(060)	Company B
Tec 5	(610)	Cooper, Ellis MEI	38301682	(345)	Hq & Plct Co
Tec 5	(720)	Dexter, Donald G.	12474209	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(570)	Gibson, Maurice E.	34608663	(014)	Company B
Tec 5	(660)	Klinski, Joseph J, Jr.	33675362	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(600)	Klotz, Harvin W.	36479608	(895)	Company A
Tec 5	(690)	Miele, Robert P.	21219776	(514)	Company B
Tec 5	(660)	Vessly, Edward J.	36657008	(081)	Company B
Tec 5	(700)	Wooten, Harry A.	13112529	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(660)	Exordia, Phillip P.	32888899	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(630)	Bullock, Frederick R.	39207974	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(700)	Haas, Luther J.	37450602	(766)	Company B
Pfc	(700)	Patel, Walter S.	24674664	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(690)	LeLond, Robert S.	33642686	(521)	Company A
Pfc	(670)	McGuire, Harvey C.	17169218	(776)	Company B

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SO 131 Hq 564th Sig Avn Bn dtd 5 August 45 (Cont'd)

Pfc	(660)	Perkins, George MI	31310521	(514)	Company B
Pfc	(600)	Saber, Kenneth E.	32588577	(345)	Hq & Plot Co
Pfc	(590)	Tomaszko, Joseph J.	32835406	(835)	Company A
Pfc	(450)	Kroschmitter, Arthur E.	35520068	(521)	Hq & Plot Co
Pfc	(580)	Prillade, Robert E.	17159210	(521)	Hq & Plot Co
Pfc	(480)	Jimenez, Francisco O.	39267473	(521)	Company A
Pvt	(570)	Bans, Lawrence E.	33538553	(345)	Company C
Pvt	(510)	Fry, Ray W.	36370179	(521)	Company C
Pvt	(600)	Kangor, Otto W.	36432305	(521)	Company A
Pvt	(580)	Parker, Philip J.	31312557	(514)	Company B
Pvt	(690)	Fudil, Glenn A.	36177689	(521)	Company C
Pvt	(600)	Skolnick, Frank MI	13053826	(521)	Company C
Pvt	(600)	Sandoval, Winchell R.	39267313	(931)	Company B

By Order of Lieutenant Colonel HIGGINSOW:

ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Signal C
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

Robert Gerughty
ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Signal C
Adjutant

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Office of the Commanding General

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APO 638, US Army
17 July 1945

SUBJECT: IX Air Defense Command Swimming Meet.

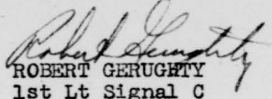
TO : Commanding General, 564th Sig AW Bn, APO 638, US Army.

1. This headquarters wishes to commend the 564th Sig AW Bn Swimming Team for the enthusiastic spirit of cooperation and competition it displayed in the IX Air Defense Command Swimming Meet.
2. It is hoped the athletic program of the 564th Sig AW Bn will continue to furnish participants and spectators with worthwhile competition and relaxation.

By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

s/Worth B. Folger
t/WORTH B. FOLGER
1st Lt AGD
Asst Adj General

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ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Signal C

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17 July 1945

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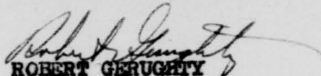
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t/ WORTH B. FOLGER
1st Lt AGD
Asst Adj General

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ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Signal C

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HEADQUARTERS
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EUROPEAN THEATER

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AG 200.6 OpGA

(Rear) - APO 887
5 July 1945

SUBJECT: Battle Participation Awards - Rhineland Campaign (No 5)

TO : Commanding Generals:
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

* * *

1. In accordance with the provisions of paragraph 21b, AR 260-10, 25 October 1944, announcement is made of units awarded battle credit for participation in the campaign "Rhineland" as established by General Orders No 40, War Department, 21 May 1945:

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2. Attention is invited to paragraph 7b, Section I, Circular 195, War Department, 18 May 1944, as amended by Section III, Circular 90, 21 March 1945, regarding eligibility of individuals to wear a bronze service star on the theater ribbon.

3. In compliance with paragraph 8, Circular 62, War Department, 11 February 1944; Circular III, this headquarters, 15 November 1944, as amended by Circular 30, 22 March 1945, and letter, this headquarters, file AG 200.6 OpGA, subject: "Individuals Entitled to Battle Participation Credit", 28 April 1945, necessary entries will be made on page 6, "Medals, Decorations, and Citations" in service records of enlisted personnel and in Item 31 on qualification cards of officers and warrant officers, whose eligibility to wear a bronze service star on the theater ribbon is established.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL BRADLEY:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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CO, each unit concerned (1)

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1st Lt Signal C

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HEADQUARTERS NINTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Commanding General

APO 696, US Army
29 July 1945

In reply refer
to: 370.5

SUBJECT: Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 100).

TO : * * * * *
Commanding General, IX Air Defense Command, APO 638, US Army.
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3. The following units are relieved from assigned to IX Air
Defense Command and are assigned to XII Tactical Air Command,
effective 0001 hours, 30 July 1945:

564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion

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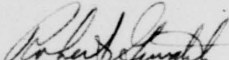
BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEYLAND:

s/ Herbert B. Lewis
t/ HERBERT B. LEWIS
Major, A G D
Asst Adj General

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1st Lt Signal C

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**HEADQUARTERS
NINTH AIR FORCE**

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AFPO 696, U S Army
17 June 1945

In reply refer
to: 370.5

SUBJECT: Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 75)

TO : Commanding Generals, All Commands, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, 9th Air Division, APO 140, U S Army

1. Pursuant to authority contained in paragraph 4, Ltr Hq, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 10 June 1945, subject: "Movement Order (No. 36)", the following unit is assigned to Ninth Air Force and further assigned IX Air Force Service Command, effective as of 9 June 1945. Unit transferred with one (1) officer and one (1) enlisted man and less equipment.

Hq & Hq Sq 2nd Advance Air Depot Area

2. Detachment "A", Company "B", 564th Signal AW Bn, assigned to IX Air Defense Command, is relieved from attached to the XIX Tactical Air Command, effective as of 9 June 1945. Detachment "A", is discontinued.

3. Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 66), dated 3 June 1945, is amended to read 8 June 1945.

4. Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 69), dated 11 June 1945 is amended to read 9 June 1945.

5. Detachment "P", 9th Flying Control Sq (Prov), is relieved from attached to XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov), and is attached to XIX Tactical Air Command, effective as of 20 May 1945.

6. The following detachments are relieved from attached to 12th Army Group and are attached to the IX Tactical Air Command, effective as of 3 June 1945.

Detachment "ZQ", 21st Weather Sq
Detachment "ZQ", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

7. The following detachments are relieved from attached to 12th Army Group, effective as of 10 June 1945. Detachments are attached to IX Air Force Service Command, effective as of 12 June 1945.

Detachment "ZP", 21st Weather Sq
Detachment "ZP", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

8. The following detachment is relieved from attached to 9th Air Division, effective as of 12 June 1945.

Detachment "TT", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

9. The following detachment is relieved from attached to Base Command, SURAD&TC, effective as of 21 June 1945.

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Par 9, Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 75), Hq, Ninth Air Force, 17 June 1945 (Cont'd)

Detachment "KK", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

10. The following detachment is attached to Base Commander, EURADATC, effective as of 22 June 1945.

Detachment "YR", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

11. The following detachments are relieved from attached to 12th Army Group and are attached to IX Air Force Service Command, effective as of 28 May 1945.

Detachment "E", 21st Weather Sq
Detachment "E", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

12. Paragraph 3, Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 66), this headquarters dated 8 June 1945, is amended to read: "The following detachments are relieved from attached to XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov), and are attached to IX Air Force Service Command, effective as of 24 May 1945.

Detachment "ZL", 21st Weather Sq
Detachment "ZL", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

13. The following detachments are relieved from attached to 9th Air Division effective as of 13 June 1945.

Detachment "BB", 21st Weather Sq
Detachment "BB", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

14. The following detachments are relieved from attached to IX Troop Carrier Command, effective as of 17 June 1945.

Detachment "YL", 21st Weather Sq
Detachment "YL", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

15. The following detachments are relieved from attached to 12th Army Group effective as of 18 June 1945.

Detachment "YD", 21st Weather Sq
Detachment "YD", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

16. The following detachments are relieved from attached to XII Tactical Air Command, effective as of 18 June 1945.

Detachment "ZI", 21st Weather Sq
Detachment "ZI", 40th Mobile Comm Sq

17. Pursuant to authority contained in Letter, Hq, European TO USA, 10 June 1945, file AG 370.5 OpGC, subject: "Troop Assignment (No. 105)", the following unit is relieved from attached to Ninth Air Force and IX Air Defense Command, effective as of 10 June 1945.

Hq, 3056th Ordnance Service Co

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Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 75), Hq, Ninth Air Force 17 June 1945; (Contd.)

18. Pursuant to authority cited in paragraph 17 above, the following unit is relieved from assigned to Ninth Air Force and XII Tactical Air Command, effective as of 10 June 1945.

802nd Army Postal Unit

19. Hq & Hq Btry, 50th AAA Brigade with attached units, having mission of defense and security of XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov) installations, is placed under the operational control of the Commanding General, XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov), for matters pertaining to defense and security of XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov), effective as of 15 June 1945.

By command of Major General WEYLAND:

Harry E. Koch
HARRY E. KOCH
Major, A G D
Asst Adj Gen

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- 6 cys, TAG (1 cy mrkd attn: Opr Br); CG US Strategic Air Forces in Europe; AOC-in-C, Air Staff Supreme Hq, Allied Expeditionary Air Force (Main); CG Twelfth Army Gp, APO 655; CG First US Army, APO 230; CG Third US Army; CG Ninth US Army
- 10 cys ea, CG AAF (Attn: Air AG, Publications BR); CG Air Tech Sv Comd, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe; CG Base Air Depot Area, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe; CG IX AFSC (Add); CG IX ADC (Add); CG 9th Air Div (Act)
- 26 cys CG European TO USA (1 cy mrkd attn: Chief of Supply Sv, APO 887)
- 2 cys add: Plans and Orgn Sec: (Attn: Orgn)
- 2 cys CO 26th Statistical Control Unit (Type H)

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HEADQUARTERS
564th Signal AW Battalion

APC-638, U S Army
31 July 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

No. 7)

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of paragraph 4, AR 600-20, the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

George M. Higginson
GEORGE M. HIGGINSON
Lt. Col., Sig C
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND
Office of the Commanding General

C-L-7

APO 638, US Army,
10 July 1945

SUBJECT: Presentation of Awards.

TO : Commanding Officer, 564th Signal AW Bn, APO 638, US Army.

1. The following named enlisted men of your organization have been awarded the Bronze Star Medal as set forth in General Orders Number 24, Headquarters, IX Air Defense Command, 11 June 1945:

T/Sgt Louis A. Gabelman	36056071
T/Sgt Christian H. Jensen	11071891

2. It is desired that presentation of the Bronze Star Medal be made by you with appropriate ceremony and a report of the presentation be made to this headquarters.

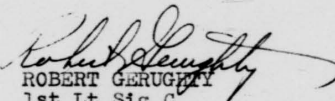
By command of Brigadier General RICHARDSON:

M. C. WETHERALL
Captain AC
Asst Adj General

3 Incls:

- Incl 1 - 2 cys GO 24, Hq IX ADC, 11 June 45.
- Incl 2 - 2 Citations (dup)
- Incl 3 - 2 Bronze Star Medals.

"A certified true copy"


ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Sig C
Adjutant

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SIG-564-H1

AUG 1945

UNIT HISTORY

564TH SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION

APO-374 U.S. ARMY

1ST AUGUST 1945
TO
31ST AUGUST 1945

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PART 1

ORGANIZATION AND CURRENT STATUS

1. ORGANIZATION

a. The 564th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion is now operating under T/O & E 11-400, 1 March 1944 with an authorized strength of 54 Officers, 7 Warrant Officers and 779 Enlisted Men. The following teams are authorized: A-B-C-D-E-H-I-J-L-P-Q-R-S-T-U 1-4-6-6-1-1-6-5-4-11-1-4 9-1-3.

b. No changes were effected during the month.

2. STRENGTH OF ORGANIZATION AS OF 31 AUGUST 1945

Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
32	4	449

3. STATIONS

No movements weremade during this period. The 564th Signal AW Battalion is still located at Aulhausen, Kreis Rheingau, Germany.

4. LOSSES IN ACTION

Negative report

5. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

a. Commendation by General Order #8, 564th Signal AW Battalion, of T/Sgt. Calvin B. Glenn and Cpl. Hilliard B. Black.

b. Battle Participation Award-Central Europe Campaign(No.8).

c. Bronze Star Medals awarded to the following named Enlisted Men for meritorius Service:

M/Sgt. Daniel A. MacDonald
M/Sgt. Harold C. Sindt
S/Sgt. Forrest R. Husband
Sgt. Herbert S. Hatfield
Sgt. Roy T. McMillen
Tec 4 Gerald J. Wilson
Tec 5 Edward J. Fiedler
Tec 5 Earlis Lawson

PART II

NARRATIVE

1. The transferring in and out of various Officers and Enlisted Men of the 564th Signal AW Battalion which had started in July went on unchecked all through the month of August. Both high and low Adjusted Service Rating score men were effected. Those with low ASR scores were transferred to new organizations and the high point men were sent to various depots for shipment to the Zone of Interior. Some high point men from other organizations were shifted in temporarily to replace our losses but they in turn were sent out almost immediately. All in all, approximately 400 Officers and Enlisted Men were involved in the movements.
2. On August 3rd T/Sgt. Calvin H. Glenn and Cpl. Hilliard B. Black were commended by the Battalion Commander Lieutenant Colonel GEORGE M. HIGGINSON for meritorious conduct in connection with carrying out their duties. (See Appendix for GO #8 Hq, 564th Signal AW Battalion dtd 3 August 1945).
3. On the 4th August 1945 notification was received that a Bronze Service Star had been awarded to the organization for the Central Europe Campaign. (See Appendix for Ltr. Hq USFET, dtd 6 July 1944 Subj: Battle Participation Awards--Central Europe Campaign--No 8).
4. The 67th Signal AW Detachment (close control), which had been activated during the preceeding month and comprised almost entirely of former members of the 564th Signal AW Battalion, had been with us all along. They were then officially assigned to the XII Tactical Air Command and further assigned to this Battalion (See Appendix for GO #138, Hq, XII TAC dtd 31 July 1945).
5. During the middle of the month electrifying news of the War in the Pacific was broadcast over the radio. Japan had agreed to surrender and although it was not the official VJ Day, the 564th Signal AW Battalion celebrated along with the rest of the world in a wonderful spree. Lt. Col. HIGGINSON declared the rest of the day a holiday and all the liquor stocks in the two Enlisted Men's bars were put on the counter, free of charge. Several Officers put on bartender aprons and by 1530 the party was in full swing. Except for the guards and drivers still on duty, every one was having a wonderful time and several truckloads of new men which had just arrived from the 582nd Signal AW Battalion quickly joined in.

PART II (CONT'D)

NARRATIVE

6. All formality was cast aside for the evening. Lt. Col. HIGGINSON with various other members of the staff joined in with them and between drinking and serving drinks, along with everyone else had a completely successful evening. There were some heavy heads and fevered brows the next morning but with the finish of the war and going home now in sight nobody minded in the least.

7. Word was received on about the 21st August 1945 that 8 more Enlisted Men had received Bronze Star Awards and though the medals had not arrived making possible a formal presentation, the data was entered in the Service Records and the men officially notified of the honor (See Appendix for Extract of GO #34, Hq IX ADW dtd 15 August 1945).

8. With the rapid turnover of Officers and Enlisted Men, Lt. Sanchez, head of the Information & Education School soon found it impossible to maintain any of the teaching staff and he had to give up. A complete halt was brought about with the finish of his last class and on the 24th August 1945 the school closed its doors.

9. The training program was also hard hit. Key men of the Battalion, including the Sgt/Major, the 1st Sgts, Clerks, Typists, Radio Operators and Switchboard Operators were taken away from us and it became necessary to abolish the training program in order to keep the Battalion in operation. On the job training was initiated in its place and though conditions remained difficult the men were performing satisfactorily in their new jobs as the month of August drew to a close.

PART III

DIARY

August 1-2: The 564th Signal AW Battalion was carrying out usual organizational duties at Aulhausen, Kreis Rheingau, Germany with the accent on the Information and Education Program.

August 3: T/Sgt Calvin H. Glenn and Cpl. Hilliard B. Black commended for meritorious service.

PART III (CONT'D)

DIARY

- August 4: Notification received of award of Bronze Service Star for Central Europe Campaign. All ASR scores of Officers and Enlisted Men revised with addition of 5 points for the award.
- August 5-10: No change in duty status. A total of 1 Warrant Officer and 39 Enlisted Men had been transferred out of the Battalion during the first ten days of the month.
- August 11-14: No change
- August 15: Eighty Enlisted Men joined the 564th Signal AW Battalion from the 582nd Signal AW Battalion. They arrived in time to join in the celebration when the Battalion Commander, Lt. Col. GEORGE M. HIGGINSON declared the day a holiday due to news of the Jap surrender in the Pacific.
- August 16-20: No change in duty status. The transfers away from the Battalion now totaled 12 Officers, 1 Warrant Officer and 228 Enlisted Men for the month.
- August 21: Notification received from Hq. IX Air Defense Wing that 8 Enlisted Men of the organization had been awarded the Bronze Star.
- August 22-23: No change
- August 24: The Post Information and Education School closed due to lack of personnel.
- August 25-31: On the job training initiated in place of training program due to losses in key personnel of the Battalion. By the 31st August 1945 the transfer total had risen to 13 Officers, 2 Warrant Officers and 360 Enlisted Men lost during the month of August 1945.

PART IV

COMBAT OPERATIONS

1. Negative report.

PART V

NON-COMBAT OPERATIONS

1. Negative report.

PART VI

TRAINING

1. Negative report due to cancellation of training program and initiation of on-the-job training due to losses in personnel.

PART VII

STATISTICS

1. Negative report.

PART VIII

STAFF ACTIVITY AND CONFERENCES

1. Negative report.

PART IX

PRESS RELEASES AND PHOTOGRAPHS

1. Negative report.

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HEADQUARTERS
564th Signal AW Battalion

APO-638, US Army
3 August 1945

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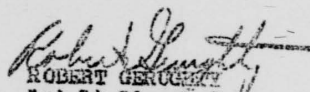
1. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-55, dated 30 June 1928, the following named Enlisted Men are commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct, clearly demonstrated by their efficiency, fidelity and unselfish devotion to duty:

S/Sgt	Glenn, Calvin D.	38100510
Cpl	Black, William B.	14185331

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL HIGGINSON:

OFFICIAL:

ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Signal C
Adjutant


ROBERT GERUGHTY
1st Lt Signal C
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(Resr) -APO 887
6 July 1945

SUBJECT: Battle Participation Awards - Central Europe Campaign (No 8).

TO : Commanding Generals:
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

1. In accordance with the provisions of paragraph 21b, AR 260-10, 25 October 1944, announcement is made of units awarded battle credit for participation in the campaign "Central Europe" as established by General Orders No 40, War Department, 21 May 1945:

* * * * *
564th Sig Av Bn
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2. a. *****
b. *****

3. Attention is invited to paragraph 7b, Section I, Circular 195, War Department, 18 May 1944, as amended by Section III, Circular 90, 23 March 1945, regarding eligibility of individuals to wear a bronze service star on the theater ribbon.

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5. This letter-order continues the 1945 series, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, US Army, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, US Army, was redesignated as Headquarters, US Forces, European Theater, by Section I, General Orders 130, 20 June 1945.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL BRADLEY:

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CC each unit concerned (1)
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1st Lt Signal C

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s/R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND
APO 374

E-S-17

31 July 1945

GENERAL ORDER)
: ***** E X T R A C T *****
NUMBER 138)

ASSIGNMENT AND ATTACHMENT OF UNITS

3. Pursuant to authority contained in letter, Hq, Ninth Air Force, subject: " Assignment and Attachment Order (No. 100)", dated 29 July 1945, the following units are assigned to the XII Tactical Air Command and hereby further assigned as indicated effective 30 July 1945:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>ASSIGNED</u>
564th Signal AW Bn	64th Fighter Wing
67th Signal AW Det (Close Control)	564th Sig AW Bn, 64th Ftr Wing

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL BARCUS:

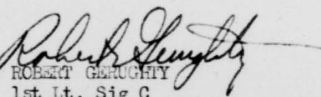
GEORGE L. HART, JR.,
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