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3253 SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY  
APO 756, U. S. ARMY

25 March 1945.

**SUBJECT:** Signal Corps Technical Historical Report for the 3253d  
Signal Service Company, (period 29 April 1944 to 28  
February 1945.)

**TO :** Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, Office of  
the Chief Signal Officer, APO 887, U.S. Army.

1. **GENERAL:** The assigned task or mission of this organ-  
ization was to provide operational intelligence derived from  
interception of German Army Ground Forces Radio signals, with  
particular emphasis placed on units opposing or threatening the  
Fifteenth United States Army Corps, and also to exchange tech-  
nical intelligence information with the Signal Intelligence Agencies  
of flanking and higher echelons. The mission has remained the same  
since the organization went into action on the continent. Changes  
that were made in the operational organization were a series of  
minor changes to improve operational techniques, and changes to  
compensate for changes made in Enemy Radio and Cryptographic pro-  
cedures. The unit began twenty four hour operation on the nineteenth  
of July on which date it prepared its first Daily Signal Intelli-  
gence Activity Report, it has remained in continuous operation  
from that date on.

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2. BACKGROUND HISTORY: The 3258d Signal Service Company was activated on the twenty-ninth of April 1944 at Wincham Hall, Cheshire, England. Personnel and equipment were assembled and the organisation embarked at South Hampton, England, for France on the tenth of July 1944. At the time no well laid plans had been provided for equipping units of this type, and with high priorities accorded units with earlier sailing dates, it required the entire two months to obtain a minimum of essential supplies, in fact the most essential radio receivers were not obtained until the day of departure, and then only due to the Organisation Commander's refusal to sail without them. Personnel for the company had previous training in their speciality. The Traffic Analysis and Cryptanalysis personnel received training in Washington D. C., and London, England. The nucleus of the Intercept and Direction Finding personnel came from Radio Intelligence Companies, and the remainder of the personnel assigned from the various units comprising the Fifteenth Corps.

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3. ORGANIZATION: The company was organized with an intercept platoon which included the intercept section, the direction finding section, and the radio repair section. The intercept section constructed a trick chief position and twelve intercept positions in houses mounted on three (3), two and one half ton trucks. The switchboards for trick chief control of intercept positions were never available for issue to this organization, it was necessary to construct, in lieu of them, an intercommunication system from captured German equipment to provide the necessary control, and facilities for frequency measurements. The Direction Finding section was originally equipped with a direction finder type SCR 206 which was in very bad condition. The message center section was set up in two (2), two and one half ton trucks and were responsible for all communications within the company and within the Signal Intelligence network. The teletype team and Radio Team worked under Message Center supervision. The Operational Control Section comprising the Traffic Analysis and Cryptanalysis personnel installed offices in housings on two (2), two and one half ton trucks. The personnel from the two (2) platoon headquarters were divided among the company platoons and administration was entirely taken care of by Company Headquarters.

4. OPERATIONS: During operations throughout France it was found that the personnel allotted to the intercept section could operate twelve intercept positions as a maximum, and the table of equipment allotment of receivers, which were never issued were never needed. There was no occasion when the recording equipment allotted was needed or used. Due to lack of personnel with German language knowledge, the high frequencies radio receivers were rarely used, and it was found that the need for a organized high frequency team was seldom. A team was available from higher headquarters the few occasions that the situation warranted their use. The direction finding equipment available for issue was a combinationally a disappointment, the more sensitive equipment available was too large and cumbersome for a fast moving unit, and the smaller equipment types SCR-208 and 503, were too insensitive for bearings on the weak signals. A great deal of research should be put on this subject to develop suitable equipment. At the beginning of operations the Radio Transmitter was located at the Corps Radio Pool, but due to lack of a Wire team and suitable wire laying equipment on the table of organization and equipment this was discontinued and the transmitter located in the company area. The anticipated interference with interception activities did not materialize. The Message Center Section was found to be overstaffed and the operations section understaffed so an adjustment was made by transferring two (2) officers and three (3) enlisted men from the Message Center to work with the operations control section.

4. OPERATIONS (CONTD)

(b) Although the need for an internal telephone system was great no switchboards and an insufficient number of telephones were allotted the organization. After a period of operations a sufficient number of captured telephones were available to install a satisfactory system, and a telephone switchboard type EP-71 was obtained in excess of the table of equipment allotment. The telephone network consisted of two incoming trunk lines, one a direct circuit to Corps headquarters the other connected to the Corps telephone central. The internal telephone network consisted of a line from the switchboard to the Orderly room, Operations control, and Intercept section. A direct line between operation control, direction finding section and intercept truck chief position, this was later changed to two (2) direct circuits one (1) between operations control and intercept, and the other from a position in the intercept truck to the Direction Finding Section. This change was made to enable the control of the Direction Finder be made direct from the set room without interfering with communications between intercept and Operations. The teletypes were installed on a line which was routed around the Army and Corps switchboards direct to the Army Signal Radio Intercept Company teletype switchboard. The Radio Transmitter was operated in the Army Signal Intelligence Service Radio Net.

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(c) Through France the company was organized to move in three (3) echelons thereby allowing continuous reception but this practice was finally discontinued as moves could be made faster and with less interruption of interception by closing down completely and moving in one (1) echelon.

EMORY L. JONES,  
Captain, Signal Corps,  
Commanding.

HEADQUARTERS  
3253 SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY  
APO 403, U.S. ARMY

H I S T O R I C A L R E C O R D

1. Designation: 3253d Signal Service Company.  
Date of organization: 25 April 1944.  
Place of organization: Wincham Hall, Northwich, Cheshire, England.  
Authority for organization: Par. 1, General Order 22, Headquarters, XV Corps.  
Authorized Strength: Eight (8) Officers, and one hundred twenty one (121) enlisted men. (T/O & E 11-500, Columns AB, AA, IA, AF, BB, 2 IE IC, DB, GI, EB)  
Personnel: No officers and enlisted men present at activation;  
1st Lt. Emory L. Jones, Commanding.
2. On the 29th of April 1944 the 3253d Signal Service Company was activated without personnel or equipment, at Wincham Hall, Northwich, Cheshire, England, in accordance with General Order number 22, Headquarters, XV Corps dated 25th of April 1944. 1st Lt. Emory L. Jones, assumed command, the effective date of activation being 25th of April 1944.
3. The period from the 29th to the 30d of April 1944 was spent in completing activation and receiving initial fillers. Strength at end of the month was; four (4) Officers and eighty five (85) enlisted men, all personnel was considered combat-trained, having been transferred from units under the control of the XV Corps.
4. On the 7th of May 1944, this unit was assigned to Third U. S. Army, with an effective date of assignment of 25th April 1944 by letter A.G. 322 OPGC, Subject: Troop Assignment (Number 61), Headquarters European Theater of operations, dated 7th May 1944.
5. On the 13th of May 1944, this unit was further assigned to XV Corps, with an effective date of assignment of 25th April 1944, by letter AG 322-GNMCC, Subject: Troop Assignment Number 37, Headquarters, Third, United States Army, dated 13th May 1944.

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6. On the 16th of May 1944, this unit was alerted for movement to the successive stages of Mounting for an Overseas Shipment, by letter AG 370.5 (D), Subject: Alert Order, Headquarters, XV Corps, dated 16 May 1944.
7. On the 20th of May 1944, this unit was attached to VIII Corps for administration, Supply and training by letter AG 322 - GNMCC, Subject, Troop Assignment Number 42, Headquarters, Third United States, Army, dated 20 May 1944.
8. On the 9th of June 1944, this unit was relieved from assignment to XV Corps and attachment to VIII Corps, and attached to XV Corps by Letter AG 322-GNMCC, subject: Troop assignment Number 51, Headquarters, Third, United States, Army, dated 9th June 1944.
9. On the 1st of June 1944, this unit received orders from Commanding General, VIII Corps to make a permanent change of station from Wincham Hall to Burton Bradstock, Dorset, England. The Company Commander made a preliminary reconnaissance of the new station, leaving Wincham Hall on the 3d of June and returning on the 6th of June 1944. On the 8th of June, one (1) officer and ten (10) enlisted men departed from Wincham Hall for Burton Bradstock as an advance detachment traveling by motor vehicle. On the 10th of June, the movement was completed by motor vehicle, the unit departing from Wincham Hall at 0745 and arriving at Burton Bradstock at 2030, having travelled 215 miles. Authority for movement: Letter AG 370.5 (G-3), Subject: Movement Order Number 86, Headquarters VIII Corps, dated 1 June 1944.
10. The period from the 1st of May 1944 to the 9th of June 1944 was spent in receiving fillers and equipment. A specialists training program was set up and put into effect in coordination with that of the 3254th and 3255th Signal Service Companies. All radio intercept and traffic analysis personnel were placed on temporary duty with operating Radio Intelligence Companies for training. Subsequent to 16th May 1944 preliminary steps to mounting for overseas Movement were initiated. Strength at end of period: Five (5) Officers and one hundred and eighteen (118) enlisted men, two (2) Officers and sixty one (61) enlisted men being on temporary duty with various Radio Intelligence Companies for training.



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11. The T/O of this organization was reduced from 121 enlisted men to 119 enlisted men per letter, Headquarters, Third U.S. Army (AG 320.3 - (C), Subject "Reduction of Basic Privates dated 12 June 1944; and also an increase of one (1) Staff Sergeant Motor Sergeant in addition to grade presently authorized by table of organization and equipment 11-500 per letter ETOUSA; AG 322, Subject: Additional authorization of personnel dated 8th of July 1944.

12. On the 2d of July 1944 Warning Orders were received for an Overseas Movement. On the 4th of July 1944 at 2345 hours this unit departed from Burton Bradstock, England and made a motor March of 70 miles to Marshalling Area, Camp C-19, South Hampton, England, arriving at 0915 hours, 5th of July 1944. The period from the 5th of July 1944 to the 10th of July 1944 was spent in the Marshalling Area, On the 10th of July 1944 at 0330 hours this unit embarked from South Hampton, England for Omaha Beach, France, arriving at Omaha Beach at 2040 hours, 10th of July 1944. The 11th of July 1944 was spent aboard ship unloading. On the 12th of July 1944 disembarked at 1750 hours on Omaha Beach France and arrived at transit bivouac Area near Formigny, France, at 2130 hours 12th July 1944. At 0730 hours 13 July 1944 this unit left the bivouac area, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Senoville, France arriving at 1500 hours. Strength: five (5) officers and 116 enlisted men; Weather: fair; no incidents authority for movement: Movement order Number 3249, Headquarters, Southern Base Section, dated 2 July 1944.

13. The period from the 11th of June 1944 to the 3d of July 1944 was spent in reassembling the company, drawing equipment, and preparation for Overseas Movement. Technical equipment was set up for Radio Intelligence Operations on a limited scale, but, due to lack of necessary equipment, operation was unsuccessful. Strength at end of period: five (5) officers and 118 enlisted men.

14. On arrival in Bivouac near Senoville, France, radio equipment was set up, and Radio Intelligence operation initiated, the first report being submitted to ETOUSA SIS on the 19 July 1944.

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15. On the 31st of July 1944 at 1300 hours, this unit left the Bivouac area, near Semoville, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of St Martin D. Aubigny, France arriving at 1500 hours. Distance Travelled 32 miles. Strength Seven (7) officers; 116 Enlisted men weather, clear and warm; morale excellent; no incidents; authority for movement: VOCCG, Headquarters XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.
16. On the 3d of August 1944 at 1130 hours, this unit left the bivouac area, near St Martin Da Aubigny, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Marcellly, France arriving at 1630 hours. Distance travelled 57 miles; Strength 7 officers, 116 enlisted men; weather clear and warm; morale excellent; no incidents; authority for movement; VOCCG, Headquarters XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.
17. On the 6th of August 1944 at 1800 hours, this unit left the bivouac area near Marcellly, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Olivet, France arriving 2200 hours. Distance travelled 55 miles Strength 7 officers 116 Enlisted men; weather clear, and warm; morale excellent no incidents; authority for movement VOCCG, Headquarters, XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.
18. On the 8th of August 1944 at 1100 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Olivet, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of St Suzzane, France arriving at 1700 hours. Distance travelled 28 miles; strength 7 officers; 116 enlisted men; weather: clear and warm; morale excellent; no incidents; authority for movement verbal order of the commanding general, Headquarters, XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.
19. On the 10th of August 1944 at 1445 hours this unit left the bivouac area near St Suzzane, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Sarge, France arriving at 1730 hours. Distance travelled 30 miles; strength 7 officers 116 enlisted men; weather clear and warm morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement verbal order of the Commanding General, XV Corps, APO 436, U.S. Army.
20. On the 13th of August 1944 at 1100 hours this unit left the bivouac area, near Sarge, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Alécon, France, arriving at 1330 hours. Distance travelled 45 miles; weather; clear and warm; morale excellent; no incident; authority for movement verbal order of the commanding General XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.
21. on the 15 of August 1944 at 1530 hours this unit left the Bivouac area near Alecon, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of St Jouin De Blavou, France arriving at 1800 hours. Distance Travelled 18 miles; weather clear and warm; morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement verbal order of the Commanding General, XV Corps APO 436, U. S. Army.

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22. On the 16th of August 1944 at 1200 hours this unit left the bivouac area, near St Jouin De Blavou, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a Bivouac in the vicinity of Chateaneuf, France, arriving at 1500 hours. Distance travelled 45 miles; weather clear and warm; morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement verbal order of the commanding General, XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

23. On the 19 of August 1944 at 1330 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Chateaneuf, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a Bivouac in the vicinity of Boisssets, France, arriving at 1530 hours. Distance Travelled 37 miles; weather clear and warm; morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement verbal order of the commanding general, XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

24. On the 21st of August 1944 at 1215 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Boisssets, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a Bivouac in the vicinity of Favrieux, France, arriving at 1300 hours. Established bivouac at 1330 hours. Distance travelled 9 miles; weather rainy and cloudy; morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement verbal order of the commanding General, XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army. Strength 8 Officers and 113 Enlisted men.

25. This Unit in operation with XV Corps from the 6th of August 1944 to the 14th of August 1944 inclusive on a campaign to encircle the German Armies in Northern France was successful.

26. On the 29 of August 1944 at 1645 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Favrieux, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Bourdonne, France, arriving at 1800 hours, established bivouac at 1830 hours; distance travelled 20 miles; weather rainy; morale excellent no incidents; authority for movement verbal order commanding General XV corps APO 436, U. S. Army.

27. On the 30 of August 1944 at 1300 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Bourdonne France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Rozay En Brie, France, arriving at 2100 hours; established bivouac at 2130 hours; distance travelled 96 miles; weather rainy; morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement verbal order Commanding General XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

28. On the 31st of August 1944 this Unit was reorganized per Par 1, GO 36; Headquarters, XV Corps APO 436, U. S. Army, Dated 31 August 1944. Authorized strength eight (8) Officers 120 Enlisted men; EMORY L. JONES, 1st Lt., Signal Corps, Commanding.

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29. On the 9th of September 1944 at 1300 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Rozay En Brie France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Lusigny, France, arriving at 2000 hours; established bivouac at 2030 hours; distance travelled 90 miles; weather Cool; morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement, Verbal order Commanding General XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

30. On the 11th of September 1944 at 1130 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Lusigny, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Vallerest, France, arriving at 1430 hours; established bivouac at 1500 hours; distance travelled 50 miles; weather cool; morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement; movement order number 4 7th September 1944, headquarters XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

31. On the 13 September 1944 at 1115 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Vallerest, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Aouze, France, arriving at 1230 hours; established bivouac at 1300 hours; distance travelled 60 miles weather cool; morale excellent; no incidents Authority for movement, Verbal order Commanding General XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

32. On the 14 of September 1944 at 0915 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Aouze, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Saxon Sion, France, arriving at 1030 hours; established bivouac at 1100 hours; distance travelled 17 miles; weather Fair; morale excellent; no incidents, authority for movement, Verbal order Commanding General, XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

33. On the 19 of September 1944 at 1600 hours this unit left the bivouac area near Saxon - Sion, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Socourt, France, arriving at 1800 hours; established bivouac at 1830 hours; distance travelled 24 miles; weather cloudy; morale excellent; no incidents authority for movement; verbal order Commanding General XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

34. On or about 1730 hours the 17th of September 1944 a group of four (4) German Officers, and Thirty two (32) armed German Infantry men surrendered themselves to five (5) enlisted men of this organization; (Tec. 5 Edward Butler; Tec. 5 William Stalnaker; Tec 5 Henry Gross; Tec 5 Dominic Gallo; and Pfc Frank B. Mahoney) at Saxon - Sion, France  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile South. Z 775.310 The prisoners were turned over to a prisoner of War enclosure at 1800 hours the 17th of September 1944.

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35. First Lieutenant, EMORY L. JONES, O-1636103, Commanding Officer of this company was promoted to the grade of Captain; per Special order 202, paragraph 2, Headquarters, Third U. S. Army, dated 15 September 1944.
36. On 290001A September 1944 this unit passed to command of Seventh U. S. Army, per Operation Instructions #20 Headquarters XV Corps APO 436, U. S. Army, dated 28th September 1944.
37. On or about 1245 hours the 3rd day of October 1944 this unit left the bivouac area near Socourt, France, and proceeded by motor convoy to a bivouac in the vicinity of Luneville, France, arriving at 1430 hours; established bivouac at 1500 hours; distance travelled 28 miles; weather cool morale excellent; no incidents; authority for movement; verbal order Commanding General XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.
38. This unit was relieved from assignment with the third U. S. Army and assigned to the European Theater of Operations United States Army effective the 29th day of September 1944, per letter Headquarters, Twelfth Army Group, dated 3 October 1944.
39. During the month of October 1944 this unit was billeted one (1) mile north of Luneville, France (V073.016). Operations continued as usual. There was an increase of one (1) enlisted man for the month bring the total company strength to T/O strength of eight (8) officers and one hundred and twenty (120) enlisted men. EMORY L. JONES, Captain, Signal Corps, Commanding.
40. This unit was attached to the Seventh United States Army APO 758, for Supply and operations only, per letter, Headquarters, Sixth United States Army Group, paragraph 1, dated 19 October 1944.
41. This unit moved from Luneville, France V073.016, to Pettonville, France, V267.928, and occupied the village of Pettonville, at 1215 hours on the 19th of November 1944. The Town Hall and fifteen (15) private homes in the eastern part of the village, owners names unknown were occupied. The buildings were all damaged by artillery fire, and the furnishings therein presumably by military action. Authority for movement, Movement order # 6, Hq. XV Corps dated 18 November 1944. Weather cool; morale Excellent; No incidents.
42. This unit moved from Pettonville, France on or about 1100 hours 22 November 1944, (V267.928), and occupied the following real estate in Sarrebourg, France (W5515); at 1415 hours, 22 November 1944; Three private homes unfurnished, in good condition, numbers 2, 6, and 12 on Wogese, Strasse, and one (1) military mess, partially furnished, in good condition located at numbers 15, and 17, on Grafhaeseler, Strasse, Weather; Rainy, and cold. Morale Excellent. No incidents. Operational move made in two (2) echelons by motor vehicle. Authority for movement VOCC, Hq. XV Corps.

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43. The 3253d Signal Service Company, was relieved from assignment to ETOUSA and attachment to Seventh Army for supply and operations are assigned to Seventh Army and attached to XV Corps for operations; administration and supply remain with Seventh Army.

44. On or about 1400 30 November 1944, this unit's Company headquarters, vacated real estate at #15 and #17, Grafhaeseler, Strasse, Sarrebourg, France (WQ 5015), and occupied billets, at a prison area, building #1 on Bukler, Strasse, and Graflaeseler, Strasse, Sarrebourg, France (WQ 5015), Authority for movement VOGC XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army.

45. On or about 1430 hours 8 December 1944 this unit vacated real estate at Prison area, building #1 on Bukler, Strasse, and Graflaeseler, Strasse, and three (3) private homes, house numbers 2, 6, and #17 on Wogese, Strasse, Sarrebourg, France.

The unit proceeded by motor convoy to Petersback, France (WQ6530), arriving at 1645, hours; distance travelled 24 miles; weather clear; morale excellent; no incidents. Authority for movement VOGC XV Corps, APO 436, U. S. Army. One school house and twenty one (21) private homes were occupied.

46. On or about 1600 hours 22 December 1944 this unit vacated real estate (21 private homes and one (1) school house) at Petersback France (WQ6530); and proceeded by motor convoy to Ottwoie, Sarre-Albe, France (WQ 4833) arriving at 1700 hours; distance travelled 19 miles; weather cold; no incidents; morale excellent.

One (1) chateau De Solvai owned by Louis Boissie located on south side street, R.J. N.56, and Rue De Eich, was occupied by unit. House unfurnished exception of several heavy pieces of furniture which included desks, and bureaus.

47. On or about 1545 hours 29th December 1944 this unit vacated real estate (Chateau De Solvai owned by Louis Boissie) located on the south side of street, R.J. N. 56, and Rue De Eich (WQ4833) and proceeded by motor convoy to Route VO. between Altwiller and Siedendorf, Par Sarre-Union (458345) arriving at 1645 hours, Distance travelled 17 miles; weather cold; no incidents; morale excellent. Authority for movement VOGC, Headquarters, XV Corps.

One chateau Bonnefontaine owned by Gaspard Schlumberger located on Route VO. between Altwiller, and Siedendorf, par Sarre-Union (458345) . Three (3) floors in clearing of forest. Meadow to south of Chateau being used for operating site. Furnishing of entire building reduced to rubbish by persons unknown.

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48. 2nd Lt. Horace L. Belou, and 2nd Lt. Francis R. Rózich were promoted to the grade of 1st Lts, per SO #32 Par. 1, Headquarters, Seventh Army APO 758, U. S. Army, dtd 1 Feb 1945.

49. During the month of December 1944 this unit gained three (3) replacements bring the total personnel of this unit to eight (8) Officers, and 119 enlisted men.

50. During the month of January 1945 this unit was still located on Route VO. between Altwiller and Siedendorf par Sarre-Union (458345) at the end of the month the strength was eight (8) officers and 116 enlisted men a loss of three (3) enlisted men for the period.

51. On or about 1200 hours 13 March 1945 this unit vacated real estate on Route VO. between Altwiller and Siedendorf, par Sarre-Union (458345) (Chateau owned by Gaspard Schlumberger) and proceeded by motor convoy (26 vehicles) to Lutterbacherhof Farm, Poste Oermingen, France (WQ 551426) arriving at 1330 hours 13 March 1945; distance travelled eight (8) miles; weather Fair; no incidents; morale excellent Billets for four (4) officers and thirteen (13) enlisted men were obtained in farm house owned by Gaston Wach, Sarre-Union, France Six rooms in the farm house were occupied, and one (1) room in the barn. Just north of the Farm house in orchard, operational site was established.

52. This unit has been awarded the Battle participation Awards - Northern France Campaign per ltr AG 200.6 OPGA HQ ETOUSA, dated 31 Jan 1945

53. This unit has been awarded the Battle participation Awards - Normandy Campaign per ltr AG 200.6 OPGA HQ ETOUSA, dated 16 November 1944.

54. This unit has been awarded the Battle participation Awards - for Germany Campaign per ltr AG 200.6 OPGA HQ ETOUSA, dtd 24 December 1944.

55. On or about 1400 hours 19 March 1945 this unit departed from bivouac area at Oermingen, France (Q5542), 1 mile south and proceeded by motor convoy (25) vehicles) to Rimling France (Q621557), arriving at 1410 hours, 19 March 1945; distance travelled 16 miles; weather fair; no incidents; condition of roads poor; morale excellent.

56. On the 20th of March 1945 this unit was reorganized per paragraph 2, General Order #97, Headquarters, Seventh Army APO 758, US Army dated 14 March 1945; authorized strength 10 Officers and 123 Enlisted men, EMORY L. JONES, Captain, Commanding.

57. On or about 1600 hours 21 March 1945 this unit departed from bivouac area at Rimling, France (Q5542) and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) to bivouac area at Zweibrucken, Germany (Q745745), arriving at 1820 hours 21 March 1945; distance travelled 21 Miles; weather fair; no incidents; condition of roads, poor; morale, excellent;

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58. On or about 0800 hours 22 March 1945 three (3) German soldiers were captured in the bivouac area at Zweibrucken, Germany. the prisoners were turned in to the Prisoner of War inclosure at Hq 3rd Infantry Division, same date.
59. On the 22nd of March 1945 five (5) enlisted men were transferred in grade to the 2nd Reinforcement depot APO 667 US Army per O #1 Hq. 3253 Signal Service Company, dated 22 March 1945.
- 60 On the 22nd March 1945 two (2) enlisted men were transferred in grade to the 9th Reinforcement Depot Ground Force T/C APO 545, US Army per Par. 1, SO #67, Hq. Seventh Army APO 758, US Army, dated 8 March 1945.
61. On or about 1330 hours 23 March 1945 this unit departed from bivouac area at Zweibrucken, Germany (Q745745) and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) to bivouac area at Quirnheim, Germany (Q293097), arriving at 1715 hours; same date; distance, travelled, 44 miles; weather, fair; no incidents; condition of roads, poor; morale, excellent.auth: VOCC
62. On or about 1330 hours 26 March 1945 this unit departed from bivouac area at Quirnheim, Germany (Q293097), and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) to bivouac area at Worms, Germany (M422177), arriving at 1515 hours, same date. distance, travelled 14 miles; weather, fair, no incidents; condition of roads, poor; morale, excellent, authority for movement was VOCC, Hq XV Corps,
63. On or about 1400 hours 29 March 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Worms, Germany, (M422177), and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) to one large Chateau at Schonberg, Germany (M659-220), arriving at 1530 hours, same date, distance, travelled 18 miles; weather, fair; no incidents; condition of roads, good; morale, excellent; authority for movement was VOCC, Hq. XV Corps.
64. On or about 1400 hours, 30 March 1945, this unit departed from the Chateau, at Schonberg, Germany, (M659.220), and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles in convoy) to bivouac area at Gross-Umstadt, Germany (M900-437) arriving at 1535 hours same date; distance, travelled, 31 miles; weather, rainy; no incidents; condition of roads, good; morale, excellent; authority for movement was VOCC, Headquarters, XV Corps.
65. On or about 1600 hours, 30 March 1945 this unit captured five (5) German Soldiers at Gross-Umstadt, Germany 3 Miles North East (M900-437). The prisoners were turned into the Prisoner of War enclosure at Hq. XV Corps.



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66. On or about 1300 hours 5 April 1945, this unit departed from the bivouac area at Gross-Umstadt, Germany (M900437), and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Lohr, Germany 2 miles NW (N288572), arriving at 1640 hours same date; distance, travelled, 39 miles; weather, cool and cloudy; no incidents; condition of roads, rough; morale excellent; authority for movement V<sup>U</sup>CG, Headquarters, XV Corps.

67. On or about 1300 hours, 5 April 1945 this unit captured one (1) German soldier at Lohr, Germany 2 miles NW (N288572) the prisoner was turned in to the prisoner of war inclosure at Headquarters, XV Corps.

68. On or about 1400 hours 7 April 1945, this unit departed from the bivouac area at Lohr, Germany 2 miles NW (N288572) and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Volkens, Germany 1 miles NW. (WN 4492), arriving at 1715 hours same date; distance, travelled 43 miles; weather, cool; no incidents; condition of roads, rough; morale, excellent authority for movement V<sup>U</sup>CG, Headquarters, XV Corps.

69. On or about 1400 hours 9 April 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Volkens, Germany 2 miles NW (N4492) and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Neustadt, Germany 1 miles East (WN 7759) arriving at 1610 hours same date; distance, travelled, 34 miles; weather, fair and warm no incidents; condition of roads rough; morale excellent authority for movement V<sup>U</sup>CG, Headquarters, XV Corps.

One large castle was occupied for the company to billet and the operational site was in a large field west of the castle.

70. On or about 0700 hours, 10 April 1945 this unit captured two (2) German soldiers at Neustadt, Germany 1 mile east (WN7759) the prisoners were turned in to the prisoner of War inclosure at Headquarters, XV Corps.

71. On or about 1400 hours 13 April 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Neustadt, Germany 1 mile East WN 7759 and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Lichtenstein, Germany WO 1775 arriving at 1610 hours same date; distance, travelled 33 miles; weather, fair and warm no incidents; condition of roads good; morale excellent; authority for movement V<sup>U</sup>CG, Headquarters, XV Corps.

One (1) school house was occupied for the billeting of the men.

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72. On or about 1700 hours, 15 April 1945 this unit captured four (4) German Infantry soldiers at Bamberg, Germany, WO 3250. the prisoners were turned in to the prisoners of war enclosure at Headquarters, XV Corps, same date.
73. On or about 1230 hours 15 April 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Lichtenstein, Germany WO 1775 and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Bamberg, Germany 4 miles West WO 3250 arriving at 1415 hours; distance travelled 26 miles; weather, warm and clear condition of roads, Good; authority for movement VCCG, Headquarters XV Corps.
74. On or about 1100 hours, 16 April 1945 this unit captured one (1) German Infantry soldier at Bamberg, Germany WO 3250, the prisoner was turned in to the prisoner of War enclosure at Headquarters, XV Corps.
75. On or about 1230 hours 17 April 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Bamberg, Germany 4 miles East WO 3250 and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Rathsberg, Germany WO 3718 arriving at 1430 hours, distance, travelled 26 miles; weather, warm and fair; conditions of roads, good; no incidents; authority for movement VCCG, Headquarters, XV Corps.
76. On or about 1230 hours 21 April 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Rathsberg, Germany WO 3718, and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Kammerstein, Germany, WT 3582, arriving at 1420 hours; distance travelled 32 miles; weather, fair and cool; condition of roads, good; no incidents; authority for movement VCCG, Headquarters, XV Corps.
77. On or about 1600 hours 22 April 1945, one (1) German Soldier surrendered himself to Captain Jones, Commanding Officer, this unit. The prisoner was turned into the Prisoner of War Enclosure, Headquarters, XV Corps.

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78. On or about 1400 hours 21 April 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Kammerstein, Germany WT 3582, and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Monheim, Germany WT 2830 1 mile South, arriving at 1620 hours; distance travelled 45 miles; weather, fair and cool condition of roads, good; no incidents; morale, excellent; authority for movement, VCG, Headquarters, XV Corps.

79. On or about 1430 hours, 28 April 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Monheim, Germany 1 miles South WT 2830, and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Bayerdilling, Germany  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile southeast WT 3711, arriving at 1815 hours; distance travelled 24 miles; weather, cloudy and cool; condition of roads; poor; crossed the Danube river on two (2) Pontoon bridges; no incidents; authority for movement VCG, Headquarters, XV Corps.

80. On or about 1630 hours 29 April 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Bayerdilling, Germany  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles Southeast WT 3711, and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Ober Wittelsbach, Germany, WY 5419, arriving at 1820 hours distance travelled 23 miles; weather, cool and rainy; condition of roads, poor; no incidents; morale excellent; authority for movement VCG, Headquarters, XV corps.

81. On or about 1000 hours, 29 April 1945, Captain Jones, Commanding officer, held a company formation and gave a short talk to the company in celebration of the completion of one(1) year of activation of the 3253d Signal Service Company.

82. On or about 30 April 1945, fourteen (14) German Soldiers surrendered themselves to this unit.

83. On or about 1630 hours, 30 April 1945, this unit departed from the bivouac area at Ober Wittelsbach, Germany WY 5491, and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles), in convoy to bivouac area at Gunding Germany WY 7168, arriving at 1815 hours; distance travelled, 23 miles; weather, cool and rainy; condition of roads, rough; no incidents; morale excellent; authority for movement VCG, Headquarters, XV Corps.

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84. On or about 1500 hours, 2 May 1945 this unit departed from the bivouac area at Gunding, Germany, WY 7168, and proceeded by motor vehicle (26 vehicles) in convoy to bivouac area at Ottendichl, Germany WY 9855, arriving at 1715 hours; distance travelled 28 miles; weather, cool and rainy; condition of roads, good; no incidents; authority for movement VCOG, Headquarters, XV Corps.

85. Liefering, Austria, WZ 9428 Nor D'Guerre. Company left fr Ottendichl, Germany 1300 hrs and arvd Liefering, Austria 1930 hrs. Distance tyld (109) mi. Weather cold and rainy. Morale ex. Present for DY 96 EM. Abs 17 EM. Unit in billets.

86. Tec 3 Anthony Alelunas, 32008996, Tec 3 gr, was placed fr DY to arrest in qrs by Capt Jones at 1900 hrs.

87. Unit moved fr Liefering, Austria to Salzburg, Austria WZ 9825 Nor D'Guerre. Unit in billets. Occupied. Occupied two billets. Distance tyld fr one loc to another (3) mi. EMORY L. JONES, Capt. Sig C. Comdg.

88. 209th Sig Pgn Co 1 Off and 1e EM reld fr atchd for rats, sup and adm per Ltr Orders AG 370.5 Par 5, Hq Seventh Army dtd 16 May 45. Pgn atchd fr 15 Oct 44 to 16 May 45. 1st Lt CHARLES A. KOESTER, O-1645122, Officer in Charge of Pigeon Detachment during time with unit.

89. T/Sgt John J. Branti, 32060176, placed on TDY with R/Sta No. 5, Cp Shelby, Miss, in U.S. for 45-day rest-recuperation per Par 1 SO 135 Hq Seventh Army dtd 13 May 45. Left orgn o/a 20 May 45.

90. The following named EM placed on TDY in US for 45-day rest recuperation per Ltr AG 210.453 Hq Seventh Army dtd 13 May 45 left orgn o/a 21 May 45; Anderson, Ashinhurst, Bergman, Branti, Brown, Butler, Ellstrom, Frederick, F.W., Gorney, Kaiser, Lahman, Nemke, Poff, Ryan, Simpson, Sorrell and Starzyk.

91. Tec 3 Anthony Alelunas, 32008996, reld fr arrest in qrs to DY 31 May 45 1400 hrs.

92. The following named Offs and EM fr Msg/Cen and TT trfd in gr to 3159th Sig Sv Bn APO 562, per Pars 17 and 18 SO 161 Hq Third US Army dtd 15 June 45; Lts Douglas V. Chisholm, Herbert C. Wellington, William G. Stalnaker, Edward H. Frank, Steven J. Maslankowski, Christ A. Walters, Rubin Lookner, Randal L. Lawrence, George L. Condos, Baldo-mero Garcia, Hyman Roth, Loyal G. Seifert, Laurence J. Curran and Frank B. Mahoney.

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93. 3253d SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY, (RI) reld fr asgmt Seventh US Army and asgd to Third US Army eff 9 June 45 per Ltr AG 322 Subj, " Trp Asgmt," No. 146, Hq 12th Army Gp APO 655 US Army dtd 11 June 45.

94. Harold W. Heiberg, 17115076, trfd in gr as Tec 4 to Hq and Hq Co., 11 Corps, APO 19, per Ltr O 220.33 Hq 3253d Sig Sv Co dtd 3 July 45.

Major, Richard M. 13113848, trfd in gr as Tec 4 to Det H-3; K-3; Co K., 3rd ECA Regt APO 658, US Army per SO 86, Hq 11 Corps APO 19, dtd 3 July 45.

95. Tec 5 Roy B. Marshall and Tec 5 Kenneth G. Richardson, trfd in gr to Rec/Sta No. 10; in U.S. at Ft Sam Houston, Texas, per Par 1, SO 63, Hq 11 Corps APO 19 US Army dtd 30 Jun 45. Both EM's left fr unit 4 Jul 45 respectively.

96. Company left Salzburg, Austria, WZ-9825, Nor D'Guerre, 0900 hrs 3 July 45. Arvd at Rosenheim, Germany, 1140 hrs 3 July 45. Distance tyld (63) mi. Auth for leaving Salzburg, VCGG Hq Third US Army. Capt. EMORY L. JONES, Capt. Sig C. Comdg. Unit in billets at Rosenheim. Located with Third Army Sig Int Bn (Prov). Strength to dtd Asgd 5 Off and 82 EM. 1 EM abs sk Sta Hosp (O'Day.)

97. 3253d SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY, (RI) reld fr atch to XV Corps APO 436, and atchd to Hq and Hq Det Sig Int Bn Third US Army APO 403 eff 26th Jun 45 per Ltr Subj, " Trp Asgmt," No. VE-24, Hq Third Army dtd 30 Jun 45.

98. The following named O and EM trfd in gr eff 8 July 45 as indicated: 1st Lt Francis R. Rozich, trfd to 3255th Sig Sv Co per Par 2 SO 12 Hq Sig Int Bn 3d Army dtd 8 Jul 45.

Henry, John J. Jr., Hansen, James D., Napier, Elmer, Morris G. Hammer, George J. Ahlquist, Edward L. Schwartz, Walter F. Derry, Leslie L. Gordon, Arthur W. Hutchinson, John A. Wick, James C. Mooney, Jack Napier Melvin W. Rought, Paul D. O'Day, Eugene A. Rettig, John D. Knox, Anthony Alelunas, Jack G. Boyer, Glenn D. Hammitt, Roland J. Seitz, Marion N. Ueland, John W. Petree, Sam Sivley, John M. Brown, Russell I. Willden, Jerome A. Robacker, Nils V. Rabben, and Homer L. Loschke, above Off and EM trfd in gr to 3250th Sig Sv Bn per Par 3 and 9 respectively, SO 12, Hq Sig Int Bn 3d Army dtd 8 Jul 45. S/Sgt Albert W. Neubauer, trfd in gr to 56th Sig Bn per Par 3 SO 12 Hq Sig Int BN 3d Army dtd 7 July 45.

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99. Laborio J. Lamartina, Roy L. Drake, Dale C. Smith, Patrick W. Harper, and Stanley D. Stern, five EM trfd in gr to 3325 SIAM Co., APO 403, per Par 3 SO 12, Hq Sig Int Bn APO 403, 3d US Army dtd 7 July 45. 1st Lt Horace L. Belou, O1014633, trfd in gr to 97th Sig Bn APO 403 US Army per Par 9 SO 12 Hq Sig Int Bn APO 403, US Army dtd 7 July 45. Raybol H. Gunn, Henry G. Marquand, Eugene W. Green, Lyle W. Sloan, Carl H. Anthony, Amerigo M. Cottone, Vincent G. Fitzgerald, Henry S. Gross, James W. Holleman, Wayne A. Holycross, Emeris A. Johnson, James L. Mahoney, Christos Mayulianos, Jack J. Meyers, Ira Michaels, William E. Mount and Lewis R. Atterberry above EM trfd in gr to 97th Sig Bn APO 403 US Army per Par 3 SO 12 Hq Sig Int Bn APO 403 US Army Third Army dtd 7 Jul 45. Stanley Eisman, Francis S. Greger, Charles E. Grigsby, Wayne C. Hudson, Andre Lapeere, Michael E. Romanko, George J. Sanford, Leonard W. Tobias, John D. Walker, Charles P. Weigand, Harry D. Hitson, and John J. Sucansky, EM trfd in gr per Par 3 SO 12 Hq Sig Int Bn (Prov) 3d Army dtd 7 July 45.
100. Unit left Rosenheim Germany (noon Sunday) 8 July 45, 1230 hrs, Capt Jones and seventeen (17) EM. Company headquarters, Orderly Room, Supply, Kitchen personnel, and motor pool personnel. Left fr Rosenheim Germany per VOCC Hq Third US Army.
101. 9 July 1945 Unit strength 20 EM and Capt Jones. Unit carrying David, Burge and Zetlan in unit strength. Unit at Aschaffenburg, Germany, in bivouac, left Weissemburg, Germany 0800 hrs arvd Aschaffenburg Ger 1700 hrs. E.L. Jones, Capt. Sig C. Comdg.
102. Unit at Trier, Germany. Left Aschaffenburg, Germany, 0830 hrs. arvd Trier Ger 1745 hrs. Unit in bivouac. 20 EM and Capt Jones.
103. 11 July 1945 unit at Courcelles, Belgium. Left Trier Germany 0720 hrs and arvd Courcelles, Belgium, 1945 hrs. Distance tyld (99) mi. Orgn placed in billets. Morale excellent and Morale. 20 EM and Capt Jones asgd str arvd Courcelles, Belgium. EMORY L. JONES, Capt. Sig C. Comdg.
104. FOLLOWING EM present for duty at Courcelles, Belgium: Coit, Cohn, Reno, Harris, Martinez, Mazza, Curran, Friese, Gallo, Melin, Koshgarian, Rasmussen, Sniegowski, Zapka, Byers, Hartung, Simpson, Moran. Capt Jones and Curran remained in Orderly Room for administration while other EM reported to Camp Commander Major C.J. Rahauser, Signal Depot S-858, for duty. EM reporting for duty at Depot S-858 placed on DS with Depot.
105. S/Sgt Burge, Sgt Zetlan and Tec 5 David trfd in gr to 3325th SIAM Co., APO 403, US Army, per Par 3 SO 12 Hq Sig Int Bn (Prov) dtd 4 July 45.
106. 3253d SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY, (RI) reld fr atchd Hq and Hq Det Third US Army Sig Int Bn (Prov) per Ltr AG 322.GNMCC Par No. 3, Hq Third Army subject "Trp Asgmt" No. VE-27, dtd 13 July 45.
107. 3253d SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY (RI) reld fr asgmt 12th Army Group Hq and is asgd Channel Base Section APO 562, US Army, reld fr asgmt fr Third US Army APO 403, eff 30 June 45, Ltr AG 322 Hq 12th Army Group subject trp asgmt. No. 163, dtd 7 July 45.

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108. Major Michael McGreal, O1633398, Capt Francis H. Knight, O493826, and 1st Lt Perry C. Smith, O1646013, trfd in gr fr Headquarters Chanor Base Section APO 562, per Par 44 SC 22, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd 22 July 45.
109. 13 August 45: Major Michael McGreal, O-1633398, trfd in gr to Hq and Hq TSF, USFET, per Par 18 SO 35, Hq Chanor Base Sec., dtd 4 August 45.
110. 3253d SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY, (RI) reorganized per Ltr AG 322 GCT, AGO Hq TSF ET APO 887, dtd 11 August 45. Auth-Str: 8 Officers and 118 EM. Ltr subject Organization Order No. 67.
111. Rasmussen, Robert 39296406, Tec 5 (345) trfd in gr fr Hq 48th Reinf Bn 17th Reinf Depot GFRC ETO APO 873, US Army, per Par 1 SO 216, Hq 48th Reinf Bn dtd 9 Aug 45. EM asgd and jd orgn 1500 hrs 15 Aug 45.
112. 1st Lt Perry C. Smith, O1646013, trfd to 584th Sig Dep Co APO 562, per Par 30 SO 43 Hq Chanor Base Sec APO 562 dtd 12 Aug 45. Off left orgn 16 August 45.
113. 1st Lt Charles A. Koester, O-1645122, trfd fr 584th Sig Dep CO APO 562, per Par 30, SO 43, Hq Chanor Base Section, dtd 12 Aug 45. Off jd orgn 1600 hrs 16 August 1945.
114. Tec 3 Jack C. Kemp, 19138329, (821) trfd in gr fr Sig Int Sec Hq Det TSF ET per Par 3 SO 226 Hq Seine Sec TSF APO 887, US Army, dtd 14 Aug 45. EM asgd and jd orgn 0900 17 August 1945.
115. Tec 3 David Schaffer, 37086131 (709) Tec 3 Eric Porter, 12040156 (808) Tec 5 Edward A. Hogan, 16342404, (709) and Tec 5 Harold Kahn, 12094373, (709) above four EM trfd in gr fr SIS TSF ET APO 887, US Army per Par 2 SO 226, Hq Seine Sec TSF ET APO 887, US Army, dtd 16 August 45. EM asgd and jd orgn 1600 hrs 29 August 45.
116. Pfc Bursian, Tirso, 14153892, (766) trfd in gr fr 156th Eng Bn APO 562 per Par 44, SO 62, Headquarters Chanor Base Sec dtd 31 Aug 45. EM asgd and jd orgn 8 Sep 45.
117. Tec 5 Rasmussen, Robert A. 37296406, (345) trfd in gr to 36th Reinf Depot for ret to US per Par 33 SO 68, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd 6 Sep 45. EM left orgn 10 Sep 45.
118. Capt EMORY L. JONES, O-1636103, Sig C. trfd in gr to 36th Reinf Depot per Par 18, SO 69, for ret to US, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd 7 Sep 45. Capt Jones left orgn 11 Sep 45.
- Capt FRANCIS H. KNIGHT, Sig C. O-493826, assumed command of the 3253 Sig Serv Co (RI) APO 562, located at Courcelles, Belgium, per Company Order No. 16, Hq 3253d Sig Sv Co (RI) dtd 10 Sep 45, vice Capt Jones, trfd, for ret to US.
119. Tec 3 David Schaffer, 37086131, and Tec 3 Eric Porter, 12040156, Sig C. both (709's) trfd in gr to 16th Reinf Depot APO 129, for ret to US, per Par 5, SO 71, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd 9 Sep 45. EM left orgn 11 Sep 45.
120. 19 EM trfd in gr indicated fr 816th Sig Sv Co (Port) and placed on DS w/ 816th Sig Sv Co (Port) for an indef period upon compl will ret to prop-sta. EM trfd per Par 14, SO 61, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd 30 Aug 45. EM remained w/816th Sig Sv Co (Port) APO 562.

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121. Pvt Murray, John R. 11088127, trfd fr Hq Det (SIS) SEINE Sec APO 887, per Par 6, SO 226, Hq SEINE Sec TSFET dtd 14 Aug 45. EM jd orgn 15 Sep 45.
122. The following promotions were announced eff 22 Sep 45:  
S/Sgt Cohn, Alfred Z. 38058038, to be Technical Sergeant.  
Cpl Curran, Paul L. 33485675, to be Technician 3rd Grade.  
Tec 5 Gallo, Dominic A. 35592759, to be Sergeant.  
Tec 5 Koshgarian, Harry A. 32942005, and Tec 5 Melin, Emil R. 37574606, to be Technicians 4th Grade.  
Pfc Byers, Grover C. 33537830, Pfc Hartung, William R. 32773408, and Pfc Simpson, James W. 38424750, to be Technicians 5th Grade.  
Pvt Moran, John W. 13176396, to be Private First Class.  
Above EM Aptd grades indicated per Company Order No. 17, Hq., 3253d Sig Sv Co (RI) dtd and eff 22 September 45. FRANCIS H. KNIGHT, Capt. Sig C. Commanding Officer.
123. Unit this dtd located at Courcelles, Belgium, J-6212, Nor D'Guerre. Orgn in billets. Signal Depot S-858, APO 562. Chanor Base Section, Signal Office. EM asgd to orgn this dtd 44. 23 EM on DS and 1 EM abs sk sta hosp. 2 Off asgd this dtd namely, Capt. KNIGHT and 1st Lt. KOESTER. Capt. FRANCIS H. KNIGHT, Capt. Sig C. Commanding.
124. 1st Lt KOESTER, CHARLES A. O-1645122, (0240) trfd in gr to 215th Sig Depot Co., APO 562, for ret to US, per Par 9, SO 82, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd 20 Sep 45. Off left this unit 26 Sept 45.
125. Tec 4 Mazza, Peter J. 32329969, (014) trfd in gr to 2d Reinf Depot APO 776, per Par 4, SO 79, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd 17 Sep 45. EM trfd for ret to US aged 39. EM left this orgn 27 Sep 45.
126. 30 Sep 45: 3253d SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY (RI) APO 562, located in COURCELLES, BELGIUM. J-6212 Nor D'Guerre. APO 562. UNIT IN BILLETS. Asgd str of command 43 EM and 1 Off Capt KNIGHT. Pres for DY 18 EM and 1 Off Capt KNIGHT. EM on DS 24. 1 EM abs sk hosp (Melin). 22 EM on DS with 816th Sig Sv Co (Port) Coit and Kahn both school. FRANCIS H. KNIGHT, Sig C. Capt., Commanding Officer.
127. 1st Sgt Coit, Charles A. 31344381; T/Sgt Cohn, Alfred Z. 38058038; S/Sgt Harris, Walter K. 34121115, S/Sgt Reno, Frank 35026792 and Tec 4 Martinez, Oscar A. 32272592, above 5 EM trfd to 175th Sig Rep Co APO 562, for ret to US, per Par 3, SO 97, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd and eff 5 Oct 45. EM left orgn 0930 hrs 11 October 45.



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128. Twenty (20) EM trfd in gr fr 816th Sig Sv Co (Port) APO 562 and placed on DS with 4th Major (Port) for an indef period. EM trfd per Par 55, SO 97, Headquarters Chanor Base Section dtd 5 October 1945. Those asgd include the fol: Tec 5 Wolfe, Quentin K., Tec 5 Jean, Robert W., Tec 5 Grumeretz, John J., Tec 4 Cheff, Louie H., Tec 4 Busse, Mero L., Tec 5 Zajac, George L., Tec 3 Ray, Stanley E., Pfc Colangelo, Vincent M., Tec 4 Taglianetti, Alfonso Tec 5 Pryor, Henry M., Pfc Sonnetti, Henry W., Tec 5 Powers, John J., Tec 5 Kemp, James P., Tec 4 Janzen, Jack J., Tec 3 Barrow, Roy B., T/Sgt Kellar, Kermit D., Tec 5 Tranas, Conrad, Sgt Walling, Lawrence R., Pfc Wakefield, James L and Tec 5 Gerahy, Augustine G.
129. 3253d SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY (RI) APO 562, Located Courcelles, Belgium, J-6212 Nor D'Guerre, on 15 October 45. One (1) Off and fifty-seven (57) EM are asgd to orgn this dtd. Present for duty one officer and 15 EM. On DS are 42 EM. Total present and on DS includes 57 EM. Capt KNIGHT, FRANCIS H. O-493826, Sig C., in Command of orgn.
130. 23 October 45: 3253 SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY (RI) APO 562, US Army, APO 562, unit located Courcelles, Belgium, J-6212 Nor D'Guerre. Str of orgn present for duty 15 EM and one (1) Off. 42 EM on DS with 816th Sig Sv Co (Port) asgd str 57 EM and one officer. Capt Knight, Francis H. Sig C., Commanding.
131. Bursian, Tirso C. 14153892, Sig C., EM trfd in gr of Pfc to 3128th Sig Sv Co (Port) APO 562 per Par 73 SO 101, Hq Chanor Base Section dtd 9 Oct45. EM left this command 24 Oct 45, 0930 hrs.
132. Capt. KNIGHT, FRANCIS H. O-493826, Sig C, trfd in gr to 221st Sig Depot Co., per P/41 SO/117, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd and eff 27 Oct 45. Off left this orgn 27 Oct 45.
- 1st Lt. VALENTE, ROBERT L. O-1647766, Sig C., trfd in gr fr 995th Sig Sv Co (Port) per P/41, SO/117, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd and eff 27 Oct 45. Off asgd this orgn but not as yet jd to this date.
- 1st Lt. VALENTE, ROBERT L. O-1647766, assumes command of 3253d Signal Service Company (RI) APO 562, per Par No. 1, CO No. 19, (This Hq.) vice Capt Knight, Francis H., trfd.
- Under prov of AR 615-5, and CO No. 19, Par No. 2, (This Hq.) the fol named enlisted man is aptd as Acting 1st Sgt eff 27 Oct 45. Tec 3 Curran, Paul L. 33485875, ( 502 ).

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133. The fol named enlisted men trfd in gr to 816th Sig Sv Co (Port) APO 562, per P/10; SO/112, Hq Chanor Base Sec dtd 20 Oct 45. EM are: Tec 3 Curran, Paul L. 33485675, Sgt Gallo, Dominic A., 35592758, Tec 4 Melin Emil R. 37574608 and Tec 5 Simpson, James W. 38424750.
134. Tec 5 Hartung, William R. 32773406, (345) listed as a "Class 2 Volunteer," in compliance w/Daily Bulletin No. 41, Headquarters Chanor Base Sec dtd 23 Aug 45. EM ASR Score WJ-63. Remark was entered on M/R as of 30 Oct 45.
135. 31 October 45: 3253 Signal Service Company (RI) APO 562, US Army. Orgn located in Courcelles, Belgium in billets. Asgd str one (1) Off and 50 EM. Pres for dy 9 EM on DS as of this date 41 EM. 1st Lt. ROBERT L. VAL-ENTE, Sig C., Commanding Officer.
136. The fol named enlisted men trfd in gr to 135th Eng Bn per P 17 SO 124 Hq C B S dtd 31 Oct 45 EDCMR 6 Nov 45. Chester Sniegowski, Tec 5, ASN 36614688. Tec 5 John J. Zepka Jr. ASN 31345970.
137. 7 Nov 45. Sgt Timothy J. Murphy, 35913650; Pfc Arnold W. Tammen, 39279816, Pfc Bernard J. Chapman, 15372227, trfd to 89th Inf Div per P 80 SO 122 Hq C B S dtd 30 Oct 45.
138. 10 Nov 45. Two (2) EM asgd from 221st Sig Dep Co per P 35 SO 130 Hq CBS dtd 7 Nov 45. Unit moved from Courcelles J-6212 to Antwerp vJ6896 per TWX CBS 4671 Weather Wet. •Morale Excellent.
139. 12 Nov 45. One (1) EM reld from asgd and trfd to 995th Sig Serv Co per P 21 SO 126 Hq CBS EDCMR 12 Nov 45. Sixteen (16) EM reld from asgd while DS to 816th Sig Sv Co and trfd to 995th Sig Serv Co per P 21 SO 126 Hq CBS. EDCMR 12 Nov. Thirteen (13) EM reld fro asgd and trfd to 815 Sig Sv Co while on DS 816 Sig Serv Co per P 34 SO 130 Hq CBS EDCMR 12 Nov
140. 13 Nov 45. Four (4) EM reld from asgd and trfd to 135th Engr Bn while on DS to 816th Sig Sv Co per P 1 SO 126 Hq CBS EDCMR 13 Nov 45.
141. 17 Nov 45. Unit designated Cat IV with point range 56 to 59 and alerted for movement to U.S. per TWX CB 5367 dtd 17 Nov 45.
142. 23 Nov 45. Twelve (12) EM asgd fr 3184 Sig Sv Bn per Par 60 SO 140 Hq CBS EDCMR 23 Nov 45. One (1) EM asgd fr Hq Det CBS per P 60 SO 140 EDCMR 23 Nov 45 One (1) EM asgd fr 584 Sig Sv Co per P 60 SO 140 Hq CBS.

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143. 25 Nov 45. One (1) EM Asgd fr 3184th Sig Sv Co per P 23 SO 143, Hq CBS Unit asgd Shipment No RE 7440-N per Movement Orders Hq U S Forces, European Theater dtd 20 Nov 45. Readiness Date: on and after 10 December 1945.
144. 27 Nov 45 1st Lt VALENTE rel'd fr command and tfr'd to 543rd Sig Base Deppt Company. Capt. James H. ATLAND is tfr'd from 815th Sig Sv Co (Port), to assume command. Per par 46, SO 150 Hq CBS.
- 145 2 Jan 46 Unit consisting of 3 Officers and 137 EM moved from Antwerp VJ 6896 to Camp Top Hat Staging Area.
- 146 6 Jan 46 Departed Camp Top Hat, Antwerp Belgium, Boarded SS Solomon Juneau Auth Ltr Order 1-21, Hq Camp Top Hat.
- 147 24 Jan 46 Unit Arrived N Y PE 1700 24 Jan 46. Departed NYPE 2100 24 Jan 46 for Camp Kilmer, N Y. 2 Officers and 136 EM rel'd fr asgt 3253 Sig Sv Co. and atcd unasgd to 9223 TSU - Tc, Debarkee Transient Det 1 H NYPE 12 EM rel'd fr asgt 3253 Sig Sv co and trfd to 9223 TSU\*TC Debarkee Transient Det 1 J NYPE.
- 148 25 Jan 46 1 O and 1 EM rel'd fr asgt and unit deactivated per GO \_\_\_\_\_ AEF NYPE, Cp Kilmer, N J dtt \_\_\_\_\_ effective 2359 25 Jan 46.