TACTICAL INTERROGATION REPORT IPW TEAM 60-B, 134TH INFANTRY

14 Nov 44

15 PW of 3rd Co, Ren Bn, 11th Armd Div. Captured by 1st Bn.

The 3rd and 4th Cos were in position west of Merhange, and PW were at a point called Manument. The 3rd Co is a regular infantry outfit, one machine gun per squad, only small bazeckas. Three AT guns were in position of which one was knocked out. American tanks made an attack there at 1600. The Germans knocked one of Sherman out, but their small bazeckas were wet and did not function.

The 3rd Co was in this location for three days. There mission was to hold Morhange at all cost and PW state this order came from the Fuehrer himself who considers the town of strategical importance as it lies on the road to Saarbrucken. One FW, a S/Sgt, states that the Germans will concentrate the 110 and 111th Regt around the town and that they expect more divisional reinfercement.

PW states that he saw 5 Panther tanks move into Merhange teday. He also knows of a anti-tank ditch in front of the railroad line, but does not know the exact location nor the extent the of the obstacle.

The 3rd Ce is composed of 3 plateens of 30 men. The CO is Lt Heiss. The 1st Ce of the Ren Bn has Ron cars and is the Ren element. The 2nd Co was wiped out three weeks ago in the Parrey ferest. The 3rd and 4th Cos are infantry, the 5th Co has 3 AT guns and 3 Nebelwerfers but the last ones have no ammunition.

PW also state that Morhange is partly evacuated of civilians who expect a heavy artillery bembardment of the tewn.

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The companies of the Rcn Bn had fermerly been depleted, but redeived new replacements from Aircorps units and desk soldiers who are mostly young men.