

INTERROGATION REPORT
134th INF REGT
IPW 60

9 Jan 45

REPORT: 2063

3 PW from 2nd co, 387th Regt, 167 Div.

PW deserted in vicinity LUTREBOIS. Regt CP at 62705565. 1st Bn CP in woods at 612560. Two of the PW had formerly been guards between Bn and Regt stated that 1st Bn of Regt is in position around WARDIN.

In order to desert the PW came thru the 14th Co which is in position 570 534 E. of LUTREBOIS. Heard rumor that 14th Co may have received some replacements.

Yesterday PW met SS man who told them that the SS unit had been relieved day before yesterday. The SS man said that his unit had had heavy losses and expected to be pulled back for refitting. They were to receive new tanks and launch another attack.

The 387th Regt has no armor in support of it. PW states that this Regt has an estimated 40% casualties and expects relief. 2 successive Bn Cmdrs have been killed.

One PW just returned this morning from leave in VIENNA. He reports that the RR between COLCONE and MAYEN is destroyed. On 3 Jan 2 1/2 Km on German side of VIANDEN he saw a tank park in the woods. He saw five Mk IV from the road and believes that there are several hidden in woods.

The 167 Replacement Bn is in woods around SCHLEIF. PW has not seen any replacements brought forward.

One PW located ammo dump near GEROLSTEIN (PW name is Emanuel Tluchar, 2nd Co 387th Regt).

Personnel office of the 167 Div in woods SE of BOEGEN.

Supply route: GEROLSTEIN, BITBURG, VIANDEN, NACHTMANSERHEID, HOSINGEN, CLERVAUX (CLERF), RUMLANCK, DONNANGE, BOEGEN, SCHLEIF.

Tank maintenance in TOMN (phon) between BITBURG and VIANDEN.

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LIGHT SIGNALS FOR GERMAN TROOPS

SIGNAL	MEANING
White star- later becomes yellow	We are here
Flashlight (white light) moved in counterclockwise circles	We are here
Green star	Fire to be laid down
Orange smoke signal	Front lines
Streaks of purple smoke in sky	Tank warning
Yellow air panel	Front lines
Bright light on ground from pistol or ground flare	General alarm at night
Green star	Observer wants to send message Lay out air message panels

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24 PW from 1st Bn, 339 Regt, 167 Div.

Point of capture: 576534. 3 PW say they were told by an officer that the strength of the Regt was 28 men and 2 officers. Regt appears to be slightly stronger, figure may be strength of 1st Bn.

Unit which is probably 14th Co of 387 Regt is at edge of woods 578529. In this vicinity are also 3 horses, probably belonging to same Co. A 4th Co, Regt not certain, is in vic of CR at 584537. CP 2nd Bn 331 Regt at 593544. CP 1st Bn 339 Regt at 504541. Co 1st Bn Capt MELENHAUS. Trains of 1st Co 339 are at 669559, also at this location PW saw 4 Tiger Royal tanks 7 Jan. These tanks stay in this vicinity during the day and go to their positions during the night. Remainder 331 Regt together with vehicles at 610555 8 Jan 45. CO 339 Regt Lt. Col. RENDEL .

90 replacements came forward 1 Jan from AULAN GERMANY. These were 90 men who had previously belonged to the Div. They were not part of the regular replacement Bn. They made the trip mostly by marching and were scattered into small groups by air attack, as a result of which some arrived and some did not.

Men who came forward report that there is much ammo stored in woods around DARSCHIED, DAUN, WAXWEILER, and ESSELBOEN. Large ammo dumps pointed out especially at the following locations: 750638, 747044, 753645.

PW report the following road has heavy traffic every night: FEUERBURG, LEIMBACH, CAUSHAUSEN, SEVENIG, FRERSCHIED, and DASBURG. At DASBURG which is at LUXEMBOURG and GERMAN border traffic is heaviest because of a one way bridge which causes delay.

2 days ago Div CP in RR tunnel near SCHLEIER as previously reported. The city of ULFLINGEN on 3rd Jan was full of SS trps and v.h, but no tanks were observed. Trps were from 1st SS.

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14 PW from 4th Co 339th Regt 167 Div.

Original strength of Co 100 men; 6-80mm mortars; 8-heavy MG; 4-horse drawn 75mm cannon(Inf). Remaining strength estimated 30 men; 1-cannon; 2-mortars; and up to 6 MG. Point of capture, 58055370. Also 2 mortars remaining with crew of 10 men are at 583537. First 2 mortars did not fire because 2 days ago all ammo had been destroyed by our Arty. Other 2 mortars were not heard to fire because of fear of drawing Arty fire. When mortars went into position they did not have observers and were to interdict woods to the SW. 3 days ago the remaining cannon was taken back to the trains at 640554 and the crew committed as Inf. 4 days ago PW saw 8 to 10 Royal Tiger tanks on EASTOCHNE road at 638544 and an undetermined number of tanks and half tracks in woods at 623557.

PW has following opinion of our Arty: tree bursts are most feared, phosphorus is very frightening but does not produce as many casualties.

CO 4th Co Lt. REUTER.

6 PW from 1st Co 167th Eng Bn.

Bn consists of 3 Co's which were brought from GERMANY partly by foot and partly by bicycle beginning 24 Dec. Eng equipment was left behind but is not extensive in as much as all equipment of 1st Co can be loaded on 1 truck. 1st co has remaining strength of 15 men. Point of capture: 576535 at S side of clearing in woods. It is believed all 3 Co's were committed as Inf. Location of other 2 Co's unknown. Weapons of 1st co included 3 LMG, 1 Machine Pistol, and rifles. Men who had been left behind to guard Eng equipment were brought forward 3 days ago to be committed as Inf. It is believed that the Eng equipment may have been brought forward, but this is not certain. Equipment of 1st Co consisted of teller mines, pontoons and demolitions. Equipment had been left at KALBORN.

PW say Nebelwerfer mounted on trucks changes positions frequently.

CO 1st Co Lt. Bauer
CO Eng Bn 1st Lt. Geiger