- 0946 Lt. Kestlinger To Capt. Clark, Will be over with some overlays today (Capt. Clark) What is doing there. (Lt. Kestlinger) They had a PW, but he dropped a gredade and in the confusion he got away. No one was hurt.
- 1000 s-3 to Red 6: The 3rd Bn relieves the 2nd Bn at 1800 hrs. tonight; the 2nd Bn will move to your position. Start moving from your present postion, at 1930 this evening.
- 1005 3-3 to White 6: Advise White 6 of the change of battalion positions, and that his present attachments would go to the 3rd Bn. (S-3) Have you heard from your patrol? (White) 6: Nothing yet.
- 1015 3-3 to Capt. Fish: Notified of shifting of battalion pasitions.
- 1016 5-3 to Med Det, Notified of battalions shifting positions
- 1017 S-3 to S-4: Notified of shifting of battalion positions.
- 1018 5-3 to cannon co: Motified of battalions shifting positions.
- 1019 Capt. Clark to Mr. Wiles: Notified of battalions shifting positions.
- 1022 3-2 to G-2: There is lots of ammunition in that dump in the 3rd Bn area, also rockets. I think it would be good to some of them at the Joy Jerrys and see what they do. (G-2) Good idea, I'll see what I can do about it.
- 1026 G-4 to S-3: Your 105s are using about 300 rounds (S-3) They were firing at some enemy Infantry and a self propelled gun. We will watch closely our expenditure of ammunition in the future.
- 1031 s-3 to g-3: Notified of shifting of battalions.
- 1100 Message from G-2 to C.O. "Use of American helmets, camouflage nets, and fatigue jackets by enemy has been reported on the Division front. German paratroops such as the ones on this front have round helmets similar to ours and are often equipped with jackets similar to the American fatigue fackets."
- 1110 Blue 5 to Lt. Bryan: Find out if the 2nd Bn mortars go to I Co. (Lt. Bryan) No, I Co will get the 1st Bn mortars.
- 1115 Lt. Bryan to White 2: I am going to send you an overlay to check.

 after we get set up all we will have to do is plot squad patrols.

 (White) 2: OK. There is a self propelled between Les Haies and

 La Bigne, machine guns are also firing. (S-2) What happened to

 that plan (White 2) Jerry didn't show up. We set the trap but

 nobody showed up.

- 1121 White 2 to S2: Have you anyone from the I&R Flatoon working around Las Haies? (S2) The last we heard from them, they were at 648601.
- 1122 The following message received from I&R Platoon by radio: "Negative report. At 648601."
- 1125 S2 to G2: There is a self-propelled between Les Haies and La Bigne 620624, 630624, also machine gun fire in this vicinity. The I&R Platoon is at 648601.
- 1127 S2 to Blue 3: Division got a call from Ivanhoe saying ricchocette ma-
- 1158 Capt. O'Brien to Lt. Bryan: The Air Corps dive bombed the woods at 610620.
- 1207 Lt. Kestlinger to Index: There is a self-propelled enemy gun in the vicinity of 6262 (La Bigne-Les Haies), also a couple of machine guns at Les Haies. (Index) Two P-47s just show down on enemy plane at a 4300 mills from our Cannon Co.
- 1210 S2 to White 2: Do you have any mortars firing? (White 2) No.
- 1210 Following message received by radio from TaR Platoon: "We are now at 646606. Will investigate if our mortar fire lifts".
- 1215 82 to Decoy 2: Do you have any mortars firing, our patrol is getting some from our rear (Decoy 2) I will check on it right away.
- 1218 S2 to G2: Just had some bombing in woods at 610620. Also two P-47s just brought down an enemy plane in vicinity of Index.
- 1225 White to S2: Brown is going to fire on house at 635622 where we have been firing mortars and put a couple time fuses on there. Jerries are running in end out of the house.
- 1300 Lt. Carroll to S2: A deserter was picked up by Dextrose. He was from the 3rd Co., 2nd Ron Bn. His CP is at 694536 in a house. Machine gun outpost at 701572. Company strength cut in half by casualties. 70 men total strength.
- 1310 Red line reported out.
- 1315 From I&R Platoon: Had fire fight at 646601. Killed one German. Have withdrawn to 647602. Awaiting further orders.
- 1329 Red line reported in.
- 1345 From I&R Platoon. Enemy at 646602. Reference point trail crossing.
 Enemy in dugouts. Would have to engage enemy to get body. 15 men or
 more with automatic weapons.
- 1415 Delight line reported out.

- White 2 to S2: F Co patrol (the north one) report in. They started at E Co's outpost headed south and hit trail. Went southwest on trail to road junction then went along road to west junction. 200 yards past 2nd junction (63856085) there is bush erross road Jerries could be seen walking behind it. A Jerry was observed coming down south side of road toward patrol. Patrol opened fire upon him and they were fired back on. No one was observed in houses or barns along road. Returned by same route. Small arms heard from South (I&R fire fight) G Co. patrol started out at bridge (653604), went along trail southwest and hit main road at (642600) went down to next junction (636602 and to edge of Vidouville. Could not see any movement in town. Dead American at 634600. Started back north along an unmarked stream. Never fired on.
- 1455 Delight line reported in.
- 1515 From Decoy: Enemy at 673583 and 681588.
- 1610 Message from Commanding General, 1st U. S. Inf. Div. to C.O. loth Inf. "Sitrep 241200B. No change except I Co, 26th Inf, relieved L Co at To 729600. The defensive position was maintained and patrols were active.
- 1624 G3 to Capt. Clark: Can you furnish us with the section of the people who are visiting you from Corps? (Capt. Clark) Will bring this up to Maj. Plitt when he returns.
- 1657 S3 to G3: We don't keep a record of those people. Any news from the Cherbourg area? (G3) The only information we have is that 850 PWs were taken yesterday.
- 1817 G2 to Lt. Bryan: PWs taken by 50th Northumbrian Div at Hottot were from Ersatz Bn., 1st S.S. Div (Adolph Hitler) said that they have been in the lines for 4 days. Have been fighting as infantry.
- 1819 Elue closing down to move.
- 1845 Capt. Clark to G3: Notifies him of change in battalions' positions.
 (G3) Show positions of battalions on tonight's overlay.
- 1925 G2 to S2: Correction on message of 1817 hours. PWs not from 1st SS Div (Adolph Hitler) but from 1st SS Panzer Corps. Defense Company.
- 1930 Blue to Capt. Clark: Report battalion in new position.
- 1934 Lt. Kestlinger to Capt. Clark: Have you any patrols that are crossing the division boundary? (Capt Clark) None.
- 1940 S2 to Blue 3: Have you any patrols across right boundary? (Blue 3) No.
- 1945 The following message from the ItR Platoon by radio "Enemy shelling to rear, but messenger has wrong coordinate. Will check on it.

- 1946 Delight line is out.
- 1947 S3 to Red 3: How are things? (Red 3) The whole battalion is on the move, started at 1930. C for I; A for L; B for K; mortars still with 3rd Bn. CP in open, same place as Co. M CP, good spot. Will do same thing as 3rd Bn did.
- 1949 S3 to Elue 3: How is the move going? (Elue 3) Battalion closed in, all in position. (S3) What about the self-propelled gun (Elue 3) Not in with I Co yet, that's where it is shelling. Will let you know as soon as I find out. (S3) Are you sending anyone to La Militaire? Blue 3) No. we are sending a patrol to contact the 38th Recom, not to the 9th. Will pick up where the other left off. (S3) The 102nd Recom is sending a patrol up the stream to les Haies.
- 1950 Capt. O'Brien to S3: I want permission to fire into area at 64,9605.

 There is a self-propelled gun down in that area and firing into G co area. (S3) We will have to find out where I&R is before you can fire.
- 2030 IMR Patrol at 649609. Bracketed by gun fire. Investigating further.
- 2045 Lt. Golden to S3: Can we fire yet? (S3) No. I&R Patrol is out and not far from gun. The colonel says not to fire.
- 2048 S3 to Capt. Fish: Did you change your platoons around? (Capt. Fish).
 Yes, all changed at 2000 hours and in position now.
- 2050 S3 to Dextrose 3: What is happening? (Dextrose 3) Nothing new, moving tank down by our Red battalion. (S3) Same here. Had patrols down to Vidouville. Changed our battalions around.
- 2055 S3 to White 3: Is the battelion in position? (White 3) Battelion closed in. Co G is on the right, Co F on the left, Co E in reserve. CF in the same location as last time.
- 2056 Blue to S5: Do you want overlay tonight or tomorrow? (S3) Tomorrow is OK. Position of 1st En is A for your L. C for K. B for I, and CP 100 yards from where yours was.
- 2115 IER Patrol reports 3 men from patrol have worked up to 647603. Enemy observed in tree at 646601. Patrol pinned down. Self-propelled gun at 646601.
- 2132 Red 3 to 83: Battalion closed at 2115. Everything is OK. Battalion digging in.
- 2140 Blue 6 to 83: Just had 5 man wounded from the relief. I seriously wounded and 4 slightly wounded. 3 from Co I and 2 from Co M. Gun working up road near 2nd Div sector. (83) Sound and flash picked it up at 646601. When I&R gets to 648605, the artillery will fire on the gun.

- 2110 Message from I&R Patrol: Patrol able to move again.
- 2145 Message from Tar Patrol: Patrol has reached destination.
- 2215 S2 to G2; Tells them of the LaR Patrol location.
- 2228 52 to Lt. Kestlinger: Interrogated civilian at Cormolain today. He said he left his home at 605637, and just as he left a German Hoadquarters moved into his home. This was one week age. This house is shown on the 1/50,000 map.
- 2236 83 to White 2: Capt. O'Brien observed traffic on road to Vidouville.

 (Mhite 2) Here is the correct dops on Co. 6 patrol. They started out at 661620, took road branching wouth at 655615. To avoid crossing bridge, swung off road and headed south. Finally came to stream (655601), and they thought that it was the main stream, and got on the high ground to observe. They ran into the 18th Inf. OP.
- 2255 It. Cerroll to Lt. Bryan: Decey picked up the bodies of 4 German paratroopers. One was killed by our booby traps and others shot to death. They were picked up at 600596. No Soldbuchs, some letters and pictures. They sent these articles to division. A message from Corps said we have broken through outer defenses of Cherbourg. Plan to take town tomorrow. Believe Germans will use eastern tip of Cherbourg Peninsula to vacate troops like in Cape Bon.
- 2306 Delight 2 to Lt. Bryan; Can I have a resume of the S2 situation for today? (Lt. Bryan) - Gave him the resume from the S1 and S2 journals).
- 2315 33 to Decoy 3: How are things going? (Decoy 3) We are being shelled.

 A discussion between both parties ensued regarding patrol situation and enemy artillery pieces.
- 2340 Red to S3: Situation unchanged.
- 2345 33 to Determine 3: Are you getting shelled? (Determine 3) No they are laying in south of us. No, north. Must be two different things we are talking about. (33) Delight is getting shelled, 12 rounds just fell. They are coming from 2nd Div sector.
- 2358 Capt. O'Brien to Lt. Bryan: My OP and Co. I are receiving mortar fire.

 Someome, possibly 2nd Div artillery, is putting artillery into the wooded area where our patrols are operating. Most of the mortar shells are landing in Co I area.

- 0007 Red: Negative report.
- OCIO Lt Bryan to Blue: Anything going on out there? (Blue) Yes, I Co received 7 rounds 15 minutes later, then 10 more rounds. Artillery fire coming from 1200 degrees or 160 degrees. At 2400 hours 30 more rounds, four air bursts within 100 yard radius. OP reported fire 160 degrees azimuth 22 miles out, steady glow. (Lt Bryan) Are the patrols being effected by this fire? (Blue) I don't know as I haven't received any reports yet, but will let you know when I do.
- 0019 Lt Carroll to (S-2): Enemy infantry at 635560. Enemy scattered when 42 rounds fellow them. Enemy infantry at 680585. Kitchem emplaced at 694542. Enemy vehicles at 638566. Enemy infantry at 680566. Decoy patrol to Lehant Villiars shot at. Infantry at 649588 (farmhouse). Two tanks at 675584.
- 0035 White: Negative report.
- 0038 Red: Negative report.
- OlO2 Blue: OP reported all quiet except for a plane that dropped a couple of flares near Cammont.
- 0105 White: OP reports artillery fire coming from 3000 yards south coming due west.
- 0108 Red; Some artillery landing 300 to 400 yards east of here, none landing in area.
- 0132 Red: B Co reported a few shells landed in their area, no one hurt.
- 0200 White: Negative report.
- 0203 Red: Negative report.
- 0205 Blue: OP reported artillery at 120 degrees to our rear. Fire reported at 2401.

 One flare at 170 degrees about two miles out. Patrols from Red reported negative. Long range gun at about 150 degrees. 2 amber flares at 180 degrees and 250 degrees 1000 yards out. Amber flare at 120 degrees, machine gun fire at 190 degrees 1000 yards out.
- 0300 Red: Negative report.
- 0303 Blue: A moderate amount of artillery falling around battalion area, but none in area. L Co. had an automatic weapon firing 300 yards to front, but they fired back and have heard nothing since.
- 0305 Red: Megative report.
- 0335 Capt. Clark to G-3: Negative report, except that 3rd Bn had some artillery falling near their area, also some small arms fire.
- 0342 Red: Negative report.

- 0404 Blus: OP reports an amber flare 27 degrees at 0342 hours. 2 air burst 200 yards from OP. 2 red flares 180 degrees, 1500 yards from OP.
- 0412 White: A little artillery falling in front of us.
- 0415 Capt Clark to G-3: Blue reported flares and air burst to their front. White had a couple of rounds of artillery to their front.
- 0430 Red: Negative report.
- 0500 Blue: Two artillery shellslanded in vicinity of OP. Contact made with 38th Recon.
- 0520 S-3 to G-3: Negative report.
- 0530 Red: Negative report.
- 0600 Blue: Negative report.
- OSIS S-Z to G-Z: 61 visiting, contact, and close (500 yards) patrols. 4 Recon patrols. #1 from Co G was lost. #2 from F Co. moved from 648616 to 63856085, observed enemy believed camouflaged road block at 637608. #3 I&R moved from 653603 to 648601, then to 646601, came upon enemy in fox holes killed one Jerry. A tree at that point is fixed as an OP with ladder. #4 I&R returned to same vicinity, and then went to 647602. Heard self-propelled firing from vicinity 646601, observer in tree. Friendly mortars from in the area fired
- O645 Lt. Carroll to S-2; Patrol from Dextrose heard motorcycle in vicinity of La Valle. OP reports heavy artillery falling on Caumont. Dextrose Blue patrol crossed road at 711589, heard voices on main road, worked way to the east along trail, and were fired on at 712589; fired on again at 716589. Outpost of enemy believed to be at 712589, also at 711587. A ME-109 dropped butterfly bombs along their own front lines. British report Germans gave a Frenchman a pass to get through the lines. He reported to the British that he saw tanks at 767635; six more at 763638. They think the report is reliable.

and then withdrew from position. No PWs, no casulaties.

- 0700 Blue 2 to S-2: Machine gun fire came from woods at 639621; L Co fired and it stopped.
- 0830 G-2 to S-2; Want explanation of the word lost as applied to Co. G patrol.
 (S-2) The patrol went out, but on reporting back didn't know where they had been.
- 0855 S-3 to G-3: We have 320 cm rockets, incindary and HE, and want to fire them at the enemy today.
- 0900 Mr. Wiles to S-3: Capt. O'Brien requested a direct line be laid to him. (S-3)
 OK, lay it.
- 0920 Delight S-3 to Delight 5: Talked about enemy guns firing last night. I enlisted man hit last night in fox hole by tree burst. I Co. Dagwood had 5 wounded last night. 5th and 7th FAs fired 4 rounds at enemy battery last night, and then two rounds at another enemy battery in front of 2nd Div.

- 0950 Blue 6 to S-2: I would like to move Co I to Le Barbois; the platoon of K Co. Decoy from La Jurie. I Co OP at La Scalierie. (S-2) Will check with the Colonel and let you know.
- 1000 Decoy 2 to Lt. Bryan: How did the T&R make out? (Lt. Bryan) They ran into fire from a self-propelled gun. Saw an observer in a tree at 644605. Gun about 250 yards from them near Vidouville. We don't have any patrols going down there today. (Decoy 2) I will send a patrol from Blue battalion south of Vidouville. Will let you know the results later.
- 1020 Blue 3 to S-3: What about I Co? (S-3) Will check with 18th and then with the Colonel. (Blue 3) Btry fired about 30 rounds. Patrols contacting regular people.
- 1030 G-3 to S-2: What happened to G Co. patrol (S-2) They were not lost, but ended up in the 18th sector and not in the place they were to go.
- 1032 S-3 to Decoy 3: You have a platoon of K Co on our right flank. I Co not in good position and getting fired on by artillery fire. The traffic along road draws artillery on positions there. I Co southwest towards stream. Two platoons near La Hurie.
- 1050 Direct line to Cannon Co. is in.
- 1120 S-3 to G-3: Where are the British? (G-3) 49th Div are at 848665. (S-3) Do you know where I Co is? (G-3) No. (S-3) I Co is where G Co. was, but we want to move I Co. southwest along road at La Barbois, 18th Inf agreed. (G-3) OK, go shead, but notify 38th Recon.
- 1122 S-3 to Blue 6: I have gotten Division OK, and 18th Inf. has agreed. When is I Co. going to move? (Blue 6) I told Capt. Richmond to move slowly so he won't get there till tonight. I will let you know when he gets in. (S-3) Utilize barbed wire there. (Blue 6) Have patrol working around there. We have an OP at 639625. Will work an A-T gun there for a trap in woods at 648605. Will not send patrol down to where I know the Germans are strong.
- 1135 S-2 to White 3: The Colonel wants Col. Hicks and your S-3 accompany me to 26th Inf at 1400 hours today. (Also notified Red battalion).
- 1138 S- 3 to Dextrose 3: I am coming down to see you at 1430, Col Hicks and Maj.
 Driscoll will be with me.
- 1140 S-3 to Decoy 3: We are moving I Co down today, just where is yourk Co? (Decoy 3) They are at 667602.
- 1125 Lt. Carroll to S-2: 20mm AA gun at 650607. Decoy White patrol entered La Waut des St. Lote, found no enemy. Enemy infantry lacated at 691582, don't know strength, but estimate two platoons dug un at 673583, estimate squad dug in at 658585.

 4 machine guns and an estimated three squads at 659581. 7th FA OP at 638623 was attacked by enemy units closing in using grenades and small arms. Officer notes that civilians are under poor control and slip over lines in the 18th Inf. sector. Front line in Cherbourg-045241-1022-125225-045213-154213-080225-208226-220233-230257-Corps patrols are in Cherbourg.

- 1145 C-3 to S-3: Ivanhos doing a little test firing in back of your Red at 655675.

 Just wanted you to know.
- 1157 S-3 to Disquise 5: Can you give me overlays showing mine fields? (Disquise 5) tomorrow we will make a new one. (S-3) Send me 8 copies direct.
- 1240 Capt. Clark to Red 3: Maj Plitt would like a complete overlay of the battalion positions as of now.
- 1241 Capt. Clark to White 3: Maj Plitt would like a complete overlay of the battalian position as of now.
- 1242 Capt. Clark to Blue 3: Maj Plitt would like a complete overlay of the battalion positions as of now.
- 1305 pacey 2 to 5-2; we are going to send a patrol out. They will start at the bridge at 553603, go due north to road fork at 650613, down road to Vidouville and then south to main road. Return will be through 3rd Bn. area.
- 1355 G-3 to S-3: How much trouble would it be for you to get down to the next road south? (S-3) The main road? (G-3) Yes. (S-3) I wouldn't want to say right off hand, our right flank istee open. (G-3) I'll be down to see you at 1500 hours.
- 1515 Blue 6 to S-3: I co. is in position. The Recon has one patrol at bridge and l is in the middle of the position. We are leaving the one at the bridge. Our patrol is going out at 1800 hours and will patrol all of grid square 640600.

 Don't want any firing in there all night long. If we can we will move forward. I have checked the night firing. (S-3) I'll double check.
- 1352 Lt. Hestlinger to S-2: Negative report.
- 1555 Blue 2 to S-2: There will be no firing in 2nd Div sector at 1900 hours, south of les mies.
- 1600 7th FA is notified of no firing into 2nd Div sector.
- 1700 Capt. O'Brien called to findout about not firing in 640600 grid square.
- 1720 General Wyman visited CP. talked to Maj. Lauten.
- 1745 S-2 to Red 2: Don't let anyone from Corps talk you out of any rockets from the dump. We aregoing to use them.
- 1750 Lt. carroll to 8-2: 49th British Div jumped off at 0445 hours from 860691.
- 1817 S-3 to Capt. Fish; you know about I Co. moving? What about your gums? (Capt Fish) They are in the same place. They are better there as there is no better field of fire.
- 1820 G-2 to S-3: Can you tell me where I can reach Capt. Post? (S-3) I will tell
 you if you say Charbourg is taken. (G-2) It is not taken yet, they are cleaning
 out the last ofpill boxes now. One regiment of 4th Div had very heavy
 casualties. They have only one officer left.
- 1900 White: Shells are falling in front of us.

- 1901 Blue: Shells are coming from our right about 2000 yards.
- 1920 Red 3 to S-3: Battery volley about every minute landing just to the left of B Co.
- 1921 S-3 to Determine 3: Where is the artillery fire coming from? (Determine 3)
 It is coming from 62906175.
- 1935 Decoy S-2 to S-2: Our patrols crossed near 652603 moved to the trail junction at 651603, turned to right on trail with china dishes on it at 646609. No snemy. Moved along stream at 647607 and moved southwest to 641602, were fired on from south by German patrol wearing uniform that looks like ours. Then fired upon by squad at 641605. One officer killed. Then moved into orchard at 649606 and came under knemy fire, then back to CP the same way. 3 enlisted men missing.
- 1936 S-2 to Blue 2: OP believes artillery fire coming from 5860. S-2 informs him of the details of the Decoy patrol.
- 1945 S-3 to Blue 3: What are you doing with mortar platoon of 1st Bn? (Blue 3)
 Will use them when we get ammunition. I Co. said they have no use for them
 because they have no position to set them up, but I want them if they can
 get ammunition.
- 1950 S-1 to Red 3: Mortars will remain with 3rd Bn.
- 1955 S-3 to Capt. Brooks: Straighten out ammunition with 3rd Bn for the platoon of 1st Bn that is attached. (Capt. Brooks) I am going out to the 3rd Bn now to straighten the situation out.
- 1957 S-2 to G-4: What about unit of fie increase for Cannon Co.? (G-4) There is no increase for Cannon Co., that is a mistake. The artillery was given more for the demonstration.
- 2000 Message from G-4: "Route GC-5 and GC -96 between La Mine and Trevieres will not be used by any vehicles of 1st Inf Div and attached units except staff and medical vehicles" (Signed General Huebmer).
- 2040 Negative report. Blue.
- 2054 Red 2 to S-2: Booby trap still in Grosselonde Woods at 2046.
- 2055 Lt. Kestlinger to S-2: Negative report.
- 2057 Lt. Carroll to S-3: They are fighting one mile from coast of Cherbourg.

- 2215 Lt. Carroll to S-2: Decoy patrol worked sown to La Haute at 680590 to southeast where they were fired on by enemy infantry at 683582. Another patrol in vicinity of Cussey reports enemy still in orchard at 682583 and at 685584. Dueled with enemy all day long with instructions to stay put. Another patrol went down on the right flank, a reinforced squad crossed the river at 652603, went to trail at 651603, turned back north at 649609. No enemy to that point. From last coordinate patrol turned southwest to river bed at 647608 and followed stream bed to 641602, then they came under cross fire from two enemy positions, one at 641600 and one at 641603. I officer killed three men missing. Reported that 2nd Penzer Corps, composed of 9th SS Armored Div Howenstaufun and 16th SS Armored Div Frundsberg, has moved back from Russia and on the way to our area west of Paris. No tanks came with them. (This report not confirmed). One self-propelled estimated to be 77mm in vicinity of 646600 shelling our troops in vicinity of 655630. Dextrose reports enemy shelling their left flank with artillery estimated to be 150 or 210. Dextrose says look out for paratroopers dressed like our soldiers.
- 2230 G-2 to 8-2: Part of Powerhouse is going to 68 and 76 Easting tomorrow night to give new officers practice. British pushed doen to vicinity of 865668 on big hill northeast of little town of Vendas. They haven't all of road, it is not clear to Hottot. No dope on Cherbourg, still one mile from coast. 1800 PWs were taken yesterday. Believe that the 9th and 10th SS Armored is back from Russia. Civilians say that they saw uniforms of soldiers from that outfit. There are two independent tank battalions they can draw from, also a tank park in Mailly and another east of Peris.
- 2255 Red: Negative report.
- 2502 S-2 to White 2: S-2 gives summary of the G-2 received during the day, also the dope for a big push that will take place tomorrow.
- 2311 S-2 to Red 3: S-2 gives summary of the G-2 reports for the day.
- 2325 S-2 to G-2: Patrol from I Co. workeddup to 646601 where the I&R ran into trouble and they ran into trouble at the same place. One squad of enemy is dug in at 646601.
- 2330 A-T Co. CO located at 693632.
- 2332 S-2 to Delight 2: Notified them of return of I Co. patrol.
- 2341 Blue 2 to S-2: Discussed the shoot that is to take place tomorrow. S-2 gives him summary of the G-2 reports for the day.

- 0001 White to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- 0003 Blue to Lt. Stephens: Regative report.
- colo Red to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- 0058 It. Stephens to 0-3: Megative report for the past hour.
- olo2 White to Lt. Stephens: Everything is quiet except that a shell goes over every seven munutes, and one falls short every seven minutes. They land in the rear of F Co, and are coming from due south (Lt. Stephens) Have your OPS been able to spot the gun? (White) No, not yet.
- 0105 Blue to Lt. Stephens: At 0020 Co L contact patrol returned from contact with Index there is no change in their situation.
- 0108 Red to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- 0152 Red to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- 0159 White to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- 0215 Blue to Mr. Lipinski; Machine gun fire in front of co K. We have patrols contacting the 38th Inf on the right and left.
- 0235 Red to Mr. Lipinski: Negative report.
- 0305 Red to Mr. Lipinski: Megative report.
- 0307 White to Mr. Lipinski: Negative report.
- 0310 Blue to Mr. Lipinski: L co patrol drew fire when they tried to contact 38th Ren at 645601; one Burp gun, couple of rifles. The patrol was forced to withdraw, they did not make contact with 38th Ren. Another patrol is going out now.
- 0315 Mr. Lipinski to 0-3: Reports the Blue report of 0310.
- 0345 Red to Mr. Ripinski; Negative report.
- 0405 Red to Mr. Lipinski: Negative report.
- 0410 Blue to Mr. Lipinski: No report yet from second L co. patrol. Some harassing machine pistol fire in fron t of K Co.
- 0415 White to Mr. Lipinski: Negative report.

- 0440 Red to Mr. Lipinski: Negative report.
- o500 Blue to Mr. Lipinski: Our patrol contacted the 38th. They could not find anything more on that fire they were getting out there. Everything quiet.
- 0502 White to Mr. Lipinski: Negative report.
- 0507 Red to Mr. Lipinski: Negative report.
- 0525 g-1 to 0-3: Negative report.
- 0557 Blue to S-1: Negative report.
- 0600 White to S-1: Negative report.
- 0610 Red to S-1: Negative report.
- o615 Lt. Carroll to g-1: slight resistance by the enemy in the port of Cherbourg. Isolated positions outside of city still fighting it out.

 No change, no identifications. Sporadic artillery. Patrols centinue.

 Haven't completely cleaned it out.
- 0705 Blue to S-1: Negative report. What is all the shooting about?
- 0709 S-1 to Delight: Is that you shooting? (Delight) No, they are coming in about 400 yards in front of us.
- 0717 g-1 to Blue: The artillery shoot is at 0730 hrs.
- 0725 6-3 to 5-1: What is new? 3-1 gave a summary of patrol reports for the night.
- o730 Lt. carroll to 5-2: pextrose sent out patrol to 725591. Germans are dug in along sunken road there. They threw hand grenades and had rifle duel. This was at 0345. Higher headquarters is trying to set up a policy of how to handle TODT workers brought in. Thinking about using them in 100th Ordinance and 17th signal. They must first be interviewed by CIC. Germans have been using single shot harassing fire over whole sector during the night. Firing here and there.

 Some 150 and 210 stuff used on left flank area. About 0500 Germans shelled to rear of 26th CP.

- 0825 Blue 2 to 3-2: OP reports seeing some Germans that look like paratroopers at 637619.
- 0840 General Wyman to s-3: see if you can work your mortars in with the cubs. I will talk to you about it when I come down today.
- 0848 s-3 to pelight 3: general Wyman called this morning and he wants us to work out comething this morning using the cub plane with our mortars. As soon as ceiling clears lets experiment with it.
- 0858 s-3 to White 5: How are things in your area? (White) 5: Everything is OK (s-3) About 50 rounds of artillery landed at A-T CO CP last night they were trying to hit the 5th FA.
- 0900 Lt. Kestlinger to S-2: Negative report.
- 0915 3-3 to G-3: Do we have Cherbourg yet? (G-3) No. (S-3) What are the British doing? (G-3) The 49th is down to Tessel Brettville. Pushed to Jubiguny and Bendes. Pushing towardETregny, Brent Villette and Royaey.
- 0925 s-3 to Determine 3: Artillery is falling south of us, is it falling near you? (Determined) 3: Have been hearing it, but it is about a mile away. We had a couple of targets, but for the most part it is quiet.
- 0930 3-3 to Dextrose 3: Is the artillery landing near you? (Dextrose 3) No, it is coming from in front and going away over our heads.
- 0950 3-3 to 3-4: The following message was received from 6-4. "All camouflage nets will be garmished with green garmish to afford the maximun camouflage. Green garmish is available for issue through the
 lst Inf Dev Engr Bn" (Signed HUESNER).
- 0957 3-2 to s-2: The interrogators should find out from prisoners whether the Germans can distinguish our officers from enlisted men especially by markings on helmets.
- 1030 2 planes flew over our GP, returned, drawing fire on both trips.
 One went down smoking about due east from GP.
- 1035 Blue 2 to 3-2; Plane shot down and pilot bailed outl
- 1036 Red 6 to S-2: One of our planes was just shot down in vicinity of cormolain (s-2) Yes, we are able to see the smoke, we are trying to get someone to the plane.

26 June 44 1037 - White 6 to capt. Clark: They shot down two P-51s, one crashed only 300 yards from our CP. Our markings are all over it. The pilot had bailed out. I have a guard on it now. There should be something about these jokers back on those 50s that are shooting down our planes. 1039 - 5-2 to 0-2; Gives them the report submitted by White 6. 1049 - 5-2 to Red 6: Did the pilot that bailed out land near you? (Red 6) No, he landed to our left front (S-2) we want to get the pilot. (Red 6) Herb is only about 300 yards from the plane. 1051 - 5-2 to White 6: Herb, when you get a coordinate on the plane give it to me (white 6) it is only 300 yards from the CP, across the field near a Hedge row. The second plane crashed in the vicinity between 1st and 2nd, north of Cormelain, Both were P-51s. The planes were not straffing around here. They had been straffing in vicinity of Vidouville, but not around here. On the first trip over one plane was shot down, the 2nd one evidently turned back to see what had happened to his buddy, then they opened up on him and he got it. During both trips, to the best of my knowledge, they did not straff around here. The ceiling was so low, that they had to fly low. G-2 to S-2: What about your patrol report? (S-2) There were 56 contact patrols and one Recon, which was in the vicinity of 764601. 1110 - S-3 to G-3: Gives a report on the shooting of the two planes, and then added that a runner just back from the old AT CO CP reports that go B 1st Med Bn, near cormalain, has the pilot that bailed out and he is dead. The second pilot is reported to have burned. One plane was at 685637. 1122 - Capt Sandell to Delight 2: How about the firing on those planes, did you find out anything? (Capt Sandell) Yes, Hq. Btry fired one 50 Cal, and Ack-Ack fired 3 rounds from a Bofor and some machine guns. Lt. Carroll to 5-2: Russia has made a four prong attack towards Prussia. Lt. Carroll to 5-2; pecoy patrol - outpost of one plateon at 665588. 1124 -Last night at 0130 a Jerry patrol attacked on right flank at outpost at 662586, the Jerry patrol withdrew to 660581. A Decoy patrol was sent out to ambush another patrol at 672581, and they were ambushed by an enemy patrol. 1152 -Capt Sandell to Determine: Did you get any report on Dandy-Able about a pilot (petermine) Yes, but there have been conflicting reports. I'll check. There was a pilot picked up by Dipper and sent to Danger. 00/100

- 1203 S-3 to Dextrose 3: How are things? (Dextrose 3) Pretty quiet.

 (S-2) Any change in your battalions? (Dextrose 3) Only change is

 CO I and CO L changed positions with each other (S-2) Where is your

 Red CP? (Dextrose 3) at 720595.
- 1220 Blue 6 to S-3: I have some information for you. Have a patrol out to 64-66 grid square, in three groups. Capt. Richmond is out with them. The artillery knows where they are and will not fire. (S-3) Gen. Wyman wants us to use cub to adjust mortar fire (Blue 6) I have already made arrangements. We will fire on prominent points. It. McCarthy will be in the OP, and another officer in the plane.
- 1235 Lt. Carroll to s-2: The 8th British Corps now at 926692 along this line to 999691. 15th Scottish Div got off at 0800 this morning went three miles to coordinates as above. Everything OK over there.
- 1236 5-3 to A-T co. Is artillery falling near you (A-T co) It is falling 1000 yards south of present position.
- 1238 It Bryan to all units: Did anyone shoot at the planes? Megative report from all units.
- 1240 G-3 to S-3: There will be an investigation this afternoon at 1400 hrs, at mivision headquarters regarding the shooting of the planes. Send a cross section of people that saw the incident.
- 1247 3-3 to white 6: Informed him of the investigation about the planes.

 Let me know who you will send to pivision, they are at 694691.
- 1248 9-3 to Red 6: Informs him regarding plane investigation (Red 6) I will send a man to Division.
- 1249 White 2 to Lt. Bryan: I talked to one of the pilots, there were 4 P-51s over enemy lines straffing. They then sighted enemy MWs.

 Enemy AA fired, and our boys picked up the fire. One straffed our artillery, then a flare went off. Three out of four of our planes were shot down.
- 1255 S-3 to plue 6: Informed him of investigation regarding planess.

 (plue 6) I will send one man to Division.
- 1305 Red 6 to Capt Clerk: I am sending Lt. Martin to Division for the investigation.
- 1350 G-2 to g-2: Where is your overlay? (S-2) It will be down there in 1/2 hour.

- 1430 Blue 2 to S-2: What time do you want the patrol overlays in (S-2) At 0800 hours daily.
- 1431 Blue 6 to g-2; One patrol is at 643610. Capt Richmond is with a wire line at 647606. Another patrol found new road and an enemy machine gun and two men at 641605, which fires southeast across the stream. The patrol consists of 29 enlisted menand four officers broken up into three patrol groups.
- 1432 3-2 to Decoy 2: Informs him of the whereabouts of our Blue patrols, and asks that they don't fire in that area.
- 1530 Blue 3 to Capt. Clark: We did not use the cub for observation today. Will probably use It. Simpson for observer. K co. was shot at by a burp gun in vicinity of 639618.
- 1535 G-3 to Capt. Clark: A Major from Gen. Timberlake's staff is here and would like to see Col. Horner (Capt Clark) gend him to the 2nd En CP at 682634, Col. Horner will be there.
- 1540 Capt Clark to white 3: There is a Major coming down to your place to see Col. Horner.
- 1555 Delight to Capt. Clark: One of our observers saw some troops at 630607. Don't know if they are enemy or not. (Capt. Clark:) Check with 3rd En to see if they have anyone up there.
- 1610 plue 3 to 8-2; Enemy troops at 630607, the artillery is going to fire on them.
- 1612 5-2 to 0-2; There are enemy troops at 630607.
- 1616 9-2 to white 3: what about outpost, and number of men? (white 3) 4 men per outpost.
- 1628 5-2 to G-3: The Major you mentioned has not arrived yet. How long ago did he leave? (G-3) He left here 45 minutes ago and was going to White GP.
- 1640 Col Grant to Capt Clark: What is latest dope on rockets? (Capt Clark)
 The Ordinance is still working on a way to shoot them off. (Col. Grant)
 OK, when you get ready let us know.
- 1703 G-3 to S-3: What are you doing about the rockers? (S-3) Nothing Yet.
 We want an Ordinance officer here first (G-3) Let me know when you are
 going to fire them, as the General is interested in seeing them.

- 1706 5-3 to Blue 6: The General is interested in the rockets so lets shoot a couple tomorrow morning. I will get the Engineer platoon to set them up. (Blue6) I have patrols working near vidouville, one at the road fork, and another working down the trail.
- 1720 New CP location of the 635 TD is at 682658 (Co. A)
- 1721 Blue 2 to 3-2: I co. outpost at 640609, patrolled the road north to houses at 639611, no contact. The patrol then turned south to edge of woods at 639608, no contact, then they returned.
- 1730 S-3 to Lt. Balyeat: What about garnishing material, how many rolls did you get? (Lt. Balyeat) Only 100 rolls. We use 2 rolls to one net. We need about 700 rolls, but can't get them now.
- 1800 Lt. Kestlinger to 3-3: Wegative report.
- 1802 5-2 to 0-2; Gives late information on I co Patrols to 0-2.
- 1847 Blue: Negative Report.
- 1850 It. Carroll to 5-2; Decoy had a patrol last night which went to La Hoh Ville, reported vehicle movement west to east at 680578, one vehicle pulled out as late as 0500 hrs this morning. Vehicle believed to be self propelled. Further indications received make presence of 95 Div Das Reich in St. Lo Area. Some of their armor is with them. Div-arty reports infantry and vehicles at 631563, well covered by arty. 63596165 enemy troops, fire effect good; 62995673, enemy troops fire effects harassing; 63706150 enemy troops; 63596165 enemy troops. Todt workers will be evacuated through Provost Marshal.
- 1910 Lt. Kestlinger to 5-2: Negative report. 5-2 gives him a summary of reports received during the day.
- 1915 White 2 to 5-2; Our OP reports heavy shells landing in Causent area approximately at 695511. Shells coming in at approximately 160 degrees.
 - 1935 -col. Evans to S-2: General has just taken corps apart on the subject of photos, he he has insisted on a speed up in the photo situation.
- 1950 S-1 to G-3: We have established an MP guard on the plane. I asked Col. Grant for further inofrmation a bout maintaining the guard. (G-3) You must maintain the guard until the Air Corps takes over.
- 1951 S-1 to Mr. Wiles: The guard must be maintained on that plane. A one man guard will be sufficient.

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- 2012 G-2 to S-2: Anything new? (S-2) No, except our 3rd Bn pulled its OP back about 200 yards and are maintaining it at 649605. They had one man killed by a sniper today. Outside of that there is nothing new. The artillery has been falling near Caumont.
- 2027 5-3 to Red 3: Do you still have the guard on the ammunition dump? (Red 3) Yes (5-3) Did Ordinance pick up any of that stuff? (Red 3) I'll check.
- 2032 5-2 to Blue 1; Tell Col. Horner that either he or some officer he designates will come to Regiment at 0830 in the morning. We will go to the 26th CP, and the 1st Pn of 26th with a view to looking over the ground. There is nothing up. We just want to look it over in case we should ever want to go over there.
- 2037 S-2 to Capt. Fish: Do you remember that German ammunition dump next to A Co? (Capt. Fish) Yes (S-2) There are rockets, dummy mines, etc. over there. Send your mine plateon leader over there tomorrow and have him pick up a good sample of each one. He will like them to study them, and then go to Service Co, and give instructions to the new men.
- 2038 Red 3 to Capt. Clark; Corps Ordinance has picked up some of that stuff in the ammunition dump.
- 2110 Blue 2 to 5-2: There are our OPS for tonight, there have been some changes: L co 650625, 648628, 646627, 639624, 639620 3 to 6 men; I co 648611, 649609, 654614, 654611, 655604 1 officer 2 BAR teams and 1 rifle team; K co 641622, 642616, 645615, 648615 There are officers mixed up in here. Officers will rove from one to the other. Companies to maintain visiting patrols 1 officer and 2 Or 3 men. Contacts of adjacent OPS, about every 3 hours. I co contacts own circuit and then contacts K co's closest patrol. Contact patrols are the same. Lt. McCarthy shot up German in Vidouville, about 1 platoon also got location of a mortar and shot that up. L co just reported smoke coming out of house at 636617 and are going to lay something in there.
- 2115 Gen Huebner to 3-3: Have you killed or captured any paratroopers in front of you (5-3) yes, we killed six but could not get them (Gen Huebner) I would like to get some helmets, capes, etc. 30 many of our people have not seen them. See if you can get some.
- 2116 Lt. Kestlinger to S-3: Negative report.
- 2118 5-3 to Blue 2: Informs him of Gen. Huebner(s request.

- 2126 White 5 to S-3: Our OP reports 47s firing on I co 215 degrees from OP at 5,000 yards.
- 2130 Lt. Carrell to S-2: British meeting strong resistance from enemy.

 Resistance from 931678 to grid square 9266, also on line with river at 678670 to 880662. British pushed back about 1 mile by an armored outfit, unable to find out if armor had been there or had just been brought up. Their line runs in vicinity of La Fountnay. The set up in Cherbourg at noon was that our troops pushed to outer defenses, but are reducing defense piece by piece.
- 2145 Blue 2 to 5-2: Artillery is going to shoot concentration at 640609, believe an enemy self propelled to be there. Vehicle movement heard in vicinity of 629611. We have notified Index Red about firing.
- 2148 5-2 to G-2: The 3rd Bn patrols killed 6 Jerries, but could not get the bodies as mortars began to fire on them. patrol also fired its mortars on a platoon of enemy at vidouville.
- 2205 Red to S-3: Negative report.
- 2215 Capt. O'Brien to S-3: Fired a little over my ration today, but was under yesterday. Would like to fire at about 0300 hrs. Will you cover me if I fire a little over my ration (S-3) Use your own judgement, but don't get the Colonel out on a limb.
- 2300 Blue 2 to 9-2: I Co is going to use white German flare in case of emergency.
- 2302 S-2 to White 2: Previous message passed on to 2nd Bn.
- 2310 It. Carroll to 3-2: Most of the resistance is in west part of Cherbourg. It is scattered around the city. Strong isolated points in the west part of the city. British ran into unit of Adolph Hitler Div.
 7th Armored Div reports enemy counterattack at 9468 no report as yet.
- 2312 Blue: Negative report.
- 2315 White: Negative report.
- 2400 White: Wegative report.

- 0005 Blue to Capt. Clark: I Co. is in position. 1st and 2nd Bn patrols have checked in.
- 0020 Capt. Clark to G-3: We have had tree artillery bursts to our rear and west of CP.
- 0030 Capt. Clark to G-3: 10 enemy artillery shells have fallen about 200 yards from the CP. (G-3) We are working on it with the sound and flash.
- 0058 Blue to Capt. Clark: white flare was seen 100 yards to the left of I Co. outpost (648609). This flare was not I Co's. Otherwise all is quiet.
- 0059 White to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- olo5 G-2 to Capt. Clark: Received call fro Ivanhoe, they report sounds of motor movements to their and our front. This was at 2130 hours. The enemy seen to detruck at 628628 and go into position. The enemy moved when Ivanhoe's artillery fell upon them. Sounds of another movement at 610625. Another 3000 meters, a small movement at 2200 hours. Movement from west to east on the St. Lo and Bertami road. Believed they turned south on road junction (near diamond shaped woods) 577648. They turned south at road junction and stopped. All units of Ivanhoe reported sound of motor and track wehicle movement at 618601 at 2200 hours. Have you any reports relative to this? (Capt. Clark) No, we received all negative reports from our battalions. A white flare was seen in the 3rd Bn. sector. I believe the units of Ivanhoe are getting jittery.
- 0120 Red to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- 0203 Blue to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- 0207 White to Capt. Clark: G Co. reported two white flares a few minutes ago, otherwise everything is quiet.
- 0211 Red to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- 0245 Red to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- 0300 White: Negative report.
- 0305 Blue: Megative report.
- 0310 Red: Negative report.
- 0335 Red: Negative report.
- 0358 Blue: One flare seen in the 9th Inf sector, and one in ours.
- 0400 White: Negative report.
- 0410 Red: Negative report.
- 0440 Red: Negative report.

- 0500 Red: Negative report.
- 0505 Blue: Small arms fire heard at 310 degrees 700 yards from OP .
- 0506 White: Negative report.
- 0535 Red: Negative report.
- 0607 Blue: Negative report.
- 0608 Red: Negative report.
- 0610 Blue: Six Germans were spotted at 636617 wearing packs, and we placed mortar fire on them.
- 0617 Lt. Stephens to G3: Negative report.
- 0620 G3 to Lt. Stephens: Anything new in your sector? (Lt. Stephens) Blue
 OP saw six Germans the same ones as yesterday.
- 0624 Lt. Stephens to G3: The Germans reported were wearing packs. Last night patrols were 30 contact, 24 visiting, and 3 recon patrols. No casualties, and no PWs taken.
- 0710 G3 to Lt. Stephens: Here is some news for you. All organized resistance at Cherbourg has ceased except the arsemal within the city and the fortress northwest of the city. 7th Corps captured 7300 PWs yesterday, including General Schlippen and Admiral Hennickie. Total PWs in Cherbourg Peninsula to date 20,000.
- 0715 Blue to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- 0737 Blue 2 to Lt. Stephens: At 0730 enemy built a fire at 633608. We could not observe them, but saw the smoke coming from behind hedge. One man seem going to a building at 629621 (Les Haies).
- 0802 S2 to G2: Here is our patrol report: 30 contact (6 Off 84 EM), 24 visiting (12 Off 87 EM), 3 Recon (5 Off 25EM). No casualties, no PWs. 1 patrol surprised and killed six enemy at 646601. 1 platoom of enemy observed in Viedouville, fired on by our mortars. Enemy mortars fired on patrols from vicinity of 631599. Enemy machine gum fired on patrol from vicinity 641605 they pulled out. 6 enemy observed at 636617 wearing packs, mortars fired on them.
- 0845 Lt. Carroll to S2: On tank at 628628. At 631621 six paratroopers dug in. Road block at 697582. Large fire at St. Martin (6751). Red Bn, 26th captured one PW Polish from 2nd Co., 1st Bn., 304 PGR, captured at 717588. Statements of PW: Cannot use tanks because of gas shortage. Co strength 60 to 70 men. Officer shot one man who tried to escape and give up. Mines in front of company. Using 57 mm guns. Food and morale poor.

- 1015 G3 to Lt. Stephens: I am sending up a German sniper's rifle with 35 rounds of ammunition. Turn it over to L&R Platoon.
- 1020 Lt. Kestlinger to S3: 23rd Inf. reports troops moving east on road at 595632. Outpost of 1st Bn of 9th Inf saw 1 or 2 vehicles.
- 1030 Red 1 to S3: What is the proper way of challenging? (S3) Sentry gives halt, prowler gives password, sentry gives reply.
- 1045 03 to 83: British have cut railroad and road between Villers Bocarge and Caen at 925640. 2 battalions astride road and 11th Armored passing through.
- 1046 Lt. Carroll to S2: Powerhouse states patrol reports two rows of S-mines on road just north of Le Bourg at 700585. Self propelled gun in town of La Bourg, shelling between buildings. Firing on main road between La Bourge and Caumont.
- 1046 White 2 to 82: On our 536 set with a frequency of 42-80 Germans are fool-
- 1114 63 to 83: Historian from ETOUSA is coming down for data on D-day.
- 1132 Blue 2 to S2: Enemy at 633617. Fired BAR and winged ome in shoulder.
- 1145 53 to Capt. Fish: Discussed mines, and Capt. Fish says he will send in a report just as soon as the men return.
- 1230 Blue 2 to S2: Boundary line of patrol of Co I at 645610; south to 645604, then follows 110 common line around hill south to 647598.
- 1310 Lt. Bryan to Red 3: Are you getting any shelling there? (Red 3) No. but a couple landed between A Co and 3rd Bn.
- 1320 Capt. Clark to Blue 3: 7th FA wants to fire in front so they want to know where it is safe to fire. (Blue 3) We gave all that to Lt. Chambers.
- 1322 G2 to S2: Decoy captured 2 PWs from 7th Co., 2nd Bn., 2nd PGR, 2nd Panzer Div at 681585. S mines at 682586.
- 1400 Lt. Carroll to S2: British line at 920675 to 880675. Dextrese reports lots of vehicular movement south and west just south of 55th grid line headed towards Villers Bocarge.
- 1420 Red 2 to S2: Shells falling B Co area, 1 air burst.
- 1425 Red 3 to S3: An air burst at 640654, near 1st Bn CP.
- 1430 Blue 2 to S2: One shell fell in I Co outpost, 2 wounded, and 1 BAR lost. The FO and OP are still trying to locate the gun.
- 1439 White 5 to S3: We want to get permission to fire a grenade launcher.
 (S3) OK, if you want to experiment, but let me know the time and place,

and watch safety precautions.

- 1505 White 5 to 83: 3 high air bursts along road near G Co positions.
- 1515 White 5 to 53: 3 more shells, duds, landed near here. About 100 feet in the sir. Definitely a rifle, probably self-propelled.
- 1519 83 to Determined 3: Did you get anything on this gun that is firing now? (Determined 3) No. we picked up a 5 gun battery at 632594. Try-ing to get sound now so 5th can lay on it. 7th picked up one near Vidouville and fired on it and have not heard it since.
- 1524 S3 to G3: Artillery acting up on enemy side. About 3 air bursts over Co G, and 3 shells in B Co. Could be SS near Lamberville.

 (S3) Can you give me the British positions in detail? (G3) Cut road between Mondrainville and Tourville. 15th Div is on left of 49th Div. They are not doing much. They have the railroad pretty well cut.

 (S3) What is the mission of the Scottish Div? (G3) We don't know. They will accomplish what they are after if they keep road cut. 50th not doing much. They are still along general line you have. Vesiria at 765668 over to Hottot. They have Hottot. They are supposed to go over to le Pont de Juvigm.
- 1610 Lt. Kestlinger to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- 1630 62 to 52: Marking of British planes: Under wings stripes only, fuselage British circle. Road cut in two places 9264 and 9464. Enemy encircled at 8865. New identification 4th Co. 3rd PGR, 2nd Panzer Div at 8866. Tanks of the 21st Panzer identified at 9466.
- 1637 Gen. Huebmer to Col. Taylor: What is doing on your right side? (Col. Taylor) Same as yesterday. Things have been seen moving around but we have not come across any of it yet (Gen. Huebmer) What are you doing about those Screaming Willies? (Col. Taylor) Nothing, we can't use them without probably bringing fire down on our areas. We would have to have some help too. (Gen Huebmer) Better get rid of them, get them out of the area if you are not going to use them. How are the men? (Col. Taylor) Alright, slightly uncomfortable. (Gen. Huebmer) We have an entire PX ration for them.
- 1700 White 3 to Capt. Clark: I'd like to fire some grenades in the field at 690634. (Capt. Clark) Anyone near there? (White 3) A-T CP, I have notified them. Went to fire about 1730 (Capt. Clark) That will be OK.
- 1715 Lt. Carroll to S2: 30th British Corps identified 26th SS PGR, 7th Go., 192nd PGR. Left Caen with 1st Co. to help the Lehr on its flank. British holding at Mondrainville and Tourville. Enemy trucks moving north to Ville Boucage. 18th patrol went to 680588 and 681585, killed 2 Germans and wanded 2, they were from the Land C 7th O, 2nd Bn, 2nd Panzer. S mines in field 682586. 1 officer and 2 men injured there.

- 1735 Lt. Carroll to S2: Here is information from PW taken by 18th. 7th Co, 2nd En. He didn't know where he came from. Moved into position last night, across the main read (La Main-La Monte Road) They marched from midnight in a northwest direction until they got to that position. The PW feels that his En and Co CP are at least 7 kilometers to rear. Saw no installations on way up except a few machine guns in farm along hedges. The whole battalion in sector where he was captured. There was no support tanks, but they were promised some. Had no information on mine fields. Eeen in this area four days. Had some artillery fall but few casualties. Felt battalion lucky because dug in deep. The PW was actually lost. According to PW enemy doesn't know the difference between our officers and men. He thought he was fighting British 8th Corps front line 905655 to 926643 to 935654 to 921682 from there follow La Muc River.
- 1830 White 5 to S2: Self propelled gun fire landing on cross-roads, OP at Freeport says it is coming at 280 degrees about 5,000 yards out.
- 1832 Lt. Kestlinger to S3: Negative report.
- 1850 Operator reports Blue, Red, and Brown lines out.
- 1900 G2 to S2; Do you know if Cormaline is getting a heavy shelling? Our Medics say that they cannot go into town (S2) I would not say heavy, one every minute, landing about 1,000 yards from there.
- 1910 Operator reports Blue and Red lines in, Brown through Delight.
- 1920 S3 to Blue 3: Did you remove any rockets? (Blue 3) Yes, one of each.
 The self-propelled gun that was firing, has just been bombed. (S3)
 Return your rockets tomorrow.
- 1925 Col. Gara to S3: I have 100 illuminous buttons at the dump.
- 1925 S3 to Sh: There are 100 illuminous buttons for us at 1st Eng. dump.
 Pick them up.
- 1926 Operator: All lines are in now.
- 1927 S3 to Dessert 3: Col. Taylor does not want to fire the rockets, believe Corps Ordinance will pick them up. Col. Horner does not think
 it is a good idea to fire them as they leave a trail and will bring
 down fire on them. (Dessert 3) Will the Colonel be around tomorrow?
 I will be around at 9 or 10 in the morning to see him.
- 1945 Blue 2 to S2: Our planes dive bombed at 634622, enemy motorcycle coming this way at 628616. Smoke coming from house at 634626.
- 1952 Lt. Kestlinger to S3: In front of 23rd there has been light movement of 4 or 5 vehicles and a couple of men on bikes.

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- 2015 Capt. Brooks to S3: Picked up 90 of those markers. When you get the breakdown, I'll put them out.
- 2016 G2 to S2: 3 Polish deserters taken by Dextrose. They say that there are two 150 mm guns at 724585, one 75 mm howitzer at 729593, one 75 A-T gun at 728587. Anti-personnel and A-T mines and two heavy machine guns along path 722590-728593. The men were from the 1st Co., 304th PGR. They say to expect more Polish deserters tonight. Our pamphlets are doing good.
- 2143 White 2 to S3: A self-propelled gun is firing from the vicinity of 683628. Our OP reports it at 6557 grid. Shells are landing over F Co CP. Do we have anything firing near there? (S3) I will have Capt. Wells check on it.
- 2148 Capt. Wells to Delight: Do you have anything on this self-propelled gun that is firing lately? (Delight) We are trying to locate it now. (Capt. Wells) OP reports it in vicinity of 6357.
- 2225 S2 to G2: Gives information regarding dive bombing of enemy gun.
 (G2) I will check up on it.
- 2245 Red: Negative report, except for some artillery falling somewhere to our left.
- 2300 Blue 2 to S2: K Co. patrol went to 637617 then to 641616 where they drew fire. One man did not return, but they are going out later and look for him. I don't think he was wounded, he might be waiting for dark.
- 2310 Red: Negative report.
- 2312 White: Neg tive report
- 2320 Delight 3 to S2: What is the news for today (S2) Gives him summary of S2 reports.
- 2342 Red: Negative report.
- 2345 Decoy 1 to S3: Are you getting any of that incoming stuff? (S3) No, it seems that it is going in the 2nd Div.
- 2355 White: Negative report.
- 2400 Red: Negative report.

- 0010 Blue: One amber flare out beyond I Co about 800 yards. White flare 1000 yards from K Co. to the left.
- 0035 Red: Negative report.
- 0055 Red: Believe that they are shelling the 3rd Bn.
- oloo 5-3 to Blue 5: Are they shelling your? (Blue)5 They are landing 800 yards east of I co. OP reports flash coming from 170 degrees in vicinity of Bieville, 3000 yards out. Our OP is at 643621. 5 red flares south of left OP of I co, also I white flare to rear of weapons platoon.
- 0102 It. Stephens to Delight: Above information given to gapt. Sandell.
- 0105 It. Stephens to G-3: Blue 0100 report given to G-3:
- ollo Red to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- Oll5 White to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- 0204 Red to Lt. Stephens: Negative report.
- 0205 Blue to Lt. Stephens: South of our positions enemy shooting up all kinds of flares, red, white, and amber. Maching gun fire has been coming from vininity of strong point, which we have been firing on. Planes dropped flares 300 yards south of I co's OP. A machine gun is firing from stream bed, and the fire is going over I co's CP.
- 0206 White to Lt. Stephens: Wegative report.
- 0207 Lt. Stephens to 0-3: Give Blue report to 0-3/
- 0225 Red to Capt. Clark: A co reports small arms fire to their front, but out of our area.
- 0300 Red to Papt. Clark: Negative report.
- 0301 White to Capt. Clark: Megative report.
- 0305 Blue to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- 0337 Red to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- O357 White 5 to Capt. Clark: Do you have a fire mission going on? (Capt. Clark) I don't think so, but the 5th FA to our right rear fired about four rounds a few minutes ago. (White 5) pid you hear anything coming in? (Capt Clark) Yes, at the same time the 5th was firing.

- 0401 White to Capt. Clark: Everything has been quiet except for the last few minutes. The enemy has been sending over a few shells but when I checked the companies none had fallen in the battalion area.
- 0403 Red to Capt. Clark: Everything quiet except for the enemy shelling in the last few minutes. The shells are landing a few hundred yards in front of Co. B, no one was hurt.
- 0405 Blue to Capt. Clark: The L Co contact patrol reported in a few minutes ago. They contacted the 38th inf, 9th Inf, and 106th Rcn. The OP reported machine gun fire and a white flare about 1000 yards out at 300 degrees (Capt Clark) Is that incoming stuff landing near you? (Blue) No, it is going over.
- 0408 Capt Clark to G-3: Everything has been quiet except for some enemy shelling in the last few minutes., but it is not landing in the area. Blue reported their patrol contacted the 9th, 38th, and lo6th Rcn.
- 0430 Red to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- 0500 White to Capt. Friedman: A few enemy shells falling near battalion area.
- 0504 Blue to Capt Friedman: OF reports 4 enemy vehicles 1500 yards, 150 degrees, moving west.
- 0509 Red to Capt. Friedman: Wegative report.
- 0530 Capt Friedman to 0-3: Negative report.
- 0535 Red to Capt. Friedman: Negative report.
- 0540 G-2 to Capt Friedman: Anything new? (Capt. Friedman gave the reports of the last hour.)
- 0600 White to Capt. Friedman: Negative report.
- 0603 Red To capt. Friedman: Negative report.
- 0605 Blue to Capt Friedman: Fnemy vehicles moving in vicinity of vidouville.
- oso9 capt. Friedman to G-3: Blue reports vehicles moving in vicinity of Vodouville. (G-2) Decoy reported vehicles in front of their Red En including motorcycles.
- 0700 Blue to Capt Friedman: Negative report.

- 0800 S-2 to G-2: Makes patrol report.
- 0825 Blue 6 to 3-2: We do not want any artillery fire on grid square 64-60 after 1000 hrs until further notice. (S-2) OK I will notify the artillery.
- O905 Dextrose 2 to 3-2: Motorized patrol to gaumont and Livry and returned, trail all clear. British to send patrol to le Buquet at 749611. Our outpost patrol at le Bourg got to destination, but received heavy mortar and artillery fire and had to pull back, 7 casualties. Another patrol from Blue went to knockout an OP at 72505945, ran into mortar and machine gun fire had to withdraw. Reached field at 72775936 and ran into barbed wire. When wire was touched enemy threw up flares and sounded alarm. The patrol took a Polish American with them and he shouted to all the poles to give up or we will have to kill you. Machine gun fire was the answer. Patrol reached objective at 723587. 18th got 2 PWs. 186th observer reports violet smoke at 694589, 500 yards in front of him followed by a dense smoke from which artillery fired.
- 0920 3-2 to Mr. Wiles: 3rd Bn needs assault wire. (Mr. Wiles) I have plenty, but they can reclaim a lot of it from their OP lines as there is no traffic going over it to tear it.
- 0930 S-2 Lt. Kestlinger to S-3: Negative report.
- 1000 General Andrus. visits the CP to talk with Col. Taylor.
- 1050 Col Cumen to g-3: Are those crashed aircraft both in your area?

 (S-3) We really only have one in the area near the 2nd Bn. (G-3)

 Have you pulled the guard off it? (S-3) Yes (G-3) You better put
 a guard back on it until we can get relief. (S-3) It is about 200

 yards from 2nd Bn CP near road at 682635.
- 1055 3-3 to Capt. Ralph: You will have to put the guard back on the plane until G-3 can get us relief.
- 1130 0-3 to 5-2: We have requested a bombing mission for 1400 hrs., today on enemy column moving south at 623537. Also armed reconnaissance mission on road net at 601550-598461-706442-689549.
- 1135 Blue 2 to S-2: Our OP reports 6 Germans crawling along hedge row about 600 yards from OP, about 260 degrees. Are firing mortars on them.

- 1152 Capt O'Brien to S-3: See quite a few civilians with carts, women, men and children moving near pelletier (650543) and along in there. Going back into Jerry territory. At least 8 carts and 30 to 35 people. Can't observe enemy there. Believe enemy moving these people out. They are definitely civilians and appear to be in a hurry. Our Air Corps just bembed cross road in vicinity of Le Bos (651571). Dropped some good size ones.
- 1200 Blue 2 to 5-2: Captain Richmond is at the house (647606). Has telephone communication. Patrol now starting to move south.
- 1305 It. Carrol to g-2; gach symbol on that overlay is a regiment, Maj Plitt questioned the 1/50,000 overlay showing British, Hottot has not been taken here are the casualties in beachhead.

	Killed	wounded	wissing
British	1800	8000	3000
Canadians	400	1000	1000
Americans	3082	1300	8000

- 1306 Blue 2 to S-2: Saw a couple of Jerries at 642602. This was reported by our patrol and they are putting mortar fire on them now.
- 1335 Blue 2 to S-2: At 675581 and unidentified vehicle knocked out by our artillery.
- 1355 White 3 to 5-2: Would like to report that F Co is doing some test firing at 1500 hours. Firing into a hole. Have notified all companies and will notify 62nd Arty. (S-2) That is OK as long as the proper people are notified.
- 1405 G-3 to S-2: How many planes are you guarding? (S-2) Two (G-3) You can take the guards off.
- 1406 8-2 to Capt. Ralph: You can take the guards off the planes.
- 1425 Lt. Carroll to 5-2: 7th pA reports some activity at cross roads at 622503. Three wagons and a trailer this morning, and two wagons going west. At 623540 they think enemy is digging in. From 7th Armd some activity at Castle St. George, believe to be enemy headquarters, especially around 795529. From Gorps They require a tightening up on travel control. Two enemy agents (French) captured in vicinity of Gretteville 295895 on 26 June. 5th Field reports a continuous vehicle column at 624537. Divarty reports at 746491 vehicles moving in both directions every five minutes. Decoy reports Brought up a PW to their OF in vicinity of Gussey, he pointed these positions out left front of 1st platoon, 5th Co, 2nd FGR at 668579, extends along rows running northeast, five machine guns along these hedge row (2 at 673582, 1 at 671581, and 1 at 668579), and 1 at 669501.

rield at 671582 is booby trapped, also open field at 669581 booby trapped. OP at 670582. One 70mm AT gun at 675580 with field of fire on the Lande-sur-prome road to gaument, gun not dug in but well campuflaged. Position of 3rd Platoon was located on left of the PW's position, its right flank 667578, left flank 665573, 2nd Platoon on the right of the 1st is from 675583 to 679583. PW believed the 6th co is in reserve. 80mm mortars located in rear of company. Pew casualties, as they are well dug in. Our artillery not too good. Morale good; willing to fight for Hitler.

- 1435 Blue 2 to s-2: our op at 666597.
- 1450 Red 6 to 5-2: A general discussion on the G-2 reports for the day and the dope from the 3rd Bn.
- 1500 Blue 2 to 8-3: I Co patrol 300 to 400 yards in front of last reported position.
- 1523 Blue 3 to 8-3: We want to build up an outpost line out here, so col. Horner does not want to be relieved.
- 1535 It. Kestlinger to 3-3: The only thing new is the 2nd Bn is replacing the 3rd Bn.
- 1540 5-3 to 5-4; Just received the following message from 5-4 "Effective at once issue of outer garment clothing will be on a direct exchange basis. Due to the limited stock on continent all clothing will be worn until unserviceable. Impregnated clothing may be washed, but not to be exchanged or turned in for salvage until unserviceable."

 I am sending this message down to you.
- 1545 White 2 to s-2: There is an unexploded shell at 670618-685633. This information was phoned to pamage.
- 1555 5-3 to Blue 3: Do you know if that Rech Platoon between I and K Co's, is out yet? (Blue 3) I don't know. I will have to wait for Col Horner to get back. I don't know if he wants them out or not.
- 1600 Blue 2 to 5-2: 5 Germans seen at about 60 yards at 250 degrees from OP. Artillery is being fired on them.

- 1602 Lt. Carroll to S-2: Air recon to a point south southeast of Villesgocarge ran into intense flak and fighter opposition, had to turn back
 and give mission to higher headquarters. Interrogation of PW by Decoy
 this morning says he heard his company was going to be relieved by
 Infantry Division coming up from south. His company has orders to
 held and dig in until the 1st of July. This information not valuated,
 possibility it may be Adolf Hitler Div.
- 1605 S-3 to Blue 3: Has 38th Recm gone out on patrols with your men?

 (Blue 3) No. Colonel Horner don't like it a bit and Capt. Richmond likes his own men (S-3) Orders from higher headquarters is that they will accompany the patrols. Send them out with L Co contact patrol to 9th Inf.
- 1615 5-3 to capt. Ralph: What about the recognition panels (Capt Ralph)
 I have a team working on it, they will be by the motor pool.
- 1620 Col. Mason to Col. Taylor: The 26th has lost a lot of men, and the General wants the excess from the 16th sent over there. Out of the 174 do you object to all going. Even with the whole batch it will not balance (Col Taylor) I will call you back and tell you.
- 1640 5-3 to G-3: What information do you have on the British? (G-3)
 They are making good progress on the left, they are half way across
 two rivers. Beyond Esquay, across river in vicinity of Bully and
 Chinchamps.
- 1645 3 to 5-3: British 11th Armored is in front, the 15th Scots behind them, and the 43rd behind the 15th Scots. The 43rd goes through the 15th and 11th, and the 15th goes through the 11th down by the river. The 49th Div at Rauray pushing to Moyers, the 8th armored Brigade is with them to encircle gaen. No dope on 7th Armored.
- 1730 0-3 to 5-3: Evrecy is taken as of 1400 hrs. British 50th is on the right of 49th. 49th being counterattacked.
- 1710 Lt Kestlinger to 3-3: Megative report.
- 1750 G-2 to S2: Any activity on your front? (S-2) Not much except that a lot of civilians are leaving with carts from south of La Lande Sur Drone.
- 1810 Blue 2 to 3-2; Squad outposting at 643610, 646606, 645604, Patrol saw seven enemy at 642601.
- 1835 Blue 2 to g-2: I co patrol being fired on by enemy mortars in vicinity of 645599.

- 1850 Decoy to Capt. Clark: We have a patrol going across river south of main road at 651589.
- 1854 Lt. carroll to S-2: pnemy troops wearing black uniforms were observed in front of 2nd piv (602654). pecoy patrol found woods clear at 658586. Enemy vehicle at 597547. British are in Evrecy 929594 and Bretteville 882647. Forces in Bretteville counterattacked by 12th SS Div. Decoy reports there were three machine guns along road at 656586. Patrol saw what appeared to be an American patrol wearing field jackets and helmets. Patrol waved and they waved back. As they approached Decoy patrol was fired on by other patrol by machine pistol. Positions for mortars being dug at 707546. Artillery fired on them with good effect.
- 1940 Blue 2 to 5-2: Difference in K Co patrols 645615 and 648614. 9th going to outpost, also 102nd, but 30th don't want to outpost.

 Contact patrols are same. On right of Index Red saw two Germans walking down road, one with black uniform and one with red uniform.

 Outfit on right took a prisoner today along road at 633625. PW spoke excellent English, was 18 yrs old. He was sent back, but I don't know what outfit he was from. At 645598 Jerry is in the woods.
- 2135 Red 2 to 3-2: Air burst landing near A Co. at 655640. Oun in vicinity of La Militaire.
- 2137 Capt Wells to Delight 3: There is a self propelled reported landing shells in the vicinity of Co A. Appears to be firing from La Militaire Woods.
- 2140 s-2 to G-2: Index reports enemy dug in at 632 and 622. They also report seeing a Jerry in a black uniform with a high peaked cap, and one dressed in a light blue uniform. Our glue reports concentration at 621571. A patrol was fired on by mortars at 645599 this evening. Self propelled gun firing at A Co and glue CP.
- 2155 Blue 2 to 3-2: Here are the I co outposts: 642609, 644605, 647606, 649602, 656607, 654614. Enemy located at 642602, 646598, 649597. OP will send in coordinates of self propelled. Have cub check on this if possible.
- 2200 It. Carroll to g-2: capt. Roosevelt visited British today. The 30th Corps reports that 3rd gs Panzer Grenadier, 2nd Das Reich has separate name "peutschland". Identified in vicinity of 8664, 5 PWs taken from 3rd co. Civilian reported, 26 June, 5 tanks moving north in woods at 9463 with 2nd ss Panzer Div, markings either a Wolf's Paw or inverted Pine.

Another civilian reported tanks few days ago in area south of Tortevil 7662 with 2nd SS markings. British air reports heavy German air cover and intense flak over road villers Bocarge to Noyers. Indicates possible move this area of 2nd SS Div. Indications now make certain that entire 1st pm, 3rd PER Regt, 2nd Panzer Div in area previously reported Tessel Bretteville. Traffic moving west to east across our front. All reports indicate heavy artillery but infantry spread widely.

- 2210 Index 2 to 5-2: I am checking for valor in regard to 3/4 T believed lost between your area and mine. It came down from Danger on Monday, contains signed equipment. Know anything about it? (S-2) No, but will check and let you know.
- 2242 5-2 to Blue 2: Gives summary of intelligence reports for day. (Blue)
 2) I called pelight direct and gave them coordinates 622584 as location of self propelled. (5-2) They are firing now.
- 2245 S-2 to Red 2: Gives summary of intelligence reports for day.
- 2252 5-2 to White 2; Gives summary of intelligence reports for day.
- 2330 Blue 2 to 5-2: can we get some leaflets to shoot tomorrow over the the enemy (5-2) I'll get you some.
- 2332 REd: Megative report.
- 2357 White: Negative report.

- 0015 -- Blue: Our OP reports tank 1800 yards south from OP. Tank moved out when fired on. Amber flare 320 degrees and 1200 yards from OP.
- 0030 Red: Negative report.
- 0100 Red: Negative report.
- ol30 Blue to Lt. Bryan: Unit on right has established OPL to 9th Inf. The 9th has oP line from 633631 to 635629. 102nd OPL 637628 to 64006285. the 38th Recon is going to establish OPL near 102nd. K Co's patrol to OP was fired on at 647617. The fie was at close range and was returned. Lt. in charge thought he hit some one.
- 0135 Red to Lt. Fryan: Shells falling in B Co area. No casualties.
- 0200 White: Negative report.
- 0205 Red: Negative report.
- 0206 White: Negative report.
- 0210 Mr. Lipinski to G-3: Negative report except B Co was shelled, no casualties. Shells were large calibre fired from long range.
- 0240 Red: Negative report.
- 0300 White: Negative report.
- 0305 Mr. Lipinski to G-3: Negative report.
- 0312 Blue: Magative report.
- 0330 Red: Negative report.
- 0350 Blue: Negative report.
- 0358 White; Negative report.
- 0400 Red: Negative report.
- 0405 Mr. Lipinski to G-3: Negative report.
- 0435 Red: Negative report.
- 0458 Blue: Megative report.
- 0500 White: Negative report.
- 0501 Red: Negative report.
- 0504 Mr. Lipinski to G-3: Negative report.
- 0535 G-2 to Capt. Friedman: What is doing down there? (Capt. Friedman) Nothing.

- 0540 Red to Capt. Friedman: Small arms fire for last 45 minutes, seems to be from southwest. Believed to be from down near 3rd En.
- 0542 Capt. Friedman to Blue: Is that firing near you? (Blue) In the woods over to the right of reports machine gun nest 265 degrees. 500 or 600 yards to the right.
- 0601 Blue: Negative report.
- 0603 White: Negative report.
- 0608 Red: Negative report.
- 0612 Capt. Friedman to G-3: Negative report. There was some small arms fire in 9th sector but is has died down.
- 0635 Red: Negative report.
- 0655 Blue: Negative report.
- Lt. Carroll to S-2; Here is the information from British 8th Corps; Bridgeheed at Deon established yesterday by 15th Scottish Div have been extended to include bridge at Gravers which was captured in tact. Elements of 11th Armored Div including 4th Armored Brigade and 29th Armored Brigade have passed through and are now in area east and northeast of Evrecy. Objective last night was to reach 2nd objective over the Orne River. Identification of 26th Panzer Grenadier Div on its front two battalions abreast. 3rd Canadian Div has improved its position near Carpecate Air Field. It is faced by the 25th Penzer Grenadier Regt, 2 battalions abreast. 8th Corps has now entirely cleared Grounville. 377th Fanzer Grenadier and 2nd SS Panzer Div have been identified opposite 49th British Div. FW reported shortage of equipment. None of their tanks identified along front, only infantry. Air reports 60 wagons marshalling in yards at Lieseux southeast of Caen. The 8th Corps front: One armored brigade and one infantry brigade south of river odeon. A few enemy tanks in Avenay. square 9559. A few more seen at 967633. The British have these two towns: Evrecy and Esquay.
- 0905 Delight 2 to S-2; At 635602 at 0600 this morning 5 german seen, also a small staff car with top.
- 0910 White 3 to S-3: Want permission to do some small arms firing between 10 and 11 this morning. (S-3) OK-
- 0920 G-3 to S-2; British lith Armored identified elements of Adolph Hitler Div.
- 0950 Red 6 to S-3; Speak to the Colonel for me, I want to organize a 50 cal. platoon. 10 men from D Co overstrength, 10 men from Hq. to be attached for duty, rations, and quarters. D Co will supply non-coms. Will take 4-50cal. from rifle companies. It will operate as part of D Co and for use against strong points in defense. Lt. Leese will take charge and Paker will help to organize it. (S-3) You go ahead with it. I'll tell the Colonel. How are your new officer? (Red 6) OK, there are a few things I want to go over however.

- O955- Lt. Carroll to 3-2: At 0800 the 7th Armored definitely identified the 1st SS Fenzer Div on the 8th Corps front. The 8th not advancing today. Cleaning up back areas. Across river they have armored div and an infantry battalion. Apparently tight bridgehead. 49th Div in Bretteville and Rauray. The 2nd SS Div is opposite them. Going to sit tight and try to take Bretteville. British had battalion in there last night but 30 tanks from 2nd SS Fanzer forced them out. Going back this morning or afternoon. 50th trying to clear road to Juguigny. Large concentration of vehicles on Conde road being straffed. The 7th Armored at 0910 reports that a Fataken in vicinity of 9462 identified 2nd Bn 1st SS FOR, 1st Div as being in that area.
- 1012 Lt. Kestlinger to S-2: Substitute E Co for L Co. F Co for R Co. and G Co for I Co. This took place last night.
- 1015 S-2 to G-2: The 3rd Bn isgoingto put on a show today andwe would like some leaflet shells for the show.
- 1030 S-2 to Delight 2: Talks about aerial photos and the dropping of leafets over the place where the 3rd Bn is having its show.
- 1040 I.t. Eryan to Blue 6; Col. Eender is bringing up officer from the training battalion for observation. They will be coming up about every 24 hours. from now on, I guess. Put him in a front line company but do not send him out on patrols.
- 1135 Delight 3 to S-3: (S-3) The 3rd Bn is going to put on an artillery show this afternoon, smoke, HE, air bursts. HE Phosphorus, etc., on some known enemy positions. It is just a demonstration, they will also use propaganda leaflets.
- 1142 S-3 to G-3: Have you heard about the demonstration we are putting on at 2 o'clock? (G-3) No. (S-3) Gives him the details of the show. (S-3) We still haven't got the recon we saked for, see what you can do about it. (G-3) 3rd Armored jumpedoff at 0930 in front of 116th nothing important.
- 1205 S-3 to C-2: Have you a map of the world? (C-2) No. but I'll try to get one. The port of Cherbourg in pretty good condition. Its four times as big as Algiers, has two large docks besides the harbor itself. (S-3) Is it in use? (C-2) No. The northwest edge still had some stuff going on yesterday. Artiller, and AA coming back this way. We have 5 or 6 fighter strips besides big airport and seaplane base. Didn't see any sunken ships in harbor. Think it will be in use in about 2 weeks. Carentan is beat up like Troina.
- 1225 Blue 3 to S-3: Index on right is having a duel. Lot of machine gun fire.

 some ot it coming in over our head. Recon patrol say machine gun fire
 coming from Labbaye.

- 1240 . It. Carroll to S-2: Destrose Red patrol was fired on by two enemy tanks when they went to 717584. White patrol to 705582, nothing out there, drew no fire, returned. Air recon reports several groups of vehicles moving towards Caen from southeast. Another patrol in wicinity of 707586 heard trucks going south from la Bourg, patrol came under heavy artillery fire and withorew.
- 1400 S-2 to Blue 2: 7th FA is going to drop shells with pamphlets three at 646602, four at Vidouville, four at lamberville, four at Bieville.
- 1445 S-3 to Delight 3: How about the leaflets (Delight 3) They are shooting them now. (S-3) Do you know anything about the Bofor gun and 50s? (Delight 3) No.
- 1525 S-3 to all units: The Colonel is calling a meeting tonight at 3rd Bn CP at 1930 hours forbattalion commanders, and anyone they want to bring from their headquarters.
- 1550 Lt. Kestlinger to S-3: Negative report.
- 1652 G-2 to S-2: The Special Testical Reconnaissance you requested has been granted. (S-2) Anything on British? (G-2) Nothing except the Germans lost several tanks; British are doing okay.
- 1715 Lt. Carroll to S-2; British report 20 deserters of 1st Bn 4th SS PGP of 2nd Fanzer Div vicinity east and south of Grainville. Many foreigners in the battalion. They reported one battalion in southern France. 1st Bn 1st SS PGR 1st SS Panzer Div identified by one PW taken at 938632 and another 941632. They say that one battalion in the line other two on the way. One battalion was delayed by bombing. They left Belgium 14 days ago come by way of Paris arrived 27 June. Two officers 6th Co 83rd Nebelwafer Regt (C.G.H Pool Troops) taken at Paren 9462. Regiment is equipped with 150mm smoke mortars. Air reports. at noon today, 6 vehicles at 7657, may be motor park. The area St. Lo -vire-Tessey-Caminy-Margine no movement seen. Vivarty- Enemy infantry at 723537. Machine guns located left side of road in area 637606 to 648608. Woods to west of church at Jamberville 627593 has for holes. Decoy patrols; one went to 657588 had 3 men slightly wounded, one went to 685586, one went to 671585. and one went to 651589.
- 1730 Blue 2 to S-2: Enemy seen digging in at 624618. 102nd patrol fired on at 638605 by mortars coming from southeast about 3,000 yards.
- 1815 S-3 to G-3: Corps sent down a report of no enemy in La Haies. I called 9th Inf. and they said no. that they had found a platoon line at 629628-633622, one officer and two men killed. (G-3) We will check on that and find out where it came from.
- 1850 Blue 3 to Capt. Clark: About the business of "who struck John" in regard to there being no enemy in Les Haies, here is the dope. The Colonel of Index said that Ivanhoe 5 had stated to Index 2, that we had occupied it. Later he informed them that this was not so. Index said they were going to send a patrol in that direction tonight.

- 1855 Maj. Middleworth to S-2: Two ambush patrols going out tonight. 2 squad strength. One to 651589 and other one to 654594.
- 1916 Blue 2 to S-2; No patrols. (S-2) Move back to same position of outposts.

 How about that show this afternoom? (Blue 2) Don't have the results now.

 there was too much smoke. Will send in full report in the morning. (S-2)

 Are men being instructed to honor the white flag? (Blue 2) There have
 been two instances where enemy has been fired on. We will never get any

 PWS that way.
- 1955 Lt. Kestlinger to Capt. Clark: Negative report.
- 2022 Blue 2 to S-2: L Co of just spotted 20 jerries going into house at La Haye. We put machine gum and mortar fire on them. Trying to get artillery on it.
- 2030 S-2 to G 2: Reported the above information from Blue.
- 2045 Lt. Carroll to S-2: 3rd Armored moving slowly but doing alright. Pushing toward 65 grid line, will take bridge at Martinville. Enemy battery fired on at 697510.
- 2055 Following message from G-2: "Enemy air personnel will be isolated upon capture. No conversation or interrogation will be initiated by ground troops. G-2 this headquarters to be informed by fastest practical means of location ofair prisoner of war" (Signed Huebner).
- 2120 S-2 to Blue 2: Did a bomb land near you (Blue 2) Yes, in front of K Co in the vicinity of 2 Germans. (S-2) Find out the location of that bomb, where it landed. We had no notification of a mission.
- 2124 The following message from G-2: "Weather 290800 june to 300800 June 1944. Widely scattered showers this afternoon. Visibility: Generally above 10 miles except in shower areas reduced to 2-5 miles. Maximum temperature 73.
- 2125 Blue 2 to S-2: K co outpost reports bombs lended 800 yards in front of advanced op. 3rd Bn op at 12 Vaquire. Bombs dropped at azimuth of 280 degrees to 290 degrees from op estimated 7000 yards. 3 bombs.
- 2215 Lt. Kestlinger to S-2: Negative report.
- 2230 Blue 2 to S-3: A lot ofsmall arms fire coming from left and right. I am going to call the companies now and find out what is going on. Col.

 Horner doesn't want recom to leave now.

- 2235 S-2 to White 2: Does of know what isgoing on out in front? (White 2) Yes, at 677582 enemy machine gun firing. Small arms fire heavy from Blue.
- 2240 White 3 to S-3: How about messel sheet on what we were talking about? (S-3) You have one up there already. (White 3) There is a lot of small arms fire from Blue front, seems like some one is raiding I Go outpost.
- 2300 Decoy 3 to S-3: You know the Recon is going to move (S-3) Yes, can you stop it? (Decoy 3) No. they are not attached to us, you will have to go to division.
- 2304 S-3 to Visual 6: I am told you are moving platoon away from us tonight.
 Can you stop it? (Visual 6) I'll try, if not I'll have them move back.
- 2310 Slue & to Capt. Clark; Our #2 outpost was attacked at 2110 by a squad of well camouflaged paratroopers. I sgt was wounded and I man missing. We withdrew to 3-400 yards and held there. Germans came out of house at 642601. Enemy has outpost along 642 grid, one on north and one on south side of stream. From here they cover sector up to Vidouville. #4 outpost (649602) sent a small patrol to 303. 7 Germans were seen in a house. At the junction of two trails there is a dug out. Don't know if it is an emplacement or a shelter. Jerries were seen walking toward house at 649597. this afternoon we three smoke and machine gun fire at les Haies.
- 2330 Red: Negative report.
- 2335 5-2 to 6-2: Gives information about the Blue cutpost.
- 2400 White, Negative report.

- 0002 Red: Negative report.
- 0004 Decoy to Capt. Clark: What is all the noise? (Capt Clark) What noise? (Decoy) I thought I heard artillery falling. (Capt Clark) It is not falling around.
- 0010 Blue 2 to Capt. Clark: The missing man has returned. The #2 Outpost has returned to its original position. The wounded sergeant has three holes in him, but nothing serious.
- 0030 Red: Negative report.
- OlCO Red: Negative report.
- 0105 White: Negative report.
- 0120 Blue: Negative report.
- 0130 Red: Negative report.
- 0200 Red: Negative report.
- 0210 Blue: Negative report.
- 0243 Red: Negative report.
- 0255 White: Negative report.
- 0302 Red: Negative report.
- 0310 Blue: Negative report. L Co contacted 9th Inf. and 38th Recon. Co K reports signal red flare 600 yards to their front.
- 0320 LtStephens to G-3: Negative report.
- 0342 Red: Negative report.
- 0405 White: Negative report.
- 0406 Blue: Negative report.
- 0409 Lt Stephens to G-3: Negative report. Are any shells from a self-propelled gun landing near you? (G-3) No.
- 0435 Red to Lt Stephens: Negative report.
- 0500 Red to Lt Stephens: Negative report.
- 0502 Blue to Lt Stephens: Negative report.
- 0518 White to Lt Stephens: Negative report.
- 0528 Red to Lt Bryan: Co A reports a little shell fire somewhat to their right front, otherwise everything is quiet.

- 0555 Blue to Lt Bryan: Negative report.
- 0600 Red to Lt Bryan: Negative report.
- 0610 White to Lt Bryan: Negative report.
- 0700 Blue to Lt Bryan: Negative report.
- 0750 Blue to Lt Bryan: Negative report.
- O832 G-2 to S-3: The British are doing OK on the east portion of the Bridgehead.

 They have been stopped in some places. They have a salien 7000 yards long and 4000 yards wide, they must widen this before proceeding. They evidently have the General worried; he has committed all his armored reserve and has thrown in everything but the kitchen sink. Everything seems to be going according to plan. (S-3) Here is the patrol report: 3 regular patrols to bridge at 638617 and back at night every three hours. Co I patrols(2) from outpost, to la Militaire woods and the other up to 646601. Patrols average five men each, I sergeant wounded, no FWs. Outpost line 500 to 1700 yards in front of the front lines. Fatrols operate as recon.
- 0850 Col Eimer to Lt Bryan: Have Col Taylor or Maj Plitt call me as soon as they return. Cannon Co has gone over their ammo allowance again.
- Panzer Grenadiers. From Corps-Sth British Corps captured a marked map from 19th SS Panzer Grenadiers of the 9th SS Div. Indicated that the regiment attacked this evening with all three battalions forward from 8061, 8864, 9066, Cheux 9167. Regiment evidently passed through elements of Das Reich Div. Enemy penetrated as far as Cheux, but two British Brigades joined up beyond Cheux and may have elements pocketed. They were still fighting at two this morning. Enemy threat seems to have ended. From 26th Inf-Reported patrol that went out last night reported enemy at 71405846, 71705850, 72005864, two men killed. OP reported bombs dropped in vicinity of Sept Vents at 1250 last night. Corps reports-Liaison officer reports confirmation of 9th SS Panzer Div. Tank action reported in British sector 9066 last night. Enemy seems pocketed at Cheux but may fight way out. On the west a little drive went down and appeared taking objective.
- 0920 S-3 to Capt O'Brien: Talked over the overage that Cannon Co has been using.

 Targets of opportunity have used up the ammo, actual line targets which

 observed and controlled fire. S-3 asks him to check his report to see if

 it is correct.
- 0926 S-3 to S-4: Ordinance syys they are ready to overhaul our 57s they have one extra gun to give out. (S-4) Will start with 1st Bn, will make shuttle out of it.
- 0927 S-3 to Capt O'Brien: The Colonel says that you are to quit shooting when 120 rounds have been fired. (Capt O'Brien) I understood that ammo could be had if mission supported important action.

- 0930 S-3 to Col Eimer: The reason for the overage of 105 ammo was that we had a demonstration yesterday in support of patrols. We will send in written report. (Col Eimer) You must have proper authority for expenditure over 120 rounds, except leaflet ammo. (S-3) Yes, the Colonel is taking action to correct this.
- 0940 S-3 to S-4: In the future there will be no exceeding of 1/3 unit fire ammo allowance unless from proper authority. If Capt Brooks has a report that exceeds this, he is to inform us before sending it in. Make out written report explaining the excess ammo. Send us a copy and Col Eimer a copy.
- 0945 It Kestlinger to S-3: Negative report.
- 1000 S-3 to G-3: What are the British doing? (G-3) Situation clearing up.
 British received counter-attack from elements of 1st SS, and 2nd SS and 9th
 SS Div. Panzer Grenadiers and panzer elements have not arrived yet. British
 have not got Esquay. Have bridgehead across river. They have Gavrans and
 Baron.
- 1005 S-3 to Major Heath: Division wants an overlay of what we talked about yesterday. Can you think of a better plan?
- 1015 G-1 to S-2: We are sending up an observer from 41st, a Capt Reed. He is taking the place of Capt Hilton. Send Hilton back.
- 1016 S-2 to Red 2: British are not out as far as they were. Cheux confusing action. Another division heard from the 9th SS. Adolph Hitler Div is hitting end of tip, lst SS div north of tip, west of Caen, 12th SS Div and elements of 21st Panzer south of tip, Das Reich near Bretteville. 1 man picked up from 9th Panzer Div. 7 Panzer Divs working in a row, from Caen to Caumont. If we crack them they have nothing to resist with. The British think they can hold, they have two divisions out there. (The above information was also given to the S-2s of Blue and White).
- 1215 Blue 5 to S-2: 6 enemy observed digging in at 639623. 8 or 9 enemy and truck at 624617.
- 1216 Red 6 to S-2: At 0200 an 88 fired into a Co area. A dud 88 landed and by furrow it was fired from vicinity 6176602 to 668657.
- 1230 White 3 to S-3: Our OP just spotted a 2th ton truck with top down loaded with enemy troops moving west to east 610548. Moved to 623547, pulled off the road and out of sight.
- 1310 Red 3 to S-3: About the mortars, what happens to them? Will it be all right for both and 3rd Bns to leave their mortars in position and swap? (S-3) I think it can be arranged.
- 1340 Blue 2 to S-2: Co I spotted self-propelled gun at 644559. OP spotted one at 619612, brought artillery and morter fire on both guns. At 1400 Co I sent a patrol to try to get into buildings at La Militaire from 643610 northwest.

- been identified by the 8th Corps. 10th SS Panzer Div has been picked up by wireless Near Evrecy. In the counter-attack last night they got through as far as Cheux, ran into gun area, and then withdrew, no estimate of the number of tanks knocked out. Infantry accompanied these tanks, bumped into British positions and were repulsed. This took place in Ganville-sur Odon area.
- 1500 S-3 to G-3: If division has no objections we are going to switch our battalions tomorrow. (G-3) I'll call you back in a hour. I think it is OK, I know of nothing that is cooking.
- 1508 Red 2 to S-2: Air bursts landing at about 642662, coming from southwest.
- 1525 G-2 to S-2: Victor reports that a French civilian says west side of river has a dense trench system at 659579. Germans were in chateau in Lamberville on June 19th. Road under construction in woods at 610620. Sending down 20 rounds of surrender tickets; 5 rounds in Polish. 20th SS PGR of 9th SS Div has something committed on British front.
- 1530 G-3 to S-3: No reason why you cannot go shead with the switch. How are you doing it and when? (S-3) 1st for 3rd, 3rd for 2rd, 2rd for 1st. Start tomorrow after1200. (G-3) Have you used any Bazookas to harrass the enemy? (S-3) Yes. (G-3) You can have 100 rounds a day to use in harrassin g the enemy.
- 1600 It Kestlinger to S-3: Negative report.
- 1620 Lt Carroll to S-2: I tank seen moving west to east at 610548 to 623547.

 Decoy captured one FW at 654594 from 1st Co, 8th Parachute Regt. He says he was hunting chickens with another fellow, now deceased, when he was cornered and captured.
- of Evercy 9359. 20th PGR, 9th SS Holenstocken on British 8th Corps front. They have a maximum of 2 regiments committed. From Corps: Dense trench system in Livonniere 659579, Lamberville 630595, and Dampierrie 658544 occupied by enemy on June 19th. Have a French civilian who worked for Germans in forest of La Bigne (610620) constructing roads within woods. Decoy had two emlisted men captured, Platoon leader got mad and went out to get them. Killed one Jerry and captured another and brought the two enlisted men back.
- 1930 Blue 2 to S-2: Here are the 9th Inf outposts: 625638, 626634, 628632, 631632, 633632, 634631; 102nd Recon outposts: 635629, 636628, 638627; 38th Recon outposts: 640627, 641625. Our OF reports enemy mortar at 623617 being fired on by our mortars and artillery.
- 2000 It Kestlinger to S-3: Negative report.
- 2000 Allied air raid observed by CP personnel, southeast in British sector. 2020 Large fleet of bombers at about 4000 feet. Two bombers observed shot down. Flak heavy.

- 2106 Blue 2 to S-2 Enemy OP at 637621. Mortar fire being placed on them.
- 2110 Blue 2 to S-2: 2 FWs shot down by Thunderbolts. Our mortar fire made direct hit on enemy OP at 637621.
- 2113 S-3 to all Bn S-3s: 1st Bn will change positions with 3rd Bn, 3rd Bn will replace 2nd Bn, and 2nd Bn will move to old 1st Bn area. These changes will take place tomorrow.
- 2145 G-3 to S-3: 250 planes dropped 1,000 tons on Villers Bocarge. It was an all English show. (S-3) How are British doing? (G-3) They are not pushing, but are pretty solid and expect counterattack.
- 2301 Red 3 to S-3: Enemy shells landing in front and to left of our CP. Coming from right flank, believe it is self propelled gun.
- 2305 Capt Wells to Delight 3: A self propelled is firing from Les Haies area.

 (Delight 3) Are we allowed to fire over there? (Capt Wells) You will have to get clearance from outfit on our right (Delight 3) Well, investigate this. We just fired on a self propelled at 63316009 or 633601. It fired back.

 Maybe that is the gun you are reporting (Capt Wells) No, that would have been Vidouville. This other self propelled was reported by Red as coming from Les Haies. (Delight 3) Our observer in that area has not reported anything, but will take care of it.
- 2310 Blue 6 to S-3: We have two tanks located. Will run over our ammunition allowance on 81 mm, but we are firing on them.
- 2315 Blue 3 to S-3: We fired on enemy tanks and both withdrew to Vidouville.
- 2320 White 3 to S-3: Co E patrol contacted 1st Bn. OF reports gun flash 180 degrees azimuth 3000 to 2500 yards, contacted artillery officer and he had already taken reading and sent in report.
- 2335 Red: Negative report.
- 2345 Blue 3 to S-3: Col Horner wants release for Cannon Co to fire 100 rounds.

 Capt Richmond reports 3 vehicles on road, and Cannon Co is zeroed in. Need release in hurry or will lose target. (S-3) OK, fire 50 rounds.
- 2346 S-3 to G-3: Repeats above message from Blue. We have already fire our allowance for today, but want release for fifty more. (G-3) OK.
- 2347 S-3 to Capt O'Brien: What is this about hot target tonight? (Capt O'Brien)
 We are getting reports of good targets out here. Richmond is boxed in. Co K
 reports tanks on road. Seem to be good targets. (S-3) What about these
 concentrations tonight? (Capt O'Brien) At 0300 we are boxing in a building
 where Co I has OP, firing over it, south and west. (S-3) Got OK from division
 on extra 50 rounds. Make note that authority on it was given by G-3 (Capt
 O'Brien) OK, we will send a report of everything to Capt Brooks.
- 2400 S-3 to Delight: What is unit of fire per gun per day? (Delight) 125 rounds per gun.