

HEADQUARTERS 16TH INFANTRY  
Office of the Regimental Commander

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SUBJECT : ~~Historical~~ Records.

TO : The Commanding General, 1st U. S. Infantry Division.

In compliance with letter, Allied Force Headquarters, subject as above, dated 14 July 1943, the following report is submitted.

AUGUST 1:

Entire regiment in position outside of Nicosia. Regiment in division reserve. Not in contact with enemy.

AUGUST 2:

Shortly after midnight, regiment committed, with 3rd Battalion leading, attacking east of Cerami toward Troina, as adjacent units have been repulsed by enemy.

AUGUST 3:

Attack continued in direction of Troina. Fighting very heavy, casualties heavy. Enemy well emplaced in prepared positions. E and F Companies hit particularly hard. Supply by pack mule because of terrain.

AUGUST 4:

Attack on Troina continuing. Fighting very heavy. Air mission dive bombed Troina, and failed to dislodge enemy completely.

AUGUST 5:

Attack on Troina continuing. Another dive bombing of objective. Fighting very heavy. All battalions in position just out of Troina.

AUGUST 6:

The town of Troina falls, and the 3rd Battalion moves in. A great number of enemy prisoners taken. Battalions go into defensive positions around town, but no counterattack is received.

AUGUST 7:

Battalions still in defensive positions in vicinity of Troina. Enemy has withdrawn and regiment goes into reserve. The 9th Division relieved the 1st Division in the front lines.

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AUGUST 8:

Battalions pulled back to regimental assembly area just south of Troina. Day spent in rehabilitation, and rest.

AUGUST 9 - 13:

Still in assembly area, vicinity of Troina. Rehabilitation and range firing.

AUGUST 14:

Regiment moves to vicinity of Randazzo. Placed on alert to be committed. Bivouac area near Mt. Etna.

AUGUST 15:

Memorial Services held in open field for those members of the 16th Infantry killed in the Sicilian Campaign.

AUGUST 16 - 19:

In bivouac, vicinity of Randazzo. Usual camp duties, with range firing.

AUGUST 20:

Move made to bivouac area nine miles west of Licata.

AUGUST 21 - 26:

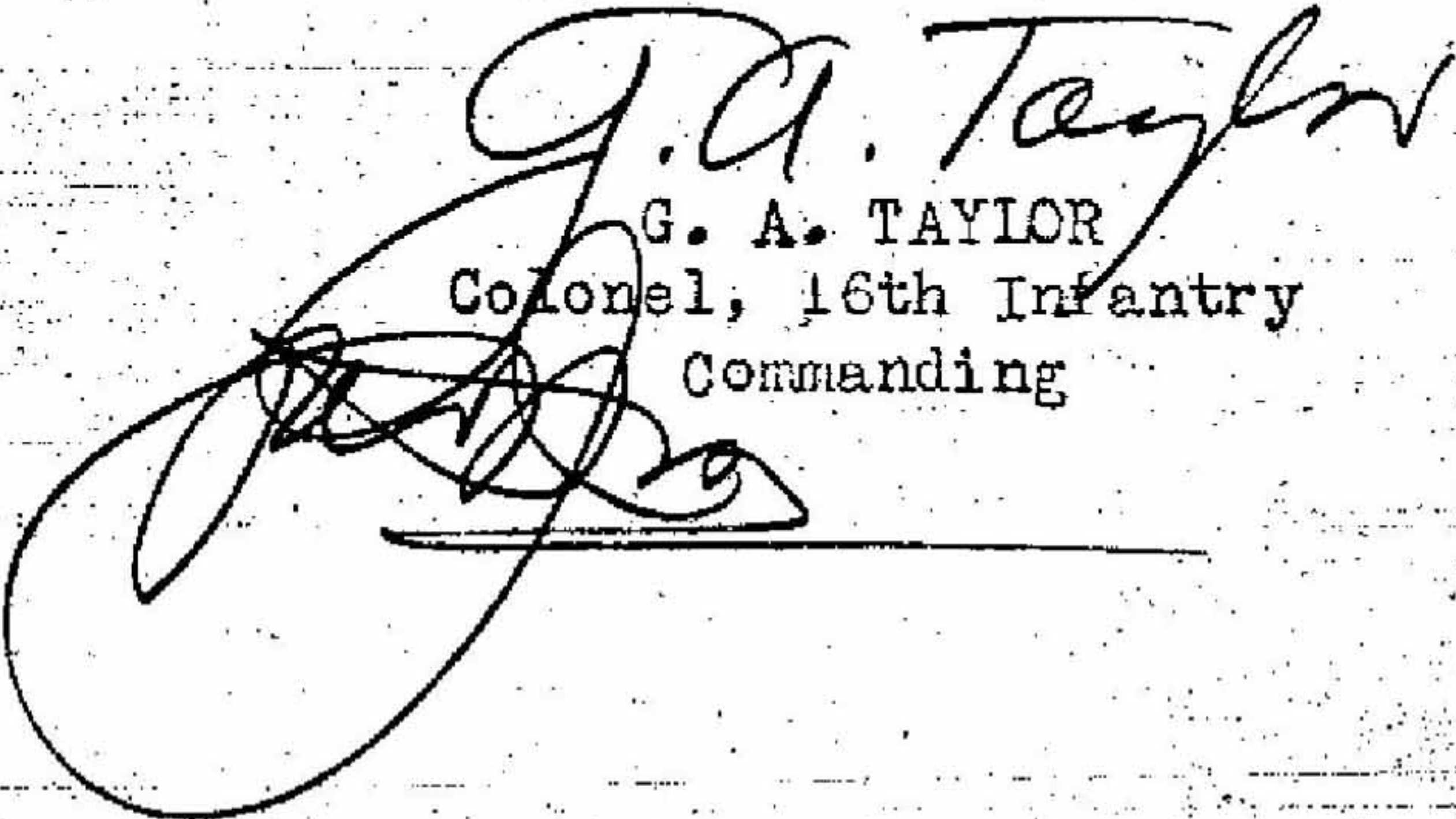
In bivouac nine miles west of Licata. Semi-permanent camp set up. Small unit training and usual camp duties.

AUGUST 27:

Commanding General, Seventh Army, Lieut. General Patton, speaks to division, vicinity 16th Infantry bivouac area.

AUGUST 28 -31:

In bivouac vicinity Licata. Usual camp duties and small unit training.

  
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