

29 December 44

FO #2

1. a. German forces occupy fortified positions on E bank RHINE RIVER. Patrols crossing river at night. Mortarfire, time fire, tree bursts can be expected.

b. 1508-H on left. 1st Bn 1508-G on right. 3rd Bn 1508-G Regimental Reserve under Division control. 1st Bn Ex-Regiment TF HARRIS holding MLR on RHINE RIVER.

2. This Bn (-) by 2400 30 December relieves 1st Bn Ex-Regiment TF HARRIS. This Bn will be prepared to move from present position by 0800 30 December. Boundaries, distributing, rifle companies - See overlay. Co F right boundary RHINE RIVER inclusive.

3. a. Co G organize positions - Overlay. Furnish road blocks and doublesentries on all roads leading from ROPPENHEIM - See overlay. Co F organize positions - See Overlay. Furnish road blocks and double sentries on all roads leading from ROESCHWOOG - See overlay. Co E (-) Have double sentries on bridge to Fort Louis. Remainder of Co e under Bn control. Co H suppose Co E (-) and make recommendation for support of Co's E-G. Anti-Tank Platoon positions on overlay. Place 3rd gun and dig in Basooka's in. A&P Platoon secure CP and one squad is to operate under S-4 as ammunition detail and make recommendation for use of platoon.

X. 1. Companies constantly improve positions. Determine primary, alternate and secondary positions. Submit overlay by 2000 30 December showing positions at that time.

2. Reconnoiter routes for withdrawal to Bn Assembly Areas A & B on overlay.

3. Forward Rifle Companies place listening post along RHINE RIVER to DYKE at night. OP's along DYKE only during day. Shift and change OP and LP constantly to avoid ambush

4. Employ all Rocket Launchers.

5. Each man will be provided with two hand grenades. A-T Grenades for men armed with grenade launchers.

6. Do not trust the F.F.I.

7. RCN patrols will patrol vigorously at night.

8. Send PofW to Bn. Frisk and place all evidence and place in envelope and send with guard.

9. Road blocks will be constructed and defended on roads along the RHINE RIVER and on secondary roads leading into towns. Location of bridges that are out, mine fields and booby traps will be reported. Snipers will be employed. A thorough RCN will be employed to the W bank of the RHINE RIVER to determine approaches and possible points for crossings.

REI:

1. Locate enemy emplacements on east bank of RHINE RIVER.
2. Locate enemy OP and give points by coordinate and plot.
3. Plot points for embarkation on east bank RHINE RIVER and debarkation WEST bank RHINE RIVER.
4. Coordinate patrols.
5. ADMINISTRATION.
 - a. AMMUNITION: Carry basic load and priority for additional transportation to carry ammunition.
 - b. AID STATION: ROESCHWOOG.
 - c. FEEDING PLAN: Later
 - d. MOVEMENT PLAN: Later.
6. New CP Roeschwoog open by 1200, close old CP St Anne 1500.

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