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# CHRISTMAS

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## ROSTER

Company "A" 329th Inf.  
Camp Breckinridge  
Kentucky







## CHRISTMAS MENU

*Roast Turkey with dressing and Giblet gravy*

*Cranberry orange-relish*

*Snowflake Potatoes*

*Buttered Peas*

*Creamed Corn*

*Celery, Olives, Mixed Pickles  
and Rose Radishes*

*Hot Rolls with butter*

*Pumpkin Pie*

*Mince Pie*

*Assorted Fruits, Candy and Nuts*

*Coffee with cream and sugar*





## OFFICERS

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1ST LT. CARL A. SCHROEDER - Executive Officer

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Carrigan, W.  
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Coen  
Cope  
Cox  
Crawford  
Darago  
Daugherty  
Deisher  
Edgar  
Fransworth  
Franklin  
Gentry  
Gibler  
Grobelny  
Grubbs  
Hargis  
Harris  
Hawley  
Hughes  
Jennings  
Jewell

Jones, J.  
Kilgariff  
Kinney  
Knapp  
Lenfest  
Lewis  
Logue  
Mathis  
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Meyer  
Miller  
Monell  
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Ordway  
Painter  
Peyton  
Pliske  
Rubinski  
Rush

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Short  
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Doughty  
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Gentile  
Glenn  
Hart  
Hernandez  
Humphrey  
Johnson  
Lafferty  
Longo  
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# HIGHLIGHTS OF 1943

## January

After the Christmas and New Year holidays the company settled down to training with a vigor to make up for the time lost during the holidays. Company went on a march with the Battalion, dinner being served in the field, covered about 18 miles, weather being cold and cloudy.

On January 8 the 1st and 3rd platoons had a training test while the 2nd and 4th platoons went on a combat march for 17 miles.

January 21st weapons platoon had their division test while the rifle platoons enjoyed combat problems.

From January 22 to the end of the month the company spent this time preparing for the Corps tests that were to come. Also during this time the company was inspected by the Division on MTP. There were a lot of men promoted during January, the first promotions of the new men that had joined the company. S/Sgt. Bolding went to Camp Forrest for ranger training and 2nd Lt. Hoofman left the company for 1st Bn. Hq. Co. Sgt. Derber our company clerk left the company to go to Ft. Benning to the Officers Candidate School. 2nd Lt. Korpacz was assigned to the company and Lt. Robinson went to the hospital. Capt. Barker was assigned to the company for two days, also Lt. Frawley while Capt. Kaup Lts. Armstrong and McDaniels left on 5 day leaves to go to Ft. Benning to school. Lt. Frawley assumed command of the company.

## February

February was a month of furloughs for the men, every man getting a 7 day furlough. 2nd Lt. Booth joined the company while Lt. Schroeder went on leave.

We finished our basic training and while some of the men went on furlough the rest of the company spent their time reviewing subjects that they had already covered. During the month of February there were some promotions made for the men that made up the cadre to go to Ft. Wood, Mo.

## March

During the month of March there were several conditioning marches of from 5 miles up. On March 9 the company was the advance guard for the battalion on a combat march, now that we have finished basic training the company is practicing battalion tactics and also regimental tactics. March 15 was Regimental Day and we went on an 18 mile road march, this was one of Atterbury's worst days. It rained all the while we were on the march, but every-

one came through in good style, the rain not bothering much.

The period from March 16 to 18 Division inspected the platoons in platoon tactics. All platoons taking part with a very good rating.

From the 18th to the 21st the company was host to some United Auto Workers from Detroit, Michigan. Cpl. Waaite was in charge of the union men.

On the 24 the company went out in the field and stayed overnight for the first time. The 1st platoon drew the outpost guard as this was a tactical Bivouac. While in the bivouac area time was spent in combat problems. On the 27 we all returned to camp, every one glad that the bivouac was over. On March the 14th the company bid 1st Lt. Crosley and the rest of his men that were on the cadre good bye as they left for their new assignments.

## April

In April the weather was beginning to get warm so most of the training was done in the field. On the 5th we left camp and traveled about 8 miles out into the hills of the reservation for a week of bivouac. During our stay here we practiced dawn attack. This was a new experience for the men and they were looking forward to it. The attack was run off without mishap and the battalion joined together on a hill while they listened to the regimental commander and the division commander give their critique of the problem just completed. On the 10th we started back to camp, arriving in camp around noon. Everyone's morale was excellent with everyone looking forward to a week in town after spending the week in the field. On the 12th we had our Corps test in physical fitness. We lost two men on the 4-mile jaunt, but finished in record time for the company. On the 19th we entrucked and moved out to Versailles Ind., and stayed there for a week. During our stay there Pvt. Vanville lost his rifle while crossing a stream and took two days to recover it. Regimental tactics were practiced while here in the park. On the 23rd we started back to Atterbury by marching the first 12 miles of the journey, entrucking at a little town named Holden.

On the 25th of the month we went on a mission to Parkersburg, W. Va., here is where some of the men met some new friends and enjoyed their stay. Everyone returned to the limits of Camp Atterbury April 30.

## May

After having returned from Parkersburg, it was several days before the men had returned to normal, so the period from the 1st to the 9th was spent in usual garrison duties. On the 10th we loaded up again and returned to Versailles, Ind., where we repaired roads from the damage caused by our trucks, only this time we camped in an



abandoned CCC camp. As usual it rained. We only got to stay here one night as we finished our work, so after returning towards Camp Atterbury we went into bivouac with the rest of the regiment who were in the field too.

The 12th and 13th were spent in preparation for a division test. On the 14th and 15th the tests were held at which time we returned to our bivouac area and completed the week in care and cleaning of equipment. On the 17th the company, along with the rest of the 1st battalion took part in a regimental engagement exercise held by the regiment. In this meeting the distance was covered across country for 25 miles, this was one of the longest marches under full field conditions that the men had been in so far in their training. But everyone came through in fine shape and the company loaded in trucks to return to the barracks happy in the thought of a job well done.

After arriving in camp everyone hurried and got ready for Corps test which was held on the 18th and 19th which was run off very satisfactorily. We finished off the week by taking part in a regimental review for the regimental commander.

Having had a full month, the last week in May was usual garrison duties.

## June

June started out as a nice month and the first part was spent in preparation for the coming Tennessee maneuvers.

Week of 15th through to the 19th was devoted to loading and turning off surplus property for our movement to Tennessee.

We entrained at Camp Atterbury on the evening of June 20 and arrived at Gallatin, Tenn., on the morning of the 21st, where there were trucks waiting to wisk us out to our assigned bivouac area in the rocky hills near Lebanon. We arrived in our new home about 0900 where the advance detail had breakfast waiting for us. The rest of the day was devoted to setting up a none tactical camp and preparing for training before the actual maneuvers were to start.

From the 23rd up to the end of the month was training in tactis for the 329th Infantry combat team, this being our first experience working as a part of such a large force.

## July

The fourth of July was spent in camp, some men going into Nashville, Tenn., to see the sights. Nashville being the capitol of the State of Tennessee. On the 5th we moved out in preparation for the first phase of the 2nd Army maneuvers. We were the red forces.

From the 6th to the 10th we took part in Operations No. 1. During this operation the company was the reserve company for the battalion. After finishing the operation we moved into Gallatin,

Tenn., for a rest period while waiting for the second operation to start. Operation two started on the morning of the 12th and we moved into an assembly area near Hartsville, Tenn., where we bivouac, this being a tactical bivouac. Lt. Carraway's platoon was sent out on combat patrol. 3rd platoon furnished local and perimeter protection for the company. We had instructions to be on the lookout for paratroopers and every one was interested to see a mass parachute jump, about 2000 Wednesday night. The planes came over and we saw the paratroopers make their jump at which time we took out across country to capture them.

The 3rd platoon captured a few as did the 1st platoon. This operation took until around midnight at which time the company was reorganized and went into mobile reserve to protect the battalion and regiment from any more attacks from the air. We got orders that there were some paratroops on the road into Lebanon so after eating a hurried breakfast started out across country and on the road to intercept them. Around 0630 we captured our first group that was sleeping along side the road in a farmer's field, at which time we moved into the outskirts of the town. Along about noon the problem was over and we camped about five miles from Lebanon where the rest of the day was spent in care and cleaning of equipment. Passes to Nashville were given to about 25 percent of the company. On the 19th operation No. 3 started. This time we were an advance guard for the battalion and we moved out in preparation for the defense of a river line on the Cumberland river. During this operation the company saw its first big tanks. Operation No. 3 being a short one and soon over, we bivouac. We left our bivouac area and started for Middleton, Tenn., for operation No. 4. During this operation the regiment was in reserve and we moved from one assembly area to another, camping one night near Silver Springs and at Martha. Here is where the company was sent out on a seeking mission to find the enemy traveling across country. Taking up the approach formation we encountered our first sight of the enemy near Horn Springs. After fighting hard to gain the high ground we succeeded with the help of some engineers. After reorganizing and digging in we succeeded in holding the hill until after the operation was called off, at which time the engineers furnished the company with the necessary transportation to truck the company to rejoin the rest of the battalion. We finished off the week in care and cleaning of equipment and letting some of the men go to town.

During this time our company commander, Lt. Frawley's transfer had come through transferring him to the Air Corps. Lt. Holland was assigned to the company and took over the duties of company commander.



## August

On the 2nd we moved out for operation No. 5. This time we were the blues. We stayed in reserve until Tuesday then marched to a forward assembly area near the airport at Lebanon. The 3rd platoon went on outpost guard Tuesday and Tuesday night was spent in Bivouac here while we waited for orders. Along about noon we received orders to move out which we did. After traveling all afternoon until 2100 we halted and fed the evening meal, rested until 0400 then resumed the march. We engaged the enemy in a fire fight till the problem was called off around noon. We remained here and stayed the rest of the day moving out the next morning for our bivouac area.

During the 6th operation we had a river crossing exercise, this was enjoyed by all making a dawn attack and crossing the river in assault boats. Operation 7 wasn't so exciting as the rest but the one that we had been looking forward to was the final operation No. 8. After having rested in bivouac near Shelbyville, Tenn., we moved out to have a meeting engagement but as usual the Red forces wouldn't commit themselves to any attack, always withdrawing so it was a problem of a lot of marching. The second day of the problem the company was assigned to guard the supply lines which gave us a chance to rest up. Small patrols being sent out from our base to Bellbuckle on the last day of the problem we were called upon to rejoin the battalion which we did only to be sent on another mission which required us to march cross country and down country roads until we came to a cross roads and church at which time we were fired upon returning the fire and attacking, the enemy wouldn't fight thinking that the problem was over so after some debating by the officers, a battalion of tanks joined us and just as we were to make a joint attack the umpire's plane came over blowing the siren for the end of the problem, also the end of the 1943 maneuvers.

On the 19th of August we moved by marching to Springfield, Tenn., where we camped until ready to go to Camp Breckinridge, Ky., our new home

## September

Have been in camp near Springfield since the completion of the maneuvers, we got ready to march to Berckinridge. Some of the men have gotten their furloughs as we were now allowed 15-day furloughs. We started for Breckinridge on the morning of the 8th, stopping at Guthrie, Tenn., and Hopkinsville and Madisonville, Ky., overnights along the route of march. We would march 15 miles by foot and ride for the same amount of distance each day.

Rest of the month was usual camp duties. After the first group returned from their furloughs the second group

went home for their well-earned 15 days.

## October

The month of October we started our range practice and firing for all weapons. Completed firing for the echelon the 11th at which time we returned to the field for the barracks for a week. We returned to the field for the second echelon firing, all firing being completed during October. Every man qualified as marksman or better with a high average of sharpshooters and experts.

## November

Division started calling for men to attend different schools with Lt. Schroder and Sgt. Stefancin attending the mine laying school, Pfc. Jennings going to the cooks and bakers school. Some of the men were transferred out on cadres and replacements for other Divisions, leaving the company short of men. Thanksgiving rolled around and every one enjoyed a good dinner, also had a party during the first part of the month, after all firing had been completed, with some of the Camp WACs as guests.

## December

Started the month out by going to the field to fire some new men that had been transferred into company from various places some from the paratroopers and some from other companies within the regiment.

Squad tests were run and completed with Sgt. Cramer drawing a letter of commendation from the commanding general.

Just a brief outline of the changes in command for the past year:

Lts. Robinson, Goldstein, Korpacz, and Lt. Booth, all having joined during year, were transferred to an APO number.

Company furnished a cadre to the 75th division at which time Capt. Kaup, Lts. Armstrong and McDaniels left also.

Lt. Frawley, having joined us and assumed command, was transferred to Air Corps to be a fighter pilot and Lt. Holland took over the company.

A group of men joined us from the 2nd Infantry Division. This brought us back up to strength but a few of the older men were discharged and a replacement was called for so again we become understrength.

Sgt. McCormick had his eye hurt while taking instructions in mine laying and booby trap exercises so is resting in the station hospital.

Lt. Bothwell Comes and Lt. Teuke joined our happy crew.

The last part of November furloughs started again this time for only 5 days and every one hurrying to get his furlough.

This being all the news of 1943, we wish to close and wish every one a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.