(Behelfs-Schutzenmine "A 200")
(Nicknamed by American Troops "Mustard Pot")

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### l. Description.

- A. The Antipersonnel Mine A-200 consists of the Chemical Igniter "Buck", (Chemischer Zünder "Buck"), the detonator, and explosive container. The overall dimensions are 3½" high and 3" in diameter. It is painted a mustard brown color and bears no markings. Due to its shape and color it has been nicknamed "Mustard Pot" by the American troops who first encountered the mine on D-Day, on the beaches of Normandy.
- B. The Chemical Igniter "Buck" consists of a corrugated aluminum cylinder which is crimped to a brass igniter base. Inside of this cylinder is a glass vial, partly filled with a clear liquid, and a white powdered chemical which is held in place by a paper disc. The external thread of the igniter base (identical to the standard German igniter thread) screws into an adapter, which may be either plastic or steel, which in turn screws into the explosive container.
- C. The steel explosive container is  $2^n$  high and  $2^{1n}_2$  in diameter and contains 4 ozs. of explosive, consisting of powdered picric acid and granular T.N.T.

#### 2. Action.

The mine is exploded by crushing the corrugated aluminum cylinder, which requires approximately 35 pounds pressure, thereby breaking the glass vial. This allows the liquid to mix with the powdered chemical, causing a flash, which ignites the detonator.

#### 3. Neutralization.

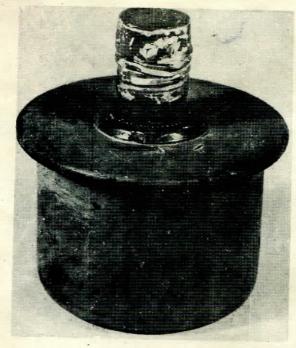
- A. There is NO safety device.
- B. Remove igniter by unscrewing adapter from explosive container, then remove detonator. Be sure to grip the adaptor, not the corrugated aluminum cylinder, which crushes easily, thereby setting off the mine.
- C. This mine is easily detected by any electric mine detector. If the probing method of mine location is used, great care must be used to avoid crushing the glass vial inside the aluminum igniter head which, if broken, would result in exploding the mine.
- D. Fields have been cleared of these mines by sprinkling the area with an inflamable fluid and burning. This method is not recommended as it is not always positive.

#### 4. Tactical Use.

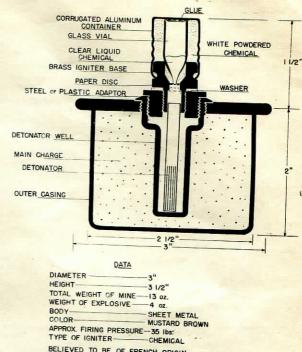
- A. The A-200 mine is primarily antipersonnel. It will demolish tires on vehicles. These mines may be expected wherever the situation warrants the use of antipersonnel mines.
- B. The mine is buried at intervals of not less than one yard. A pressure board may be laid on top of the Chemical Igniter "Buck", in order to increase the pressure area. In loose ground an additional board or rock is placed underneath the mine to assure a solid foundation.

### 5. Effect.

Since the explosive container is of sheet metal, there is little shrapnel effect. It has proved fatal in numerous cases, but generally results in the loss of one or both legs.

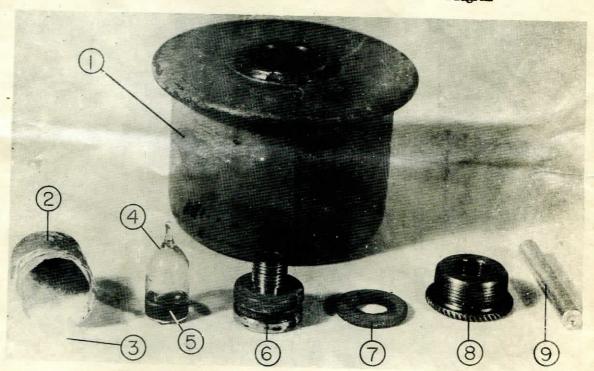


Actual Size



Diagram

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THERE IS NO SAFETY DEVICE



Component Parts

- 1. Explosive container
- 2. Corrugated aluminum cylinder
- 3. White powdered chemical 4. Glass vial
- 9. Detonator
- 5. Clear liquid chemical
- 6. Brass igniter base
- 7. Washer
- 8. Adapter

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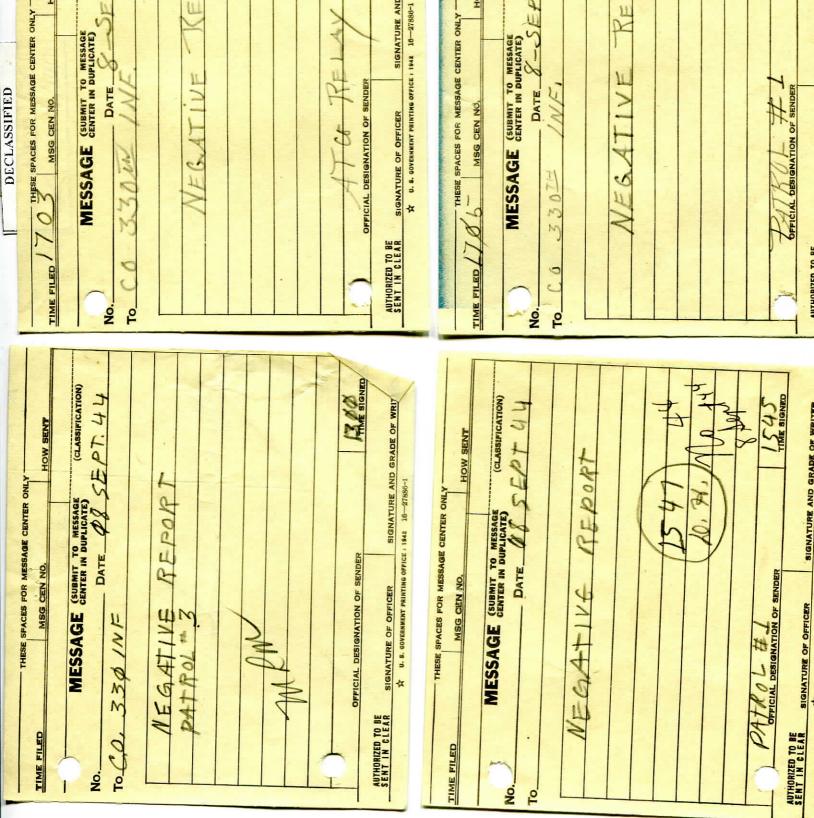
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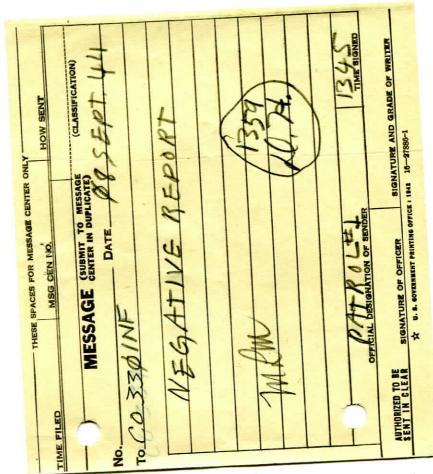
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G-3 PERIODIC REPORT

From: 311200 Aug 44 To : 011200 Sep 144

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1. OUR FROM LIMES: See Overlay. 2. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See Overlay.

3. INFORM LION OF ADJACENT UNITS AND SUPPORTING TROOPS:

Atchd Units: 802d TD Bn 739 th FA Bn (8" How) 453d AAA Bn (AW) 751st FA Bn (155 How) 473d And Bn (AW)(SP) 268th FA Bn (8" Gun)

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WEATHER AND VISIBILITY: Cenerally overcast during period. Visibility 1 - 5 miles.

5. OUR OPERATIONS FOR THE PERIOD:

a. Infantry:

32) th Inf:

1st Bn to be committed on Div order only. Closed assembly area vic CHAPEAU LA VALLIERE (P 4885) 312230 Aug.

Atchd: 1st Bn, 330th Inf 308 th Engr Bn (-)

322d FA Bn (-) Co A plus 2 Rcn Plats, 802d TD Bn Btry D, 473d AAA Bn (AW)(SP) Prov Btry, 453d AAA Bn (AW) Co A, 774th Tk Bn

Continued defensive mission in sector (overlay).

330th Inf: (- 2 Bns)

Atchd: Co B, 308th Engr Bn

Continued special training in DIMARD area.

331st Inf:

Atchd: 473d AAA Bn (AW)(SP)(-) 908th FA Bn Co B, 802d I'D Bn 83d Cav Rc1 Tr

Co B, 774th Tk Bn

Continued patrol activity in cooperation with FFI. No contact with enemy during period.

b. Field Artillery:

83d Div Arty:

Atchd: 802d TD Bn (--)

453d AAA Bn (AW)(-)
739 th FA Bn (8" How): Gen support DINARD Area 751st FA Bn (155 How): Gen support DI NARD Area 268th FA Bn (8" Gun): Gen support DINARD Area

322d FA Bn (- Btry A with 323d FA Bn): Atchd to 329th Inf 323d FA Bn (- Btry C with TF "A")(plus Btry A, 322d FA Bn): Direct support 330th Inf

908th FA Bn: Atchd to 331st Inf 324th FA Bn: Gen support. Reinforce fires of 323d FA Bn Arty in DINARD area continued direct and harassing fire missions on I DE CEZEMBRE.

Armored:

774th Tk Bn (-): Div Res.

Co A atchd to 329 th Inf Co B atchd to 331st Inf.

d. Cavalry:

83d Cav Ren Tr: Atchd to 331st Inf

Engineers:

308th Engr Bn (- Co B): Atchd to 329th Inf Co B atchd to 330th Inf

Tank Destroyer:

802d TD Bn (- 2 Co's and 2 Rcn Plats): Atchd to Div arty Co A plus 2 Rcn Plats atchd to 329th Inf · Co B atchd to 331st Inf

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g. Medical:

308th Med Bn: Supported Div by area evacuation

h. Anti-Aircraft:

453d AAA Bn (AW) (- Prov Btry): Atchd to Div Arty

Prov Btry atchd to 329th Inf 473d And Bn (AW)(SP)(- Btry D): Atchd to 331st Inf Btry D atchd to 329th Inf

6. COMBAT EFFICIENCY: No change.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: Area N of LOIRE RIVER between NAMIES and OFLEANS 7. cleared of enemy.

Hq 550th Inf APO 85, US Army Period 011700 Sep 44 021700 Sep 44

- 3. No Change.
- 4. No Change.
- 5. No Change.
- 5. At 0800 white flag was observed on Cezembre, and troops dispatched to island.

  Island surrendered, 323 men and l officer taken prisoner. 2d Battalion resumed garrison of Dinardand St Malo. Rough sea made it impassible to put garrison on Cezembre.
- 7. Casualties: None.

COOK, Major, S-5

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Hq 330th Inf APO 83, US Army Period 311700 Aug 44 011700 Sep 44

- 3. No Change .
- 4. No Change.
- 5. No Change.
- 6. Training for landing operations on Island of Gezembre with LCVPs and SVTs continued with final landing rehersal taking place at 1600.

  Cezembre heavily bombed by 300 heavy bombers and 24 P-38s using gas bombs. Shelling by heavy artillery (8\* Howitzer and 8\* guns) and naval guns continued in preparation for attack. Two more trips made to island to induce surrender, both trips unsuccessful.

7. Casualties: None

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## ANTI-TAK BULLETIN

#3.

Source - G-3 Periodic Report 83d Division, Regimental AT Officer and 802d TD Bn Daily Reports.

- 1. Enemy Armored situation at end of period No Change. Area north of LOIRE River between NAMTES and OFLEANS clear of enemy.
- 2. Friendly AT and TD situation at end of period No Change.
- 3. Conclusions

a. All Company of 330th Inf Regt in conjunction with Co C, 802d ID Bn have been supporting I de CEZIMBRE operation by firing at ranges exceeding 2000 yds. Accurate concentrated fire with HE shell was gained through use of quadrant (organic equipment each 57mm gun). It is recommended that if they have not already done so, Regt! AT O's conduct training in this type firing at the earliest practicable date.

b. Company C, 802d TD Bn has noticed, through experience in firing that the autumition with steel casing makes a marked difference in range, as much as 100 yds short at 1500 yds. It is recommended that TD commanders bear this report in mind in the event they receive this type ammunition.

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SUMMARY OF LOIRE VALLEY FOR 28-31 AUG 44

(Source: Patrols, FFI formations and civilians)

1. Area bounded on N by VILAINE R to REDON (H 6704), SE to (N 8777); S to LE TEMPLE-DE-BRETAGNE (N 8867) - ST ETIENNE-DE-MONT-LUE (N 8861), S to LOIRI R:

Enemy activities in this area during period indicate that German troops are holding all positions previously reported. The method of maintaining outposts and patrols along the perimeter of this area by centralizing troops in the vicinity of critical terrain features still obtains, although it has become evident that Voldeutsche and Russian troops are being employed in forward areas. These troops are not well supplied and, as a consequence, are forced to make small raids upon local communities in order to carry on. One such raid was reported earlier at RIEUX (N 6698) and in the last few days reports have been received of similar activities. Germans have been shipping meats south across the LOIRE R and bringing fresh vegetables into the area. This exchange of foodstuffs probably affects the garrison of ST NAZAIRE itself only, and serves as a means of bolstering morale of troops there. In addition, it is known that the German officers there, and in many places north of the city, are being most liberal with their liquor supply in an effort to compensate for the supply situation.

Unconfirmed reports from several sources indicate enemy is evacuating equipment across the LOIRL to PAIMBORUF (N 6963) and ST BREVIN-LLS-PINS (N 5961).

From Pw sources it has been reported that the outer line of this area in the vic of SAVENAY (N 7671) is held by Air Corps ground personnel; second line of resistance by Russians; third line by Poles and Germans. Roads leading into this area from the N are mined and artillery of various caliber prepared to take these roads under fire. Polish PW taken recently from the vic of SAVENAY declared that all organized resistance would collapse directly if an attack on the defensive positions is made. However French reports indicate commanders have been ordered to hold out at all costs.

The estimate of the number of troops in this area continues to be difficult to determine because: there is evidence that troops are being brought into the area from the NW by boat, and unknown number of Russian troops have been moved south of the LOIRE and the capability of bringing in reinforcements from BELLE ISLE must be considered. It is estimated that at least 20,000 troops are in the ST NAZAIRE area. FFI agents have estim ted as high as 30,000 troops.

Prisoners familiar with the ST NAZAIRI installations claim the port can be destroyed in one hour by means of prepared demolitions. PW also states that the food supply in ST NAZAIRE itself is sufficient to last but four more weeks. He further stated that morale of the enlisted men of the garrison is exceptionally low and that he was chosen by his comrades to make his way to the American lines in order to convince us that a large portion of the garrison is inclined to surrendering. In many instances troops of this area have been kept ignorant of the progress of Allied armies throughout FRANCE. 710/3×4

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FFI agents reported on 28 Aug that enemy was evacuating artillery dismantled across the LOIRE from ST NAZAIRE. This may be considered to have been artillery belonging to troops which have withdrawn east-Same agent stated that Germans could probably concentrate 30,000 troops in ST NAZAIRE. Agent further stated that on 22 Aug 1200 Russian troops were evacuated across the LOIRE. Additional reports and documentary evidence indicate that these Russians were left in the area across the river south of ST NAZAIRE to fend for themselves. They were not permitted to accompany the German troops during the movement stward, nor were they left any supplies. This, then, is the explanion for the considerable amount of pillaging that has occurred in is area recently. The Germans are making certain that by stripping e Russians of supplies and thus forcing them to pillage, the effect

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Enemy warships which have entered the port of ST NAZAIRE have had their armament removed and put into position for the defense of the city against land attack. All civilians have been evacuated from the city of ST NAZAIRE.

# 2. South bank of LOIRE R from its mouth E to SAUMUR (K 15):

Estimated number of troops in this area; 500 - 1000. Concentrations of troops previously reported opposite NANTES, ANGERS, and SAUMUR have been withdrawn. FFI patrols on 31 Aug penetrated 5 - 10 miles south of NANTES without making contact with enemy. Same patrols reported small groups of enemy have changed their uniforms for civilian clothes.

Reports have been received of the evacuation of NOIRMOUTIER (N 5030). Withdrawal reported to have begun 25 Aug and continued until 28 Aug. Mcv.ment was generally SE toward POITIERS (U 48). No estimate of number of troops taking part in this operation is available.

No enemy patrols are now operating S of the LOIRE between ANGERS and SAUMUR. Germans withdrew from SAUMUR, both north and south of the river, on 30 Aug, thus giving up the single point of ground held by them north of the LOIRE between NANTES and ORLEANS.

A portion of the troops moving south are said to have gone to LA RCCHELLE in order to increase the garrison there. LA RCCHELLE (T 34) is said to be extremely well defended and it is now increasingly difficult for French agents to enter the town for reconnaissance purposes. The same is true of LA PALLICE (due W of LA ROCHELLE), where four days ago eleven (11) submarines were reported to be in hiding.

# 3. SAUMUR to ORLEANS:

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Enemy troops have been withdrawn from the immediate vicinity of south bank of river from SAUMUR to TOURS. TOURS was reported cleared of enemy troops as of 1 Sep 44. East of TOURS, an enemy outpost line, lightly held, extends generally along the river to BLOIS (L 28). concentration of enemy forces opposite BLOIS has been reduced in the past two days from 1500 to 200 troops. The area between BLOIS and ORLEANS remains unchanged.

Enemy troops in the vicinity of GREZILLE (0 9763) left on order the night of 30-31 Aug in the direction of LOUDUN (P 12). Enemy also quit the ISLE DE BLAISON (0 9471) and BELLE ISLE (0 9272).

First-hand report of special War Office Agent has revealed that when U. S. forces began to advance toward this area, the Germans commenced destroying their landing fields, camps, radio stations and ammunition dumps. The broadcasting station at TOURS, which had been used by the Germans also was destroyed. Within less than a week after the American breakthrough into BRITTANY PENINSULA German troops initiated their movement eastward, the main line of retreat being along (L 84). These convoys were composed of about 200 trucks each carrying only infantry and artillery troops. A few armored cars escorted them. Approximately twelve 75mm and four 88mm guns were evacuated over the same route each day. On 26 Aug the convoys were increased in size to 400 trucks.

Agent stated that at one time 40 Tiger and Panther tanks were in the area S of TOURS, but he believed they have been evacuated during the past two weeks. Investigation conducted by FFI agents in the past few days has not revealed the presence of these tanks. Agent mentioned above stated that a Panzer Division having as one of its commanders a Gen JULESSY was in this area on 25 July. OB research indicates this was the 9th Pz Div. This division was moved eastward when the Americans approached the LOIRE. Between TOURS and BLOIS there are no prepared defensive positions of any type. There is a similar lack of defensive positions along the south bank of the

# 4. General:

It has become increasingly evident in the past four days that the enemy has been evacuating troops from the LOIRE VALLEY, leaving behind enough troops to maintain a light counter reconnaissance screen. PW statements and exploitation of captured documents reveals conclusively that units of regtl size and smaller have withdrawn S and eastward on order. Documents have revealed the route of march of this withdrawal and its phase lines. In general the Southern boundary of this withdrawal has been a line extending from LA ROCHE SUR YON to PARTHENAY - POITERES - ARGENTON- MOULINS. River lines running N and S through this area have been indicated as phase lines or regrouping ward at the present time and will be encountered by patrols penetrating south of the LOIRE.

The enemy has systematically destroyed his installations and supplies and equipment in order to render himself more mobile for withdrawal, and also to prevent his materiel from falling into our hands. This withdrawal has been conducted in a state of alert because of an awareness of the presence of large roving bands of Maquis in the area of withdrawal. Eye-witnesses have reported most troops moving East have been carrying small arms and have shown a great state of nervousness. Troops remaining in the LOIRE VALLEY and in the ST NAZAIRE area are said to have a fair to low morale and the Volkdeutsche, Russians and Polish portion of these troops have indicated by PW and FFI reports they would be willing to surrender were it not for the control maintained over them by the Germans.

# 5. OB Information:

The following major units have been identified as having operated S of the LOIRE RIVER and now withdrawing through POITIERS:

16th Inf Div: This Division consists of the 18th, 225d, and 225th Inf Regts. All Regts have three bns. In addition, the Div has two ren bns and one mobile bn, besides regular divisional units. 4th Georgian Bn is attached to this Division. Of the original 750 men in this Bn, 450 now remain and many of these have deserted and are hiding.

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Officer PW claims that the Div is very mobile and well supplied because all stocks were divided among units preparatory to withdrawal. Same PW confirms that 158th Res Inf Div was the reserve and replacement unit for this Division. CO: Genmaj HAECKEL.

Kampfsgruppe REINHARDT: This Battle Group was stationed in NANTES and vicinity and is in a general withdrawal through POITIERS in conjunction with 16th Inf Div. Captured map indicates that this unit had at least four battalions.

CO: Genmaj REINHARDT.

PW's have been taken from following units: 2d Co, Einheit LOSGAR (Bn size) 4th Co, Einheit LOSGAR 3d Co, III Bn. Flieger Regt 32\ 42d Minesearch Flotilla Naval Artillery Unit (fighting as infantry) Port Security Flotilla Brest 8th Smcke Bn. Navy Minesweeper Bn M384 1st Bn Regt NANTES South II Bn, 18th Inf Regt, 16th Inf Div 4th Georgian East Bn, 16th Inf Div 3d Co, Pz Field Res Bn 102 AOK I, Pz Destruction Co Kommandantur, Camp de Richard 4th Co, Army Signal Bn 512 Hq, 5th Para Div III Bn, 354th Inf Regt Army Horse Park 590 2d Btry, AA Bn 960 Port Security Bn ST NAZAIRE

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See overlay.
3. INFORMATION OF ADJACENT UNITS AND SUPPORTING TROOPS:
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                                                 751st FA Bn (155 How)
                  473d AAA Bn (AW)(SP)
                                                 268th FA Bn (8" Gun)
                  774th Tk Bn
4.
  WEATHER AND VISIBILITY: Changeable - intermittently clear and overcast.
        Visibility 1 - 8 miles
5. OUR OPERATIONS FOR THE PERIOD:
    a. Infantry:
        329th Inf:
            1st Bn to be committed on Div order only
            Atchd: 1st Bn. 330th Inf.
                    308th Engr Bn (-)
                    322d FA Bn (-)
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                    Co A. 774th TR Bn
            Continued defensive mission in sector (overlay). Reconnoitered S
                side of LOIRE RIVER between LIGERS and SAUMUR. (P-1754)
        330th Inf: (- 2 Bns)
            Atchd: Co B, 308th Engr Bn
            I de CEZEMBRE surrendered 0930. Details not reported as yet.
        331st Inf:
            Atchd:
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                    908th FA Bn
                    Co B, 802d TD Bn
                    83d Cav Ron Tr
                    Co B, 774th Tk Bn
            Regrouped and improved defensive positions in sector (overlay).
    b. Field Artillery:
           83d Div Arty
                At chd: 802d TD Bn (-)
                        453d AAA Bn (AW)(-)
                        739th FA Bn (8" How): General support DI NARD Area.
                        751st FA Bn (155 How): General support DINARD Area.
                       268th FA Bn (8" Gun): General support DINARD Area.
                322d FA Bn (- Btry A with 323d FA Bn): Atchd to 329th Inf.
                323d FA Bn (- Btry C with TF "A")(plus Btry A, 322d FA Bn):
                     Direct support 330th Inf.
                908th FA Bn: Atchd to 331st Inf. 324th FA Bn: General support.
                Arty in DINARD area fired direct fire missions for I de
                     CEZEMBRE operation.
       Armored:
            774th Tk Bn (-): Div Res. Closed vic CHATEAU LA VALLERIE (P4885)
                011830 Sep.
            Co A atchd to 329th Inf.
            Co B atchd to 331st Inf. Closed vic (0-090758) 312100 Aug.
       Cavalry:
            83d Cav Ren Tr: Atchd to 331st Inf.
       Engineers:
            308th Engr Bn (- Co B): Atchd to 329th Inf.
                Co B at chd to 330th Inf.
    f. Tank Destroyer:
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802d TD Bn (- 2 Cos and 2 Rcn Plats): Atchd to Div Arty

Co A plus 2 Ren Plats atchd to 329th Inf.

Co B atchd to 331st Inf.

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g. Anti-Aircraft

453d AAA Bn (AW)(- Btry D): 1tchd to Div Arty

Prov Btry atchd to 329th Inf.
473d AAA Bn (AW)(SP)(- Btry D): Atchd to 331st Inf.
Btry D atchd to 329th Inf.

- 6. COMBAT EFFICIENCY: No change.
- 7. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: I de CEZEMBRE surrendered 020930 Sept.

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#### DISTRIBUTION:

- 1 CG Third Army (via 6th Cav)
- 2 CG VIII Corps
- 1 CG Div rty
- 1 00 329 th Inf.
- 1 00 330th Inf.
- 1 00 331st Inf.
- 1 00 308th Engr Bn
- 1 00 83d Cav Ron Tr
- 1 A T Officer
- 4 General Staff (- G-3).
- 1 G-2, G-3 Journal
- 1 File.

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SECRET

# THE "EREDA" HAND GRENADE (GRENAN)

# DESCRIPTION: (See sketch)

Case - siminus, painted red Cover - pressed steel, painted black Safety fork - brase, with rubber pull tab attached

#### OPERATION:

- 1. Hold grenade with side of cover (opposite pull tab) in palm, and pull out safety fork.
- 2. Throw. As grenade travels thru the air the over disengages and pulls safety bar (4) out of grenade.
- 3. The grenade detenates upon impact. A mevement of charge (6) compresses spring (8) and forces cap (7) into firing pin (3)

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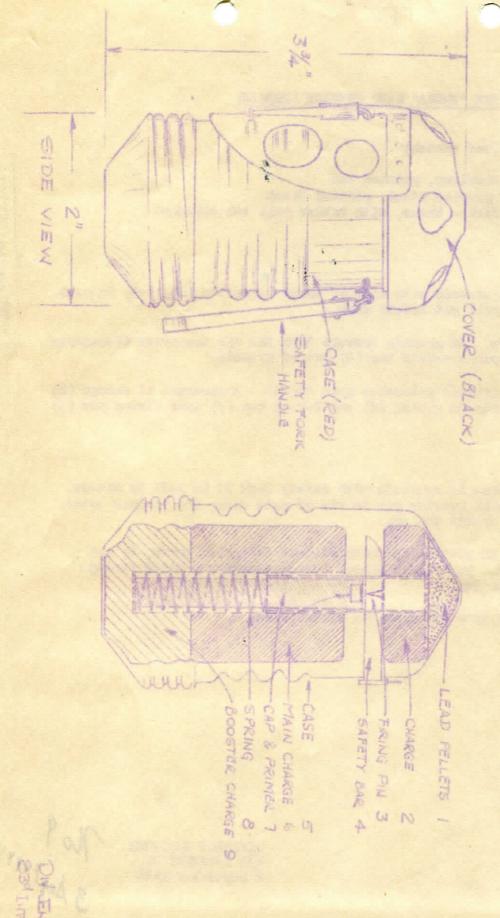
If grenade is complete with safety fork it is safe to disars. Push small locking pin in rim of case cover and wascrew cover. Remove charge and cap.

NOTE: If grenade is found without the black cover, so met disturb. Destroy in place. (Any movement may force firing pin into cap)

"Breda" grenades were found in the DIHARD AREA.

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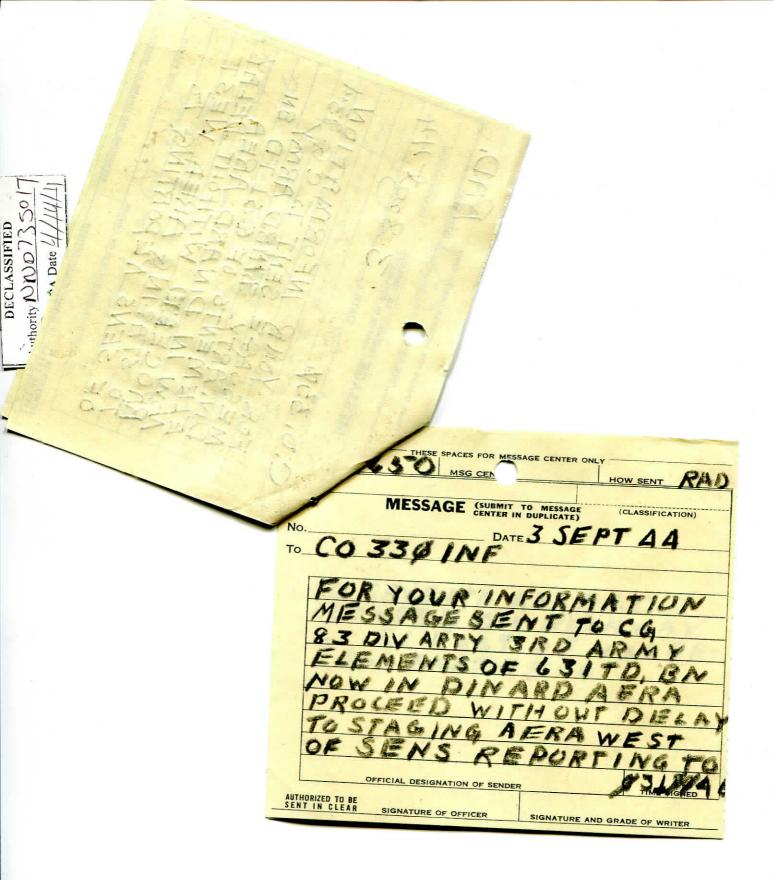
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## DET.D-3, Co.A. 2nd ECA. Regt., APO 658.

1 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Patrols on the beaches of Rochebonne and

surroundings.

TO:

Commanding Officer of 330th Inf.Regt.

Two patrols have circulated in the night 30/31 August between 22 and 5 on said beaches. Nothing to report.

On the other hand another patrol searched a house previously occupied by the Germans and from where the day before suspicious signals had been seen. The whole house, the cellars, the nearby blockhouse and trenches were thouroughly searched with no results. Nevertheless there were traces that one or several persons had recently lived there. The house is being watched.

An other patrol sent out by the St. Suliac group reports that on three consecutive days, a small searchlight appears at 22.30 on the left bank of the River Rance in the direction of Miniac at the time when a supposed German plane passes flying in the direction of Dinard-Dinan.

Report of the 8th District F.F.I.

Copy to 2nd Bn-

ALFRED W.PETERSON Capt.AUS.

Commanding.

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- 1. 2. Enemy still holds the Isle of CEZEMBRE. Enemy forces there estimated to be approximately 400.
- The 330th Inf (-let and 3rd Bns) supported by Artillery, Air and Naval bembardment attacks and captures the Isle of CEZEMBRE on D-Days

		Alligator		TGALE
b.	Time of Embarkation	H-120		H-90
	Leave Rendezvous Area	H-48	First Wave	H=19
	Gross Line of Departure	H-14		H=2
	Land on Beach	H		H plus 5

To be announced: Embarkation Area, Rendezvous Area, Line of Departure, K-Hour and D-Day .

2d Bn, 550th Inf: Will attack with 5 Co's abreast. Each Co in column of platoons. For formation and assignment of lift, see Annex No 1 attached,

A detachment, loaded in one LCVP, and equipped with two 50 Cal MGs and two 81mm Morters will move out of formation and occupy the small island 300 yards SE of CEZEMBRE, prior to arrival of first wave on beach. This detachment will support the assault units by fire. It will carry one SOR 500 Radio tuned to the Bn radio net.

- a. Uniform and Equipment: Equipment reduced to essentials. Leggings will NOT be worn. Filled canteens will be carried. Inflated life preservers will be be worn, and dropped on the beach.
  - b. Ammunition: (1) Riflemen: Filled cartridge belt, 2 bandoleers and a minimum of 3 gronades.

(2) Craw-served Weapons: Maximum amount for hand carry.

- (3) The following amount of ammunition will be loaded and transported on each alligator of the 1st wave, in addition to that carried on the individual and by the A & P Platoon. 60mm Morter - - - - 18 rounds
- Grenades, Frag + 25 (4) The Bn A & P Platoon will cetablish an ammunition dumpon the beach, stocked as follows: Rifle ..........6000 rounds

30 Cal MG .... 4000 rounds 60 mm Mortar ... 216 rounds

81 mm Mortar ... 150 rounds

Grenades, Frag . 300

Grenades, WP ... 150

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- Class I: Each individual will be issued 1/3 "D" ration and 1/3 "K" ration.
- Water: The A&P Platoon will stock the Ammunition Dump with 125 gallons of water. d.
- Evacuation: (1) All craft used for evacuation and rescue work will be plainly marked with Red Cross.
  - (2) Regtl Aid Station and Collecting Station: CASINO, DINARD. Casualties will be evacuated from beach to Coll Sta by assigned LCVPs. Man 44
- a. Maximum use will be made of radio. See Annex #2 attached.

b. Regtl CP - No Change.

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Annexes: No 1 - Lift

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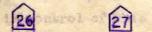
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- 2. 2nd wave (Alligators) cale of les will fire on top portion of island at range of 1000 yards. On reaching beach, will clear edge of water and halto Alligators to back off beach, and return to rendezvous area after lavie (4th wave) lave landed and soved off beach
- 3. 3rd wave (Alligators) on reaching beach, will clear edge of water and halte Alligators to back off beach and return to rendezvous area after LOVFs (4th wave) have landed and moved off "each
  - 4. 4th wave (LOVES) loach, disorbark personnel, return to rendezvous areac-
  - 5. 5th wave (LCVPs) reach after preceding wave has moved of of came.
  - 6. 6th Wave (10/Pe) = Coach on call after preceeding wave has moved off of same.
- 7. 7th Wave (Loves) Reach on call. No. 29 Bn Fed Sec. and 31, life boots and I tor boarers

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TILE Boat 25 will have a se arate mission. It will move off initially in formation and then procede into endently to its destinations.

> FCBTSR Colonel

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Hq 530th I & DINARD, FRANCE

ANNEX # 2 To F.O. # 21.

## I Radio Ommunication.

- I. Company command note:

  Each boat # 1 thru # 21 will centain an SCR 536 radio and operator:

  Boats 1, 2, 7, 8, 15, 16, and 17 will have sets noticed to be 5 Company's not. Control station in boat # 8.

  Boats 3, 4, 9, 10, 14, 18, and 19 will have sets noticed to be F Company's not. Control station in boat # 10.

  Boats 5, 6, 11, 12, 15, 20, and 21 will have sets noticed to be 6 Company's not. Control station in boat # 12.
- 2. Battalion command net. Channel #

  Boats 8, 10, 12, 22, 25, and 26 will contain an SCR 300 radio and operator.

  Bet control station in boat # 24.

  These will be net ed with an SCR 300 operating from the Bn. land C.P. Prata
  17, 19, and 21 will contain spare SCR 300 sets to e used by Co. Ex. O. 12

  recessary. These sets will listen but not transmit except in an energy of
- 3. Battalion Special Purpose not. Channel #
  Boate 24, 28, 29, 30, and 31 will contain an SCR 300 radio and operator. Not
  control station in boat # 24.
  Bats to be notted and used in control of life and medical boate.
- 4. Sattalion A & F net.

  Boats 24, 25, 26, and 27 will sometin an SOR 536 radio and operator. Not control station in boat # 24. Sets to be notted and used in control of 4 & P Section boats.
- 9. Regt'l Command net. Channel # Boat # 24 will contain an SCR 300 radio and operator to work with an SCR 300 radio located at the Regt'l C.P.

### II Visual Signaling.

- 1. Pyrotechnics Emergency si hal to be used only if ratios fail. Boets # 3.
  10. 12. and 24 will each have one pyrotechnic projector and 6 rounds of duble star green ammo and 6 rounds of double star yellow ammo. The green signal will be used to stop mortar and .30 cal M2 Fire from island occupied by 423. The double star yellow to stop arty fire.
- 2. Signal lamps To be used in an emergency if radios fail. Boot # 24 will contain 3 signal lamps to be used to call in amno boats and medical boat. The signal will be a series of dashes sent until acknowledged by command of boat or boats.

One man in boat 23 will be charged with observing the island for pyrotechnic signals to lift fire. One man in ammo and medical boats will be charged with observing the island for blinker signal to send boats.

FOSTER Colonel

