

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS BY COMMANDING OFFICER



OFFICAL WAR DIARY
GERMAN 12 SS
PANZER
DIVISION



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NIGHT 18/19 JULY 1944

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MORNING 19 JULY 1944

DIV TACTICAL DAYLIGHT MOVE FROM
CONTEVILLE/ROQUAN COURT PREP TO
LA PERQUETTE/JANVILLE

DESPITE AGREEMENT FROM 1SS P₂ DIV TO
STAY OFF THE BENEUVILLE ROAD, 1SS P₂ DIV
USED THE ROAD SO DEPLOYMENT WAS SLOW
NO ENEMY AIR ATTACK OCCURED

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AFTERNOON 19 JULY 1944

KG LUFT (1 INF/ENG/PANZER BN)
 COUNTER ATTACK FROM JANVILLE
 TO ST PAIR AGAINST ENEMY BRIGADE

KG GILLES (2x INF/1x PANZER BN)
 ATTACK FROM ARGENCES TO LE PETIT
 CHATEAU

ATTACK DRIVES BRITISH 7TH ARMD DIV TO
 ST PIERRE OUSIN

KG LUFT ENDS FIGHT AT JANVILLE

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NIGHT 19/20 JULY 1944

LUFT PREPARE ATTACK ^{PM} ON ST PAIR PROBE TO LEHAYRE

GILLES ATTACK CAGNY PM

LUFT ATTACK B/F TO AM

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MORNING 20 JULY 1944

LUFT ST PAIR CAPTURED
ENEMY COLUMN NORTH OF LE HAVERE
ATTACKED

GILLES ATTACKED BY ENEMY AIR & TROOPS
DISRUPTED AT ST PIERRE CHATEAU

LUFT LE HAVERE CAPTURED. ENEMY COUNTER-ATTACKED
SOUTHERN FLANK AND CASUALTIES INFLICTED
BY BRITISH 7 ARMD DIV ON OUR UNITS

PGR 25 IN CONTACT WITH 7 ARMD DIV AT
ST PIERRE CHATEAU

LUFT TO BE RECOMMENDED FOR A MEDAL FOR LE
HAVERE ATTACK

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AFTERNOON 20 JULY 1944

LUFT TO HOLD LE HAVERE → ST PAIR

GILLES ATTACKS CAGNY

LUFT ATTACKED FROM NORTH & SOUTH AND
OVERWHELMED BY ENEMY NUMERICAL SUPERIORITY

GILLES ATTACK INTERDICTED ^{BY ENEMY AIR} & DID NOT ADVANCE

PGR 25 FOUNDS BRITISH GUARDS ARMD DIV
AT FRENOUVILLE DUG-IN.

DIVISION FALLS BACK TO SOUTH OF DIVES RIVER
JANVILLE TO LA PERQUETTE,
ENEMY STRENGTH IS OVERWHELMING. COUNTER-
ATTACKS NO LONGER POSSIBLE

New Commander has now taken over.

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NIGHT 20/21 JULY 1944

The Division is now in a strong
defensive position along canal Line
Squads P 64 to T 64.

Small Tactical Reserve being created
over night

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MORNING 21 JULY 1944

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