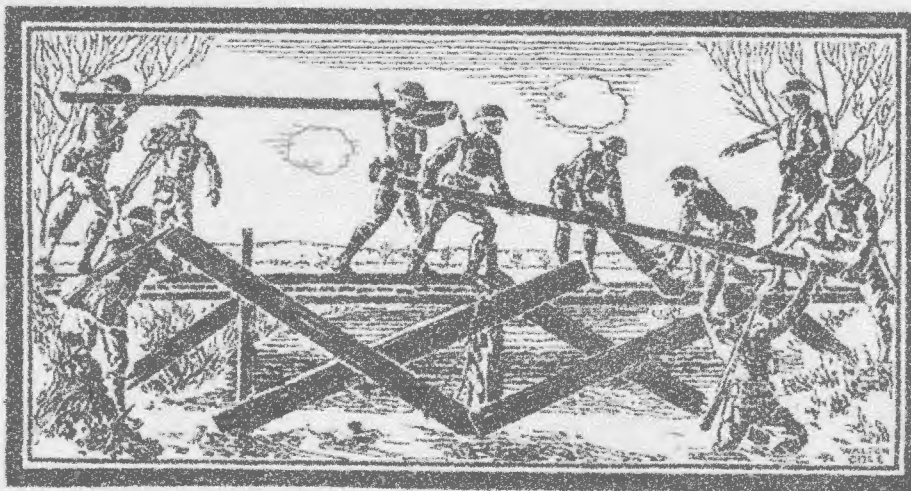


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THE 302ND ENGINEERS



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Colonel Giesting: "None, sir."

General Alexander: "Colonel, what do you intend to do?"

Colonel Giesting: "Wait till I get there, sir. We have aerial photographs showing tremendous craters in the roads at Stonne, la Besace and Flaba; the roads are congested and our best chance is to improvise a bridge from the material we will find. I promise you the 302nd Engineers will build the bridges."

General Alexander: "By God, Giesting, I believe you are right."

This promise was fulfilled. Colonel Giesting immediately gave orders to Captain Simmons, in command of the 2nd Battalion, ending with, "Captain, this is a chance of a lifetime."

Captain Simmons, in a short time had the companies of his battalion on the march towards the Meuse, and after an all night ride he himself made personal reconnaissance for the needed bridges.

On the afternoon of the 7th, one of the most brilliant feats performed by the Regiment took place. Captain Ellett, with a detachment from Co. "E", built a foot bridge across the Meuse at Villers-devant-Mouzon. This task was carried out in the broad daylight, in advance of our infantry and under the direct fire of the enemy. It was at this bridge that the following lost their lives:

Lieut. James F. Brown, Co. "D", D. S. C. posthumous.

Pvt. Samuel Brill, Co. "E".

Pvt. Arthur C. Hartman, Co. "E".

In addition, seven men were wounded by machine gun and snipers' bullets. As soon as this bridge was finished, a detachment of our infantry crossed the Meuse and established an outpost which was the most advanced point reached by our division or any other American division during the war. On the 8th, Co. "F", under Lieut. R. J.

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later die ?



CO. "C" BRIDGE ACROSS THE AGRON RIVER

King, G., Pvt., San, Det.
 Koch, W. E., Pvt., Co. F.
 Kromer, F., Pvt., Co. C.
 Lange, W., Pvt., Co. E.
 Levy, R. E., Pvt.
 Loeffler, S., Pvt., Co. A.
 Martell, A. G., Pvt., Co. D.
 May, D. E., Pvt.
 McCardle, J. F., Pvt., Co. E.
 Medeck, N., Pvt., Co. D.
 Monson, A. L., Pvt.
 Morrissey, E. P., Pvt., Co. C.
 Murtagh, W., Pvt.
 Meyers, G., Pvt., Co. A.
 Orton, C., Pvt.

Peterson, W. H., Pvt., Co. D.
 Quellett, A., Pvt., Co. D.
 Robertson, T. J., Pvt., Co. E.
 Rochford, M., Pvt., Co. D.
 Roth, H. M., Pvt., Co. D.
 Scanlon, H. A., Pvt.
 Schmekel, W., Pvt., Co. D.
 Schraven, H. J., Pvt., Co. D.
 Schultz, F., Pvt., Co. C.
 Tripp, R. E., Pvt., Co. D.
 Waters, T. E., Pvt., Co. D.
 Welch, J., Pvt., Co. D.
 Westcott, L. A., Pvt., Co. D.
 Wiedeman, C. A., Pvt., Co. D.
 Woodward, G. G., Pvt., Co. D.

Casualties -- 302nd Engineers

KILLED IN ACTION

Apstein, Samuel, Private—Co. D, October 31, 1918.
 Brill, Samuel, Private—Co. E, November 7, 1918.
 Brown, James F., 1st Lieutenant—Co. D, November 7, 1918.
 Crowley, Daniel, Private 1st Class—Co. C, October 13, 1918.
 Cucchiara, Silvestre, Private 1st Class—Co. D, November 5, 1918.
 Doerr, Louis, Private 1st Class—Co. F, September 26, 1918.
 Doris, James T., Jr., Sergeant—Co. D, August 23, 1918.
 Eickoff, Raymond E., Private—Co. A, November 1, 1918.
 Geer, Edgar S., Private—Co. C, October 3, 1918.
 Georger, Arthur M., Private 1st Class—Co. C, August 27, 1918.
 Hartmann, Arthur C., Private—Co. E, November 7, 1918.
 Headman, Edward C., Lieutenant—Co. E, August 31, 1918.
 Knowlson, William G., Corporal—Co. C, August 27, 1918.
 Kreutzer, George, Corporal—Co. C, October 13, 1918.
 McGonigle, William, Private—Co. D, August 14, 1918.
 O'Connor, Arthur P., Private—Co. A, October 16, 1918.
 Opperman, William J., Corporal—Co. E, November 8, 1918.
 Parmenter, Wallace A., Private—Co. B, August 12, 1918.
 Rohleder, Peter, Corporal—Co. C, August 15, 1918.
 Sabin, Gerard H., Private—Co. C, October 13, 1918.
 Seaman, Bergen R., Private—Co. F, September 26, 1918.
 Siedenberg, William, Private 1st Class—Co. A, September 5, 1918.
 Stephenson, Colin J., Private 1st Class—Co. A, October 5, 1918.
 Thomas, William, Sergeant—Co. D, October 16, 1918.
 Walsh, John A., 1st Lieutenant—Co. F, October 18, 1918.
 Welch, Edwin, Private—Co. E, November 7, 1918.
 Wever, Joseph F., Sergeant—Co. D, August 23, 1918.
 Wieszeżecinski, Casimir, Private—Co. C, August 16, 1918.
 Zejmias, Kostontas, Cook—Co. E, September 6, 1918.

DIED OF WOUNDS

Bergman, Axel H., Private—Co. E, September 6, 1918.
 Duvall, Harold L., Corporal—Co. C, October 13, 1918.
 Flaherty, William A., Corporal—Co. A, September 7, 1918.
 Foley, James A., Corporal—Co. E, September 6, 1918.
 Fraser, Stuart, Jr., Private—Co. D, September 7, 1918.
 Gregowski, Paul B., Private 1st Class—Co. E, September 6, 1918.