

HEADQUARTERS
703RD TANK ENGINEER BATTALION
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MEMORANDUM: To Company Commanders, 703d ED Bn.

1. In a 5 day period, Reconnaissance Company, 703rd ED Bn, in making contact with E.D. Companies, was directed to pick up along the routes and all roads in their area, serviceable equipment that had been abandoned. Listed below are the many items and amounts which were turned into Q.M.C.

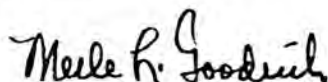
<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Qty</u>
Jerry cans.....	361 ✓	Tools, wire...(2 full).....	85
Toggies, Prs.....	21 ✓	Helmets, steel.....	15
Walter knives.....	38 ✓	Belts rifle.....	12
Belts pistol.....	8	Belts, safety, (truck).....	5
Meat cans.....(6 Covers).....	11	Cups canteen.....	16
Canteens.....(3 Covers).....	17 ✓	Haversacks, Inf.....	11
Musette bags.....	3	Pouches first aid.....	6
Harness for Musette Bag.....	3	(and 3 packets)	
Shirts wool G.D.....	6	Trousers wool G.D.....	8
Overcoat wool G.D.....	1	Jackets field.....	3
Fatigue, 1 pc, HBT.....	9	Fatigue, 2 pc, HBT.....	2
Cap wool knit.....	2	Gloves wool G.D., pr.....	3
Gloves, working, pr.....	3	Undershirts, cotton.....	3
Undershirts, wool.....	3	Shorts, gusset.....	3
Drawers, wool.....	4	Bags mail.....	5
Bags, barracks.....	2	Bags, duffle.....	1
Boots, hip, pr.....	2	Pyramidal tent.....	1
Gas mask, ol.....	4	Blankets wool, G.D.....	2
Coax, service, pr.....	4	Overshoes, pr.....	3
Carrier canvas for antennae.....	2	Flag set w/carr. canvas... 1	
Carr, canvas for Aiming Circle	1	Tripod, 50 Gal, M3.....	1
Credias, 50 Gal.....	2	Bucket, canvas.....	4
Wheel, (M8 or M20).....	1	Tarpaulins, also.....	8
Bayonette.....	1	Stretcher, first aid.....	1
Carrying strap, Musette bag.	3	Bags tools for vehicle....	3

2. The list speaks for itself: that supply discipline is far from what it should be, and that an effort by all troops to return to service all abandoned items will pay enormous efforts.

3. The different platoons engaged in this work entered into with a competitive spirit, each trying to out-do the others. Their efforts are to be commended.

4. This memorandum will be brought to the attention of all personnel, in discussion periods and supply discipline re-emphasized.

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