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OCT. 44 - APR. 45

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File: 46/XOA - PROMOTION OF ENLISTED MEN. (LIST OF PAPERS).

NUMBER	DATE	FROM	TO	SUBJECT
1	4 Oct 44	Lt Col Uhler	Col Parkin	EM Prom's Region IV
2	25 Oct 44	Southern Reg	HQ AC	Blocking of EM Prom's
3				BREAKDOWN OF ENLISTED MEN GRADES IN 2675TH REGIMENT AS OF 1 SEP 44
4				COMPARATIVE GRADES OF ENLISTED MEN " " " 1 SEP 44
5				BREAKDOWN OF ENLISTED MEN'S PROMOTIONS " " " 1 SEP 44
6	12 Apr 45	Col Pollett	G-1 (A)	Promotion of EM's
7	17 Apr 45	G-1 (A)	Col Parkin	Remarks re above.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

File:

Date 17 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Promotion of Enlisted Men.

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No.	From	To	Date	
1	G-1 (A)	Col Parkin		<p>1. Colonel Poletti was in this office 16 April on other matters.</p> <p>2. This subject was presented to him. Information was given that the regiment was overstrength in grades and ratings due to the exchange of general and limited assignment personnel. That this headquarters brought this situation to the attention of higher headquarters and no remedy was obtained.</p> <p>3. He acknowledged our efforts and position in the endeavorment to relieve this situation.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>N.W.D.</i> N.W.D.</p>

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Lombardia Region  
APO 394

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12 April 1945

SUBJECT: Promotion of Enlisted Men.

TO : G-1 American, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. The lack of promotions, amongst enlisted men in the regions I have headed, has led to a lowering of moral<sup>and</sup> enthusiasm, which is now assuming serious proportions. There are cases of efficient enlisted men within my region who have been over-seas 20 months, who are still Private First Class.

2. In the face of officer promotions which have taken place, the neglect of enlisted men promotions has caused even greater misunderstanding and difficulty.

3. I realize that the situation is well known at Hq AC, but I should like to call your attention to this situation in the hope that prompt action may perhaps be possible in the near future.

*Charles P. Letti*  
CHARLES POLETTI  
Regional Commissioner  
Lombardia Region

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BREAKDOWN OF ENLISTED MEN'S PROMOTIONS

SEPTEMBER 1944

	<u>1st Three Grades</u>			<u>Other NCO Grades</u>	<u>Total Promotions</u>
Hq Co	55%	33 1/3%	0	47%	5.9
Co C	9	0	16 2/3	17.6	5.9
Co D	16	0	16 2/3	11.8	5.9
Co E	0	9	16 2/3	0	5.9
Co F	9	0	16 2/3	0	5.9
Co G	0	9	16 2/3	0	5.9
Co H	9	0	16 2/3	0	5.9
Co I	0	9	16 2/3	0	5.9
Co M	9	0	16 2/3	0	5.9

OCTOBER 1944

	<u>1st Three Grades</u>	<u>Other NCO Grades</u>	<u>Total Promotions</u>
Hq Co	100%	75%	30.9
Co D	16	10 2/3	4.8
Co E	0	5 1/2	9.5
Co F	0	5 1/2	4.8
Co G	0	5 1/2	5.9
Co H	0	5 1/2	5.9
Co I	0	5 1/2	5.9
Co M	0	5 1/2	5.9
Co N	0	5 1/2	5.9

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PERIODIC REVIEWS OF ENLISTED MEN'S PROMOTIONS (Continued)

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	<u>1st Three Grades</u>	<u>Other MC Grades</u>	<u>Total Promotions</u>
Hq Co	33 1/3%	50%	50%
C Co	33 1/3	0	5
D Co		6	5
E Co		6	5
G Co		0	5
H Co		6	5
I Co	33 1/3	10	10
M Co		6	5
R Co		6	5
S Co		6	5
T Co		6	5
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	Auth.	<u>1st Three Grades</u>		<u>4th Grade - Below</u>	
		Actual	110	935	913
Hq Co	No		\$	No	\$
A	52		51.48	481	48.
C	4		3.96	28	3.
D	10		9.90	61	6.
E	9		8.91	95	10.
F	4		3.96	35	3.
G	1		1.	18	1.
H	6		5.94	77	8.
I	2		2.	54	5.
M	6		5.94	54	5.
N	7		6.93	50	5.

FEBRUARY 17, 1945

	Auth	<u>1st Three Grades</u>		<u>4th Grade - Below</u>	
		Actual	121	1048	1060
Hq Co	No		\$		\$
A	52		39.09		346
C	1		.75		13
D	9		6.77		82
E	8		6.		65
F	4		3.1		38
G	1		.75		22
H	7		5.27		84
I	7		5.27		92
M	8		6.		71
N	9		6.77		47
R	3		2.27		30
S	8		6.		54
T	5		3.75		44
	11		8.25		72

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<u>1st Three Grades</u>		<u>4th Grade - Below</u>		<u>Company Strength</u>
No	%	No	%	<u>Strength shown in</u>
110		935		
101		913		
52	51.48	441	48.3	48.54 %
14	3.96	28	3.08	3.11 %
10	9.90	61	6.70	6.70
9	8.91	95	10.41	10.45 %
4	3.96	35	3.85	3.85 %
1	1.	18	1.98	1.98 %
6	5.94	77	8.46	8.46 %
2	2.	51	5.93	5.93 %
6	5.94	54	5.93	5.93 %
7	6.93	50	5.50	5.50 %
121		1048		
133		1060		
52	39.09	346	32.64	32.36 %
1	.75	13	1.23	1.18 %
9	6.77	82	7.75	7.63 %
8	6.	65	6.14	6.12 %
4	3.1	38	3.59	3.52 %
1	.75	22	2.08	1.93 %
7	5.27	84	7.94	7.63 %
7	5.27	92	8.69	8.3 %
8	6.	71	6.71	6.62 %
9	6.77	47	4.44	4.7 %
3	2.27	30	2.84	2.76 %
8	6.	54	5.10	5.2 %
5	3.75	44	4.16	4.19 %
11	8.25	72	6.80	6.97 %

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	M/SGT 1/SGT	T/SGT	S/SGT T/3	SGT T/4	CPL T/5
Authorized	12	18	80	132	206
Actual	11	18	72	131	212
	No.	%	No.	%	No.
Hq Co	6	54.5	8	44.4	38
A	0	0.	1	5.55	3
C	2	18.2	0	0.	3
D	1	9.1	2	11.10	6
E	0	0.	1	5.55	3
F	0	0.	0	0.	1
G	0	0.	2	11.10	4
H	1	9.1	0	0.	1
I	0	0.	3	16.65	3
M	1	9.1	1	5.55	5

FEBRUARY 17, 1945

	M/SGT 1/SGT	T/SGT	S/SGT T/3	SGT T/4	CPL T/5
Authorized	12	26	83	147	244
Actual	17	27	89	150	227
	No.	%	No.	%	No.
Hq Co	9	52.94	9	33.33	34
A	0	0.	1	3.70	0
C	2	11.76	1	3.70	6
D	0	0.	1	3.70	7
E	0	0.	1	3.70	3
F	0	0.	0	0.	1
G	0	0.	2	7.42	5
H	2	11.76	0	0.	5
I	0	0.	4	14.85	4
M	2	11.76	1	3.70	6
N	0	0.	0	0.	3
R	1	5.88	1	3.70	6
S	0	0.	1	3.70	4
T	1	5.88	5	18.50	5

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T/Sgt	S/Sgt T/3		SGT T/4		CPL T/5		PFC		PVT		
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	
18	80		132		206		520		77	Tot: 1045	
18	72		131		212		451		119	Tot: 1014	
No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%		
8	4.5	38	52.8	61	46.56	100	47.16	208	46.11	72	60.5
1	5.55	3	4.17	3	2.29	9	4.24	14	3.10	2	1.68
0	0.	8	11.10	17	12.97	19	8.96	24	5.32	1	.84
2	11.10	6	8.33	13	9.92	18	8.48	51	11.27	13	10.92
1	5.55	3	4.17	6	4.37	6	2.83	23	5.08	0	0.
0	0.	1	1.39	2	1.52	4	1.88	11	2.43	1	.84
2	11.10	4	5.56	8	6.10	18	8.48	44	9.72	7	5.88
0	0.	1	1.39	9	6.86	11	5.18	27	5.96	7	5.88
3	16.65	3	4.17	5	3.82	10	4.72	26	5.74	13	10.92
1	5.55	5	6.95	7	5.34	17	8.01	23	5.08	3	2.52
26		83		147		241		550		107	Tot: 1169
27		89		150		227		505		178	Tot: 1193
9	33.33	34	38.20	57	38.00	85	37.45	153	30.3	51	28.65
1	3.70	0	0.	3	2.	5	2.20	3	.60	2	1.12
1	3.70	6	6.76	12	8.	17	7.49	35	7.	18	10.04
1	3.70	7	7.84	10	6.67	12	5.29	35	7.	8	4.43
1	3.70	3	3.36	5	3.34	5	2.20	27	5.30	1	.56
0	0.	1	1.12	3	2.	4	1.75	11	2.16	4	2.22
2	7.42	5	5.65	10	6.67	20	8.81	54	10.60	0	0.
0	0.	5	5.65	12	8.15	15	6.60	47	9.40	18	10.04
4	14.85	4	4.50	9	6.10	12	5.28	37	7.44	13	7.25
1	3.70	6	6.75	7	4.67	11	4.87	18	3.50	11	6.14
0	0.	3	3.37	4	2.34	3	1.32	13	2.42	10	5.61
1	3.70	6	6.72	6	4.05	11	4.87	30	6.	7	3.92
1	3.70	4	4.48	5	3.34	6	2.64	22	4.30	11	6.17
5	18.50	5	5.60	7	4.67	21	9.24	20	4.	24	13.46

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HQ SOUTHERN REGION ACC FOR REG. COMM.

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RESTRICTED. Understand all American EM promotion in ACC since 15 MAY as follows Colom ACC HQ 96 Company G 10 remaining 8 Companies 31 in all including Region three one only. Submit this constitutes serious discrimination against EM in the field and accordingly suggest all EM promotion blocked until regional promotions reach same preportations

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Regional Commisioner  
Called in person in my  
office and in the presence  
of Lt Col Wheler apologised  
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*C M Parker*

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HEADQUARTERS  
2675TH REGIMENT  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
(OVERHEAD)  
APO 394

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8 October 1944

## MEMORANDUM:

TO : Colonel Parkin.

1. Reference your request for a more detailed explanation concerning the subject in Colonel Ames' attached letter, the following information is submitted.

2. In the first place, the promotion board for enlisted men is composed of Major Stearns and myself, and our recommendations for promotions were always approved by Colonel Albright and yourself. This statement is made not to pass the buck, but to have it made clear to Colonel Ames that higher authority approved all promotions.

3. Before the large promotion order was issued (sometime in May, I believe) a detailed study was made of the various grades and ratings that were held in Headquarters Company and the various companies of the Regiments. At that time we included in our estimates the Headquarters Detachment which was at Salerno as part of the Headquarters Company. (The Headquarters Company includes all personnel in the Headquarters, ACC). A mathematical chart was made showing the percentages of each grade in each company and in the Headquarters. In this connection, as I recall, Company "O" was not entitled to any promotions in the higher grades due to the fact that their ratings were way out of proportion in comparison to their strength. This is merely cited as an example in giving out the various ratings.

4. Now then, on or about the 15th of May, the Headquarters, including the Detachment at Salerno, had approximately 60% of the strength of the Regiment. In my opinion, the promotions were made between the companies and the Headquarters on a very fair and equitable distribution. This was confirmed by the approval of yourself and Colonel Albright after your minute scrutinization of the above plan. The bulk of promotions between that time and the present were made during the month of May. Since then, we have made additional promotions as vacancies occurred - always under the same procedure.

5. The percentages quoted in Paragraph 1 of Colonel Ames' letter cannot be considered consistent due to the fluid personnel situation in both the Headquarters and the various companies. There are numerous illustrations of this flexibility, and I need cite only the reduction of personnel in Company "I" to about one-third of its former strength as a typical example. This constant shifting of personnel has made it extremely difficult for companies to make their required promotions. For instance, on the 1st of June Company "L" was given an allotment of grades and ratings.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015Memorandum to Colonel Parkin (cont'd).

As you may recall, you addressed this allotment in a letter to General Hume. At that time Lt. Col. Ames was the Executive Officer, under General Hume. These promotions, for some reason or other, were never filled until the beginning of September. Now, somewhere along the line this allotment was mislaid and not acted upon. Naturally, this has caused a great deal of confusion and unrest in the minds of the enlisted men of that particular company, and justly so.

6. We are making every effort to properly distribute all the grades and ratings, and I am inclosing Special Orders No. 145, dated 11 September, this Regiment, in which you will note that the promotions are equally distributed between Headquarters Company and the other companies of the Regiment.

7. I regret very much that there has been criticism of the promotion policy of the Regiment, and since this came from Colonel Ames, I want to go on record again in reminding higher authority (as we did in our reply to the Inspector General's report) that the same company or Regt. of Colonel Ames had 135 enlisted men in it, and that either the Regional head or Colonel Ames, or both, refused to give a company clerk and a company supply man to the company for their normal functioning of administration. It is inconceivable and impossible that out of 135 men they could not spare two to take care of property and personnel records. As you recall, we went to a great deal of time and trouble to give this particular company, from our own immediate Headquarters, personnel in order that that company could operate efficiently.

8. Although this last paragraph is beside the point, it shows to me that somewhere along the line, when those allotments were not acted upon for months, that there is a lack of proper administration in that particular outfit.

R. F. DELAR  
Lt. Col., A&D  
Executive Officer

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