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Axis Forces Surrender!

Battle for England Comes to a Close

Private First Class Burris 3rd Infantry Division

The Axis Commander waved the white flag of surrender today. According to the axis commander "Seas in the English Channel were un-navigable. Thus, we are unable to re-supply and re-enforce its units in England." Many axis soldiers thought it deficient ordering an invasion in January, accordingly they were not prepared.

Due to the lack of supplies, the German forces could progress no further. There were no reinforcements to back any assault of the axis, and in conclusion were forced into capitulation. The German forces made a valiant attempt, pushing the allies back in the vicinity of their headquarters. A good guess would be the Russians are doing an excellent job at keeping the Germans occupied in the East. The Allies were able to re-stock and hold strong, regardless of the naval patrols and wolfpacks.

Perhaps it was luck, perhaps it was cunning. The Axis Commander had this to say: "I, as Supreme Axis Commander, Abandoned by my superiors in in continental Europe, hereby unconditionally surrender to the allied side effective immediately. No moves will be made against any force, and re-supply will not happen." We can take this as a compliment, as he also had this to say in his submission. "They are a strong force. stronger than we anticipated and they deserve our respect and congratulations for fighting with bravery and courage."

The campaign is over.

Pfc. Patrick Burris is a Senior Staff Writer for the Marne Messenger.



Coping With the Loss

Pfc. Brooks Turns in Uniform

Private First Class Giroux 3rd Infantry Division

On April Fool's Day John Brooks put his transfer papers in the Barracks, and did not mean it as a joke. Various members of the Division up and down the chain of command were saddened by the news of his departure. John Brooks retired with one year, nine months of service and took on various roles in the unit.

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Members of the Axis force led by Saz have laid down their arms in Southern England this past weekend. The Axis invaded the mainland of England during January of 2007. Shocked the initial defenders, threatening the Allied headquarters but were repelled by collective effort of all the Allies.

Marne Men Get a Taste of Blood

Successful Role in Defense of England

3rd Infantry Division

After the several long months of continuous warfare, the German Supreme commander of the Sea Lion campaign on England has finally surrendered. The fighting took its toll on our troops. The Rock of the Marne endured the full force of the Axis push towards the Allied Headquarters in mid-February. The Division was called by Allied Command to assault the Axis before they gained any more ground. The counterattack was successful in not allowing the Germans one step closer to the HQ, but large numbers of casualties were sustained by the 3rd Infantry. Despite these setbacks, the division was able to gear up and move out for the Allied push to send the Germans across the Channel. The combined Allied thrust cut off the supplies and sent the Axis into turmoil. After the surrender of German forces in England we managed to get a hold of two of some of the Army's finest men; Staff Sergeant Aric Manary and Sergeant Brandt Chu, both members of the 3rd Infantry Division. Questions were asked about the role of the Marne in the latest campaign. "Our basic role was to hold back the Nazi's push so they could not get deep into English soil." Sgt. Chu said. "I believe it [the overall campaign] went well, we stopped their invasion. We held our line and stopped them from advancing beyond the line they had made and we ran them out of supplies so it was Story continued on page A2 over," S/Sgt. Manary added.



Members of the 3rd Infantry Division battle the Germans in the middle of winter in defense of Great Britain and for the safety of America. Photo courtsey of the 3rd Infantry Division.

Featured Trooper

Name: Gavin B. Townsend

Age: 20

Location: Colorado

Heritage: Irish and Native American

College Major: Animation

Future Plans: Mary a nice girl, have kids, live hapily.

Favorite Weapon: M1A1 Thompson Favorite 3rd Game: Call of Duty 2

Favorite Match Memory: First one led [DoD Anzio] was victorious

Favorite 3rd ID Memory: All of them

Favorite 3rd Officer: Lt. Madden - keeps him in line Favorite American General: Gen. George Patton

Favorite Sport: Football
Favorite Food: German food
Favorite Movie: V for Vendetta
Favorite Band: Dream Theatre
Favorite Actor: Tom Hanks
Favorite Actress: Undecided
Favorite TV Show: Heroes

Favorite Classic Video Game: Diablo 2

Chocolate or Vanilla: Vanilla

Ninja or Pirate: Ninja - pirates lack discipline

Why You Love the 3rd: See snot nosed kids become functioning

members of the well oiled unit

Family Veterans: Great Grandfather (WWI) Killed

on Wake Island in WWII

You Might Not Know...

First Sergeant Townsend drives a 1986 Nissan Sentra and would someday like to visit Italy. At the ripe age of seven, he picked up playing the accordian. His favorite real-life story is when he went to Germany. Got to experience things he couldn't at home and meet others he would have never met. Made a life-long friend in his exhange partner, and would gladly do it all again in a second. Favorite quote of unknown orgin is "The leaders who work most effectively, it seems to me, never say 'I.' And that's not because they have trained themselves not to say 'I.' They don't think 'I.' They think 'we'; they think 'team.' They understand their job to be to make the team function. They accept responsibility and don't sidestep it, but "we" gets the credit.... This is what createstrust, what enables you to get the task done."

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Most notably, Brooks completed his mapping project, known as Saar River. Saar River is a map that has become very popular with units all around the community. Brooks also has fought for the division in over twenty scrims and matches throughout his years. For this battle-tested soldier, he was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge Second Award and the Legion of Merit. But beside the awards and time in service, Brooks was our friend and brother in arms. He stated that he might return someday, and will deeply miss the good times with the other retired members. Brooks might have only been a Private First Class, but he was shown the respect and knowledge of a very wise human being. He will be thought of for me at least, by his quote "If it's stupid but works, then it isn't so stupid." Everyone is sad to see John Brooks head back to the States, but we are comforted by the hope of seeing you around us still. I speak for everyone in saying "Good luck, and Godspeed."

Salutes

Pfc. Nick Giroux is the Managing Editor at the Marne Messenger





First Sergeant Townsend of the 3rd Infantry Division prepares his fireteam for the comming ETO match. First Sergeant Townsend participated in four out of the five mabattles the Marne was involved in. Photo courtsey of 3rd Infantry Disision

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After discussing with the two Sergeants about the Sea Lion campaign I started to go into discussion about the future of the Allies and the war against the Germans. As XO of Allied Command, here's what Sgt. Chu had to say about a future invasion into mainland Europe. "We will have to see, it depends on the circumstance. We do not want to repeat from what happened in the last invasion. When Staff Sergeant Manary was asked the same question, his response was a little more confident. "One hundred percent."

With the defense of England over, the Allies can breath a little bit lighter. the Axis war machine maybe immobilized for the moment but once they regroup they could be stronger than ever. It will take all that the Allied forces have got to push through the French coast and into Germany, but we are strong, united, and willing; nothing can stop us now.

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Battlefield Updates Draw Versus 2nd Ranger Battilion

Private First Class Burris 3rd Infantry Division

The 3rd ID's recent involvement with the ETO campaign Sea Lion has sparked interest with the 2nd Ranger Battalion. Shortly after the campaign closed the Third was involved in a scrimmage to test what we have learned. Also, new ideas were brought forth for attacks and defenses.

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The scrimmage objective was to assault and eventually defend Sweat Blood, Normandy. Within the first half of the scrimmage, things were clearly not in the Marne's favor. Various attempst to destroy the objectives failed. At the half, the 3rd has only won one game.

After a short, well disciplined break, the Marnedogs successfully held off the Rangers for a few games, but eventually lost the defense. On the attack, only two troopers remained: Private First Class McClellan and Corporal Trimble, but through teamwork and good communication, the objectives were destroyed.

This allowed the 3rd Infantry Division to defend next game and win round two, sending the match into a draw. The 3rd ID has had a total of 9 draws since starting the Call of Duty franchise. Overall, the scrimmage taught us lessons and showed areas of improvement needed in order to succeed in the next ETO campaign.

