

# Primary Source Set

## 3. Attic Artifacts: 101st

Number/Type	Description
<b>3.1 (a-h)</b> ARTIFACT*	<b>(8) ACME No. 470 Clicker</b> Called “crickets,” these were supplied to the troops of the U.S. 101st Airborne Division to jump into Normandy with on D-Day, June 6th, 1944. It was used as a communication device.
<b>3.2 (a-j)</b> ARTIFACT*	<b>(10) SHAEF Insignia</b> This is the shoulder patch insignia for members or attached personnel to the Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force during WWII, prior to VE Day.
<b>3.3</b> ARTIFACT*	<b>(1) Cloth map “Zones of France” 2nd Edition, 1944</b> Silk (actually rayon) maps were mainly used by U.S. airborne troops who wore them around their necks on D-Day. The cloth would not make crinkle noises or run its ink when wet, making it a better choice than paper.
<b>3.4</b> ARTIFACT*	<b>(1) Camp Mackall, North Carolina shirt</b> Many of the WWII paratroopers would have had shirts from their jump school training camp. Some members of both the 101st and 82nd Airborne trained first at Camp Mackall, N.C.
<b>3.5</b> ARTIFACT*	<b>(1) Wrist Compass, liquid-filled, manufactured by Taylor</b> This is a Bakelite plastic wrist compass with a leather adjustable band. They were a general issue item, but were worn mostly by airborne troops.
<b>3.6 (a-j)</b> ARTIFACT*	<b>(10) Screaming Eagle shoulder sleeve insignia (SSI)</b> This patch was worn by the 101st Airborne Division in WWII.
<b>3.7</b> DOCUMENT*	<b>(1) Order of the Day for June 6, 1944</b> These encouraging words were written by Dwight D. Eisenhower and given to Allied soldiers on the eve of the invasion.
<b>3.8</b> PHOTO*	<b>(1) Photo of American paratroopers on June 6, 1944</b> Among the first to make successful landings on the continent, James Flanagan (2nd Platoon, C Co, 1-502nd PIR) is holding a Nazi flag captured in a village assault. Location: Marmion Farm at Ravenoville, Utah Beach, France.
<b>3.9</b> PHOTO*	<b>(1) Studio photo of Dick Ladd H&amp;H, S-2, 502 PIR. Circa early 1945.</b> The patch on his EM type overseas cap means he was in the Para Glide Infantry, and the light blue piping also designates him as infantry. The blue ribbon in gold frame on his right chest is a Presidential Unit Citation. He also wears a Combat Infantryman’s Badge. His olive-brown blouse was used for dress occasions. A Type 1 Screaming Eagle patch can be seen on his left shoulder.
<b>3.10</b> PHOTO*	<b>(1) Photo of American soldier viewing bodies at Kaufering IV camp, May 1, 1945.</b> The Kaufering IV concentration camp was liberated by the 12th Armored Division of the U.S. Seventh Army on April 27, 1945 with help from soldiers in the 101st Airborne Division. Kaufering IV was one of 11 sub-camps of Dachau.
<b>3.11</b> PHOTO*	<b>(1) Photo postcard of General Eisenhower addressing American paratroopers on the eve of D-Day, June 5, 1944.</b> Eisenhower is meeting with US Co. E, 502nd Parachute Infantry Regiment (Strike) of the 101st Airborne Division. Photo taken at Greenham Common Airfield in England around 8:30 PM.
<b>3.12</b> PHOTO*	<b>(1) Postcard Carentan Manche, La Rue Seblin</b> Carentan, a small town in Normandy, France were the Battle of Carentan was fought between June 10 and 15. Taking Carentan was important to the success of D-Day as it consolidated Utah and Omaha Beaches.
<b>3.13</b> CAP	<b>Garrison Cap with ParaGlider patch</b> Enlisted man, patch is 1944 or later version

\* For practical purposes, replicas or facsimiles of the originals are being used with students.