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I was not given the chance to fight for Poland in Poland and the fate of war drove me to France as early as October 1939. After reporting to General Sikorski's HQ in Paris, I was assigned to Coetquidan in Brittany, and as an infantry captain, I reported for instructions to a Col. freshly arrived from Hungary. When the colonel found out that I, as a lieutenant in an infantry regiment, had already been commander of a company of the non-commissioned officer school, he appointed me so to the school battalion in Coetquidan. This cold and very snowy winter in very primitive conditions, we did our best to familiarize this raw element with the basic skills needed by a soldier in combat. The training went on and several groups of young people from the Polish emigration element were trained; many later advanced by one or two levels.