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Auth: CG 35th Inf Div

Init:

Date: 01 April 1945

From: 311801 March

To : 011800 April

35th Inf Div

011800 April 1945

NO. 249

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy nearest elements - See overlay. At end of period units of the Div were in contact with scattered enemy forces.
- Defensive organization - Hastily prepared defensive positions are reported as shown on overlay.
- Units in contact - See overlay. No new units were identified in the Div sector during the period. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	MEANS	DATE
2nd Para Div			
2nd Para Regt	A5227	PW	31 Mar
23rd Para Regt.	A6731	PW	31 Mar
2nd Repl Bn	A4327	PW	30 Mar
190th Inf Div			
1225th Regt	A5833	PW	31 Mar
1226th Regt	A6235	PW	01 Apr
4th AA Div			
44th Regt	A5833	PW	31 Mar
74th Regt	A4325	PW	30 Mar

- Artillery - AA artillery fire was being received at end of period from positions in woods vicinity A680315.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.
- Supply and administrative elements - Trains were observed vicinity A567268 attempting to evacuate troops to the E. These trains were placed under intense fire.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Scattered groups of enemy attempted to delay our advance with small arms and automatic weapons fire, and intense direct artillery fire was received by our forward elements this morning.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Anti-aircraft - Our artillery liaison planes report intense AA fire near end of period from positions vicinity A680315.
 - Artillery - Sporadic artillery fire was received in the forward sector during the period. Concentrations were reported at the following locations: A5830, A6235, and A5829.
 - Infantry - Scattered groups of infantry attempted to delay our advance with automatic weapons and small arms fire.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 196 PWs passed thru Div canteen since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 1,718. Grand total 18,855. Nine enemy dead buried.
- Estimated enemy casualties 150, 35 of which were killed and 115 long term wounded.
- Miscellaneous - Censorship regulations now permit individuals to discuss in personal correspondence their personal wounds five days after occurrence.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

- d. Weather - Low overcast tonight and tomorrow with frequent showers tomorrow. Little change in temperature.
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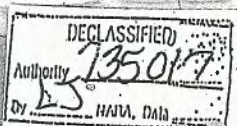
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DISTRIBUTION:

CIC	1	C-4	1	134	4
TPN 60	1	VC	1	137	5
PI	1	CFO-Ord	1	320	4
WII	1	Surr-Chap	1	Am Co	1
Engr Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Bn	1	Hq Comdt	1	Ord Co	2
1103 Engr Bn	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	448 AAA	1
666 FA Bn	1	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
788 FA Bn	1	Gen Trp	1	IM	1
C/S	1	784 Tk Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
C-1	1	8th AD	1	79th Inf Div	1
C-2	4	30th Inf Div	1	XVI Corps	2
C-3	1	89 Chem Bn (Co A)	1		

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Init:

Date: 02 April 1945

From: 011801
To : 021800
35th Inf Div
021800 April 1945

NO. 250

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy nearest elements - S of the RHEIN-HERNE KANAL.
- Defensive organization - The units of the Div were not in contact with an organized defensive position at end of period.
- Units in contact - No new major units were identified in the Div sector during the period. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	MEANS	DATE
2nd Para Div			
2nd Para Regt	A5227	Hosp	01 Apr
23rd Para Regt	A5529	PW	01 Apr
2nd Repl Bn	A4327	PW	30 Mar
7th Para Regt	A4422	PW	01 Apr
190th Inf Div			
1225th Regt	A6231	PW	01 Apr
1226th Regt	A6235	PW	02 Apr
4th AA Div			
44th Regt	A5833	PW	31 Mar
74th Regt	A4325	PW	30 Mar
116th Pz Div			
60th Regt	A5231	PW	01 Apr

- Artillery - Sporadic artillery fire was received from positions S of the canal. Five SPs were located vicinity A67653065 during the period.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.
- Supply and administrative elements - About 1530 an estimated Co of infantry was observed moving E on Autobahn vicinity A711340.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

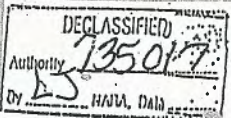
- General summary - Enemy harassed our forward elements with sporadic artillery fire from positions S of the RHEIN-HERNE KANAL.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Harassing artillery fire fell in the forward elements during the period. Concentrations were reported at the following locations: A613341, A532296, A 495249, and A502241.
 - Infantry - Scattered mortar fire fell on our forward elements during period of daylight today.
 - Miscellaneous - Estimated Co of infantry was observed moving E on Autobahn vicinity A711340 at 1530.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 210 PWs passed thru the Div cage since 1800 yesterday - 411 PWs were processed thru Medical channels - total for the period 621. Total for this operation 2,339. Grand total 19,476.
- Miscellaneous - Sabotage Devices: Army Group has advised that high explosives housed in containers similar to those used with acetylene gas torches but loaded, instead, with high explosives, have been found in public utilities stations. Stay-behind agents have been instructed to "arm" these devices in pumping and generating stations in GERMANY. All public utilities

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3. MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

buildings should be examined for such material and all excess material, not required, should be removed to a safe place pending examination by experts. Any doubtful material of this kind should be reported to this Headquarters.

- c. Weather - Low clouds in early morning with increasing cloudiness in afternoon and little change in temperature.
- d. Password - NIECE reply NEPHEW from 031200 to 041200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	G-4	1	134	4
INF 60	1	HC	1	137	5
PI	1	CWO-Ord	1	320	4
VII	1	Surg-Chap	1	Q ^m Co	1
Engr Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Bn	1	Hq Comdt	1	Ord Co	2
1103 Engr Gp	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	854 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	448 AAR	1
666 FA Bn	1	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
788 FA Bn	1	Ron Trp	1	TH	1
C/S	1	784 Tk Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
G-1	4	29th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
G-2	1	89 Chem Bn(Co A)	1	XVI Corps	2
G-3	1				

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Date: 03 April 1945

From: 021801

To : 031800

35th Inf Div

031800 April 1945

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1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- a. Enemy nearest elements - S of the RHEIN-HERNE KANAL.
- b. Defensive organization - The units of the Div were not in contact with an organized defensive position at end of period.
- c. Units in contact - Combat Teams Hesse and Pleier were identified in the Div sector during the period. CT Pleier has 4 Cos. Strength of 1st Co 150 men. Weapons 3 LMG and rifles. CT Hesse is composed of elements of 77th Repl Bn (Part of 253rd Trng Regt) plus convalescents of 77th Regt. It has 3 Cos. Strength of CT 200 men, approximately 60 per Co. Weapons, each Co has 2 LMG, panzerfaust and rifles. Locations of units identified thru Ws are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	MEANS	DATE
2nd Para Div			
2nd Para Regt	A5227	Hosp	01 Apr
23rd Para Regt	A6235	PW	01 Apr
7th Para Regt	A4422	PW	01 Apr
190th Inf Div			
1225th Regt	A6332	PW	02 Apr
1226th Regt	A6235	PW	02 Apr
890th Regt	A6235	PW	01 Apr
4th AA Div			
44th Regt	A6634	PW	02 Apr
180th VG Div			
1080th VG Regt	A6235	PW	01 Apr

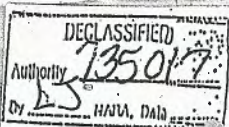
- d. Artillery - No new battery locations reported. Sporadic artillery fire was received from S of the canal during period.
- e. Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.
- f. Supply and administrative elements - Vehicles, singly and in groups as well as doubleheader trains observed S of canal heading E. One train was attacked and left burning in GELSENKIRCHEN.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- a. General summary - Enemy harassed our forward elements with sporadic artillery fire from positions S of the RHEIN-HERNE KANAL.
- b. Operations of component elements:
 - 1. Artillery - Harassing artillery fire was received during period with concentrations reported at the following locations: A552282, A536280, A538277. Intermittent artillery fire was reported falling vicinity bridges A56802810 and A56252800 during the early part of period. See overlay for reported artillery positions.
 - 2. Armor - One half-track and two tanks reported vicinity A542270 at 0020. Undetermined number of armored vehicles heard moving E on road vicinity A582272 at 1345.
 - 3. Infantry - Scattered mortar fire fell on our forward elements during the period.
 - 4. Miscellaneous - Bridges reported blown or destroyed in vicinity of A540270, A548275, A547276, A553276, A563279, A563280, and A568281

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3. MISCELLANEOUS:

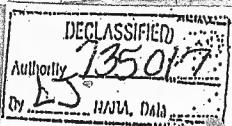
- a. Prisoners - 182 PWs passed thru Div cage since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 2,521. Grand total 19,658. 26 enemy dead buried.
- b. Miscellaneous - To insure that all enemy aircraft are located and rendered non-operational dispersal areas of overrun airfields will be carefully checked by overrunning troops.
Civilians report mine-shaft extending from friendly area into enemy held territory along the canal which would enable the enemy, in some instances, to cross into our area.
- c. Weather - Cloudy until noon tomorrow clearing, with fair weather, until evening. Light rain at night.
- d. Password - HIRE reply HACK from 041200 to 051200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	G-4	1	134	4
IPN 60	1	MG	1	137	5
PI	1	CWO-Ord	1	320	4
MII	1	Surg-Chap	1	QV Co	1
Engr Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Bn	1	Hq Comdt	1	Ord Co	2
1103 Engr Gp	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	448 AAA	1
668 FA Bn	1	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
688 FA Bn	1	Ren Trp	1	FM	1
C/S	1	784 Tk Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
G-1	1	29th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
G-2	4	89 Chem Bn (Co A)	1	XVI Corps	2
G-3	1				

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Init: IT
Date: 04 April 1945

From: 031801
To : 041800
35th Inf Div
041800 April 1945

NO. 252

Maps: Germany 1/50,000. Sheet No. 57.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy nearest elements - S of the RHEIN-HERNE KANAL.
- Defensive organization - The units of the Div were not in contact with an organized defensive position at end of period.
- Units in contact - The 454th Repl Bn and the 506th AA Bg were identified in the Div sector during the period. The 454th Repl Bn (CT Weber) was under the 253rd Repl Regt. It consists of 4 Cos of which 3 are along our front. Strength 90 men per Co. The 506th AA Bg, GHQ has two Bns. Each Bn has one Hq Btry, 4 light batteries, 1 heavy battery (5th & 10th). Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	MEANS	DATE
2nd Para Div			
2nd Para Regt	A5227	Hosp	01 Apr
23rd Para Regt	A6235	PW	01 Apr
7th Para Regt	A4422	PW	01 Apr
190th Inf Div			
1225th Regt	A6235	PW	03 Apr
1226th Regt	A6235	PW	02 Apr
890th Regt	A6235	PW	01 Apr
4th AA Div			
44th Regt	A6634	PW	02 Apr
180th VG Div			
1080th VG Regt	A6235	PW	01 Apr
253rd Trng Regt			
CT Hesse	A6235	PT	02 Apr
CT Pleier	A5225	PW	02 Apr
454th Repl Bn	A5828	PW	03 Apr
506th AA Bg	A6235	PW	03 Apr

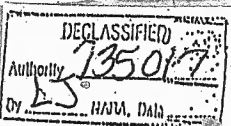
- Artillery - No new battery locations reported. Sporadic artillery fire was received from S of the canal during period.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - The situation is one of watchful waiting with occasional exchanges of artillery.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Some heavy artillery fire received during period with concentration reported at A5528.
 - Aircraft - One ME-262 flew over Div sector at 0726, no bombing or strafing reported.
 - Infantry - Scattered mortar fire fell on our forward elements. Enemy patrol crossed the RHEIN-HERNE KANAL during early part of period and after brief action the survivors were taken prisoner.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 94 PWs passed thru Div csg since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 2,615. Grand total 19,752. Two enemy dead buried.
- b. Miscellaneous - The 75th Inf Div crossed the canal early this morning and is advancing against moderate opposition.

A limited number of the new Medium Tank, T-26, mounting 90mm gun, is now being employed by the 2nd and 5th Armd Divs. Recognition charts will be distributed in the near future.

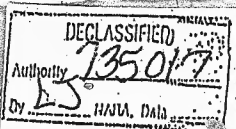
- c. Weather - Scattered to broken clouds during the day clearing at night. Little change in temperature.
- d. Password - TANG reply TASTE from 051200 to 061200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

GIC	1	G-4	1	134	4
IPW 60	1	MG	1	137	5
PI	1	CWO-Ord	1	320	4
VII	1	Surf-Chap	1	QW Co	1
Engr Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Bn	1	Hq Comdt	1	Ord Co	2
1103 Engr Gp	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	448 AAA	1
666 FA Bn	1	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
788 FA Bn	1	Ren Trp	1	FM	1
C/S	1	784 Tk Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
G-1	1	29th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
G-2	4	89 Chem Bn(Co A)	1	XVI Corps	2
G-3	1	183 Med Bn	1		

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Init: JTH
Date: 05 April 1945

From: 041801
To : 051800
35th Inf Div
051800 April 1945

NO. 253

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1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy nearest elements - S of the RHEIN-HERNE KANAL.
- Defensive organization - The units of the Div were not in contact with an organized defensive position at end of period.
- Units in contact - No new units identified during period. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	MEANS	DATE
190th Inf Div			
1225th Regt	A5832	PW	04 Apr
1226th Regt	A6235	PW	02 Apr
4th AA Div			
44th Regt	A6634	PW	02 Apr
253rd Trng Regt			
CT Hesse	A6235	PW	02 Apr
CT Pleier	A5225	PW	02 Apr
454 Bapl Bn	A5828	PW	03 Apr
506th AA Bn	A6235	PW	03 Apr

- Artillery - No new battery locations reported. The forward elements received sporadic artillery fire during the period.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Both enemy and friendly patrol activity increased in intensity and aggressiveness during the period.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Sporadic artillery fire was received during the period with concentrations reported at A533278 and A495242.
 - Infantry - Intermittent mortar fire fell on the forward elements during early part of period. Enemy patrols of undetermined strength were engaged in small arms fight and dispersed. Considerable enemy activity vicinity A542250 at 1000.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 58 PWs passed thru Div cage since 1800 yesterday and 36 PWs cleared thru medical channels - Total for period 94. Total for this operation 2,709. Grand total 19,846. Three enemy dead buried.
- Estimated enemy casualties 50, 5 of which were killed and 45 long term wounded.
- Miscellaneous - The 44th Inf Div reports that on the night 26-27 March, 4 enemy approached under cover of darkness and clubbed the driver in the Div motor pool. The enemy then proceeded to booby-trap 6 vehicles with chemical pencils or plastic explosives, causing one truck to blow up. All units are warned to be especially alert around all installations as instances of this type will undoubtedly occur with increasing frequency especially when the enemy has had an opportunity to reorganize from the effects of our break-thru.

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- d. Weather - Overcast in the morning with light showers in afternoon.
- e. Password - HAIR reply TRIGGER from 061200 to 071200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	C-4	1	134	4
IPW 60	1	MG	1	137	5
FI	1	CWO-Ord	1	320	4
MII	1	Surf-Chap	1	QM Co	1
Engr Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
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Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	654 TD	1
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888 FA Bn	1	Ron Trp	1	FM	1
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G-2	4	89 Chem Bn (Co A)	1	XVI Corps	2
G-3	1	183 Med Bn	1		

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Init: J
Date: 08 April 1945

From: 051801
To : 061800
35th Inf Div
061800 April 1945

NO. 254

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1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy nearest elements - S of the RHEIN-HERNE CANAL.
- Defensive organization - A well organized defense line has been encountered by our patrols S of the RHEIN-HERNE CANAL in the Div Zone. See overlay.
- Units in contact - Two new units identified today were the CT Beyer and Sondereinheit Twentelhoewel. CT Beyer is composed of three, possibly four, Cos; approximately 90 men to a Co with total strength of about 300 men, most of whom are former airforce ground personnel. Lt Col Beyer is the Commanding Officer of the CT. The Sondereinheit Twentelhoewel has 35 men whose mission is long range and extended patrols behind enemy lines. 1st Lt Twentelhoewel is in command and the unit is directly responsible to the CG 2nd Para Div. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	WEAPNS	DATE
190th Inf Div			
1225th Regt	A5632	FW	04 Apr
253rd Trng Regt			
454th Repl Bn	A5828	FW	03 Apr
2nd Para Div			
CT Beyer	A5428	FW	05 Apr
Unit Twentelhoewel	A5228	FW	05 Apr
AA Trng Bn			
(Hungarians)	A6235	FW	05 Apr

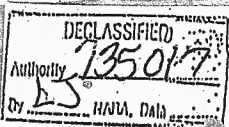
- Artillery - No new battery locations reported. The forward elements received sporadic artillery fire during the period.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - A civilian, considered to be reliable, reports that 800 troops and several vehicles are concentrated in area vicinity of A5520.
- Supply and administrative elements - A train was reported moving SW vicinity A4920.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Both friendly and enemy patrol activity continued during the period.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Occasional artillery fire fell on forward elements during the period. 12 rounds, estimated 88mm fire, fell vicinity A608284. Other concentrations at A608284, and A533274.
 - Engineers - Minefield consisting of Bouncing Bettys is located on N bank of canal extending for 100 yards E of bridge at A49452450. There are waist high and knee high trip wires in minefield.
 - Infantry - Intermittent mortar fire fell on forward elements during period. Many flares were seen between 2300 and 2400. Enemy patrols were engaged and dispersed.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 83 PWs passed thru Div cage since 1800 yesterday and 30 PWs cleared thru medical channels - Total for period 113. Total for this operation 2,822. Grand total 19,959. One enemy dead buried.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 80, 20 of which were killed and 60 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - Poison Food: - Recently captured German saboteurs have revealed that the enemy is preparing poison Mescale, sugar, chocolate and cigarettes. The German brand of chocolate, (Sarcoti) was specifically mentioned. All personnel of this command are cautioned that they must not use any of those captured food items or cigarettes until they have been inspected.

A civilian crossed canal today at 1110 and reported that 27 enemy soldiers across canal desired to surrender but were prevented from doing so by their SS Officer. They were given until 1200 to surrender, with the alternative of being shelled if they refused. When the time limit expired with no further word our artillery fulfilled its promise.

- d. Weather - Low clouds with scattered showers during all of period.
- e. Password - NICE reply NEW from 071200 to 081200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	G-4	1	134	4
IFW 60	1	MC	1	137	6
PI	1	CWO-Ord	1	320	4
MII	1	Surf-Chap	1	3N Co	1
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G-1	1	29th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
G-2	4	89 Chem Bn (Co A)	1	XVI Corps	2
G-3	1	103 Med Bn	1		

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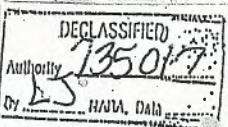
1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

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| <u>190th Inf Div</u> | | | |
| 1225th Regt | A5832 | PW | 04 Apr |
| <u>253rd Trng Regt</u> | | | |
| CT Hesse | A6329 | PW | 06 Apr |
| 454th Repl Bn (CT Weber) | A5827 | PW | 06 Apr |
| <u>2nd Para Div</u> | | | |
| KG Boyer | A5428 | PW | 05 Apr |
| Unit Twentelhoevel | A5228 | PW | 05 Apr |
| <u>AA Trng Bn</u> | | | |
| (Hungarians) | A6235 | PW | 05 Apr |
| <u>1st Technical Repl Bn</u> | | | |
| (Unit Walke) | A6330 | PW | 07 Apr |

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2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD: (Continued)
 2. Engineers - A minefield with AP mines is located at A587277 along roadway at the entrance to the Inzer Fritz mineshafts Nos. 2 and 3.
 3. Infantry - A 20mm gun at A648288 fired on friendly troops and liaison planes this morning. Friendly artillery was laid on it. There was flare activity during the night. White smoke was seen at A533263 at 1525. Troops on our flanks received mortar and small arms fire during the period.
3. MISCELLANEOUS:
 - a. Prisoners - 42 PWs passed thru Div cage since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 2,864. Grand total 20,001. One enemy dead buried.
 - b. Estimated enemy casualties 60, 15 of which were killed and 35 long term wounded.
 - c. Miscellaneous - The 75th Inf Div received moderate artillery fire on their whole front. They have identified the 1st Bn of the 23rd Para Regt, 2nd Bn of the 2nd Para Regt, elements of the 180th and 190th Divs and 23rd Para Regt.
 - d. Weather - Generally fair with few high and medium clouds.
 - e. Password - TARIFF reply TAX from 081200 to 091200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	G-4	1	134	4
IPW 60	1	MG	1	137	5
PI	1	CWO-Ord	1	320	4
WII	1	Surg-Chap	1	QM Co	1
Engr Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Bn	1	Hq Comdt	1	Ord Co	2
1103 Engr Cp	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	448 AAA	1
666 FA Bn	1	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
788 FA Bn	1	Ron Trp	1	FM	1
C/S	1	784 Tk Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
G-1	1	29th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
G-2	4	89 Chem Bn (Co A)	1	XVI Corps	2
G-3	1	183 Med Bn	1	OB	1

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DISTRIBUTION

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IPY CO	1	NO	137
PK	1	CMO-Ord	280
WII	1	Surp-Chap	31 Co
Emr Off	1	SLA	Red Pa
Engt Pn	1	SLA	Ord Co
1103 Engt Co	1	SLA	315 Co
117 Arty	1	SLA	334 T
134 AT Bn	1	SLA	148 AAA
680 FA Bn	1	SLA	31
788 FA Bn	1	SLA	31
C/S	1	SLA	31
A-1	1	SLA	31
A-2	1	SLA	31
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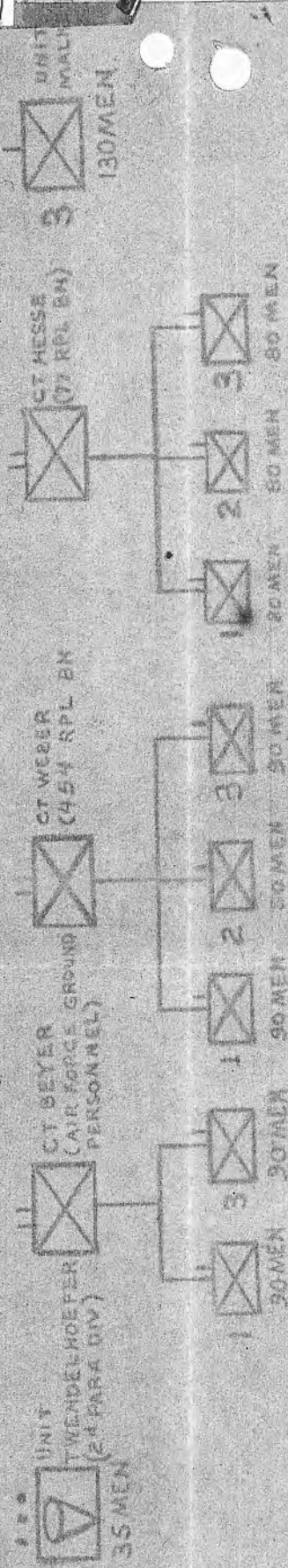
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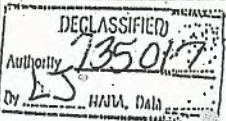
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VS? ? MEN

PLUS ELMS OF PLAK BN'S & 4 AA DIV

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AM CG 38th Inf Div

Date: 08 April 1945

From: 091801
 To: 091800
 38th Inf Div
 091800 April 1945

NO. 257

Maps: Germany 1/50,000. Sheet No. 57.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - There was no organized line in the Div sector at close of period.
- Defensive organization - The enemy still occupied his defensive installations along the S bank of the REIN-HERNE CANAL between A660295 and A684305 line on our front.
- Units in contact - No new units identified at end of period. Lt Col Feind is Commanding Officer of the scattered enemy units in our front. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	TEAMS	DATE
253rd Trng Regt			
CT Heese	A6427	IV	08 Apr
CT Weber	A6626	IV	08 Apr
4th AA Div			
243rd Bn	A6626	IV	08 Apr
643rd Bn	A6427	IV	08 Apr
Reichsarbeitsdienst			
245 Bn	A6427	PW	08 Apr
1st Technical Repl Bn			
Unit 1412	A6330	PW	07 Apr

- Artillery - No new battery locations reported during period.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - A column of enemy troops, estimated to be about 3,000 strong, with some horse-drawn artillery was seen moving NW vicinity A470107 at 1440. The column was worked over by fighter-bombers and at 1700 a few groups of 100 men were retreating rapidly to the SE. Another column was seen at A617273 and artillery fire was put on them.
- Supply and administrative elements - Four trains vicinity A635247 were fired upon and 2 were stopped at 062100.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

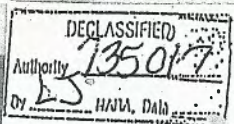
- General summary - Enemy resisted our initial jump-off stubbornly with small arms and MG fire, giving way slowly. Resistance disintegrated by noon and the disorganized enemy could offer only scattered small arms and MG fire during the remainder of period.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - 12 rounds of estimated 88mm artillery fire were received vicinity A632206 at 1025.
 - Infantry - Two-man enemy patrol was challenged vicinity A688276 and after an exchange of shots one was killed and the other escaped. Two pillboxes vicinity A661296 pinned down right flank temporarily during initial jump-off but were put out of action.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 179 PWs passed thru Div cove since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 3,075. Grand total 20,212. Three enemy dead buried.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

- b. Estimated enemy casualties 180, 35 of which were killed and 115 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - IV reports road blocks vicinity AG1622348, AG1752660, and AG1552672. All three are passable. Road is completely blocked at AG2052345.

An ammunition dump was hit and left burning vicinity AG20260.

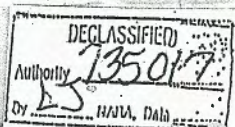
- d. Weather - Overcast with some light rain.
- e. Password - NOBLE reply KNIGHT from 101200 to 111200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	G-4	1	134	4
IP-60	1	IG	1	137	5
PI	1	GWO-Ord	1	320	4
MTI	1	Surf-Clap	1	31st Co	1
Engr Off	1	SI-Off	1	1st Bn	2
Engr Bn	1	Hq Cordt	1	Ord Co	2
1103 Engr Gp	1	Hq Co	1	SI Co	1
Div Arty	3	PRG (Forward)	1	654 TR	1
Div AT-Off	1	Car Room	1	443 AAA	1
686 Tr Bn	1	TRG (Rear)	1	10	1
708 FA Bn	1	30th Trp	1	31	1
C/S	1	704 Tr Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
G-1	1	29th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
C-2	4	89 Cpl-2 (Co A)	1	XVI Corps	1
G-3	1	103rd Bn	1	OS	1

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Auth: CG 35th Inf Div

Init: 04

Date: 10 April 1945

From: 091801

To : 101800

35th Inf Div

101800 April 1945

NO. 288

Maps: Germany 1/50,000. Sheet No. 67.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - The Div was not in contact with the enemy at close of period.
- Defense organization - The enemy occupied defensive installations vicinity of BOCHUM A6319 at close of period.
- Units in contact - Kampfgruppe Schramm was identified today. A heterogeneous mixture of convalescents, members of the Reichsarbeitsdienst (State labor service), and members of the police composed the Kampfgruppe Schramm. It is believed that Kampfgruppe Schramm is a subordinate unit of Kampfgruppe Weind. Strength is not known. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	STATUS	DATE
253rd Trng Regt			
CT Weind	A6326	PW	09 Apr
CT Hasse	A6487	PW	08 Apr
CT Weber	A6326	PW	09 Apr
CT Schramm	A6326	PW	09 Apr
4th AA Div			
624th Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
471st Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
643rd Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
850th Bn	A6528	PW	10 Apr
243rd Bn	A6626	PW	08 Apr
2nd Para Div			
2nd Para Regt	A6628	PW	09 Apr
Reichsarbeitsdienst Herne			
245th Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
Volkssturm "Sauerland"	A6328	PW	09 Apr
Volkssturm "Lange-Eickel"	A6925	PW	09 Apr
1st Technical Repl Bn			
Unit "Alke"	A6330	PW	07 Apr

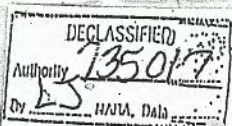
- Artillery - No new battery locations reported during period.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Enemy did not choose to offer any resistance until mid-morning when some small arms fire, vicinity A635235, was encountered. Resistance was short lived however, and we went on to occupy our objective.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - No artillery fire was reported to have been received during period.
 - Infantry - Two counterattacks, which offered potential threat to our ~~LEFT~~ flank, was contained by the 35th Div vicinity A7025 and A7927 by nightfall yesterday. Two tanks were knocked out.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 365 PWs passed thru Div cage since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 3,440. Grand total 20,577.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 200, 40 of which were killed and 160 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - All persons who surrender using the password "KODAK" are to be reported to this Headquarters.

Troops capturing enemy soldiers and officers are not to remove the soldier's book or other identifying papers from the enemy. Absence of these identification records makes it more difficult to verify enemy units in front of us.

High ranking SS officers are reported by PWs to be changing into Wehrmacht uniforms of private grade in order to escape detection when being processed thru PW channels. They carry falsified soldier's books with them.

- d. Weather - Generally fair with few high and middle clouds.
- e. Password - WILD reply TAME from 111200 to 121200 April 1945.

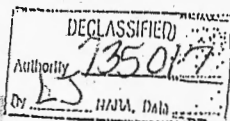
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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	G-4	1	134	4
IEW BO	1	HQ	1	137	5
PI	1	CWC-Ord	1	320	4
WFL	1	Surg-Chap	1	QM Co	1
Eng Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
Eng Bn	1	Hq Cordt	1	Ord Co	2
1105 Eng Co	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	684 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	448 AAA	1
686 FA Bn	1	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
788 FA Bn	1	Ron Trp	1	FM	1
C/S	1	784 TX Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
G-1	1	29th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
G-2	4	88 Cham Bn (Co A)	1	XVI Corps	1
G-3	1	185 Med Bn	1	OP	1

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Auth: CG 35th Inf Div

Init:

Date: 11 April 1945

From: 101801

To : 111800

35th Inf Div

111800 April 1945

NO. 259

Maps: Germany 1/50,000. Sheets No. 57 and 58.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

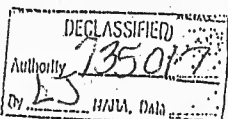
- a. Enemy front line - The enemy front line is generally along the S bank of the RUHR RIVER with a pocket of resistance from A5915 to A6214.
- b. Defensive organization - The enemy was establishing a defense line along the high ground S of the RUHR river.
- c. Units in contact - New units identified today were the 2nd Artillery Regt of the 2nd Para Div, the Technical Construction Co. No. 13, and the 6th Btry of the 301st AA Bn. The 2nd Artillery Regt was formed after the breakthrough in HOLLAND and of its 50 men only a few are experienced artillerymen. The Regt has 4 150mm infantry howitzers. The Technical Construction Co. No. 13 committed its skilled personnel, who were trained to repair bombed damaged bridges and roads, as infantry. The 6th Btry is 100 men strong and has 5 88mm guns. It is now under the 463rd Bn of the 22nd AA Div. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	MEANS	DATE
2nd Para Div			
2nd Regt	A6320	PW	11 Apr
2nd Arty Regt (Unit Paul)	A6320	PW	11 Apr
301st AA Bn			
6th Btry	A6320	PW	10 Apr
1st Technical Repl Bn			
Technical Constr Co 13	A6323	PW	10 Apr
253rd Trng Regt			
CT Feind	A6326	PW	09 Apr
CT Hesse	A6320	PW	10 Apr
CT Weber	A6326	PW	09 Apr
CT Schramm	A6326	PW	09 Apr
4th AA Div			
524th Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
471st Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
643rd Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
650th Bn	A5528	PW	10 Apr
243rd Bn	A5626	PW	08 Apr
Reichsarbeitsdienst			
245th Bn	A6427	PW	10 Apr
206th Bn	A6427	PW	10 Apr
Volkssturm ("Sauerland")	A6326	PW	09 Apr
Volkssturm Herne	A6427	PW	10 Apr

- d. Artillery - No new battery locations reported during period.

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2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- a. General summary - The enemy offered no resistance to our drive to the RIVER beyond occasional small arms and MG fire in the morning. Resistance stiffened in the LINDEN area on our right flank and the enemy retained a bridgehead there at the close of period.
- b. Operations of component elements:
 1. Artillery - SP fire was received at 1330 in the general vicinity of A6312. 12 rounds of 105mm fire fell in vicinity of A649150 at 1800. Horse-drawn artillery was moving SW at 1330 in vicinity of A6212.
 2. Armor - Two tanks were observed moving E in vicinity of A650105 at 1615. One tank was destroyed at A681132. Two tanks were seen at 1525 vicinity of A819285.
 3. Engineers - Bridges across the RIVER RIVER at A633134 and A661127 were blown at 1100.
 4. Infantry - Enemy foot troops were seen crossing bridge at A690142 moving E. They had some vehicles with them.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

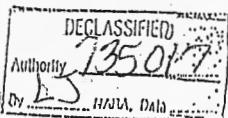
- a. Prisoners - 219 PWs passed thru Div cage since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 3,659. Grand total 20,796. Five enemy dead buried.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 175, 30 of which were killed and 145 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - 8th Armd Div contained a counterattack of 300 to 400 enemy troops and 3 to 5 tanks yesterday vicinity of A9726. The 75th Inf Div is meeting very little opposition other than scattered small arms and some high velocity fire.
- d. Weather - Fair in morning with increasing cloudiness and rain in afternoon.
- e. Password - TRICK reply TASK from 121200 to 131200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	C-4	1	134	4
IPW 60	1	MG	1	137	5
PI	1	CVO-Ord	1	320	4
VII	1	Surf-Chap	1	QM Co	1
Engr Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Bn	1	Hq Comdt	1	Ord Co	2
1103 Engr Gp	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	664 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	448 AAA	1
666 FA Bn	1	PRO (Rear)	1	AC	1
688 FA Bn	1	Ron Trp	1	PM	1
C/S	1	784 Tk Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
G-1	1	20th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
G-2	4	69 Chem Bn (Co A)	1	XVI Corps	1
G-3	1	183 Med Bn	1	OB	1

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G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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Auth: G-2 35th Inf Div
Init: [Signature]
Date: 12 April 1945

From: 111801
To : 121800
35th Inf Div
121800 April 1945

NO. 260

Maps: Germany 1/50,000. Sheets Nr. 57 and 58.

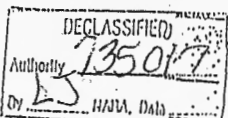
1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - The enemy front line is generally along the S bank of the RUHR RIVER with a pocket of resistance from A5915 to A6214.
- Defensive organization - The enemy was establishing a defense line along the high ground S of the RUHR RIVER.
- Units in contact - New units identified today were 16th Armd Engr Repl Bn, the 463rd Bn of the 22nd AA Div, 10-483rd Heavy AA Btry, 2nd Engr Bn of the 2nd Para Div and the 23rd AA Regt. The 16th Armd Engr Repl Bn has 3 Cos and latest reports place Co strength at 80 men. The chief task of the Bn is defending road blocks and demolishing bridges. The 463rd Bn consists of the 4th, 5th, 7th batteries plus the 6th battery of the 301st Bn. The 4th battery was blown up and all 70 men were committed as infantry. The 10-483rd Heavy AA Battery was originally the 2nd Battery of the 154th Heavy AA Bn. The 23rd AA Regt consists of Hungarians sent to this area for training purposes but not committed. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	STATUS	DATE
2nd Para Div			
2nd Regt	A6320	PW	11 Apr
2nd Arty Regt	A6320	PW	11 Apr
23rd Regt	A6513	Deserter	11 Apr
2nd Engr Bn	A6218	PW	11 Apr
116th Pz Div			
16th Engr Repl Bn	A6513	PW	11 Apr
22nd AA Div			
463rd Bn	A6218	PW	11 Apr
301st AA Bn (6th Btry)	A6320	PW	10 Apr
1st Tech. Repl Bn			
Tech Constr Co 13	A6218	PW	11 Apr
253rd Trng Regt			
CT Feind	A6326	PW	09 Apr
CT Hesse	A6218	PW	11 Apr
CT Weber	A6326	PW	09 Apr
CT Schraam	A6326	PW	09 Apr
4th AA Div			
524th Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
471st Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
643rd Bn	A6326	PW	09 Apr
650th Bn	A6528	PW	10 Apr
Reichsarbeitsdienst			
245th Bn	A6427	PW	10 Apr
206th Bn	A6427	PW	10 Apr
10-483rd AA Btry	A6513	PW	11 Apr
23rd AA Regt			
(Hungarians)	A6218	PW	11 Apr
Volkssturm	A6218	PW	11 Apr

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- d. Artillery - One gun of undetermined caliber was located vicinity A62031162. The forward areas received sporadic artillery fire during the day.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- a. General summary - The enemy resisted our efforts to rout him from the LINDEN bridgehead with small arms fire and artillery from the S bank of the RUHR RIVER.
- b. Operations of component elements:
1. Artillery - Sporadic artillery fire of estimated 88mm was received in the forward areas during the night. SP fire from the S bank of the RUHR RIVER has been falling among the leading elements of the LINDEN bridgehead.
 2. Aircraft - Two unidentified planes were over the 137th Inf area last night.
 3. Armor - Tanks or other track laying vehicles were heard S of the RUHR RIVER in vicinity of HERBEDE A6813 throughout the night.
 4. Infantry - Enemy was observed digging in S of the RUHR RIVER with much activity reported vicinity of A670132, A672138, A668138, A673136, A679143, and A678144. Light flare activity was reported during the hours of darkness.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

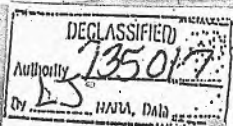
- a. Prisoners - 118 PWs passed thru Div cage since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 3,777. Grand total 20,914. One enemy dead buried.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 200, 40 of which were killed and 160 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - French civilian reports bridge at A699145 is mined in two places, with a partial roadblock at one end of bridge and protected by 2 or 3 machineguns. Bridge at A660128 is demolished.
- d. Weather - Fair during early part of period with increasing cloudiness and rain in afternoon.
- e. Password - HAGGLE reply HIGGLE from 131200 to 141200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

CIC	1	G-4	1	134	4
IPW 60	1	MC	1	137	5
PI	1	CWO-Ord	1	320	4
WII	1	Surg-Chap	1	QM Co	1
Engr Off	1	Sig Off	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Bn	1	Hq Comdt	1	Ord Co	1
1103 Engr Gp	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	448 AAA	1
666 FA Bn	1	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
788 FA Bn	1	Roa Trp	1	PM	1
C/S	1	784 Tk Bn	1	75th Inf Div	1
G-1	1	29th Inf Div	1	79th Inf Div	1
G-2	4	89 Chem Bn(Co A)	1	XVI Corps	2
G-3	1	183 Med Bn	1	OB	1

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S-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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Auth: CG 35th Inf Div

Init:

Date: 14 April 1945

35th Inf Div
141700 April 1945

NO. 261

Maps: Germany 1/100,000. Sheets No. N-5 and N-6.

1. ENEMY SITUATION:

- a. Enemy nearest elements - The 30th Div has element report enemy units of unknown strength at FORTITZ Y375340, POTSDAM Y450330, ROZPOWIE Y490325, CR Y520305, and SCHROEDERSBURG Y533409. No organized enemy resistance has been encountered W of the ELBE RIVER in the XIX Corps sector.
- b. Units in contact - See Order of Battle estimate attached.
- c. Artillery - Elements of the 30th Div received scattered artillery fire from enemy batteries located E of the ELBE RIVER 141200N. This was the first artillery fire that they had received in their advance between the VESPER and ELBE RIVERS.
- d. Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - See Order of Battle estimate attached.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS:

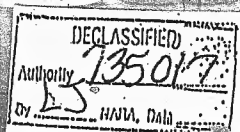
- a. General summary - Resistance E of the ELBE RIVER was scattered and ineffective and consisted almost entirely of small arms fire. Resistance E of the ELBE RIVER in the 2nd Arm Div area was heavy and tanks were employed against the bridgehead in the vicinity MACHENBURG D6698. The 83rd Div bridgehead vicinity D9783 received a counterattack this morning consisting of 2 Cos of infantry and tanks. The attack was repulsed by artillery fire.
- b. Operations of component elements:
 1. Artillery - Scattered artillery fire was received in the 30th Div sector from E of the ELBE RIVER.
 2. Aviation - Two P-51s strafed vicinity Y2015 at 132016N.
 3. Infantry - Scattered, isolated groups were encountered W of the ELBE RIVER. No organized resistance was encountered in the Corps sector except that directed at the bridgeheads across the RIVER.
 4. Tanks - Small groups of tanks were observed at D7390 and D7390 and tanks were employed in a counterattack against the 83rd Div bridgehead E of the ELBE RIVER this morning.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 379 PWs passed thru Div cpts since 121800. Total for this operation 475. Grand total 21,590.
- b. Miscellaneous - A soldier from 83d Div Co who feigned death describes the ambush involving three trucks and eight men at 2330 hrs 11 April in vic SHOBLAGH 06667. The three trucks were moving the last ctn of the supply point when one of the trucks became disabled. While engaged in removing the rations from the disabled truck an enemy force estimated to be 30 to 50 men fired on the group from both sides of the road and a brisk fire fight ensued. The enemy approached, removed a wristwatch, knife, and belt from a man prettially to be dead, and ordered the officer and two men into the one undamaged truck and withdrew. The remaining American dug in and, armed with two bazookas and a 50 cal machine gun, defended from that point until morning. Investigation the following morning revealed where the enemy had consumed rations that were on the truck. However, no trace of the whereabouts of the 2-1/2 ton truck or the missing personnel could be found.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

Another instance involving the ambush of 2 jeeps during the afternoon was reported. Proceeding on the road between the towns POSHICFAIR D5284 and WINNINGEN D5364 the vehicles were fired upon, killing an American soldier. Several of the enemy were killed and approx 15 boys 16 to 17 years old were apprehended.

The above enemy activities corroborate the statement made by a civilian that approx 600 SS and Paratroops are operating in bands of 50 to 60 men from wooded areas. These men are armed with machine pistols, pistols, Panzerfausts and machine guns. Their mission is to wipe out small groups of Americans. (See: 83rd Inf Div per Rpt #201)

Units will take every precaution in safeguarding of all classified documents and material. Incendiary grenades will be readily accessible for destruction of classified documents at all times. Continued inspections will be made to determine the presence of destructive material as prescribed by the Div SOP.

- c. Weather - High and middle clouds during early part of period becoming broken in late afternoon.
- d. Password - NILE reply GREEN from 151200 to 161200 April 1945.

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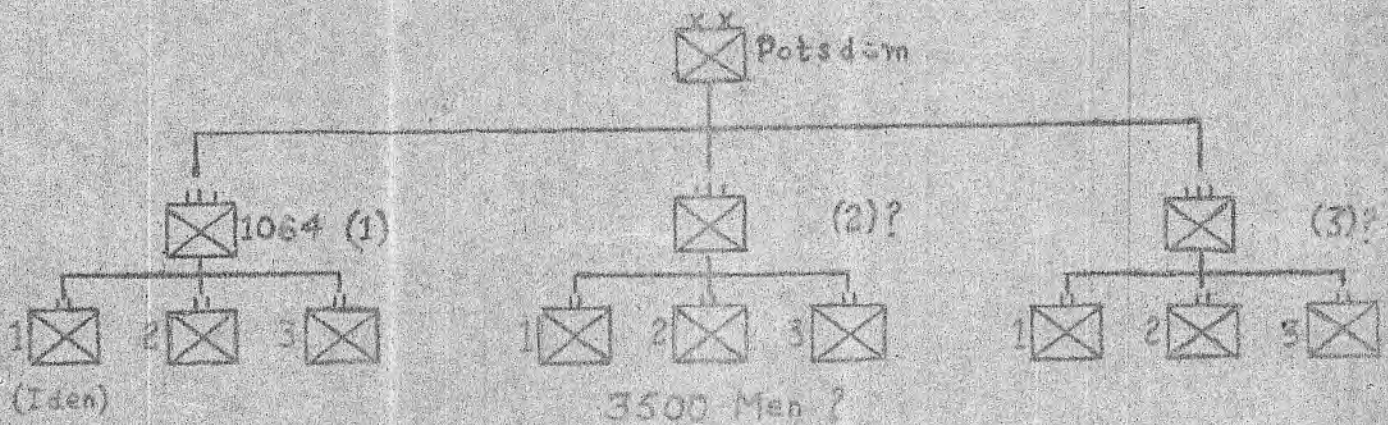
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Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Ord Co	2
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	Sig Co	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	664 TD	1
C/S	1	PRO (Rear)	1	448 AAA	1
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OB ESTIMATE UNITS IDENTIFIED ON CORPS FRONT 12-13 APRIL 1945



AT 13 Rpl
250 Men?

2 Alarm
100 Men?

17 Rpl
250 Men?

Reserves

Rpl (300-300 Men ea)?

Various Rpl - Tng Units
from W/K XI

Von Hueter
3000-4000 Men?

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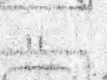
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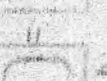
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Div. POTSDAM.

PR's taken via BARRY (D8582) identify 1st Bn of POTSDAM. Division named after city of POTSDAM part of Greater Berlin. Its state: mission to hold bridgehead W of ELBE RIVER via BARRY (D8582) miles N & S of it. Regts are also referred to as 3. Organization of Div: 3 Regts with 3 Bns has 3 Rifle Co's and Hvy Weapons Co. Armament: 60 M.P., rifles and 20 Panzerfaust each. Hvy V MGs, 2-105 Inf How, 8 - 80mm mortars. Organization AT Bn and Ron Bn not known at this time. Division formed via DORFMEITZ, near Berlin, for Personnel consists of Non-Com Officer Candidate Divisions, the SCHARNHORST and the VON HUETTER at the same time, for the defense of Berlin when Armies had crossed the ODER, for their assault.

82 various misc. Bns were also identified representing Bns of Inf, Bns & Armor from Wehrkreis X (Source 83rd Inf Div Po)

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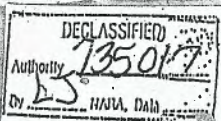
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G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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Auth: CG 35th Inf Div

Init: G-2

Date: 15 April 1945

From: 142400
To : 152400
35th Inf Div
152400 April 1945

NO. 262

Maps: Germany 1/100,000. Sheet No. 6.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - The enemy front line extends along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Defensive organization - The enemy is dug in on E bank of ELBE RIVER opposite TANGERMUNDE Y8747.
- Units in contact - Elements of enemy units are still being encountered as reported in OB Estimate of 14 April.
- Artillery - No artillery fire was reported on our units in the sector.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - No organized resistance was offered by the enemy. Groups of enemy troops surrendered upon contact today.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - No new battery positions located during period.
 - Aviation - One ME-262 flew over sector from W to E at 0704. One FW-190 was shot down vicinity Y255328 at 0737. Pilot was taken prisoner after reaching ground by parachute.
 - Engineers - Bridge at TANGERMUNDE Y8747 has been demolished. A minefield reported on both sides of road at Y7750.
 - Infantry - 600 enemy troops at GARDELEGEN Y4743 negotiated a surrender at 151130H.
 - Miscellaneous - PW who had been on E side of river reports that some tanks and artillery are moving into the woods at Y9249.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 618 PWs passed thru Div cove since 141800H. Total for this operation 1,094. Grand total 22,008.
- Miscellaneous - A number of hospitals, ammo dumps, AA guns, railroad guns, and planes have come into our possession as a result of this operation. 25 enemy planes in good condition were captured at Y8327. A train loaded with 30 to 40 V-2s was captured at Y785390.
All persons wearing German uniforms are to be picked up and evacuated thru PW channels regardless of any arm band they may be wearing. Any enemy weapons found stacked along roads are to be inspected by competent personnel to determine whether they are loaded before being picked up and evacuated.
Three PWs were ambushed and killed after dark at SHALCHAU Y6134 on 14 April. An officer was killed in another ambush at crossroads Y7435 after dark on 14 April.
- Weather - Cloudy in morning with scattered clouds in the afternoon. Occasional showers.
- Password - HALVE reply HOLE from 161200 to 171200 April 1945.

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Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Ord Co	1
Div Arty	6	PRO (Forward)	1	Sir Co	1
Div AT Off	1	Far Room	1	654 TD	1
C/S	1	PRO (Rear)	1	448 AAA	1
G-1	1	Con Trp	1	AG	1
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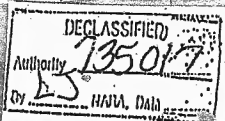
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134th Inf Div
10 April 1945

From: 152400
To: 162100
134th Inf Div
152100 April 1945

NO. 269

Map: Germany 1/100,000, Sheet No. 6.

ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - The enemy front line extends along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER. Isolated elements are being encountered in our rear areas.
- Defensive organization - Enemy is entrenched in foxholes and VC positions E side of the earth dyke which parallels the E bank of the river.
- Units in contact - See ON Estimate of 14 April.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - A column of troops was seen moving E at FRENCHLAND Y8036 and friendly artillery fire interrupted with its progress.

ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General Summary - Isolated elements of the enemy are being met in the rear areas. Considerable activity and movement of vehicles and personnel towards the E from vicinity Y8036 was observed during the period.
- Operations of component elements.
 - Artillery - A battery of 6 - 88s and 2 multiple barreled 20mm guns was located at Y82551161 and was fired upon. Three of the 88s were destroyed. Six rounds of 108mm fire fell vicinity Y845302 at 1445. Three rounds of 150mm fire were received vicinity Y867423 at 1800.
 - Airaction - Two FW-190s, flying NE to SE were seen vicinity Y823421 at 0753. No bombing or strafing was reported. Eleven FW 109s passed over TANGHEUNDE Y8046 from E to W at 0915.
 - Armor - One heavy and 3 light tanks were seen in vicinity of Y830400 at 1300. These tanks were abandoned.
 - Engineers - Bridge at Y895348 is out. Demolished railroad bridge at Y8953 can be crossed by foot troops. Enemy tank ditch is reported to be in vicinity Y9150.
 - Infantry - 150 to 200 soldiers on the W side of river vicinity of railroad bridge Y8953 are harassing our forward elements with small arms fire. Enemy patrols were encountered in area during the period, one in vicinity of Y8734 at 0150 and another vicinity Y810340 at 1800. Patrols were fired on and 4 enemy were captured. Friendly patrols received SP fire from vicinity Y906365.

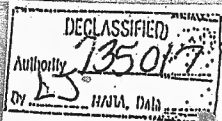
MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 1,394 PWs passed thru Div care since 152400. Total for this operation 2,466. Grand total 28,402. The 134th Inf Regt turned over 237 PWs to the 79th Inf Div while still in the RUHR POCKET. These figures are included in the grand total.
- Miscellaneous - 83 freight cars loaded with 24 - V-2s and 126 - V-1s are standing on railroad tracks at Y767395.
Location of airfield, which was reported to be at Y8327, should read Y8137.

Seven single-motor Junkers are dispersed in woods vicinity Y805381. Three bi-planes are dispersed vicinity Y8137.
Enemy radar station was found intact vicinity Y721305.
Railroad guns were captured at Y890324 and Y804425.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

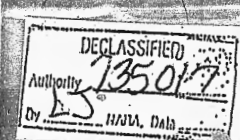
- c. Weather - Continued fog with scattered clouds.
- d. Password - HAND reply HANDLE from 171200 to 181200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

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G-1	1	Gen Trp	1	AG	1
G-2	4	784 Tk Bn	1	PM	1
G-3	1	50th Div	1	Engr Bn	1

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SPECIAL G-2 ESTIMATE

1. GENERAL

The German Army in the West has been virtually destroyed. Over 700,000 PWs have been taken since the 1st of Feb. Immense stores of equipment and supplies have been captured. The RUHR and SAAR industrial areas have been lost to the enemy. His last natural defensive lines between the East and West fronts have been overrun or penetrated. While it is true that in many places the enemy still resists with discipline and tenacity, yet his task is hopeless and his continued existence as a territorial unity in Europe is only a matter of a few weeks.

Since 30 Mar, the XII Corps has penetrated 250 miles into GERMANY - crossing the RUHR, the DORTMUND B'S, the WESER and now the ELBE - capturing more than 80,000 PWs during this drive.

Today as our assault crossing of the ELBE - last natural barrier before BERLIN - proceeds, we are forced by the exigency of the situation to consider aspects of the entire European battle - for our front lines lie only 70 miles from BERLIN and 120 miles from the Russian front. The lack of recent, specific enemy information from the Russian front makes the possibility of error in an estimate greater.

2. BETWEEN THE ELBE AND THE EAST FRONT

Convinced that the units in the West can no longer stop us and that the miscellaneous elements from the various Wehrkreise we enter can cause little more than brief delay, the only remaining vital question - will the enemy shift a potent mobile force from the East front to try to halt us?

It does not seem probable that a strong mobile force will be shifted to combat our attack. Rather our contact with the main forces on the Eastern front will come probably only after we penetrate their rear areas and the proximity of that front. Identification of an individual unit, however, would not be a surprise.

The bases for the above conclusion are many:

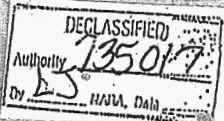
(1) Although disaster has confronted him for three weeks, no shift of forces from the East has been made. He has had time, and the German leadership would have transferred forces while they still had a natural barrier from which to defend before they lost their Western armies - if the capability consistent with their intentions existed.

(2) Though it is not thought the German leaders are deliberately allowing Western occupation as a preference to Russian advances, yet it is probably that the great national hatred of the Russians would at least subconsciously affect any military decision involving relative risks with the resultant tendency to provide every insurance that the Eastern front held.

(3) The German losses on the Russian front have been very high. It is estimated that units on that front are at about 1/3 of T/O strength. The loss of VIENNA and large numbers of troops in that area calls for more - not less - troops. It therefore seems probable from a military standpoint, that to avoid disaster on this front from present and potential drives, the enemy cannot spare the depleted forces he still has available.

(4) While logically our approach to the Eastern front should reduce his logistic problems and make transfer of troops swift and easy, yet our entry into the rear areas of his front will cause unlimited confusion. Actually his freedom of action will decrease as we move forward further - making any large, coordinated counterattack more and more difficult.

(5) The German policy in the East and the West in recent weeks has been to defend in place with forces available. This shift from the tactics of movement



of the once great German army is perhaps suffered by fuel and transportation shortages. Armies, not to speak of thousands of smaller groups of soldiers, are lost today in the East and West through this policy of defense in place of many hopeless situations. Not stupidity, but necessity must be the answer.

(6) If the vital threat of the XIII Corps were an isolated penetration, there would be more reason to suspect a heavy blow. But threats equally disastrous are developing to the south and north. Particularly if he has hopes of making a last stand in the mountains to the south, would he not risk committing large mobile forces on our front to be isolated from his possible redoubt by a union of the Third Army and the Russians to his south. If he splits what must be a meager reserve in the East to contain several critical threats in the West, then the resulting opposition will be no grave danger to any of our divisions. If he does not meet all spearheads, he has ruined little.

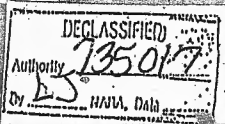
(7) The German Ninth Army holds the front in the East in the zone of our advances. This army of fourteen infantry divisions, together with the defense divisions and miscellaneous units in the BERLIN area cannot offer a powerful striking force to be shifted against us. Of 21 known relatively intact German Pz Divs on the East front, 17 are S of DRESDEN, 2 just N of DRESDEN (21 Pz, 25 PG), and the other 2 north of BERLIN. There is no reason to believe that these divisions are in much better shape than Pz units in the West before the RUINE crossings. The last known dispositions therefore, offer additional difficulties to commitment against us.

If he cannot, or will not, send a potent force from the East against us - then what will we meet?

It is probable that in the establishment of the Corps bridgehead only miscellaneous units will be contacted with perhaps some defense divisions or units from the BERLIN area - this to be supplemented by substantial artillery fire and sporadic air attacks on the bridge sites. Fifteen to 20 tanks operating in groups with infantry are an enemy capability. The enemy will make strong attempts with troops available to limit or eliminate the bridgehead. The more time the enemy has to collect elements of units and scattered tanks and assault guns, the more difficult our task - here or in any phase of the drive to the East. No defensive line will be met.

Driving East from the bridgehead for the next 60 kms, the resistance is likely to be varied. On the north as we approach the perimeter of BERLIN heavy resistance is probable from a rather well organized group of miscellaneous units or defense divisions with probably a great amount of dual purpose 88mm fire and fire from heavy artillery pieces. The BERLIN defenses have been hastily and recently constructed and are not of a system anything like those around AACHEN, but better than the hasty road blocks seen in many towns. On the south in this zone the situation should be more fluid with moderate resistance coming from miscellaneous units plus elements of divisions in reserve or refitting areas from the East front.

Finally in the last 80 kms west of the Eastern front we may expect a variety of enemy reaction with increasing problems for us. A large scale rush to surrender to American forces in preference to Russian captivity is not entirely unlikely. Contact with many elements of divisions facing both fronts in part, or almost complete identification of some of these divisions, is probable. Resistance in places may be temporarily very heavy, but the enemy's ability to sustain or exploit any success will be lacking. The enemy's great confusion as we drive into his rear areas necessitating him to face two directions, eliminating his sources of essential supplies, and rendering control even more impossible, will facilitate our contact with the Russians.



In addition to the problems the above will create for us, we may expect added concern from the necessity of coordinating with the Russians all of the questions that are difficult enough to arrange satisfactorily even between two American Armies or Corps at any time.

3. AFTER THE JUNCTION OF THE EAST AND WEST FRONTS

The first meeting of the East and West fronts is most likely in the zone of advance of the Ninth or Third Armies, with the area between these two Armies rapidly becoming solidly Allied.

As these fronts approach, it is not probable that the enemy will attempt any extensive extrication of his forces either to the north or south. Those units in the zone of our advance are likely to fight and surrender in place.

But once the junction has been made, continued resistance to the south, north and in BERLIN itself is probable. For the same tenacity that continues, what looks like national suicide today will surely motivate him tomorrow.

To The North

To the north with relatively limited forces, he can be expected to defend stubbornly along the north and BALTIC SEA ports. Even after he is forced back to the port cities, and after this pocket is further divided, some last, hopeless holding out is foreseen to deny us use of the northern ports and to enable him to continue limited submarine activity. The 13 divisions still in NORWAY cannot possibly be moved in any substantial numbers to the south.

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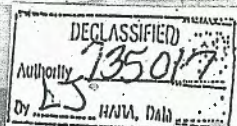
In BERLIN, an attempt to defend even after it is surrounded is visualized to maintain this symbol of national existence.

To the South

To the south, his forces and the terrain offer him most hope for continuation. A prepared national redoubt is not believed to exist, but the intention to use this area is likely. Here the natural line of the mountains around the perimeter of an area extending south to north ITALY includes some limited industrial capacity and land for the production of food. It is also true that the vast majority of his armor and SS personnel is conveniently located adjacent to his 'hold-out' as well as the 23 divisions now holding on the Italian front. However here he is already threatened from the East by a Russian drive through VIENNA up the DANUBE Valley which so far he has been unable to halt and which would destroy any hopes of long scale resistance on a practical scale.

The end is approaching too quickly to allow sufficient time for preparation of any effective area of continued resistance. This 'holding out' may postpone the conclusion of fighting, but at the most not more than a few months. The junction of the East and West fronts will greatly accelerate the growing enemy inclination to discontinue the struggle.

(SOURCE - G-2 XIX CORPS)



G-2 PERIOD. REF.

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th. CG 35th Inf Div

Init:

Date: 17 April 1945

From: 162100

To : 172100

35th Inf Div

172100 April 1945

NO. 264

Maps: Germany 1/100,000. Sheet No. 6.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- a. Enemy front line - Along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER, with bridgehead Y8934.
- b. Defensive organization - Enemy is dug in on the reverse slope of earth dyke at Y842255, Y860251 to Y868273 and at Y890410. Civilian reports OPe are in vicinity of Y886320 and Y889328, both armed with a MG each.
- c. Units in contact - KG Kley was identified today as an organized unit facing the Div.
- d. Artillery - SP gun was located at Y800300, 88mm gun located at Y897347, a 6-gun battery located at Y82592096. Two guns were located and fired on at Y886219 and Y896197. PW reports that 2 railroad AA guns are located at Y906327 and 3 artillery pieces, 105mm or 150mm, are in position along edge of woods at Y914323.
- e. Supply and administrative elements - Vehicles were observed moving in vicinity of Y910333. Artillery fire was put on them. Several gas dumps were hit and 2 tank cars filled with gasoline exploded after being hit. Civilian reports an oil barge in vicinity of Y896322.

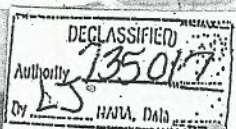
2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- a. General summary - Enemy patrolling was active and aggressive during period. Medium and light artillery fire was received by forward units during the day. Isolated groups of enemy were encountered and captured by motorized patrols in the rear areas.
- b. Operations of component elements:
 1. Artillery - Concentrations of artillery fell vicinity Y8735, Y881470, Y880355, Y82562151, Y881470, Y867427, Y3129, and Y875344.
 2. Aviation - One unidentified plane flew over 137th CP E to W at 0130. One unidentified plane crashed NW of TANGERMUNDE at 162315H.
 3. Infantry - Enemy, estimated 60 strong, attacked in 134th area vicinity of Y875345 at 0130 and gained some ground temporarily until forced to withdraw at 0200. A patrol crossed the river in vicinity of Y8326 at 0300 but withdrew when fired upon leaving three dead behind at Y819252. Five enemy in a boat were seen near the W bank of the ELBE in vicinity of Y884415 at 1115. Intermittent 20mm and mortar fire was received by 137th Regt at 1645. An enemy officer was killed and one enemy soldier captured in vicinity of Y857440 at 1440. Officer was identified as being from the Panzer Pioneer Repl Bn No. 5 whose mission was to build emplacements on E bank of ELBE.
 4. Miscellaneous - PW reports that a band of SS men armed and wearing uniforms is in vicinity of ACKENDORF Y4644. Three Poles were reported to have been killed by this band on 16 April. Displaced person states that another group, 100 to 160 strong, is operating from woods vicinity Y2122 to Y2536. This group is said to raid DOHREN Y2320 nightly for food and civilian clothing. An estimated platoon of enemy was reported to be in vicinity of WANNFELD Y5233 today. Ren and TD units picked up 3 PWs this vicinity late this afternoon.

A civilian who was challenged in vicinity of Y840305 early this morning opened fire killing one of our men and wounding another. Civilian escaped.

PW states that approximately 100 enemy have crossed ELBE RIVER and are established in a bridgehead at Y890355.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 683 PWs passed thru Div care since 162100. Total for this operation 3,171. Grand total 24,065.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 100, 15 of which were killed and 85 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - All U. S. and British PWs will be carefully screened at camps where uncovered. Only those actually requiring hospitalization will be evacuated thru medical channels. The remainder will be evacuated thru normal channels. Malnutrition cases, except those requiring hospitalization, will be evacuated thru normal channels. Medical department facilities permit the evacuation of only those individuals requiring hospitalization thru medical channels.

One 1/4 ton truck, apparently abandoned by the enemy, was found in vicinity of Y464397.

PW reports that a narrow-gauge railroad has been laid thru the woods vicinity of Y9045 and that 4 to 6 railroad runs are operating on the tracks.

Looks at Y89722989 are protected by 6 MGs and 1 SP gun, according to PW.

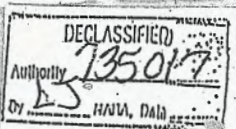
- d. Weather - Generally fair with scattered to broken clouds during the day and scattered to clear at night.
- e. Password - WHAT reply NEXT from 181200 to 191200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

XIII Corps	3	G-2	1	102nd Div	1
CIC	1	IO	1	134	4
OB	1	CIO-Ord	1	137	5
IFW CO	1	Surf-Chap	1	320	4
PI	2	Sig Off	1	QM Co	1
WII	2	Hq Comdt	1	Med Bn	1
Engr Off	2	Inf Co	1	Ord Co	2
Div Arty	2	PRO (Forward)	1	Sig Co	1
Div AT Off	1	War Room	1	CS4 TD	1
C/S	1	MG (Rear)	1	448 AAA	1
G-1	1	Rec Trp	1	AG	1
G-2	4	784 Tk Bn	1	78	1
G-3	2	30th Div	1	EMR Bn	1

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G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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Auth: CG 35th Inf Div
Init:
Date: 18 April 1945

From: 172100
To: 182100
35th Inf Div
182100 April 1945

NO. 265

Maps: Germany 1/100,000. Sheet No. 6.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - Enemy front line extends along E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Defensive organization - Enemy continues to dig in along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Units in contact - See OE Estimate of 14 April.
- Artillery - Batteries were located Y82592096, Y85572503 and Y83172245. A single gun was located at Y88462192.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - 25 to 50 foot troops were observed in woods vicinity Y8422.
- Supply and administrative elements - Vehicles, motorcycles and horses were heard moving E of river vicinity Y9140 at 0030. Considerable vehicular movement was observed in vicinity of BERCHLAND Y9035 at 0700. Two vehicles in vicinity of Y795218 were fired upon. Two barges were observed in vicinity of Y9532. Another barge in vicinity of Y7521 was fired upon by artillery.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Enemy bridgehead on the E bank of the ELBE in vicinity of Y894346 was eliminated in the early part of the period. Artillery fire was being received in increasing amount toward the close of period.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Concentrations of artillery fell vicinity Y858456, Y876344, Y877349, Y810296, Y806297.
 - Infantry - The enemy defended their bridgehead on the E bank of the ELBE RIVER strongly at first but gave way under fire and finally abandoned it after three enemy were killed and two wounded. An enemy squad was observed digging in vicinity of Y882462.
 - Miscellaneous - The city of MAGDEBURG Y6598 was taken today after a stiff fight. Sniping activity still continues but is gradually being eliminated, as reported by the 30th Div.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 233 PWs passed thru Div cage since 172100. Total for this operation 3,404. Grand total 24,318.
- Estimated enemy casualties 30, 5 of which were killed and 25 long term wounded.
- Miscellaneous - Repatriated soldiers state that American soldiers who are captured with German pistols on their persons are shot. All combat troops are to be informed of this practice. Personnel of this Div may mention the Cardelogen atrocity case in their correspondence.
- Weather - Light fog in morning clearing by noon with scattered clouds during the day.
- Password - FIGHT reply FORWARD from 191200 to 201200 April 1945.

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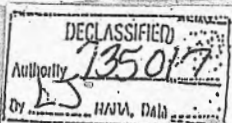
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DISTRIBUTION

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OR	1	CGO-Ord	1	137	5
INR	1	Surg-Chap	1	320	4
PI	1	Sig Off	1	24 Co	1
WII	1	Hq Comdt	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Ord Co	2
Div Artillery	6	PRO (Forward)	1	Sig Co	1
Div AT Co	1	War Room	1	654 TD	1
C/S	1	PRO (Rear)	1	448 AAA	1
G-1	2	Men Trp	1	AC	1
G-2	4	704 Tr Bn	1	TR	2
G-3	1	30th Div	2	Engr Bn	1
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FW REPORT ON THE "SONDERKOMMANDO W"

Silzer, Theo	Cpl	Age 21
Kruger, Ewald	"	" 30
Wiltonberger, Karl	"	" 22
Schmidt, Peter	Pvt	" 24

Identification: - All 4 FWs were members of Troop 16 Kommando #4. CO of Kommando #4: Lt Schraier. CO of Troop 16: Lt Beck.

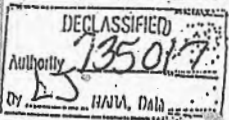
Four groups of Kommandos crossed the ELBE RIVER on night of 16 April. Sixty small rowboats, manned by local fishermen, were employed in the ferrying process and the Kommandos were landed along the W bank from ROGATZ Y7521 to KENNERT Y8023. An estimated 8 AT Kommandos, each AT Kommando consisting of 1 officer and 4 men, armed with 2 Panzerfausts and machine pistols, crossed at the same time. The 4 groups separated upon landing, the Kommando #4 proceeding to the LETZLINGER WALD where it spent 2 days in the woods near BORN Y5426. On the night of 18 April the 4 FWs deserted the Kommando as it moved out at 2000 towards the MESER-ELBE CANAL.

FWs state that the Kommando #4 is a sub-division of the "Sonderkommando W", an underground organization drawn from army and civilian ranks but not intermingled. The W stands for Werewolf. The Kommandos are formed in the Engineer OCS in ROSSLAU-DESSAU by Lt Col Wolf and consist of 5 officers and 26 men. Each Kommando is in turn composed of 4 troops, 1 officer and 6 men to a troop plus a headquarters consisting of commanding officer and 2 non-commissioned officers. Each man is equipped with 2 pistols and each troop with 2 rifles and 1 machine pistol. Each man carries 30 pounds of explosives and each troop is issued 5 pounds of putty-type explosive.

The Kommandos are an independent unit and cannot be incorporated into any regular unit.

The mission of Kommandos is to commit all sabotage possible by ambushing Allied vehicles and soldiers, blowing up bridges, ammo and gasoline dumps and mining roads. They are also to terrorize the civilian population. Kommandos are required to forage for their food and explosives.

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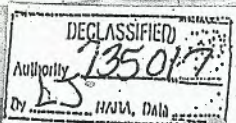
Interrogation of 4 Hitler Youth PWs reveals that 100 fanatical Nazis, recruited from the SS Luftwaffe and Hitler Youth Organizations, under the command of Lt Zock, equipped with Panzerfausts and MGs and 6 machine pistols, caliber 46 pistols, some semi-automatic rifles and the new type of hand grenade are operating from BLUMENTHAL vicinity Y79462169. The Kampfgruppe Zock has artillery support from 1 battery of 105s located vicinity of PARCHAU Y8221.

The Hitler Youth maintains day and night patrols in civilian clothes across the ELBE RIVER crossing in small boats from Y783227 to Y78522291. Their mission is reconnoitering the disposition of our forces, tanks and mortars in preparation for small scale attacks by assault groups of 20 to 30 men.

The 4 PWs had succeeded in crossing the river many times without being observed, even when crossing during daylight hours. They deserted when sent on their latest mission which was to reconnoiter SANDFURTH Y8326 and ROGATZ Y7420.

Three women are employed by the Kampfgruppe as spies. One of them is described as follows: Forty years old, round face and pale complexion and dark brown hair which is curled up in back, about 5 feet seven and medium build. She wears black slacks, a sweater with a dark jacket over it and rides a bicycle.

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G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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Init: [Signature]
Date: 19 April 1945

From: 182100
To : 192100
35th Inf Div
192100 April 1945

NO. 286

Maps: Germany 1/100,000. Sheet No. 6.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - Enemy front line extends along E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Defensive organization - Enemy continues to improve his defenses along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Units in contact - New unit identified today was Troop 16, Kommando No. 4 of the SONDERKOMMAND W. (See PW Interrogation Report attached)
- Artillery - Batteries were located at Y934374, Y932378, and Y898197. Railroad guns were reported at Y910440 and Y920220.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - Elements of the Clausewitz Div were reported in the DIESPORF and LINDHOF area Y1163 this afternoon.
- Supply and administrative elements - Ten vehicles crossed bridge vicinity Y899298 at 0845 going E. Convoy moved W from Y941357 to Y904353 then S to Y900325. Considerable vehicular traffic was observed between DERBIN Y8932 and PERCHLAND Y9035 at 0945. Artillery fire was placed on it and results were reported to be good.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Considerable vehicular movement was observed during the period moving generally E and S. Artillery fire increased in intensity during the period.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Concentrations of 105mm fire were received at Y80562964, Y80462991, Y181715, Y808296, and Y702187. Concentrations of 150mm fire fell at Y915352 and Y879349.
 - Aviation - One JU-88, flying from SE to NW, was fired upon vicinity Y816378 and apparently hit, early in period. Two enemy planes, which had crashed several days ago were found in vicinity of Y842457 today. Seven enemy dead were near the planes.
 - Engineers - Mines laid in vicinity Y5826 during the night disabled 2 friendly trucks today. This may be the work of Kommando No. 4. Bombs wired with fuses and firing devices were collected at Y719234 and will be destroyed tomorrow morning.
 - Infantry - Defensive positions on the E bank of ELBE are reported by a PW to be unoccupied but that patrols are protecting the dykes. PW further reported that there were CPs vicinity Y795218, Y79452167 and an artillery CP at Y79452168. Four 105s are located vicinity Y731095 and 2 railroad guns vicinity Y769104. Tank obstacles are set up at Y78621121, Y78601138 and Y78791161.
 - Miscellaneous - PW reports that a CT composed of 4 heavy tanks, 1 88mm SP, 1 88mm AT gun and 400 infantry proceeded last night from DIESPORF Y1166 to HANUM Y1168 to NEUFERCHAU Y2547 and then to KLOTZFOR EST Y3449. From here the CT was supposed to attack KLOTZ Y3253 this evening and proceed to SALZNEDEL Y3078.
CT of Div Clausewitz and some of the supporting troops were bombed by air and shelled by artillery in the area DIESPORF and LINDHOF Y1163 this afternoon.

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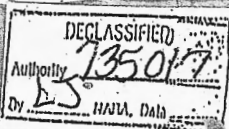
- a. Prisoners - 243 PWs passed thru Div cages since 182100. 610 PWs were captured by A and B Cos of the 137th Regt in rear areas and were processed thru cages of other units. Total for period 863. Total for this operation 4,257. Grand total 25,171.
- b. Weather - Fair in morning with scattered clouds in the afternoon with some light rain in the evening.
- c. Password - WAGE reply LAR from 201200 to 211200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

XIII Corps	3	G-4	1	102nd Div	1
CIC	1	MG	1	134	2
OP	1	OWO-Ord	1	137	5
IPW 60	1	Surg-Chap	1	320	4
PI	1	Sir Off	1	QV Co	1
MII	1	Hq Comdt	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Ord Co	2
1149th Engr Cp	1	PRO (Forward)	1	Sir Co	1
Div Arty	7	War Room	1	664 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	PRO (Rear)	1	448 AAA	1
C/S	1	Rec Trp	1	AC	1
G-1	1	781 Th Bn	1	FM	1
G-2	1	80th Div	1	Engr Bn	1
G-3	2				

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G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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 Init: A
 Date: 20 April 1945

From: 192100
 To: 202100
 38th Inf Div
 202100 April 1945

NO. 267

Maps: Germany 1/100,000. Sheet No. 6.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - Enemy front line extends along E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Defensive organization - Enemy continues to improve his defenses along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Units in contact - The 191st Inf Bn was reported by civilian line crosser to be in position along ELBE RIVER W of BURG Y8015. Locations of units identified thru PWs are as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	MEANS	DATE
326th VG Div			
751st Regt	Y630255	PW	20 Apr
753rd Regt	Y630255	PW	20 Apr

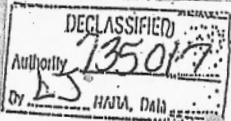
- Artillery - Four railroad guns vicinity Y915420, 3-run AA positions at Y922428, Y923429, Y953213 and a 4-run AA position Y826215 are seen on photos of 16 April.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - Civilian line crosser reports that the Muller Sp gun Bn is in SCHERVEN Y7811.
- Supply and administrative elements - Considerable vehicular activity was observed in vicinity Y9035, as well as movement E from INLEBURG Y8522. Three vehicles were fired upon near bridge vicinity Y825220. 30 to 40 vehicles are reported to be in pocket vicinity Y347482.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Artillery fire was light and sporadic during the period. Considerable vehicular movement continues E of the river in vicinity of FERCHLAND Y9035. Scattered groups of enemy are still being encountered in our rear areas.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Ten rounds of armor piercing shells landed vicinity Y857457 at 0150 and 6 rounds at 0225. Twenty rounds of heavy artillery fire fell vicinity Y8734.
 - Aviation - Two ME-109s, flying E to W, were over Div CP at 2025. Mission believed to be that of reconnaissance.
 - Infantry - Photos of 16 April reveal trenches vicinity Y910420, Y970470, Z016478, Y899355, and Y898332 to Y896338. Several 134th Regt PWs received small arms fire from woods W of ANCERT Y714255 at 1930.
 - Miscellaneous - The KG Zock is reported by PW to be establishing a new crossing site, also a cable line. Site of proposed crossing is unknown. Liberated American officers and men who escaped from Clausewitz Div report the strength of the Div is 800 men and that it has 20 SP guns, 30 half-tracks, some American 2-1/2 ton trucks and peeps. A German PW from this Div is reported, by XIII Corps, to have stated that Clausewitz Div jumped off at 0200 this morning with the HART MOUNTAINS as its objective.

The 5th Armd Div is in contact with the Totsdam Div and forced it to withdraw to the N and E. The entire divisional staff surrendered with the exception of the CG who deserted in preference to surrendering.

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3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 131 PWs passed thru Div cage since 192100. Total for this operation 4,388. Grand total 25,302.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 20, 5 of which were killed and 15 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - Two enemy officers and 6 enlisted men were captured vicinity of Y630257 this morning. One of our tanks was destroyed by Panzerfaust fire in this vicinity on the night of 19-20 April.
Gasoline dump vicinity Y902325 was hit by our artillery and set on fire.

Two PWs captured in vicinity Y7924 report that they were on a mission to locate our artillery positions.

Civilian line crosser reports that the airfield in BURG Y8015 is no longer useable, also that small roads in vicinity of Y7924 are very poor after rain.

Road blocks are reported to be set up vicinity Y772182 and Y765181.

PWs who were captured from the Werewolf organization (See G-2 Periodic Report No. 266) carried the following equipment: 20 blasting caps, 15 pull-type igniters, 55 blocks of TNT (7 ounces), 20 sticks of TNT, 8 grenades, 2- 2 lb blocks of TNT, 18 pull-type firing devices, 30 ft. of primacord, 150 ft. of copper wire (20 gauge), and 75 rounds of 31 caliber ammunition.

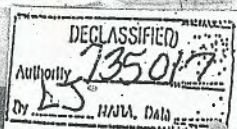
- d. Weather - Continued fair with high and middle clouds. Scattered showers near end of period.
- e. Password - BIRD reply CHIRP from 211200 to 221200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

KIII Corps	3	G-4	1	102nd Div	1
CIC	1	MG	1	134	4
OB	1	CWO-Ord	1	137	6
IPW 60	1	Surg-Chap	1	320	4
PI	1	Sig Off	1	3rd Co	1
WII	1	Hq Comdt	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Ord Co	2
1149th Eng'r Gp	1	PRO (Forward)	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	7	War Room	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	PRO (Rear)	1	448 AAA	1
C/S	1	Ron Trp	1	AG	1
G-1	1	784 Tk Bn	1	PM	1
G-2	4	30th Div	1	Engr Bn	1
G-3	1				

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1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

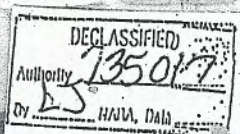
- Enemy front line - Enemy front line extends along E bank of the BLUE RIVER.
- Defensive organization - Enemy continues to improve his defenses along the S bank of the BLUE RIVER.
- Units in contact - Line crosser reports that one of our forces is in position along BLUE RIVER from Y443240 to Y443275. Units lost with the area been taken during the period are as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	DATE
6th AA Regt Bn	Y4018	21 Apr
12th AA Regt Bn	Y4018	21 Apr
13th AT Regt Bn	Y4018	21 Apr
49th AT Regt Bn	Y4018	21 Apr
48th Signal Regt Co. Inf	Y4018	21 Apr
9th Signal Regt Bn	Y4018	21 Apr
Mounted Inf Regt Bn 2	Y4018	21 Apr
Military School Potsdam	Y4018	21 Apr
WOC School Pilsen	Y4018	21 Apr
WOC School S 16	Y4018	21 Apr
11th Constr. Regt Bn	Y4018	21 Apr
Air Force Ground Crew Cardalegar	Y4552	21 Apr
64th American Inf Regt, 3rd Bn	Y4643	21 Apr
d. Artillery - Line crosser reports 2 88mm AA guns are located at Y443274 and an estimated 8 75mm Inf Howitzers are arranged along road vicinity Y443271.		

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Occasional artillery fire was received during the period. Small groups of enemy are still being encountered and destroyed in our rear areas.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Six rounds of 88mm fire fell vicinity Y443274 at 0330. Twelve rounds of 105mm fire fell vicinity Y443223 at 0750. 2 rounds of 105mm fire fell vicinity GREENE Y4725 at 1830.
 - Engineers - Teller mines and heavy traps were found vicinity Y403120. Line crosser reports road blocks at Y443219 and Y443226. An 8' ditch extends for 3-1/2m along both sides of road block.
 - Infantry - Four enemy captured today are believed to be part of a German patrol whose mission is to destroy our tanks. The enemy is reported to have dug in along road vicinity Y443240.
 - Miscellaneous - Several tanks crossed the 823rd AIR CANAL vicinity Y403095 at 0300. They were fired upon and 3 of them were knocked out. A 2-1/2 ton truck loaded with gasoline was found burning today vicinity Y408612 at noon. Displaced persons in vicinity state that Hitler youths and SS troops were responsible, and stated further that a Mark IV tank was in the woods. The front of the truck was killed by 70 bullets.

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2. Miscellaneous - Another truck was stopped by Panzerfaust fire vicinity 22100 at 1800 today. A friendly tank reconnoitering the area ran over a demolition charge which blew off one track.
A barge with enemy on board vicinity 108/23533 was hit and sunk at 1800.

3. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Prisoners - 149 PWs passed thru Div cage since 202100. Total for this operation 4,527. Grand total 25,451.
b. Estimated enemy casualties 20, 5 of which were killed and 15 being taken wounded.
c. Weather - Fair tonight with small amounts of clouds with showery conditions prevailing during middle of period gradually improving becoming clear by 220000. Fair to partly cloudy 23 to 25 April with heavy morning fog becoming clear by 1200. Generally fair 26-27 April with showers throughout period.
d. Password - Full reply HEAN from 221200 to 231200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

ATII Corps	2	G-4	1	102nd Div	1
CTC	1	MC	1	134	1
OR	1	CNO-Ord	1	137	1
IPW SO	2	Surp-Chap	1	320	1
PI	1	Sig Off	1	34 Co	1
MI	1	Hq Comdt	1	Med Bn	1
Engr Off	1	RS Co	1	Ord Co	1
1140th Barr Gp	1	PRO (Forward)	1	Sigs Co	1
Div Arty	7	War Room	1	654 TO	1
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C-2	4	30th Div	1	Engr Bn	1
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- a. Enemy front line - Enemy front line extends along E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- b. Defensive organization - Enemy continues to improve his defenses along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- c. Units in contact - Units from which IWA have been taken during the period are as follows:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Sanderson Field, Colorado Co, Tex 21	Y2019	22 Apr
2d Bn, 210 AC Bn, 4th Div	Y2020	22 Apr
1st Bn, 3rd Co	Y2021	22 Apr
7th Art Bn, 5th Div, 1st Bn	Y2022	22 Apr
1st Bn, 1st Div	Y2023	22 Apr
1st Sharpshooter School, 5th Co	Y2024	22 Apr
1st Regt Bn 17	Y2025	22 Apr
1st Division	Y2026	22 Apr
1st Force Research Dept, Ardmore	Y2027	22 Apr
1st Air Reg Squadron	Y2028	22 Apr
1st Field Squadron	Y2029	22 Apr
1st Force Helicopters, Birmingham	Y2030	22 Apr
1st Squadron 105	Y2031	22 Apr
1st Squadron 110	Y2032	22 Apr
1st School	Y2033	22 Apr

- d. Artillery - Photos of 17 April show 4-gun heavy AA battery on rail road cars at Y912231.
- e. Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - Thirty enemy were seen moving from HUNG Y8118 in direction of BRESEN Y8617 at 1830. Two columns of enemy, 50 men in first column and 30 in the second were moving into JENKCHOW Y9142 at 1840. Both columns were dispersed by friendly artillery fire.
- f. Supply and administrative elements - Two trains were seen moving NE to GERTIN 20091 at midnight. Rail and vehicular movement was noted in BRESEN Y8617 at 0930. P tugboat setting up steam vicinity Y782228 at 1630 was fired upon stopping all activity. Twelve enemy vehicles were seen parked along edge of woods vicinity Y100220 at 1500. No activity or indications of personnel was noted. Anti tank gun towed by truck passed Y790154 at 1630. 102nd Div reports movement by bicycles and heavy duty vehicles between SANBAU Y8074 and VULBAU Y8271.

a. General summary - After a barrage of 88mm fire in vicinity YB12294 at 2400, artillery fire was scattered throughout the remainder of period. Aggressive enemy patrol activity continued across the Bleg River and in the rear areas.

- Operations of component elements:
1. Artillery - Forty rounds of 81mm fire were received vicinity 1011550 and 15 to 20 rounds fell in vicinity Y805235 at 0015. Rocket fire concentrations were received vicinity Y807237 at 0025. Twelve rounds of 30r fire fell vicinity Y805340 at 1300. Another concentration was reported at Y805229.

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b. Operations of component elements (Continued)

2. Aviation - An unidentified plane flew over 137th area at 0200.
3. Engineers - Photos of 17 April reveal roadblocks covering S and E approaches to PARCHAU Y826215, Y830219, Y824215, Z008316, Z009460, and one at Z009460. Fifth Armd Div reports a mine field at Y3194. A mine dump was found vicinity Y704192.
4. Infantry - Peep in which American officer and driver were riding was hit and disabled by Panzerfaust fire vicinity Y680230. S/A fire was directed upon the officer and enlisted man and both were wounded. Two enemy who crossed the river were captured vicinity ROGATZ Y7521. Another 2-man enemy patrol attempting to ambush our outpost was fired upon and both enemy were killed. Two enemy patrols were seen moving E on road vicinity Y722246 then S into woods at Y712239. Patrols withdrew to woods when fired upon. An estimated 20 enemy were seen digging in at Y810227 at 1630.

120mm mortar fire fell vicinity Y878324 at 1230 and at 1245. Enemy AT gun at Y903353 was knocked out by mortar fire.

5. Miscellaneous - CT Clausewitz has been virtually eliminated, according to XIII Corps. Most of its equipment has been destroyed and PW states that casualties were very high. More than 260 PWs were taken in woods vicinity KLOTZE Y3152.

29th Div is resting with some resistance, mostly small arms fire vicinity X9778.

5th AD is meeting stiffening resistance as enemy bridgehead is being compressed.

Photos of 18 April show that NIEGRIPP Y7415 is being encircled by a trench system.

Enemy is reported to be laying communication lines from SCHARTAU Y7617 to NIEGRIPP Y7415 at 1630.

Two red flares 180 degs. and 2,000 yards from Y833265 were seen at 1945.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 106 PWs passed thru Div cage since 212100. Total for this operation 4,643. Grand total 25,557.

- b. Estimated enemy casualties 30, 5 of which were killed and 25 long term wounded.

- c. Miscellaneous - Radio devices sending a continuous beam were dropped by parachute vicinity Y7881 at 1700.

Four of 6 parked enemy vehicles at Y898328 were destroyed by artillery fire at 1640.

French sailor reports that German patrols crossed the river at Y781229. He states also that troops in BURC Y8116 are SS men; that 7 men form the outpost at Y788225 and that civilians are stopped by sentries at Y819178 and Y792163.

- d. Weather - Cloudy with occasional showers.

- e. Password - WINTER reply WIND from 231200 to 241200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

XIII Corps	3	G-4	1	102nd Div	1
CIC	1	MG	1	134	4
OB	1	CWO-Ord	1	137	5
IPW 60	1	Surg-Chap	1	320	4
PI	1	Sig Off	1	QM Co	1
VII	1	Hq Comdt	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Ord Co	2
1149th Engr Gp	1	PRO (Forward)	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	7	War Room	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	PRO (Rear)	1	448 AAA	1
C/S	1	Recn Trp	1	AG	1
G-1	1	784 Tk Bn	1	PM	1
G-2		30th Div	1	Engr Bn	1
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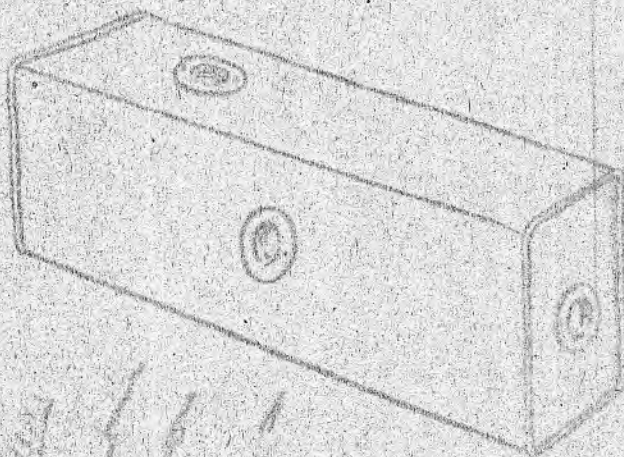
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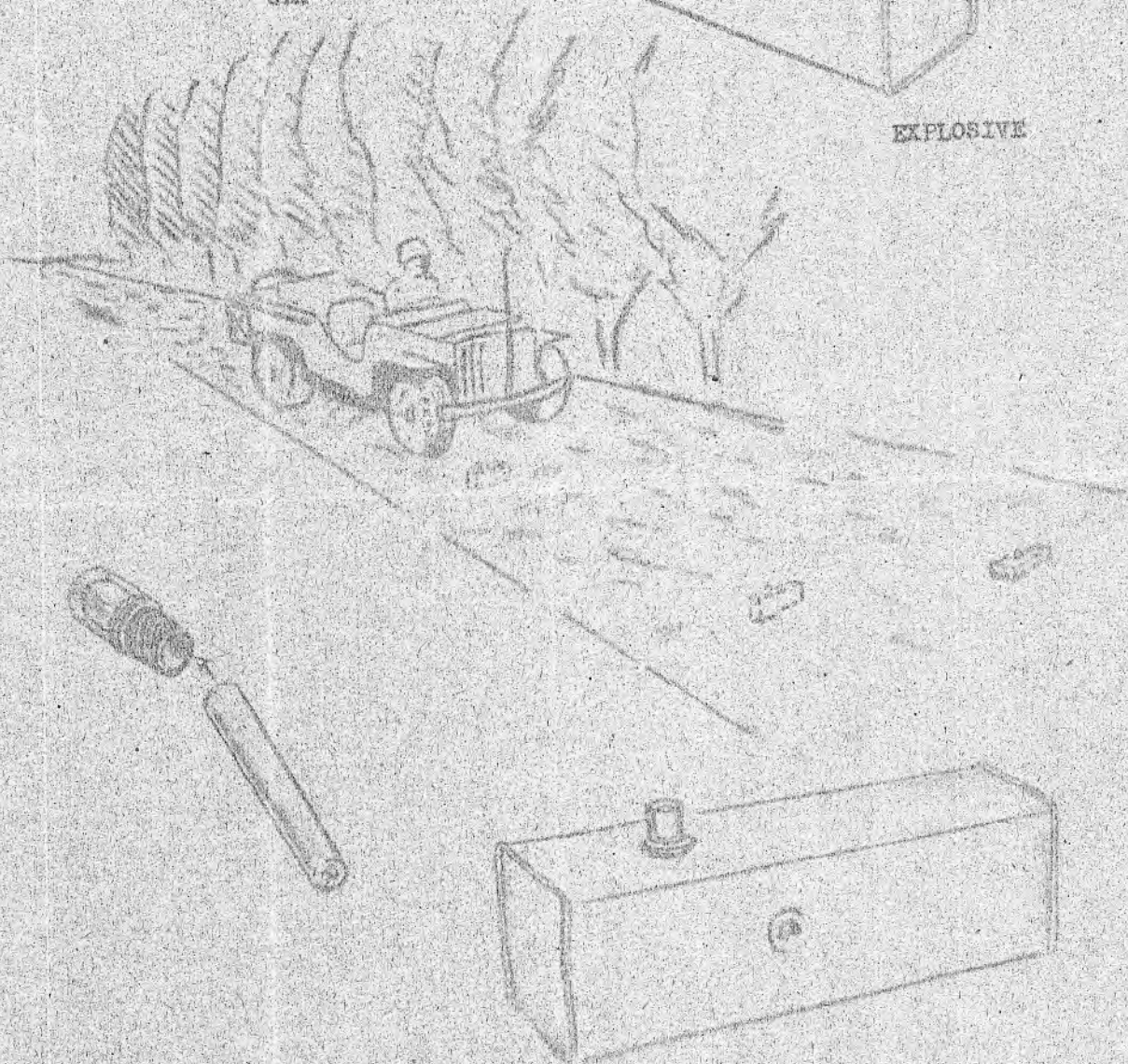
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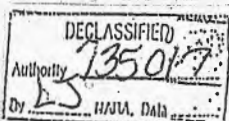
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Above sketches show details of mines placed on roads in Division rear areas by enemy personnel. Two 2-1/2 ton trucks were destroyed 191830 April vicinity Y5826 and one light tank was disabled 211830 April at Y598260 by demolitions of this type.



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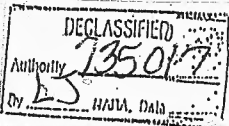
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HENST KONDRWEIT and GERHARD LANGE, two 15 year old German youths, were apprehended before dawn of 20 April in the vicinity of BERTINGEN Y7024 by 134th troops.

They were members of the KENNERTUCHTIGKEITSLAGER BRIG, an organization of about 80 boys from RUD and vicinity, all of the class of 1929. They received preliminary military training, were outfitted in regular Wehrmacht uniforms and were provided with Soldbuch. When volunteers were called for a dangerous job by HITLER JUSSER STABSPUNTER PORT Kondrweil and Lange were among the 14 youth selected. The volunteers were marched to the CP of Maj Muller who informed them that they would be employed as spies. They were given special passes permitting them to go to their homes to change into civilian clothes. The next afternoon they were assigned a specific area to cover, KATZ INTEL Y629, ROGAIZ Y7521, LOITSCHE Y7018, KOLBERT Y6613 and then back to BLUMENTHAL Y95227. The following morning at 0300 they were awakened and in company with two others boys on a similar mission were rowed across the river West of BLUMENTHAL. They were apprehended upon after landing and under questioning admitted that their mission was to spy out all American military positions, especially artillery positions, and strength and disposition of troops. They stated that 12 boys had been sent across the ELBE RIVER up to this time and that previous to their capture none of the others had been stopped beyond brief questioning by American guards.

No. 2

Unit "MAIR" is composed of volunteers and men especially trained at the War College in POTSDAM in demolitions and anti-tank measures. Capt Mahr commands the unit which is organized into six squads, each squad consisting of 14 men, one NCO and one officer. Officers and men are armed with a new radical machine pistol and Panzerfaust. The specific and only mission of the squads is to penetrate into our rear areas and destroy our tanks.



G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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Auth: CG 35th Inf Div

Init: Y

Date: 23 April 1945

From: 222100

To: 232100

35th Inf Div

232100 April 1945

NO. 270

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - Enemy front line extends along E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Defensive organization - Enemy continues to improve his defenses along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Units in contact - Units from which P's have been taken during the period are as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	DATE
125th AA Bn, GHQ	Y7734	22 Apr
740th Arty Repl Bn	Y7020	22 Apr
Para Convalescence Bn	Y6430	23 Apr
CT Grehlke (Alarm Bn Brunswick)	Y1517	22 Apr
3011 AA Bn	Y2113	22 Apr
Air Signal Bn 231 Co 30	Y3028	22 Apr
301st Fighter Squadron	Y2618	22 Apr
Air Signal Bn Alvease	Y3028	22 Apr
225th RAD Bn	Y2018	22 Apr
Air Force Research Dept, Cordeslogen	Y8732	21-22 Apr

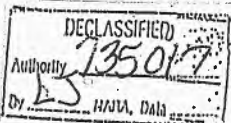
- Artillery - Suspected enemy batteries at Y91202220, Y868250, Y648227, Y913273, Y848232 and Y920270 were fired upon during the period.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - Displaced person reports that Freicorps Adolf Hitler personnel, 16 Hitler Youth, 50 soldiers and 12 others, moved from BLINVENTHAL Y7922 to a farm 3 kms S in vicinity Y795198.
- Supply and administrative elements - Rail movement was observed in RUC Y8015 at 1023. Enemy convoy moving S in vicinity Y827209 at close of period is being fired on.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Artillery fire was received throughout the period with a heavy concentration vicinity CORREL Y8029 at 0920. Fifty enemy of TF Zock attacked KEHNERT Y8124 this morning in an attempt to establish a bridgehead according to P's. The attack was contained. Red flares and later yellow flares were observed S and E of our positions.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Artillery - Twenty rounds fell vicinity Y7925 at 0720. 24 rounds fell vicinity ROGATZ Y7521 at 1640 and 12 more at 1805. 100 rounds fell in vicinity of CORREL Y8029 at 0920.
 - Aviation - Two Me-262s, flying E to W, were observed vicinity Y8015 at 1727. 1 ME-109 flew over 137th sector at 2020. Fighter type planes are reported taking off and landing on field vicinity NIELENOCK Y9435.
 - Engineers - A roadblock of very recent construction was removed vicinity Y844260.
 - Infantry - Eight-man enemy patrol was encountered on road between Y761246 and ROGATZ Y7521. Patrol withdrew under cover of fire. Fifty enemy engaged in fire fight in NE part of KEHNERT Y8124 at 0530; 17 were killed, 2 wounded and 12 were captured. According to W statement the attack was made to establish a bridgehead and to hold it for 2 days after which reinforcements would arrive. Red flares were seen SE of river during early part of period, yellow flares were observed later in period vicinity of ITZ Y8026 at 0400, 0406 and 0416.

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b. Operations of component elements (Continued)

5. Miscellaneous - Officer PW from 49th Arty Repl Bn states that two batteries of 128mm railroad AA guns are operating at night between BURG Y8015 and GENTHIN Z0132 and are hidden in the woods during the day. Two Nebelwerfers, 1 50mm and 2 10mm are operating from the same area.

Displaced person states that 20 enemy soldiers equipped with weapons are hiding in a barn near OTTERSBUERG Y6842.

Two locomotives were effectively disabled by artillery fire vicinity Y896237 at 1530.

Red smoke was observed vicinity Y8526 at 1720.

The 5th AD took DANNENBERG P2506 this morning.

The 84th Div contained a counterattack this morning vicinity P5002. Enemy force was estimated between 40 to 60 men and 2 officers.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 91 PWs passed thru Div cage since 222100 April. 470 PWs were processed thru other units by the 320th Inf Regt while attached to the 75th and 83rd Divs. Total for this operation 5,204. Grand total 26,118.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 50, 25 of which were killed and 25 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - PWs report that German agents are crossing our line dressed in civilian clothes with the letter P on their clothing similar to the one worn by displaced persons.

A large fire was observed in BURG Y8116 at 1915.

- d. Weather - Cloudy with occasional light rains.

- e. Password - WIDOW reply WOMAN from 241200 to 251200 April 1945.

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DISTRIBUTION

XIII Corps	3	G-4	1	102nd Div	1
CIC	1	MG	1	134	4
OB	1	CWO-Ord	1	137	5
IPW 60	1	Surg-Chap	1	320	4
PI	1	Sig Off	1	QM Co	1
MII	1	Hq Comdt	1	Red Bn	2
Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Ord Co	2
1149th Engr Op	1	PRO (Forward)	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	7	War Room	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	PRO (Rear)	1	448 AAA	1
C/S	1	Ren Trp	1	AG	1
G-1	1	784 Tk Bn	1	FW	1
G-2	4	30th Div	1	Engr Bn	1
G-3	1				

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G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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Auth: CO 35th Inf Div

Init:

Date: 24 April 1945

From: 232100

To : 242100

35th Inf Div

242100 April 1945

NO. 271

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - Enemy front line extends along E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Defensive organization - Enemy continues to improve his defenses along the E bank of the ELBE RIVER.
- Units in contact - Units from which PWs have been taken during the period are as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	DATE
CT Zupok	Y8123	23 Apr
Unit Boehning, Reserve Platoon	Y7916	23 "
CT Clausewitz	Y6245	23 "
Para Recuperation Bn 3	Y7441	23 "
401st Volks Arty Corps 15th Btry	Y6420	24 "
705th Arty Bn, HQ 1st Btry	Y6420	24 "
467th Repl Bn	Y8137	24 "
77th Fighter Sqdn	Y6547	23 "
2nd Para Repl Bn 2nd Co	Y6547	23 "
49th Arty Repl Bn	Y4729	23 "
19th Arty Repl Bn	Y6547	23 "
Proving Grounds Hillersleben	Y6547	23 "
Luftwaffe Signal Bn 6 2nd Co	Y7316	23 "
231st Luftwaffe Signal Bn 30th Co	Y3427	23 "
216th AA Bn 2nd Co	Y6426	24 "
Air Force Transport Column 149/VI	Y8735	23 "
272nd Div 272nd Arty Regt HQ	Y6847	23 "
Hospital Helmstedt	Y6420	24 "

- Artillery - No new artillery batteries located during period.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No changes.
- Supply and administrative elements - TAC R reports: 200 vehicles passed 21254 moving N at 1330, 30-40 vehicles passed 20132 moving N & S at 1330, 15 vehicles passed Y900982 moving N & W, 50 vehicles passed T525300 moving NW, 500 vehicles & tanks passed 2010966 moving NW at 1353. NW corner of Z square packed with vehicles three abreast. No markings on vehicles. Many vehicles were observed in JERICHOV Y9142 at 0500. Train of 10 cars left NURE Y8015 going E at 0810. Three 2-1/2 ton trucks were seen moving N on road between MEKOW Y9746 and TUST Y9748 at 1725.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - An unestimated number of enemy attempted to cross the ELBE RIVER N of KENNERT Y8124 at 2145 last night, but were forced to turn back under mortar fire. This was possibly another attempt to establish a bridgehead in the same vicinity where elements from CT Zook had been contained 20 hours previous with heavy loss to the enemy. No artillery fire reported during daylight hours. Mass movement of several hundred vehicles was reported heading NW at 1330. Vehicles had no markings.

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2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD (Continued)

b. Operations of component elements:

1. Artillery - Three rounds of time fire reported vicinity Y842422 at 2300.
2. Aviation - One jet propeller plane flew over Y7118 at 1025 and strafed road between LOITSCHE Y7018 and HEINRICHSBERG Y7316. One ME-262, flying E, passed over Div CP at 1655. Two ME-262s flew over 137th area going SW at 1726. Two ME-109s flew over same area at 2021 going W.
3. Infantry - Sounds of barges being loaded were heard on river vicinity Y878452 as well as considerable movement of personnel. Artillery fire was directed on scene of activity. An estimated 6-man enemy patrol drew fire vicinity Y795246 and withdrew into the woods leaving 2 dead. Two-man enemy patrols were observed crossing river to the E vicinity Y88352. Seven Kommandos, including 1 officer, were captured early in period vicinity Y465134.
4. Miscellaneous - Major General Martin Unrein, commanding general of the OT Clausewitz, was taken prisoner today.

Fifteen barrage balloons were raised over air strip in vicinity SCHWETZDORF Z0147 at 1000 but were lowered at 1420.

Ten enemy soldiers are reported by a friendly civilian to be hiding vicinity Y659468.

Two truck loads of enemy soldiers left TERBEN Y9032 going E at 1810.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 141 PWs passed thru Div cage since 232100. Total for this operation 5,345. Grand total 26,259.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 25, 5 of which were killed and 20 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - Civilians are apparently evacuating WERC Y8015. Much movement was observed at 0830, civilians were moving about with suitcases and packing carts.

A pistol made to resemble a belt buckle has been found in this vicinity. The buckle is black and has a silver colored swastika emblem spread-eagled on the front. The buckle is about 1"x2-1/2". The cover drops down and by pushing a button a two barreled .32 pistol flips out, pointing directly towards the front. By pressing two more buttons, the weapon can fire two more shots. If a person stood directly in front of the buckle he would be shot. This weapon is an actuality and has been examined in this headquarters. It is recommended that personnel capturing, or talking to any GERMAN with a belt buckle that resembles the above, be careful to make the person hold their hands behind their heads and to stand slightly to one side of the person.

(Source: XII Corps Through 79th Inf Div G-2 Per Rpt No. 69)

- d. Weather - Light overcast in morning clearing by noon.
- e. Password - RIVER reply RAFT from 251200 to 261200 April 1945.

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XIII Corps	3	G-4	1	102nd Div	1
CIC	1	MG	1	134	4
OR	1	CWC-Ord	1	137	5
IPW GO	1	Scrp-Chap	1	320	4
VI	1	Sig Off	1	2nd Co	1
VII	1	Hq Cordt	1	Med Bn	2
Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Ord Co	2
1149th Engr Cp	1	PRO (Forward)	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	1	War Room	1	654 TD	1
Div AT Off	1	PRO (Rear)	1	8 A&A	1
C/S	1	Gen Trp	1		1
G-1	1	784 Tk Bn	1		1
G-2	1	30th Div	1		1
G-3	1				

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To: 3d AFHQ, 3d AFHQ Div

Info:

Date: 25 April 1945

From: 242100

To: 752100

3d AFHQ Div

242100 April 1945

NO. 172

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - Enemy front line extends along E bank of the ELBE RIVER
- Defensive organization - No change
- Units in contact - Units from which PWs have been taken during the period are as follows:

UNIT	LOCATION	DATE
Teimat Flak Bn, 80/XI	Y0871	24 Apr
Hospital Battalion	Y3028	24 "
401st Volksgrenadier Corps Ctr, 2nd Bn, 1st Div	Y0735	25 "
307th Volksgrenadier Corps, 2nd Bn, 1st Div	Y0227	25 "
Hospital Battalion	Y0534	25 "

- Artillery - No new artillery batteries located during period.

- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.

- Supply and administrative elements - Three or 4 trucks and some enemy troops were moving S from JERICHO Y9142 at 1040, other movement N from JERICHO were observed at 1120. Two vehicles, displaying white panels, were seen vicinity Y905369.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Considerable flare activity occurred during the night. Friendly artillery fire was delivered on trains in the railroad yards at the town of BURG Y3116 at 0900. Artillery fire was falling in the town of BING at 1015 and all friendly artillery was silent at the time. German civilians that had crossed the ELBE RIVER last night said that the Russians had entered the towns of BRANDENBURG Z2834 and RATHENOW Z1255 early morning of 25 April. It has been observed by GCPs and AGPs that all movement of civilians and enemy troops N of ELBE has been on roads running N.

- Operations of component elements:

- Artillery - No enemy artillery received on forward elements during period.
- Aviation - Twin-engine unidentified plane passed over 2nd Bn, 137th Regt flying W to E at 0730. Two ME-109s passed over Y0838, flying SE to NE at 1135. No strafing or bombing reported.
- Infantry - Two white flares were observed at 2 minute intervals vicinity of Y088409 at 0030. Four red flares were seen at 0700 and some others E of the 137th Regt sector. Five red flares were seen E of the 134th Regt at 0210.
- Miscellaneous - Sounds of feverish activity with no attempts to suppress noise, came from JERICHO Y9035 and at JERICHO Y9142 at 0340. One unidentified man was injured by a mine vicinity of Y032752 by a demolition charge estimated to be a 4 pound TNT block activated with blasting cap and some type of push-pull device.

Major General Martin Unrein and Major General Jost were captured 24 April by Div personnel. (See annex for detailed report)

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 23 PWs passed thru Div cage since 242100. Total for this operation 2,428. Grand total 26,342.

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DISPATCHES (Continued)

- a. Estimated enemy casualties 15, 5 of which were killed and 20 long term wounded.
- b. Weather - Clear and warm.
- c. Password - Reply BRUSH from 201200 to 271200 April 1945.

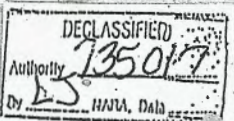
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OB	1	G-2-Ord	1	137	5
TRV BC	1	1st Lt. G-2	1	320	4
PI	1	Sig Bn	1	3rd Co	1
VII	1	1st Bn	1	1st Bn	2
3rd Bn	1	1st Co	1	Ord Co	2
114th Bn	1	1st Co (Forward)	1	Sig Co	1
Div Arty	1	1st Co (Rear)	1	1st Co	2
Div AT Bn	1	1st Co	1	44th Bn	1
G/S	1	1st Co	1	1st Co	1
G-1	1	1st Co	1	1st Co	2
G-2	1	1st Co	1	1st Co	1
G-3	1	1st Co	1	1st Co	1

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THE 36TH CAPTURES TWO GENERALS IN ONE DAY.

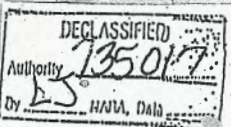
MAJOR GENERAL MARTIN UNREIN, CG of the Div CLAUSEWITZ
 HEINZ JOST, Major General of the SICHERHEITSPOLIZEI (Gestapo) and the
 SICHERHEITSDIENST (Intelligence Service of the Nazi Party)

Members of the 36th Recon Troop patrol were questioning some Poles near
 "ANNEFELD 5233 when two men dressed in civilian clothes approached on
 bicycles. They were stopped and questioned but unconvinced by their answers
 the Recon men took the two "civilians" into custody and brought them back for
 a more thorough interrogation. They removed their civilian clothing reveal-
 ing German General Staff uniforms and identified themselves as Major General
 Martin Unrein and Major Wilhelm Thomas, CG and G-3 of CLAUSEWITZ DIVISION
 respectively.

Major General Unrein, one of the three youngest generals in the German
 Army had been ordered by the German High Command on the 10th of April to
 form the Division Clausewitz. He gathered together elements from the
 "GROSSEDEUTSCHLAND", "FELD RHIFALIE" and "IKING" Divisions and by adding
 miscellaneous battalions from LAUFBERG he assembled a force of 6,000 men,
 although the original strength had been set at 12,000 men. The armored
 strength consisted of 80 Mark IV and Panther tanks, Recon cars and a large
 fleet of half-tracks.

Four days after its creation the Division was ordered to cross the
 ELBE and drive through to the HARTZ MTS. The crossing was accomplished in two
 groupings and the Division headed for the Allied positions at the point where
 the British and American sectors met. The first major encounter took place
 in VELZEN X9088 where heavy losses were sustained on both sides. Major
 General Unrein estimates that at least 150 American tanks and armored
 vehicles were destroyed in the surprise attack.

The Division took cover in the woods but its stay was short lived
 after a Piper cub plane spotted the Division. About 50% of the remainder of
 the Division became casualties in the bombing and shelling that followed.
 The remnants were forced to leave and proceeded to FALLENLEHREN Y0329 where
 they captured a bridge in a surprise attack but their tank strength was
 further reduced through accurate fire from American AT guns. The following
 night the swan song of the Clausewitz Division was sung when the lead tanks
 took the wrong turn and the General became separated from the Division. He
 took refuge in the ELB 7000 with 30 men and three half-tracks. American
 forces encircled the woods and a demand for the surrender of the Division was
 broadcast through a loudspeaker. Convinced that the Americans were under
 the impression that a large force still existed in the woods, General Unrein
 told his men to slip out as best they could and he and his G-3, Major William
 Thomas, took off in a car in an attempt to reach the ELBE RIVER and the
 German forces on the other side. A road block forced them to abandon the
 car and they proceeded on foot to the first village where they put civilian
 clothing over their uniforms and commandeered two bicycles. They were
 apprehended shortly afterwards.



Two members of the CIC Detachment attached to the 30th Inf Div, making a routine screening of BUTTNER received a tip that a high-ranking police chief was living nearby. Another source indicated that this police chief was a general.

They located the house and approached a woman who was standing in front of it. She said she lived in the house with her daughter but refused to say whether anyone else lived there. She consented to their searching the house, and they found Heinz Jost, who had just finished burning some papers. He admitted his connection with the Gestapo, and went on to reveal that he was the third ranking member of the Gestapo, second in succession to Himmler.

He held the following positions:

- Major General of the SICHERHEITSPOLIZEI (Gestapo)
- and Major General of the SICHERHEITSDIENST (Intelligence Service of the Nazi Party)

As head of the "AMT AUSLAND" of the SICHERHEITSPOLIZEI, he controlled all Gestapo activities outside the territorial limits of Germany. He denied any connection with the Gestapo since 1948 but notations on his driver's license indicated otherwise.

He was taken into custody.

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Date: 27 April 1945

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To : 262400

35th Inf Div

262400 April 1945

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Maps: Germany 1/100,000. Sheet No. N6.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- Enemy front line - No change.
- Defensive organization - No change.
- Units in contact - No change.
- Artillery - Negative.
- Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - No change.
- Supply and administrative elements - Vehicular movement was heard on road N of DERBEN Y9032 at 0737. Some of the vehicles were of the track laying type.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- General summary - Enemy operations during period were confined to evacuating personnel and equipment to the N and E.
- Operations of component elements:
 - Engineers - Another form of booby trap: - "NIPOLIT", a high explosive, camouflaged in the following ways is being left behind by the enemy:
 - Nipolit Raincoat - A sleeveless raincoat made of Teroplane silk with cotton lining in which sheets of Nipolit 114 centimeters long have been placed. The coat has a turn-down collar and three black buttons. is extremely heavy, and the Nipolit can be easily felt in the lining.
 - Talking Stick - This is made entirely of Nipolit and is 112 centimeters long including the curved handle. The handle pulls out, leaving a cavity in the stick for insertion of GAC Delay Fuse. Although the stick looks like normal wood, a small shaving from it will burn quickly when a match is held to it. (Source: Ninth US Army G-2 Periodic Report No. 233)
 - Infantry - 137th Inf Regt reports that G Co CP was fired upon from disabled barge on E side of river from Y869440. Some enemy were reported in a hunting lodge on hill vicinity C275815. White flag was raised over FERCHLAND Y9035 at 0800. Civilian states enemy troops left DERBEN Y9032 and FERCHLAND Y9035 during the night and went E leaving some Volksturm behind.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Prisoners - 5 PWs passed thru Div cage since 252100. 543 PWs taken by the 157th Inf Regt were processed thru the 102nd Div cage. Total PWs 548. Total for this operation 5,976. Grand total 26,890.
- Miscellaneous - Wood alcohol in brown bottles with porcelain stoppers was stolen by some Russians and distributed among Russian and American (Not of this Division) soldiers. The alcohol proved too strong for the thirsty celebrators and several of them have died and the rest are being treated for acute alcohol poisoning.

This report is the last G-2 Report to be issued for the phase of operations just completed.

- Password - WIRE reply RING from 281200 to 291200 April 1945.

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WII	1	Hq Cordt	1	Ord Co	2
Engr Off	1	Hq Co	1	Sig Co	1
C/S	1	PRO (Forward)	1	654 TD	1
G-1	1	War Room	1	448 AAA	1
G-2	4	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
G-3	1	Ren Trp	1	FM	1
		784 Tk Bn	1	Engr Bn	1

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NO. 277

Maps: Germany 1/100,000. Sheet Nos. P-3, P-4, N-3 and N-4.

1. **ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:**

Division was not in contact with the enemy during the period.

2. **ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:**

The units of the Division throughout the period rounded up and turned into the Division PWE members of the enemy armed forces and individuals who had been classified as security threats.

3. **MISCELLANEOUS:**

a. Prisoners - 237 Pws passed thru the Division cage during the period. Total for this operation 1,064. Grand total 27,954.

b. Miscellaneous - See Enemy Personnel attached as Annex No. 1.
See Method of Identification of Waffen SS attached as Annex No. 2.

See Identification of Russian Aircraft and Armored Vehicles attached as Annex No. 3.

320th Inf Regt reported that a check of 10 hospitals in the Regimental sector produced 154 members of the SS.

Two officers of the Hungarian Gendarmerie were arrested vicinity HILDESHEIM C5297. It is believed that other officers of this unit are in the sector.

The first day of May is the Russian Labor Day and incidents which may lead to violence may occur on the 1st, 2nd or 3rd of May. Precautionary steps should be taken to avoid any such incidents.

c. Weather - Fair tomorrow with low broken to scattered clouds and little change in temperature.

d. Password - RENT reply DUE from 011200 to 021200 May 1945.

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G-2	4	PRO (Rear)	1	AG	1
G-3	1	Rcn Trp	1	IM	1
		784 Tk Bn	1	Engr Bn	1

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HEADQUARTERS 35TH INFANTRY DIVISION
APO 35 U S ARMY

30 April 1945

ENEMY PERSONNEL

A mission of the 35th Inf Div is to destroy the Nazi Party, Secret Intelligence Agencies and German General Staff by arresting the following:

- A. All Waffen SS, all German General Staff Officers (Including Luftwaffe and Navy equivalents).
- B. The following members of German Police and Para-Military organizations:

1. ORDER POLICE - (Ordnungs Polizei ORPO)

All officers down to and including the rank of Oberst.

Comparative Ranks

1. Generaloberst der Polizei	General	
2. General der Polizei	General	
3. Generalleutnant	Lt Gen	(TO BE ARRESTED)
4. Generalmajor	Maj Gen	
5. Generalarzt	Brig Gen	
6. Oberst	Colonel	

7. Oberstleutnant	Lt Col	
8. Oberfeldarzt	"	
9. Oberfeldvetinar	"	
10. Major	Major	
11. Oberstabsarzt	"	
12. Oberstabsvetinar	"	
13. Hauptmann	Captain	(ONLY TO BE ARRESTED IF CONSTITUTE SE- CURITY THREAT)
14. Stabsarzt	"	
15. Stabsvetinar	"	
16. Waffenoberrevisor	"	
17. Leutnant	Lieutenant	
18. Assistenarzt	"	
19. Vetinar	"	
20. Waffenmeister	"	
21. Obermeister	Police Officials	
22. Meister	"	"
23. Hauptwachmeister	"	"
24. Revier Oberwachmeister	"	"
25. Zugwachmeister	"	"
26. Oberwachmeister	"	"
27. Wachmeister	"	"
28. Rottwachmeister	"	"
29. Unterwachmeister	"	"

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2. SS PROTECTIVE GUARD - (Allgemeine SS)

All officers and NCOs down to and including the rank of Unterscharführer and all female members.

Comparative Ranks

1. Reichsführer	General	
2. Oberstgruppenführer	"	
3. Obergruppenführer	"	
4. Gruppenführer	Lt Gen	
5. Brigadeführer	Maj Gen	
6. Oberführer	Brig Gen	(TO BE ARRESTED)
7. Standartenführer	Colonel	
8. Obersturmbannführer	Lt Col	
9. Sturmbannführer	Major	
10. Hauptsturmführer	Captain	
11. Obersturmführer	1st Lt	
12. Untersturmführer	2nd Lt	
13. Stabscharführer	v/Sgt	
14. Sturmscharführer	Rgt Spt Major	
15. Standartenoberjunker	Senior Off. Cadet	
16. Hauptscharführer	1st Sgt	
17. Oberscharführer	Tech Sgt	
18. Standartenjunker	Junior Off. Cadet	
19. Scharführer	S/Sgt	
20. Junker	NCO Candidate	
21. Unterscharführer	Sgt	

22. Rottenführer	Cpl	(ONLY TO BE ARRESTED
23. Sturmmann	Pfc	IF CONSTITUTE SE-
24. SS Mann	Pvt	CURITY THREAT)

3. NAZI PARTY STORM TROOPS - (SA Sturm Abteilung) & 4. NATIONAL SOCIALIST FLYING CORPS (NSFK)

All officers down to and including the rank of Sturmbannführer.

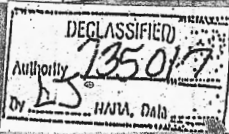
Comparative Ranks

1. Stabschef	General	
2. Obergruppenführer	General	(TO BE ARRESTED)
3. Gruppenführer	Lt Gen	
4. Brigadeführer	Maj Gen	
5. Oberführer	Brig Gen	
6. Standartenführer	Colonel	
7. Obersturmbannführer	Lt Col	
8. Sturmbannführer	Major	

9. Hauptsturmführer	Captain	
10. Obersturmführer	1st Lt	(ONLY TO BE ARRESTED
11. Sturmführer	2nd Lt	IF CONSTITUTE SE-
12. Haupttruppführer	v/Sgt	CURITY THREAT)

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12. Haupttruppführer	W/Sgt	<u>(ONLY TO BE ARRESTED IF CONSTITUTE SE- CURITY THREAT)</u>
13. Obertruppführer	Tech Sgt	
14. Truppführer	Tech Sgt	
15. Oberscharführer	S/Sgt	
16. Scharführer	Sgt	
17. Rotenführer	Cpl	
18. Obersturmmann	Pfc	
19. Sturmmann	Pvt	

7. GERMAN LABOR SERVICE - (Reichsarbeitsdienst RAD)

All officers down to and including the rank of Arbeitsführer.

1. Reichsarbeitsführer
2. Obergeneralarbeitsführer
3. Generalarbeitsführer (TO BE ARRESTED)
4. Oberstarbeitsführer
5. Arbeitsführer

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6. Oberstfeldmeister
 7. Feldmeister
 8. Unterfeldmeister
 9. Obertruppenführer (ONLY TO BE ARRESTED
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CURITY THREAT)
 10. Truppführer
 11. Obervormann
 12. Vormann
 13. Arbeitsmann

ORGANIZATION OF NAZI PARTY - (Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter Partei NSDAP)

1. Reichsleiter
2. Gauleiter
3. Hauptbefehlsleiter
4. Oberbefehlsleiter
5. Befehlsleiter
6. Hauptdienstleiter
7. Oberdienstleiter
8. Dienstleiter
9. Oberbereichsleiter
10. Bereichsleiter
11. Hauptabschnittsleiter
12. Oberabschnittsleiter
13. Abschnittsleiter
14. Hauptgemeinschaftsleiter
15. Obergemeinschaftsleiter
16. Obergemeinschaftsleiter
17. Gemeinschaftsleiter
18. Haupteinsatzleiter
19. Obereinsatzleiter
20. Einsatzleiter



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Comparative Ranks

15. Obertruppführer	T/Sgt
14. Truppführer	T/Sgt
13. Oberscharführer	S/Sgt
12. Scharführer	Sgt
11. Rottenführer	Cpl
10. Obersturmmann	Pfc
9. Sturmmann	Pvt

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5. HITLER YOUTH - (Hitler Jugend HJ)

All officers down to and including the rank of Stammführer.

1. Reichsjugendführer
2. Stabsführer der Reichsjugendführung
3. Obergerietsführer
4. Gebietsführer
5. Hauptbannführer
6. Oberbannführer
7. Bannführer
8. Oberstammführer
9. Stammführer

(TO BE ARRESTED)

10. Hauptgefolgschaftsführer
11. Obergefolgschaftsführer
12. Gefolgschaftsführer
13. Oberscharführer
14. Scharführer
15. Oberkameradschaftsführer
16. Kameradschaftsführer
17. Rottenführer
18. Hitlerjunge

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6. NAZI PARTY MOTOR TRANSPORT CORPS - (Nationalsozialistischer Kraftfahr
Korps NSKK)

All officers down to and including the rank of Staffelführer.

Comparative Ranks

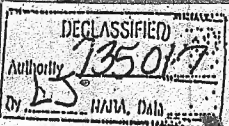
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3. Gruppenführer	Lt Gen
4. Brigadeführer	Maj Gen
5. Oberführer	Brig Gen
6. Standartenführer	Colonel
7. Oberstaffelführer	Lt Col
8. Staffelführer	Major

(TO BE ARRESTED)

9. Hauptsturmführer	Captain
10. Obersturmführer	1st Lt
11. Sturmführer	2nd Lt

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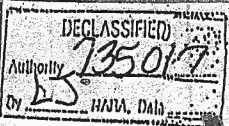
ORGANIZATION OF NAZI PARTY - (Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter
Partei NSDAP) (Continued)

- 21. Hauptbereitschaftsleiter
- 22. Oberbereitschaftsleiter
- 23. Bereitschaftsleiter
- 24. Hauptarbeitsleiter
- 25. Oberarbeitsleiter
- 26. Oberhelfer
- 27. Helfer
- 28. Politischer Leiteranwärter

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ANNEX NO. 2 - To Accompany G-2 Periodic Report No. 277, 30 April 1945

METHOD OF IDENTIFICATION OF WAFEN SS

Waffen SS members are known to have blood group markings tattooed under the left arm about one inch below the armpit. Information received from 21 Army Group indicates, however, that since January 1945, attempts have been made by many individuals possessing such tattoo marks to remove them either by cauterization or by the use of a silver nitrate pencil.

A reliable German medical officer has stated that he and other PW medical personnel have been approached with requests to remove these incrimination marks. It seems certain that PWs now know that these marks identify them as members of the SS and that they are doing everything possible to eradicate the marks. Many of these operations are self-performed.

It is believed that it is impossible to remove these tattoo marks without leaving scars; in many cases, where operations have presumably failed, large infected areas have been observed.

Any PW found to have scars which might indicate that tattoo marks have been removed will be considered as a possible member of the SS and will be treated accordingly until such time as interrogation either proves or disproves these suspicions.

(Source: 12th AG thru XVI Corps)

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ANNEX NO. 3 - To Accompany G-2 Periodic Report No. 277, 30 April 1945.

IDENTIFICATION OF RUSSIAN AIRCRAFT AND ARMORED VEHICLES

As our armies approach those of the Russians, there will be a natural tendency to identify as Russian any aircraft or armored vehicle, Allied or German, whose silhouette or markings are in doubt. This may lead us to unjustly attribute to the Russians any careless or hostile acts by such aircraft or tanks.

It is requested that the attention of commanders, especially those in forward areas, be invited to the present need for emphasis in retraining as regards the recognition of Russian aircraft and armored vehicles.

It is also requested that any reports relating to hostile acts by Russian aircraft and armored vehicles be carefully investigated and confirmed at lower levels before being passed to this headquarters.

(Source: SHAEF)

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