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Time	Seq. No.	Time	Incidents, Messages, Orders, e to;	Action Taken
0600	1	0600	Ammunition Report for 24 hr. period ending March 45: CANCELLED BY AUTHORITY OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL DOWNGRADING COMMITTEE 239 M48 155 M48 15 M57 72 Pozit Total: 105,148	DA
0940	2		Lt Col Reed, 216 CO, visited our CP.	S
1100	3		CSMO for everything but guns given to Btries.	T
1500	4		Bn movement delayed because of traffic of TF on roads.	DA
1615	5		Bn requested by Inf to send 10 trucks forward to haul infantry.	S
1925	6		Bn displaced.	S
2400	7		No casualties. Weather: Cooler, clear.	S

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Time	Time	Sec Y.	Time	Incidents, Messages, Orders, e to:	Action
To	Out	No.	Coded	(Day & Date)	Taken
	0100	8		Bn arrived at new position in town of Leuth, Germany after travelling 20 miles, coordinates 95.5-88.6 CP set up in stone farmhouse.	DA
	0125	9		B Btry reported ready to fire.	S
	0600	10		A mmunition Report for 24 hr period ending 0600, 2 March: No rounds fired. Grand Total: 103,148.	DA
	0800	11		Btries laid on emergency barrage with Charge I. En mortars landed in area near our position during night.	S
	0910	12		Reinforcing Bn reported Enemy shelling. Our Btries were warned to dig in.	T
	1000	13		German civilians found in town upon arrival were sent to Church in town for screening.	S
	1120	14		CO left for Inf.	S
	1200	15		Bn registered.	S
	1240	16		En shelling in vicinity of CP.	DA
	1245	17		Hq Btry moved to another location in town of Leuth, Germany.	S
	1306	18		Bn arrived at new location and set up FD and CP in restaurant bldg. Coord 958-055. A Btry reported that Pvt Bernard was a casualty as a result of Enemy action.	DA
	1315	19		Cannon Co, 137 Inf, atchd to FDC.	S
	1900	20		Btries given emergency barrages.	S
	2400	21		One (1) casualty in A Btry: Pvt Bernard. Weather: Clear, cold.	S

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To: 2400, 3 March 45

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Time	Seq. No.	Time Period	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. (Date & Hour)	Action Taken
0600	22		Ammunition Report for 24 hr period ending 0600 3 March 45: 15 M48 Grand Total: 103,163	DA
1230	23		Bn alerted for move.	S
1300	24		Men spent morning servicing equipment, etc.	
1715	25		Bn displaced to new position.	S
1915	26		Bn arrived at new position in town of Brockhuy-sen, Germany after travelling 8 miles. FD & CP set up in large bldg in town.	DA
2200	27		CSMO given to Btries.	T
2245	28		Bn displaced.	S
2400	29		Bn arrived at new position in town of Nieukirk, Germany after travelling 8 miles. FDC set up in large bldg in town.	DA
2400	30		No casualties. Weather: Cold, clear.	S

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Time		S. r. No.	Time (Date)	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc. (Date & Date)	Action Taken
In	Out				
	0600	31		Ammunition Report for 24 hr period ending 0600, 4 March 45: No rounds expended. Grand Total: 103,163	DA
	0835	32		CA team at CP advising on problem of German civilians.	S
	0845	33		PCS notified to go on rcn.	S
	0900	36		Col Dwyer, Div Arty Ex, visited CP.	S
	1000	37		CSMO.	T
	1030	38		Bn displaced.	DA
	1105	39		Bn arrived in town of Rheurdt after travelling 5 miles. Coor A 121-194 Nor De Guerre Zone Map Essen, Sheet Q-1, 1:100,000 FD & CP set up in town. During trip many homes seen flying white flags of surrender.	DA
	1250	40		Bn registered.	S
	1300	41		Close Support missions being fired for Inf.	S
	1500	42		Div Arty issued order on German civilians to be classified as PW's.	T
	2000	43		H & I fires given to Btries.	S
	2140	44		A Btry fired H & I and with first rounds struck an ammo dump.	S
	2400	45		No casualties. Weather, rain.	S

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To: 2400, 5 March 45

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Time	Se r.	Time	Incidents, Messages, Orders, & c:	Action	
In	Out	No.	Dated	(Day & Date)	Taken
	0001	46	H & I fires during night.		S
	0600	47	Ammunition Report for 24 hr period ending 0600, 5 March 45: 362 M48 273 M54 15 M57 <u>152 Pozit</u> 802 Grand Total: 103,965		DA
	0645	48	Bn commenced prep for Inf.		S
	0650	49	A FO reports prep fires very effective.		S
	0912	50	Bn began air registration on CP-1.		DA
	0935	51	Div Arty reported small arms fire to our near north.		S
	1100	52	Airplane reports a regiment of enemy in open. We adjusted fire and fired time fire. Ten Bns were adjusted on this area by Lt Nevenzel.		DA
	1330	53	CO left on rcn.		S
	1510	54	BC's were told to meet at CP & leave on RCN.		S
	1610	55	CSMO given to all Btries.		T
	1635	56	Bn displaced and travelled 5 miles.		S
	1720	57	Bn arrived at new position in town of Lintfort, Coor 169-234, Nor De Guerre Zone, Map Essen, Q-1, 1:100,000. FD & CP set up in brick bldgs.		DA
	1825	58	B Btry fired the first rounds across the Rhine River. They fired a Btry volley at Coor 2228-3125.		S
	2200	59	Defensive fires given to btries.		S
	2350	60	Pfc Cobb reported firing on German civilian emerging from building near CP.		S
	2400	61	Weather: Clear. No casualties.		S

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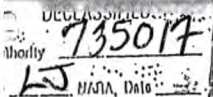
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To 2400 6 Mar 45
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Time		Ser. No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out			
	0510	62	Pvt Bennett, guard, reports civilians attempting to emerge from building where they were ordered to remain for night.	S
	0600	63	Ammo report for period 0600, 5 Mar 45 to 0600 6 Mar 45: 2 M57, 76 M54, 277 M48, 7 M84, 96 Pozit, Total 458, Grand Total, 104,423.	ID
	0805	64	Bn ordered to cease operations until further orders.	D
	1155	65	B Btry FO adjusted on enemy tank.	D
13	1805	66	Bn marked target for air strike with smoke.	D
	2100	67	Batteries given normal barrages and H and I fires for night.	D
	2200	68	TOT was fired by eleven battalions on town of Ossenberg.	D
	2400	69	No casualties. Weather, rain, cloudy.	S



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From 0001, 7 Mar 45

To: 2400, 7 Mar 45

Time		Ser. No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out			
0600		70	Ammo report for period 0600 6 Mar 45 to 0600, 7 Mar 45; 871 M48, 126 M54, 171 Pzit, 11 M57, 22 Red Smoke, Total 1201, Grand Total: 105,624	D
0720		71	Bn commenced fire missions for Inf attack.	D
0730		72	Bn fired constantly on observed missions.	D
1245		73	Recon party returned and advised that we would not move until to-morrow.	S
1910		74	En planes overhead.	S
2030		75	TOT fired for Div Arty	D
2300		76	H and I fires given to batteries for night fires.	D
2330		77	Report received from Inf that 9th Armored Inf Div crossed the Rhine. First American unit to make crossing for this war.	S
2400		78	No casualties. Weather, fair.	

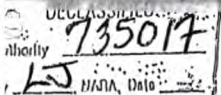
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To: 2400, 8 Mar 45

Time	Ser No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out		
	79	Prep fires commenced for Inf	D
	80	TOT fired for Div Arty	D
	81	A mmo report for period 0600, 7 Mar 45 to 0600, 8 Mar 45: 1669 M48, 104 M54, 5 M57, 69 Pozit, Total: 1847, Grand Total: 107,471	D
1310	82	B given GSMO.	D
1330	83	Bn displaced and traveled two miles to new position.	D
1350	84	Bn arrived at new position at Coor (202-277) Nor De Guerre Zone Q1, Map of Essen, 1:100,000. CP and EDC set up in basement of stucco house.	D
1430	85	Bn laid and ready to fire.	S
1450	86	Bn registered.	D
2210	87	Flares dropped to North of our position	S
2220	88	H and I fires commenced by batteries.	D
2400	89	No casualties. Weather, fair.	S



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From 0001, 9 Mar 45

To 2400, 9 Mar 45

Time		Ser No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out			
	0001	90	H and I fires during the night.	D
	0600	91	Ammo report for period 0600, 8 Mar 45 to 0600, 9 Mar 45, 789 M48, 68 M58, 21 M57, Total: 878, Grand Total, 108,349	D
	0630	92	Prep fired for infantry.	D
	1420	93	B Btry marked two points with Violet Smoke for an air strike.	D
	1715	94	Bn marked targets with smoke for air strike.	D
	2000	95	Bn fired TOT	D
	2100	96	H and I fires commenced for night.	D
	2400	97	No casualties. Weather, fair,. T/Sgt Potter promoted to M/Sgt, (Sgt Major), S/Sgt Hayes promoted to T/Sgt (Operations Sgt)	S

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From 0001 10 Mar 45

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In	Time Out	Ser No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
	0510	98	Prep fires commenced for Inf	D
	0600	99	A mmo report for period 0600, 9 Mar 45 to 0600, 10 Mar 45: 1508 M48, 179 M54, 10 M57, 12 Pozit, 85Violet, 27 Red, Total 1821, Grand Total, 110,170	D
	0630	100	Inf reports taking first objective after Artillery Prep.	D
	0705	101	Bn shelling in area of our position	S
	0830	102	S-2 received report that all Rhine bridges in this area have been blown up	S
	1015	103	Batteries alerted for displacement at 1300.	D
	1305	104	Bn displaced and traveled 5 miles to new position.	D
	1330	105	S/Sgt Oboza, in advance party, discovered two German soldiers in basement of a building that was to be used for billeting. One was armed with a BAR, and the other with a rifle. S/Sgt Oboza obtained assistance and captured the German soldiers.	D
	1400	106	Bn arrived at new position Coor (171-326), Nor De Guer e Zone, Map, Essen, Q1, 1:100,000. CP and FDC set up in basement of brick house.	D
	1500	107	Bn began registration	D
	2100	108	H and I fires commenced for night.	D
	2400	109	No casualties. Weather, cloudy.	S

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From 0001, 11 Mar 45

To 2400, 11 Mar 45
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Time		Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out			
	0600	110	Ammo report for period 0600, 10 Mar 45, to 0600, 11 Mar 45, 316 M48, 16 M54, 1 M57, Total: 333. Grand Total, 110,503	D
	0815	111	BCs ordered to report to CP at 0845.	S
	1130	112	Bn fired TOT on en tanks across the Rhine River.	D
	1130	113	Btries notified of Protestant Services and Catholic Services to be held in town at 1400 and 1530, respectively.	S
	1415	114	Div Arty ordered radio silence.	S
	1630	115	692nd FA Bn detached from reinforcing.	S
	2200	116	H and I fires started for night. To be continued until 0600.	D
	2400	117	No casualties. Weather, cloudy.	

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From 0001, 12 Mar 45

To 2400, 12 Mar 45
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Time		Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out			
	0600	118	Ammo report for period, 0600, 11 Mar 45 to 0600, 12 Mar 45: 147 M48, 30 M54, Total 177 rds. Grand Total, 110, 680	D
	1300	119	BGs notified of meeting at CP at 1400	S
	1300	120	LNOs of 75th Div arrived at CP, and were oriented before taking over the Bn sector.	S
	2400	121	No casualties. Weather, cloudy.	S

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From 0001, 13 Mar 45

TO 2400, 13 Mar 45
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In	Time Out	Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
	0600	122	Ammo report for period, 0600, 12 Mar 45 - to 0600, 13 Mar 45, 240 rds expended. Grand Total: 110, 920	D
	0800	123	Bn displaced to new position	D
	1000	124	Bn arrived in new position in town of Breyell, COOR (965-008) E, Map of Essen, Q 1, after traveling 28 miles. FDC and CP set up in stone building.	D
	1300	125	Men spent balance of day servicing and reloading equipment.	S
	2400	126	No casualties. Weather, clear.	S

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From 0001 , 14 Mar 45
TO 2400, 14 Mar 45
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Time		Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out			
	0600	127	No rounds expended. Grand Total, 110 920	D
	0900	128	Men of Bn left for road march.	D
	1300	129	Meeting of Officers and first fourth grades of NCOs to be held at 1600	S
	1430	130	Memorial services were held in the town theatre in memory of the deceased from the battalion. Services were held by Chaplain Belugum. Service Record histories were read on Officers by Lt Col Shaver; and the Service Record histories of the enlisted men were read by their respective Battery Commanders. Photographers took pictures of the Services.	S
	2400	131	No casualties. Weather, fair.	

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From 0001, 15 Mar 45

TO 2400, 15 Mar 45.

In	Time Out	Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc	Action Taken
	0600	132	No rounds expended. Grand Total, 110 920	S
	0830	133	Men of Bn left on road march.	D
	1830	134	Film shown for men of Bn	S
	2400	135	Day spent in servicing equipment. No casualties. Weather, cloudy	S

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From 0001, 16 Mar 45

TO 2400, 16 Mar 45
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Time		Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc.,	Action Taken
In	Out			
	0600	136	No rounds expended. Grand Total, 110,920	D
	0830	137	Bn left on road march.	D
	1200	138	Day was spent on servicing equipment.	S
	1830	139	Film shown for men of Bn	S
	2400	140	No casualties. Weather, fair. Lt Col Shaver presented the French Croix De Guerre, at Kaldenkirchen, Germany. Present- ation made by French Liaison Officer, with 21st Army Group.	S

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From 0001, 17 Mar 45

To 2400, 17 Mar 45
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In	Time Out	Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
	0600	141	No rounds expended. Grand Total, 110,920	S
	0830	142	Men of Bn left on road march.	S
	0900	143	CO left for Div Arty for Bn C meeting, and from there proceeded to new area on recon	S
	1200	144	Day spent in servicing equipment and vehicle maintenance.	S
	2400	145	No casualties. Weather, cloudy.	

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From 0001 18 Mar 45

To 2400 18 Mar 45
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In	Time Out	Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
	0600	146	No rounds expended. Men left on pass to Brussels.	S
	1300	147	Btries went forward on recon.	D
	1400	148	Protestant Services held in town	S
	1600	149	Films to be shown at 1630 and 2030	S
	1800	150	Special Service rations distributed.	S
	1820	151	S/Sgt Thompson, B Btry, accidentally shot in foot.	S
	2400	152	One casualty. Weather, fair. One O and 4 EM left for Brussels on 72 hour pass. One O and 8 EM left for Div rest camp at Trebeek, Holland. Five EM left for rest camp at Karkarde, Holland. One O and 3 EM left for 18th Reinforcement Depot to act as instructors for 2 week period in the training of reinforcements.	S

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From 0001 19 Mar 45

To 2400, 19 Mar 45

In	Time Out	Ser. No.	Messages, Orders, Incidents, etc.	Action Taken
	0600	153	No rounds expended. Grand Total, 110 920	S
	0600	154	Men left on pass to town of Brussels.	S
	0830	155	Men of Bn left on road march.	S
	0930	156	Guns of the Bn were calibrated. 84 rounds expended.	D
	2400	157	No casualties. Weather, fair.	

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From 0001, 20 Mar 45

To 2400, 20 Mar 45

Time	In	Out	Ser No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
		0600	158	Ammo report for period, 0400, 19 Mar 45 to 0600, 20 Mar 45; 84 M48, Total 84, Grand Total; 111004	D
	0700		159	Bn given alert for move to new position by infiltration. FDC and CP to move at 0930	S
	0930		160	Bn began to infiltrate to new position in town of Rheinberg.	D
	1045		161	Hq Btry arrived in new position in town of Rheinberg, Coor (209-286) after traveling 31 miles. Map Q1 Essen. FDC and CP set up in stone house.	D
	1130		162	Communications set up	D
	1600		163	En shelling area.	
	2000		164	Remainder of Bn arrived at new position.	D
	2400		165	No casualties. Weather, clear.	

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From 0001, 21 Mar 45

To 2400, 21 Mar 45
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Time		Ser. No.	Messages, Incidents, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
In	Out			
	0600	166	Ammo report; No rounds expended. Grand Total 111004	D
	1245	167	Bn registered.	D
	1500	168	En shell landed in immediate vicinity of CP	S
	1700	169	En shells landing in area of Bn position sporadically.	D
	1700	170	Col Belden, Div Arty, S-3, visited CP	S
	2400	171	No casualties. Weather, clear.	

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From 0001, 22 Mar 45

To 2400, 22 Mar 45
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Time	In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Orders, Messages, etc.	Action Taken
0600			172	Ammo report for period, 0600, 21 Mar 45 to 0600, 22 Mar 45; 47 M48, 30 M54, 3 M57, Total 80. Grand Total; 111084	D
1100			173	Men of Bn alerted not to be without cover during the hours of 1400 to 1600 because of en shelling.	S
2200			174	En shells landing sporadically in area.	D
2400			175	No casualties. Weather, clear.	

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From 0001, 23 Mar 45

To 2400, 23 Mar 45
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Time In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Orders, Messages, etc.	Action Taken
	0600	176	Ammo report for period, 22 Mar 45 to 0600 23 Mar 45; No rounds expended. Grand Total, 111084	D
	0900	177	Sgt Van Slyke, C Btry, struck by piece of shrapnel from en shell. Treated by Medics and given cluster to Purple Heart. Not incapacitated.	D
	0930	178	Fr bombers overhead, bombing directly East across the Rhine river.	S
	0940	179	Bn CO and S-3 left for Div Arty.	S
	1200	180	Fr planes still flying overhead.	S
	1600	181	Fr planes overhead.	S
	1710	182	Btry Execs to report to CP at 1800.	S
	1800	183	Btries given data for next phase of operations.	D
	1800	184	PX and Sp service rations distributed.	S
	1815	185	Col Williams visited CP.	S
	2230	186	Fr planes going over enemy in great force. En flak thrown at planes.	S
	2400	187	No casualties. Weather, clear, warm.	

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From 0001, 24 Mar 45

To 2400, 24 Mar 45
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Time	In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Orders, Messages, etc.	Action Taken
		0100	188	Prep fires begun for Inf crossing of Rhine River.	D
		0505	189	Reported that several objectives of Rhine crossing taken, and that British Commandos were in the town of Wesel.	S
		0600	190	Ammo report for period, 0600, 23 Mar 45 to 0600, 24 Mar 45; 1279 M48, 503 M54, 1128 Pozit, Total, 2910. Grand Total, 113994	D
		0600	191	Prep fires for 30th Div Inf continued.	D
		0800	192	Shelling of en across Rhine still continued by fr bns.	S
		0845	193	All AA and AA weapons ordered to keep guns covered from 0900 to 1400.	S
		0900	194	In first five hours of first phase of D Day for Rhine crossing, bn fired approximately 3000 rounds.	S
		1035	195	En shells landing in bn position.	D
		1130	196	Lt Col Weller and Maj Horner, 735th Ord at CP to check functioning of Ord material.	S
		1210	197	All btries notified to send trucks to Serv Btry to haul infantry.	D
		1320	198	Fr bombers overhead	S
		1530	199	Blackout on Div shoulder patches lifted.	S
		2400	200	Weather, clear. No casualties.	

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From 0001, 25 Mar 45

To 2400, 25 Mar 45
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In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Orders, Messages, etc.	Action Taken
	0100	201	Total rounds expended for past 24 hour period, 3982 rounds. 3809 66 these rounds were expended in the first twelve hours following the beginning of the preparation for the Rhine crossing at 0100, 24 Mar 45. 3025 of the rounds were fired within the first six hours of the preparation.	D
	0600	202	Ammo report for period 0600, 24 Mar 45 to 0600 25 Mar 45; 838 M48, 140 M54, 12 M57. Total 990 Grand Total; 114984.	D
	1300	203	Protestant services to be held in church in town at 1500.	S
	2330	204	En planes, attempting to strafe Rhine bridge in area shot down by AA.	D
	2400	205	No casualties. Weather, good.	

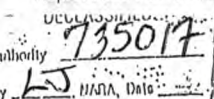
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In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Orders, Messages, etc.	Action Taken
	0100	206	En planes attempting to destroy Rhine bridge in our area.	S
	* 0530 0540	207	Advance party left on recon across Rhine river	D
	0600	208	Ammo report. No rounds expended. Grand Total; 114984	D
	0800	209	Men left for Paris on pass. To report in Paris on 27 Mar 45. Capt Clyde S. Smith, 1st Lt Charles E. Etchison, Pfc Phillip DeWald, T/4 Robert E. Stevens, S/Sgt Robert H. Cox, S/Sgt Paul E. Fleener, Pfc Morris M. Newlin, T/5 Albert G. Nolan, Pfc Grady R. Mann, T/5 Ariel F. Facey, 1st Sgt Ralph K. Thompson, Pvt William Morgan, Pvt Dewaine Fields, T/5 Frank M. Lamz	S
	1505	210	Bn given SSMO.	D
	1545	211	Bn left for new position.	D
	1702	212	Head of Bn column crossed the Rhine river.	D
	1750	213	Bn arrived at new position in town of Raymannshof, after traveling 12 miles. Coord (3230), Nord De Guerre Zone, Map Essen Q1, 1:100,000. CP set up in brick store building.	D
	1855	214	Bn began registration.	D
	1900	215	666 FA, 137 Cannon Co, reinforcing our fires.	D
	2130	216	FOs left to go forward.	D
	2400	217	En planes strafing Rhine bridge to west of bn position. No casualties. Weather fair for part of day. Hail and rain during our Rhine crossing. * Major Charles H. Browne, Jr., 1st Lt Leonard L. Charnay, M/Sgt John C. Abbey, T/Sgt Lewis Hayes, T/4 William J. Baugh, Tec Sgt Frank A. Weigand, T/5 Emmel F. Parker, T/5 George R. Bullock, Pfc William M. Constable, T/4 John W. Lindley, left Bn CP to meet 137th Inf advance party at bridge across Rhine river. Crossed Rhine river at 0600. They were the first members of this bn to reach the east side of the Rhine river. Recon, selection of positions and installations were made for the bn. The en had failed to evacuate their civilian population, and it was necessary to move them out of the buildings required for bn installations.	D



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From 0001, 27 Mar 45

To 2400, 27 Mar 45
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Time	In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
		0530	218	Bn fired prep fires for Inf	D
		0600	219	Ammor report for period, 0600, 26 Mar 45 to 0600, 27 Mar 45; 70 Pozit, 193 M48, Total 263. Grand Total, 115 247	D
		0815	220	Inf reported moving ahead rapidly with very little opposition.	S
		1000	221	CO left on recon.	S
		1115	222	CO returned from recon. Position to which we were to move to, not sufficiently cleared.	D
		1200	223	S/Sgt William C. Johnston of C Btry, left for seven day furlough to UK.	S
		1300	224	CO left on recon.	S
		1605	225	CO and Col Reed, 216 FA returned from recon.	S
		2130	226	A Btry reported 7 casualties from en shelling. Pfc Howard E. Jones, Donald L. Cranston, T/5, Pvt Lawrence G. Conard, evacuated. T/5 Chas S. Hayner, Pfc Joseph Kavecki, Pfc Thomas F Rich, T/5 Ray C Youngbauer, Pfc Thomas C Finley, treated, but not evacuated.	D
		2230	227	Reported that position of Div Arty was being shelled.	S
		2400	228	8 casualties for day. Weather, fair.	

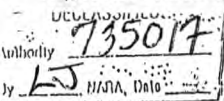
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From 0001 28 Mar 45

TO 2400 28 Mar 45
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Time In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
0300	229		H and I fires started to last until 0530	D
0530	230		Prep fires fired for Inf	D
0600	231		Ammo report for period 0600, 27 Mar 45 to 0600, 28 Mar 45: 1768 M48, 44 M54, 7 M57, 24 Pozit, Total 1843. Grand Total, 117090.	D
0800	232		BCs alerted for move, and requested to be at CP in 20 minutes.	D
0845	233		Bn given CSMO.	D
0920	234		Bn left for new position. Traveled three and three quarter miles.	D
0945	235		Arrived at new position, coor (358-295), Nord De Guerre Zone, Map Essen Q1, 1:100,000. CP set up in large brick and concrete building. Town of Brink, Germany.	D
1035	236		Btries laid and ready to fire.	S
1050	237		Col Boubel, 666 FA, visited CP.	S
1105	238		Btries ordered to safely destroy all powder bags when we left old positions, as Germans would pick up those we left behind.	S
1145	239		Several rounds of en arty landed in area of C Btry.	D
1505	240		Col Reed, 216 FA, visited CP.	S
1555	241		BCs and 1st Sgts ordered to CP.	S
1605	242		Capt Porter, Capt Fahle, and Capt Brown were decorated with Bronze Stars by Lt Col Shaver.	S
1615	243		Flames seen from German oil installation, Caused by our shelling.	D
1635	244		After fire mission for 137th Inf, 1st Bn, 60 German prisoners were taken.	D
1945	245		Bn fired on oil refinery for 137th Inf	D
2400	246		No casualties. Weather fair.	



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Time In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken
	0030	247	Missions still being fired for Inf.	D
	0500	248	En counter attack started.	D
	0600	249	Ammo report for period 0600, 28 Mar 45 to 0600, 29 Mar 45, 1422 M48, 33 M54, 33 M57, 138 Pozit, Total 1626. Grand Total, 118716.	D
	0700	250	Counter attack under control.	D
	0950	251	Bn CO and Btry COs left on recon.	D
	1050	252	CSMO given to Bn.	D
	1130	253	Bn displaced. Traveled three and one seventh miles.	S
	1145	254	Bn arrived at new position, town of Konigshardt, Germany, COOr (384-288), Nord De Guerre Zone, Map Essen, Q1, 1:100,000. CP and FDC set up in basement of brick house.	D
	1220	255	Btries laid and ready to fire.	D
	2200	256	H and I fires given to fires for night.	D
	2400	257	No casualties. Weather, rain	S

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From 0001 30 Mar 45

To 2400 30 Mar 45
(Date and Hour)

Time	In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.,	Action Taken
	0120		258	H and I fires during night.	D
	0515		259	TCT fired for Div Arty.	D
	0600		260	Prep fired for Inf.	D
	0600		261	Ammo report for period 0600 29 Mar 45 to 0600 30 Mar 45: 813 M48, 230 M54, 4 M84, 475 Pozit, 30 M57, Total 1552. Grand Total 120268	D
	1015		262	The 666 FA Bn was released, and the 127th FA Bn is now reinforcing our fires.	S
	1125		263	Bn CSMO given.	D
	1309		264	Bn displaced. Traveled 4 miles.	D
	1345		265	Bn arrived at new position and CP and FDC set up in large brick store building. COOR (439-297) Nord De Guerre Zone, Map Essen Q1, 1:100,000, near town of Rheinbaben.	D
	1430		266	Btries laid and ready to fire.	D
	1445		267	Bn registered.	D
	1615		268	CO left on recon	S
	1830		269	CO returned from recon.	D
	2130		270	BCs and parties alerted to move.	D
	2300		271	H and I fires given to btries.	D
	2400		272	No casualties. Weather fair.	S

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Time	In	Out	Ser. No.	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.,	Action Taken
		0600	273	Ammo report for period 0600 30 Mar 45 to 0600 31 Mar 45: 841 M48, 119 M54, 5 M57, 47 Pozit, Total, 1112. Grand Total, 121,380.	D
		0700	274	Fired Prep for Inf.	D
		0830	275	CO and BCs left on recon.	D
		0850	276	Bn Given CSMO.	D
		0910	277	Bn displaced. Traveled 7 miles.	D
		0955	278	Bn arrived at new position. CP and FDC set up in large brick house, near town of Butendorf, Germany, Coor (489-297), Nord De Guerre Zone, Map Essen Q1 1:100,000.	D
		1025	279	Btries laid and ready to fire.	D
		1055	280	Bn registered.	D
		1100	281	Pvt Charles W. Norris, radio operator with C FO became a casualty.	D
		1445	282	Bn CO left on recon.	D
		1620	283	CSMO given to Bn.	D
		1700	284	Bn displaced. Traveled 6 miles.	D
		1745	285	Arrived at new position. CP and FDC set up in basement of large building in town of Buar Erie, Germany, Coor (544-297), Nord De Guerre Zone, Map Essen Q1, 1:100, 000.	D
		1805	286	Btries laid and ready to fire.	D
		1830	287	Bn registered.	D
		1850	288	Capt Winslow of AA, reported that a bullet went through his jacket as he was standing on porch of a house. Btries warned of snipers. A Btry reported that stray machine gun bullets were falling into their positions.	S
		2100	289	H and I fires given to btries.	D
		2400	290	One casualty. Weather fair.	