

UNIT REPORT
No 11

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Unit: 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion
From: 01001 May 1945
To : 312400 May 1945

MAPS: Eastern France 1/50,000 Neuhury Sheet
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I. ENEMY

a. Units in Contact:
Not in contact with the enemy during the period.

b. Enemy Reserves - No contact

c. Enemy activity during period - No contact.

d. Enemy strength, material means, morale, and his probable knowledge of our situation - No contact.

e. Conclusions:

In as much as the mission of this unit has been to occupy, govern and secure the Landkreis of ZWEIBRUCKEN for the entire month this conclusion will be in the form of a summary of intelligence and counterintelligence activities.

For the period May 1 to May 9, the wire communication within the battalion and to higher headquarters were interrupted many times. Upon investigation some of these cases were known to be sabotage, inasmuch as lengths up to one hundred yards were cut out. In other cases the wires were cut with sharp instruments. After the formal surrender on May 9, no cases of sabotage have been reported.

All operational intelligence targets within the landkreis that had been previously reported and those discovered by this unit have been inspected and a report rendered. Personnel intelligence targets have been apprehended in those cases where the persons have been known to have been in the sector. Those apprehended have been turned over to Military Government Detachment 16A2.

This battalion registered civilian within the landkreis except the town of NIEDER-ADERBACH and ZWEIBRUCKEN which were registered by Military Government Detachment.

The German people in the sector seem willing to return to peaceful pursuits and have complied willingly with the Military Government ordinances. The security problem here has been the Russian displaced persons. In bands of from four to twenty they get out of the Camp at ZWEIBRUCKEN and terrorize the Germans by looting, pillaging and threatening. These groups have been picked up and returned to camp by our unit. In most cases they are caught before they get far from the camp. Russians usual demand is for food, drink and sometimes clothing. Plans are now under way to transfer them in the near future.

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II. OUR SITUATION

Location of troops:

Battalion Command Post, Company I, Locksmiths, Pioneer Platoon vicinity NIEDER-ADERBACH (W248730) Company B of and 2d Plat at RHEINSCHWEILER, 1 B at CONTWIG, 3 B at ALTHORNBRACH, Company C, at RHEINBERG, Reconnaissance Company at OTTERBERG, (W025005).

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BY AUTHORITY OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
William D Tafe 107 LT AB2
DOWNGRADING COMMITTEE 25 March 46

1. The battalion (-Ron Co) carrying out Military Government activities and maintained law and order in the ZWEIBRUCKEN landkreis. A Company controlling and supervising the operation of the Russian displaced persons center (62-656) in vicinity of ZWEIBRUCKEN, GERMANY. B Company maintaining guard post throughout area and collecting German ammunition and equipment. C Company maintaining guard post and collecting German ammunition and equipment in area. Reconnaissance Company (- Pion Plat) in 28th Division artillery reserve. Pioneer Platoon engaged in local security of Battalion Command Post and area reserve.

2. The assigned mission of the battalion was accomplished by placing guard post and check points at critical locations throughout the area. Civilians traveling without authorization were immediately picked up and turned over to the local Military Government for questioning. Also during the period all civilians in the landkreis were registered, A Company guarded and supplied the displaced persons camp.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE:

- a. Actual: Officers - 37; Warrant Officers - 1; Enlisted Men - 69.
Replacements Needed: Warrant Officers - 1.
- b. Battle Casualties: None
Non-battle casualties: EM 26, Inf 2, Wounded 1.
- c. Prisoners Captured: None
- d. Evacuations: Normal.
- e. Location of Battalion Supply Point: W739732, NEIDER-REINACH.
- f. Status of Supply: 1 days rations; 2 days gas; 15 days oil; basic load ammunition.
- g. Road not good. Circulation good.

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