

AFTER, AFTER ACTION REPORT
NO XII

FROM: 010001B May 1945
TO : 082400B May 1945

UNIT : 823rd Tank Destroyer Bn.
PLACE : GERMANY, Y685220
TIME : 181200B May 1945

MAPS: Central Europe, 1/100,000

823rd TD Bn., (Y380000), attached 30th Infantry Division
A Co., 823rd TD Bn., (Y456108)
B Co., 823rd TD Bn., (Y348069)
C Co., 823rd TD Bn., (Y343037)
Rcn Co., 823rd TD Bn., (Y359009)

01 May 1945

Unit is maintaining road blocks on the Autobahn to enforce current regulations, violators being brought to this headquarters and turned over to Military Government. The Bn was transporting a load of German prisoners to the PW cage, when 2 alert Rcn EM in a 1/4 ton observed one PW jump from the truck and try to make good his escape across the fields. The attempted escape failed and he was sent to GRS. One EM returned to C Co. from the hospital.

02 May 1945

Bn enjoyed a USO show, 2 performances being held during the afternoon. Unit continued administering Military Government in their area. 33 PWs were turned in to ARMOR cage. One EM returned to C Co. from the hospital.

03 May 1945

Unit evacuated a large number of French, Belgian, Dutch and Luxembourg Displaced Persons, enjoyed a picture show and received one M-10 from ordnance during the period.

04 May 1945

Remainder of the Displaced Persons in the area were sent to OSCHERSLEBEN to be transported from there to their homes. Lt DEUPREE was appointed I & E Officer and full time work was begun upon organizing the I & E Program. A noted improvement has been made by all companies on the maintenance of their equipment.

05 May 1945

Capt CRISSINGER and Capt SWANSON left for a weeks stay at the RIVIERA. 2 EM left for the USA under the rotation plan. Unit continued administration of Military Government.

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06 May 1945

696 Displaced Persons were received to be billeted and fed in the unit area.

07 May 1945

News was received of the Unconditional Surrender of Germany to the United States, Great Britain and Russia occurring at 070141B May 45 to become effective 090001B May 45. The news was taken calmly and regular activities of Military Government were carried on throughout the period. Lt. JACKSON returned to duty by way of the reinforcement system. An M-8, being used by the Pioneer platoon of Rcn Co for patrols, dropped over an embankment causing one NBI and the vehicle to be evacuated to ordnance.

08 May 1945

Due to the enlarging of the battalion area for Military Government, plans were made for shifting of platoons to include the new territory.