

Period: 1-31 May 45
Place : Peine, Germany
Coord : X7016
Date : 1 June 45

AFTER ACTION REPORT

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I HISTORICAL DATA

1. Assignments and attachments during period.

a. Hq. & Hq. Co., 6th TD Gp., continued assigned to Ninth United States Army and attached to XIII Corps Artillery.

2. Operational functions.

a. Commanding Officer, Hq. & Hq. Co., 6th TD Gp., served on the staff of the Corps Artillery Commander as the Antitank Officer. The Antitank Section was formed using the S-2 and S-3 staff sections of the Group.

b. Commanding Officer, Hq. & Hq. Co., 6th TD Gp., served on the staff of the Corps G-3 as Security Officer. The Security Section was formed also using the personnel of the S-2 and S-3 staff sections of the Group.

c. Hq. Co., 6th TD Gp., operated a mess for enlisted men under the control of the Headquarters Commandant, XIII Corps. Operation of the mess was under the immediate command of the Company Commander.

3. Operational movements.

a. The unit moved with Headquarters, XIII Corps as follows:

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>GP OPENED</u>	<u>GP CLOSED</u>
Klotze	Y3253	141100A May 45	141100A May 45
Peine	X7016	141600A May 45	

4. Status of Officer Personnel

<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>UNIT ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>ADDITIONAL DUTIES</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Col. F. T. Searcy	Commanding Officer	XIII Corps Antitank Officer	Transferred to 1st T.D. Brigade 19 May.
Lt. Col. N. F. Hein	Executive Officer		DS Br Staff Sch.
Maj. Truman Alford	S-4	XIII Corps Staff Officer	SD XIII Corps

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<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>UNIT ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>ADDITIONAL DUTIES</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Maj. M. B. Johnson	S-2 Assumed Command 26 May	Asst Corps Security Officer. Acting XIII Corps Antitank and Security Officer from 26 May.	SD XIII Corps.
Maj. R. H. Newbury	S-3 Assumed Command 19 May	Asst Corps Antitank Officer. Acting XIII Corps Antitank and Security Officer 19-26 May.	SD XIII Corps.
Capt. Paul Ellis	I & E Asst. S-3 until 28 May	Asst Corps Conference Room Officer 1-28 May	Transferred to XIII Corps 28 May.
Capt. G. B. Kirkpatrick	Com O & Hq Comdt		
Capt. T. M. Cook	Asst S-3	Athletic & Rec O	SD XIII Corps.
Capt. David Saltman	Asst S-2	Acting S-1, 29-31 ^{April} May	SD XIII Corps.
1st Lt. R. L. Martin	I & E Asst S-3 from 28 May	Asst Corps SSO until 28 May. Acting S-1 from 31 May	
1st Lt. R. W. Sullivan, Jr.			Transferred to NUSA, 19 May.
1st Lt. B. A. Baltz	Asst S-4 from 9 May		
2nd Lt. Albert Davis	Asst S-1		
Capt. R. B. Richardson	Chaplain		Transferred to NUSA 28 May
Capt. D. L. Pfeilschifter	Chaplain		SD XIII Corps
Capt. R. J. Arendt	Dental Officer		DS 625 Med Clr Co.
Capt. Michael Balistrella	Dental Officer		DS 625 Med Clr Co.

5. Personnel Strength

- a. Casualties: None
- b. Replacements received: 1 Officer, 6 Enlisted Men
- c. Personnel on DS: 3 Officers, 6 Enlisted Men
- d. Awards: None

II SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL FUNCTIONS

1. Antitank Staff Section

a. From the beginning of the period tank destroyer activities were devoted to Military Government duties, policing and patrolling in assigned areas, and guarding designated targets and installations. There was no antitank action.

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Two platoons, reinforcing artillery fire, were relieved 2 May. Two battalions housed and fed displaced persons and one battalion operated a prisoner of war cage.

b. Antitank staff section maintained contact with the TD battalions of the Corps to accomplish, until cessation of hostilities, continuous knowledge of any enemy armor appearing and to coordinate quick supply of battle loss replacements. Continuous knowledge of TD unit dispositions and activities, and status of vehicular equipment, was maintained.


2. Security Staff Section

a. The Security Section was responsible for security measures in Corps and also for the coordination of intelligence targets and other vital installations. At the beginning of the month the Corps had under its supervision five divisions and Corps artillery covering an area of 8,000 square miles.

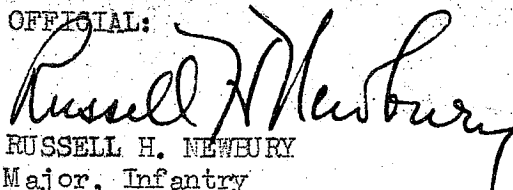
b. Installations were classified according to type such as military intelligence, military government, etc. according to the staff section interested. Where possible installations were either consumed, consolidated or eliminated as having no further military value. Additional installations were designated from time to time by higher headquarters or corps staff sections. The Security Section also investigated cases where a conflict arose as to the adequacy or necessity for guards and rendered a decision on same.

3. Enlisted Men's Mess

a. Headquarters Company, 6th TD Group, moved with Corps Headquarters and continued to operate a mess for enlisted men in the immediate area of the headquarters. This mess supplemented the regular mess operated by the Corps Headquarters Company by feeding miscellaneous detachments and visiting enlisted personnel.


WALTER B. JOHNSON
Major, Infantry
Commanding

OFFICIAL:


RUSSELL H. NEWBURY
Major, Infantry
Operations Officer

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