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 SECOND TANK DESTROYER GROUP  
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14 April 1945

**- ARTILLERY REPORT -**



No. 49 (Period 151200Z - 141200Z April 1945)

**1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:**

a. 2nd TD Group - Group remained in charge of Corps Reserve. Task Force consisting of Troop "A", 115th Cav cleaned pocket of resistance in a woods, capturing thirty-one (31) PW's. Coordinated AT defense in Corps sector. Operating security patrols via Corps GP. Captured eighty (80) PW's via Corps GP.

**b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:**

(1) 643rd TD Bn (SP) - Bn CP in CALKE, GERMANY. "A" Co across ELBE RIVER. "B" Co via BENZINGENRODE in support of 115th Cav protecting Corps E flank. 2 Plato of "C" Co crossed ELBE RIVER. Normal attachments continued.

(2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Bn moved to new location in BERNIGKESBROCK closing 1400 hours. Bn has one (1) plat., 750th Tank Bn atchd for mission in sector of CC"A". Co "C" via BAD-SALEHEIM w/plats disposed NE - N - NW of BAD-SALEHEIM in AT posns protecting assy area and prepared to cross ELBE RIVER on orders. Non Co maintaining roving security patrol in BAD-SALEHEIM for purpose of keeping civilians off streets.

(3) 801st TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co on road block mission S of BOSLAR. "B" Co maintaining road blocks via OKE and WIEDEMAN and Co "C" continued operations with 125th Cav Sqdrn in 80th Inf Div Zone of Action.

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b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:

(4) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - Bn moved to new location via FARSLEBERG closing 16305 hours. "A" Co in Corps Reserve via Kl. GERMERSLEBERG atchd 2nd TD Group. Unit operating security patrol via Corps CP. "D" Co S of EARLEBERG and Co "C" in ANGEREN with normal attachments. Unit destroyed one (1) Pz Jager during period.

	<u>645</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>801</u>	<u>823</u>
Tanks				1
Misc Weapons & Equip	1000	60	0	3
HE N/C Fired	212	377 (90mm)	0	45
APC		9 (90mm)	0	15
PW's	6	0	0	252
Guns Opnal	52 (M-18's)	35 (M-36's)	34 (T) 2 (M-18's)	34 (M-10's)

- \* Expended 49 - 15 April 1945, 2 MG nests and 4 20mm Dual Purpose guns.
- \*\* Expended 9 - 15 April 1945
- \*\*\* One (1) Locomotive

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No. 50 (Period 141200B - 151200B April 1945)

1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:

a. 2nd TD Group - Group remained in charge of Corps Reserve - no change in attachments. A Task Force consisting of Troop "A", 115th Cav cleaned the woods via Y1005 - finding no enemy. Task Force returned to assembly area in LANGENWEDDINGER, Corps Reserve operating security patrols via Corps GP with Troop "A", 115 Cav and Co "A", 823rd TD Bn patrolling NORTH and SOUTH areas respectively. Coordinated AT defense via Corps sector. Captured sixteen (16) PW's during period.

b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:

- (1) 643rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co via BARBY, GERMANY, w/plats across ELBE RIVER in direct posns SW of WALTERNIEBURG. "B" Co via BARBY with B-1 and B-3 across ELBE RIVER SW of WALTERNIEBURG and B-2 via BARBY. Co "C" via BARBY with plats across ELBE RIVER SW of WALTERNIEBURG. Unit destroyed one (1) tank - type undetermined.
- (2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Bn (-) moved via NETTINGEN. Co "A" (-) under Bn control fired 250 rds harassing fire (90ms HE) on targets selected by Div Arty. Co "A" relv'd indirect fire missions and moved Bn assembly area. Co "B" atchd CC"A" via INKLEBEN, GERMANY, remained in support of Task Forces prepared to cross ELBE CANAL on order. Co "C" atchd CC"B" remained on road blocks protecting assembly area, with C-1 via SCHLDE, C-2 via LICHTENBERG and C-3 via NETTINGEN, GERMANY.
- (3) 801st TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co in ILSENBURG w/plats on road block mission SE & S of WINGERODE and E of BAD HARBURG. "B" Co W of BAD HARBURG with plats on road blocks S of WINGERODE, and NE of BAD HARBURG. "C" Co cont'd operations with 125th Cav Sqdn operating in 30th Inf Div Zone of Action.

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b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:

- (4) "B" Co., 809th TD Bn(SP) - Atchd CC"B", 8th Arm'd Div. Reverted to XIX Corps control 15 April 1945. Located vic WEHRSTEDT, GERMANY.
- (5) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - Bn CP moved to MOSE, GERMANY. "A" Co vic Kl. GERMERSLEBEN atchd 2nd TD Group. "B" Co S of BARLEBEN. "C" Co remained in ANGERN, GERMANY. Unit destroyed one (1) enemy searchlight and one (1) barge during period.

	<u>643</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>801</u>	<u>823</u>
Mis Vehs & Equip	0	0	0	2
HE N/C Fired	27	256(90mm)	0	7
APC Fired	1	0	0	0
PW's	2	105	152*	9
Guns Opnl	52(M-18's)	35(M-36's)	34(T) 2(M-18's)	52(M-10's)

- \* 85 PW's captured period 122400Z-132400Z Apr 45.
- 104 PW's captured period 132400Z-142400Z Apr 45.

**ENEMY RECAPITULATION OF TANKS AND EQUIPMENT  
DESTROYED BY TD BNS IN XIX CORPS  
FROM 25 MAR - 7 APRIL  
RHINE TO HILDESHHEIM**

	<u>643</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>801</u>	<u>802</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>823</u>
Tanks	3	3	0	0	0	0
Mis Weap & Equip	0	15	0	0	4	4
HE N/C Fired	170	180	231	763	185	67
HEMG	0	0	52	0	0	0
APC	41	0	0	7	38	10
PW's	59	158	127	85	55	58

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- ARTILLERY REPORT -

No. 51 (Period 151200B - 161200B April 1945)

**1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:**

a. 2nd TD Group - Group remained in charge of Corps Reserve - no change in attachments. Corps Reserve operated security patrols via Corps CP with Troop "A", 118th Cav and Co "A", 823rd TD Bn patrolling NORTH and SOUTH areas respectively. Coordinated AT defense in Corps sector.

b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:

- (1) 643rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co via BARBY with plats in direct posns SW of WALTERNIENBURG. "B" Co via WALTERNIENBURG with plats in direct posns SW of WALTERNIENBURG. "C" Co via BADETZ with plats in direct posns SW and NW of BADETZ. Ren Co via CALBE, GERMANY. Bn knocked out two arty pieces and one (1) MG.
- (2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Co "A" (-) remained in Bn assembly area. L-2 in direct support of CC"R" protecting left flank. Co "B" atchd CC"A" in IRLEHEN with plats occupying AT posns protecting assembly area. Co "C" atchd CC"B" in BAD SALZELMEN, GERMANY.
- (3) 801st TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co via ILSENBURG with plats on road blocks SE and S of WINGERODE and E of BAD HARZBURG. Co "B" via GORLAR with plats on road blocks S of WINGERODE and NE of BAD HARZBURG. Co "C" cont'd operations in 30th Inf Div sector. Ren Co in BAD HARZBURG, 1st and 2nd plats supporting Co "A", 3rd plat supporting Co "B".
- (4) Co "B", 809th TD Bn - Co (-) via WEHRSTEDT, GERMANY. 1st plat atchd 88th Ren Sqdrn. via DERENBURG at 140930B. 2nd plat atchd 36th Tk Bn via EBERSLEBEN at 142100B. Co in direct support CC"B" on road blocks protecting Corps SOUTH flank.

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b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:

(5) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - "C" Co moving - otherwise no change.

	<u>643</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>801</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>823</u>
Mis Weapons & Equip	5	0	0	0	0
HE N/C Fired	114	0	0	0	49
AFC	5	0	0	0	0
PW's	7	0	91	27	15
Guns Opnal	32(M-18's)	36(M-36's)	34(T)	2(M-18) 8 (M-36's)	33(M-10's)

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**- ARTILLERY REPORT -**



No. 52 (Period 161200Z - 171200Z April 1945)

**1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:**

a. 2nd TD Group - Group remained in charge of Corps Reserve. At 162400Z Troop "A", 115th Cav plus one (1) Plat, "A" Co, 823rd TD Bn moved to vic D6487 to stop a reported counter-attack of 500 enemy infantry attempting to cross ELBE RIVER and attack the 83rd Inf Div's bridge site from the rear. The threat was found to be a strong enemy patrol and situation was restored. The Troop returned to same location (D60388) LANGENWEDDINGEN. "A" Co (-), 823rd TD Bn relieved of attachment 2nd TD Group 162400Z April 1945 and moved via N of VAHLDORF, A-2 atchd Troop "A", 115th Cav and is located via Troop "A" SP. Coordinated AT defense in Corps sector.

**b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:**

- (1) 843rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co no change. "B" Co atchd CG"X" 161600Z April 1945. Co destroyed 2 SP guns and lost one (1) M18 and had one (1) man killed and 4 wounded. "C" Co no change, in dispositions or missions - unit destroyed two (2) Mk IV's and one (1) Mk V during the period.
- (2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Bn alerted 161930Z April and sent Task Force to Kl. OTTERBLENEN, outposting the town with TD's and Engrs. Co "B" moved to SCALBENHUTZ in AT posns protecting CG"X" assembly area. Co "C" no change.
- (3) 501st TD Bn (SP) - No change.
- (4) 509th TD Bn (SP) Co "B" - No change.
- (5) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co (-) relieved attachment 2nd TD Group and moved to North of VAHLDORF, GERMANY. A-2 atchd Troop "A", 115th Cav in Corps Reserve. "C" Co moved via HORNWALSLEHEN. "B" Co no change.

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	<u>643</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>801</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>825</u>
Tanks	3	0	0	0	0
Mis Weapons & Equip	2	0	0	0	0
HE M/C Fired	78	0	0	0	0
APC Fired	43	0	0	0	0
FW's	0	238*	71	0	0
Guns Opnal	32(M-18's)	35(M-36's)	34(T)	2(M-18's) 8(M-36's)	33(M-10's)

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**- ARTILLERY REPORT -**

No. 53 (Period 171200Z - 181200Z April 1945)



**1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:**

a. End TD Group - Group remained in charge of a Corps Reserve. A-2, 823rd TD Bn was rel'd attachment to Trp "A", 115th Cav and moved via OLVENSTEDT, GERMANY. Coordinated AT defense in Corps sector. Operated security patrols via Corps CP.

**b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:**

- (1) 643rd TD Bn (SP) - No change. "A" Co knocked out one (1) C & R car expending 1 rd HE. "C" Co destroyed one (1) SP gun and one (1) HT on April 16 (not previously rptd).
- (2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Bn (-) via LANGENWEDDINGEN, GERMANY. The one (1) plat of 739 (PT) Tk Bn formerly atchd 702nd TD Bn was atchd to 2nd Bn, 41st Inf for attack on MAGDEBURG. Bn is prepared to support either combat command on order. Co's "B" and "C" no change.
- (3) 801st TD Bn (SP) - Bn CP moved via WERNIGERODEN. "B" Co via BAD HAEUBURG, GERMANY. No other changes.
- (4) 809th TD Bn (SP) - Bn (-) via WOLFENBUTTEL carrying on maintenance and rehabilitation. "B" Co sent'd road block mission protecting Corps S Flank. "C" Co via BRAUNSCHWEIG unit assisting CC"R" in security of area. "C" Co turned in remainder of M-18's drawing M-36's.
- (5) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" & "C" Co's atchd 117th Inf closely supporting atk on MAGDEBURG, with plats moving in on MAGDEBURG from the EAST through WILHELMSTADT. "B" Co atchd 120th Inf closely supporting the 120th attack on MAGDEBURG through NEUSTADT from the NORTH. Bn destroyed one (1) AT gun during the period and had four (4) KM MIA and two (2) KM MIA.

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Mig Weapons & Equip	3	0	0	0	1
HE N/C Fired	1	0	0	0	19
FW's	0	6	0	0	12
Guns Operat	34(M-18's)	35(M-36's)	34(T) 2(M-18's)	31(M-36's)	33(M-10's)

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No. 54 (Period 181200Z - 191200Z April 1945)

**1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:**

a. End TD Group - Group in charge of a Corps Reserve. Operated security patrols via Corps CP. Coordinated AT defense in Corps sector.

b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:

- (1) 643rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co atchd 329th RCT in E. part of WALTERNIEBURG with plats W of NUTHA and vic of GUTERGLUCK. "B" Co atchd CC"R" vic FLOTZ with plats W of GUTERGLUCK, vic of GERDEN, and SW of GUTERGLUCK, GERMANY. "C" Co atchd 531st RCT vic BADETZ, with plats SW of BADETZ, vic HOHENLEPTE, and W of BADETZ, GERMANY. All units organizing defensive direct fire posns E of the ELBE RIVER.
- (2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Bn (-) (Plus Co "B", 17th Engrs, atchd) remained in LANGENWEDDINGEN, GERMANY. End plat Co "A" remained in support of CC"R" protecting the left flank. Co "B" under CC"A" control moved to Gr. OTTERSLEBEN, GERMANY - all plats occupied AT posns protecting the assembly area. Co "C" under CC"R" control in BAD-SALZELMEN, GERMANY on road blocks.
- (3) 801st TD Bn (SP) - No change.
- (4) 809th TD Bn (SP) - No change.
- (5) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co atchd to 118th Inf moved vic DIESDORF. "B" Co atchd 120th Inf vic BARLEBEN, GERMANY with plats in assembly posns vic Co. CP. "C" Co atchd 117th Inf in MAGDEBURG with plats in assembly posns vic Co CP. "A" Co destroyed one (1) AT gun during previous period (not previously reported).

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Mis Weapons & Equip	0	0	0	0	1
HE N/C Fired	18	0	0	0	24
APC Fired	2	0	0	0	2
PW's	0	0	0	0	7
Guns Opnal.	35(M-18's)	35(M-36's)	34(T) 2(M-18's)	31(M-36's)	33(M-10's)

RECAPITULATION OF TD  
ACTIVITIES OF XIX CORPS  
Period 7 April - To Date  
(HILDERSHEIM to ELBE)



	<u>643</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>801</u>	<u>802*</u>	<u>809**</u>	<u>823***</u>
Tanks	5	1	1			1
Mis Weapons & Equip	16	20		8		8
HE N/C Fired	765	1216	49	155	5	246
APC Fired	75	62	4	56	8	17
PW's	400	518	670	68	156	374

\* Bn passed to control XVI Corps 091200Z April 1945.

\*\* Bn reverted to control XIX Corps 13 April 1945.

\*\*\* Period 25 March to 30 March, 1945, unit attached XVI Corps. Destroyed: four (4) tks, twenty-five (25) misc vehicles & equipment, took ten (10) PW's and fired 28 rds AP and 3571 rds AERC; not included in Periodic Rpt #296, XIX Corps Arty.

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**- ARTILLERY REPORT -**

No. 55 (Period 191200Z - 201200Z April 1945)

**1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:**

a. 2nd TD Group - Trp "A", 113th Cav remained atnd 2nd TD Grp -- cont'd operating security patrols vic Corps CP.

b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:

- (1) 643rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" & "C" Co's no change. "B" Co atnd 320th RCT as of 191500Z April 1945 - vic FLOTZ, GERMANY.
- (2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Co "C" moved vic of WESTER-HUSEN, GERMANY. Plats remained in AT posns along our front lines on the ELBE RIVER. No other changes.
- (3) 801st TD Bn (SP) - Passed control Ninth U. S. Army 19 April 1945.
- (4) 809th TD Bn (SP) - No change.
- (5) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co moving-- no other change. Unit spent period on maintenance and rehabilitation.

	<u>643</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>823</u>
PW's	0	0	0	2
Guns Opnal	36(M-18's)	35(M-36's)	31(M-36's)	54(M-10's)

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- ARTILLERY REPORT -

No. 56 (Period 201200B - 211200B April 1945)

1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:

a. 2nd TD Group - Remained in charge of a Corps Reserve consisting of Troop "A", 113th Cavalry atchd. Operating security patrols via Corps CP. Coordinating AT defense in Corps sector.

b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:

- (1) - 643rd TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co in WALTERNIENBURG atchd 329th RCT, with platoons in direct fire positions N of NUTHA and S of GUTERGLUCK. "B" Co in FLOTZ atchd 320th RCT with platoons in direct support between FLOTZ and GODNITZ, W of GHERDEN and W of GUTERGLUCK. "C" Co. in BADETZ with platoons in direct support of 331st RCT W and W of BADETZ and in HOHENLEPTE. Bn. destroyed two (2) MG 109's via GUTERGLUCK during the period.
- (2) - 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Bn (-) moved to new location in SALZGITTER closing 201545B April. Co "B", 17th Engineers relieved of attachment to 702nd TD Bn and passed to control of parent unit. Co "A", 82nd Armd Hqn Bn atchd to 702nd TD Bn upon release by CG "A" and arrival in Bn area. Co "A" in AT positions protecting Div Hqs. assembly area and Co's "B" and "C" moving to new assembly under control of Combat Commands to which attached. Hqn Co. maintaining 24 hour roving patrol in SALZGITTER. Bn is prepared to move on one (1) hours notice to any part of Div area.
- (3) - 809th TD Bn (SP) - Bn moved to new location in HALBERSTADT. Co "A" atchd CG "A", 8 Armd Div via EGGENSTEDT. Co "B" assisted in attack of CG "B" on 18 April by firing into the woods E of HEMBURG and on OP's as called for by the attacking Infantry (not previously rptd). Co "B" now via HALBERSTADT. "C" Co via BRAUNSCHWIG assisting in security of area.

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(4) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - Bn moved to new location in HILSLEBEN with "A" Co in BAD SALZLEBEN with platoons in direct fire positions along ELBE RIVER, "B" & "C" Co's in BARLEBEN and MAGDEBURG, respectively in assy.

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Misc Weapons & Equip	2	0	0	0
HE W/C Fired	0	0	72 (90mm)	0
APC Fired	0	0	33 (90mm)	0
Guns Opnal	36 (M-18's)	36 (M-36's)	34 (M-36's)	33 (M-10's)

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No. 57 (Period 211200B - 221200B April 1945)

**1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:**

a. 2nd TD Group - Troop "A", 113th Cavalry relieved of attachment 2nd TD Group and passed to control of parent unit at 211500B April 1945, per V000, XIX Corps. Group continued operations of security patrols via Corps CP.

**b. Changes in Dispositions and Activities:**

- (1) 643rd TD Bn (SP) - "B" Co. relieved of attachment 320th RCT and atchd 330th RCT at 211015B hours. Bn. continued organization of defensive positions in 83rd Infantry Div bridgehead area. No change in dispositions.
- (2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Co "B" (-) atchd co "A" placed in support of 1st Bn, 66th Armd Regt, defending town of WOLFENBUTTEL. B-2 and B-3 in support of 2nd and 3rd Bns, 66th Armd Regt on alert in BRAUNSCHEWIG prepared to repel enemy thrust from the E. Co "C" in assembly in SCHONNINGEN.
- (3) 801st TD Bn (SP) - Bn in assembly in IMMERODE - nothing to report.
- (4) 809th TD Bn (SP) - Bn CP in HALBERSTADT. "A" Co in WERNINGENODE, "B" Co in BLANKENBURG, and "C" Co in STROBERG. Co. "A" on road block missions and patrolling N side of Lake at D100694 - otherwise no change.
- (5) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - Bn established Military Government in assigned area. Teams organized to make complete survey of 34 towns under Bn jurisdiction. Bn headquarters in BILSLEREN. "A", "B", and "C" Co's no change.

	<u>643</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>823</u>
<b>FW's</b>	0	0	158	0
<b>Guns Operational</b>	35 (M-18's)	36 (M-36's)	33 (M-35's)	33 (M-10's)

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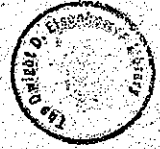
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23 April 1945

(Period 221200B - 231200B April 1945)

"No change". Telephone call made to Corps Arty at  
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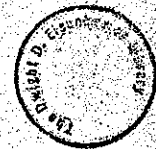
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 SECOND TANK DESTROYER GROUP  
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 APO 339, U. S. Army

24 April 1945

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No. 59 (Period 231200B - 241200B April 1945)



1. TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS:

a. 2nd TD Group - Assisted in complete conversion of 801st TD Bn to self-propelled. Worked with higher headquarters coordinating movement of 801st TD Bn to new location, arranging route clearance, time of departure, etc. Coordinated AT defense along Corps front line. Continued operating security patrols vicinity Corps CP.

b. Changes in dispositions and activities:

- (1) 643rd TD Bn (SP) - No change in dispositions. Bn continued organization of defensive positions in 83rd Inf Div's bridgehead.
- (2) 702nd TD Bn (SP) - No change. Bn assisting MP detachment searching local camps for arms.
- (3) 801st TD Bn (SP) - Co "C" relieved of attachment 125th Cavalry Squadron and reverted to control of Bn effective 19 April 1945. Bn relieved of attachment 113th Cavalry Group (83 Inf Div) and XIX Corps effective 19 April 1945. Bn preparing for movement to new location. Unit completed conversion from 5" towed to M-18 Self-Propelled at 241000B April 1945.
- (4) 809th TD Bn (SP) - No report for period received. At last report Bn CP in ILSENBURG and unit had 35 M-36's operational.
- (5) 823rd TD Bn (SP) - No change except "A" Co moved to D725880 (NW of BAD-SALZELMAN). Bn destroyed three (3) 88mm guns by direct fire. Bn continued controlling assigned area and providing MG - surveys being made in towns under Bn jurisdiction.

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	<u>643</u>	<u>702</u>	<u>801</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>823</u>
Misc. Weap. & Equip.	0	0	0	0	3
HE M/C fired	0	0	0	0	88
APC Fired	0	0	0	0	5
PW's	0	17	0	0	28
Guns Operational	36(M-18's)	36(M-36's)	36(M-18's)	35(M-36's)	35(M-10's)

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25 April 1945

- ARTILLERY REPORT -

No. 60 (Period 241200Z - 251200Z April 1945)

TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS, DISPOSITIONS AND ACTIVITIES:



1. 2nd TD Group - No change.
2. 643rd TD Bn (SP) - No change.
3. 702nd TD Bn (SP) - No change - 17 PW's.
4. 809th TD Bn (SP) - "A" Co via STAPFELBURG, "B" Co via DRUBECK and "C" Co via ILSENBERG - 18 PW's.
5. 823rd TD Bn (SP) - No change - 13 PW's.

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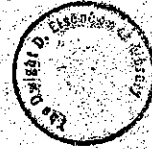
26 April 1945

(Period 251200B - 261200B April 1945)

"No change" - Telephone call made to Corps Arty  
at 1800B hrs.

823rd TD Bn - 46 PW's.

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27 April 1945

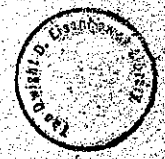
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No. 62 (Period 261200B - 271200B April 1945)

TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS, DISPOSITIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

1. 2nd TD Group - No change.
2. 702nd TD Bn (SP) - Co "B" (-) moved to SALLGITTER, GERMANY, closing 261800B April 1945. B-1 atchd 1st Bn, 66th AR in BAUNSCHWIG, GERMANY and B-2 atchd 2nd Bn, 41st Arm'd Inf Regt in HUNSEN, GERMANY.
3. All other TD Bns - No change.

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Major, 3-3

823<sup>rd</sup> TD Bn - 12 P.W.'s  
 702<sup>nd</sup> TD Bn - 5 P.W.'s

Remarks:  
 261200 -  
 262400  
 of PW's

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28 April 1945

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No. 63 (Period 261200B - 281200B April 1945)



**TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS, DISPOSITIONS AND ACTIVITIES:**

1. 2nd TD Group - No change.
2. 823rd TD Bn. - "B" Co. moved to new location at OSTINGERSLEBEN (Y348069) otherwise no change.
3. All other TD Bns. - No change.

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29 April 1945

**- ARTILLERY REPORT -**

No. 64 (Period 281200B - 291200B April 1945)



**TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS, DISPOSITIONS AND ACTIVITIES:**

1. 2nd TD Group - No change.
2. 643rd TD Bn. - Two (2) plato "A" Co and one (1) plat Ron supported the attack of 329th RCT on ZERNST, GERMANY, taking up posns in town.
3. 702nd TD Bn. - Bn CP moved to IMBENDORF, GERMANY.
4. All other TD Bns. - No change.

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59 PW's - Period 301200 - 011200 B  
 17 PW's - Period - 290001 - 302400 APR.

823 TD Bn -  
 823 TD Bn -

643 TD Bn. - 91 PW's - Period 280001 - 282400  
 702 TD Bn. - 41 PW's - Period 262400 - 272400  
 272400 - 282400  
 823 TD Bn. - 6 PW's

809 TD Bn - 428 PW's - 201200 - 271200 APR.  
 (NOT PREVIOUSLY RPTD)  
 809 TD Bn - 70 PW's - 281200 - 291200 APR.

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No. 65 (Period 291200B - 301200B April 1945)

Telephone Call made to CG, XIX Corps Arty for Arty  
Rpt #65 - "No change".

