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HEADQUARTERS, 3D TANK DESTROYER GROUP  
V CORPS REAR AREA SECURITY SECTION  
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SUBJECT: History, V Corps Rear Area Security Section, 3d Tank Destroyer Group  
TO : Historical Section, Army War College, Washington, D. C.

1. This is the third such report submitted by this headquarters on its activities as coordinator of Corps Rear Area Security.
2. From 01 Feb 45 to 07 Feb 45 there was no change in the Corps zone, the zone remaining the same as of the close of the preceding month.
3. On 08 Feb 45 a new Corps zone went into effect by virtue of a change in Corps rear boundary and Division rear boundaries as prescribed in V Corps Administrative Order #13. This Corps zone remained in effect for the balance of the month. (Incl #1).
4. Corps rear area security commanders were appointed to each rear area as prescribed in Inclosure #1. (See letters of appointment attached as Inclosures #2, 3, 4, & 5).
5. Bad roads and difficulty in traveling hampered the staff officers in their contacts of units in their areas of responsibility; however, all units were contacted and coordinated into the over-all plan.
6. Two reports of parachutists were received. Investigation by units revealed one of the reports to be parachutes dropping propaganda leaflets. The other investigation revealed a balloon carry "Scorpion" propaganda. The balloon was shot down by elements of 164th Engr (C) Battalion in the vicinity of Kalterherberg, Germany.
7. There were seventy-six (76) units which entered the Corps zone during the month, seventy (70) which moved out of the Corps zone, and at the close of the month there were ninety-four (94) units in the Corps zone.

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INCLOURE(S):

- Incl 1 - Overlay, Areas for Corps Rear Area Security, a/o 080800 Feb 45
- Incl 2 - Ltr, Appointment of Area Commanders, Hq V Corps, 8 Feb 45
- Incl 3 - Ltr, Appointment of Area Commanders, Hq V Corps, 20 Feb 45
- Incl 4 - Ltr, Appointment of Area Commanders, Hq V Corps, 23 Feb 45
- Incl 5 - Ltr, Appointment of Area Commanders, Hq V Corps, 27 Feb 45

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