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**HEADQUARTERS
818TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION**

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SUBJECT: After Action Against the Enemy Report.

**TO : Commanding General,
26th Infantry Division,
APO 26, US Army.**

In compliance with paragraph 10, change 4, AR 345-105, the following report is submitted for the period 1 April 45 to 30 April 45 inclusive:

1. PERSONNEL:

- a. Total effective strength at beginning of period:
40 Off 1 WO 606 EM Total 647
At end of period:
39 Off 1 WO 603 EM Total 643
- b. Killed in action: One
Wounded in action: Five
Missing in action: None
- c. Reinforcements received: 13, 12 of which were RTD's.

2. ENEMY:

a. No enemy units of division strength were in contact during this period. During first part of period elements of 159 Inf Div, 6 SS Mtn Div, 11 Pz Div, and 2d Pz Div were identified. Later in period elements of 2d Pz Div were identified. With the few above exceptions, enemy units identified were a great number of small, makeshift, miscellaneous units each day. For example, 40 or 50 different units of Co and Bn strength were often identified in one day. Most of these units were miscellaneous units such as replacements units, training units, march units, rear echelon units such as cooks, straggler units, OCS units, etc. A large number of Hungarian and some Polish and Russian troops were encountered. A large percentage of PWs taken were in Civilian clothes.

b. During this period the Germany Army continued to disintegrate rapidly and was not capable of organized resistance. At no time was there a definite defense line. Instead, enemy resistance was characterized by delaying actions, road blocks, demolitions, and fire from SA. Enemy was entirely without air and artillery support and there was almost no mortar fire.

c. No enemy tanks were encountered and enemy was almost without transport. In many instances, enemy resisted stubbornly. In many instances, enemy surrendered without much fight. This was especially true of Hungarians. A large number of enemy soldiers changed to civilian clothes but there were few instances of resistance by soldiers in civilian clothes or by civilians. Enemy was almost without large items of equipment such as artillery, transport, tanks, etc, but was well supplied with SA and other small equipment.

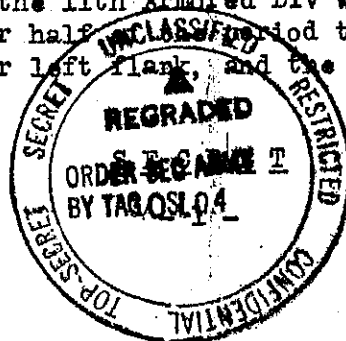
d. Enemy losses during period as a result of action of 818th TD Bn only:

SP guns	3	OPs	2
Vehicles	2	MGs	5
Ammo Dumps	2	AA guns	2
Motorcycles	3	Locomotives	1
Airplanes	1	Casualties	200

e. Prisoners captured by 818th TD Bn: 1113.

3. OWN OPERATIONS:

a. Throughout the entire period the 818th TD Bn was atchd to the 26 Inf Div, asgd to XII Corps, Third Army. For the first half of the period, the 90th Inf Div was on our left flank and the 11th Armored Div with the 71st Inf Div was on our right flank. During the latter half of the period the 11th Armd Div with the 90th Inf Div following up was on our left flank, and the 71st Div, XX Corps was on our right flank.



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b. Reserves: During the entire period the gun companies were attached to the Inf Regts, two of which were on line and one in Div reserve. The 2 gun Cos attached to the 2 Regts on line, generally had 2 pls in D/S of 2 Inf Bns on line w/ one pl in spt of the Inf Bn in reserve.

c. Summary of Operations. Throughout the period the 818th TD Bn was attached to the 26 Inf Div which was on the offensive as part of the Third Army drive to the E to the CZECHOSLOVAKIAN border and then SE towards the AUSTRIAN border to link up with the RUSSIAN ARMY driving W from VIENNA. The atk of the Div was met by en resistance, varying from moderate pockets of en foot troops to little or no resistance at all. Practically no en mortar and artillery fire was received, and en armor was void except on 2 occasions when 1 and 3 tanks were seen.

On 1 Apr 45, Co A (less 2d pl) attached to 104 Inf moved in spt of the atk against scattered resistance. CP moved to BREITENBACH H245983; 1st pl to WACHERSBACH; 3d pl to STEINAU. 2d pl attached to 26 Rcn Tr moved to GIESEL. Co B attached to 101 Inf moved in spt of Regt. 1st pl spting Inf Bn, fired on and destroyed an en OP in FULDA. Later 1st pl moved into town. 3d pl to MABERZELL. As of 31 Mar, Co B 1st pl destroyed one en trk. Co C attached to 328 Inf, sptd Inf in clearing sector. 2d pl fired 2 rds APC & 2 rds HE at en SP gun in OBR MOOS N158077 and destroyed gun. Also fired 2 rds HE into house in NIRMOS N158077/1111/1111 N169097, destroying 1 MG and taking 4 PWs. Co C pls moved to GROSSENLUEDER. Rcn Co CP & Pio pl moved to OBERRODE H311172. 1st & 3d pls moved w/ Inf Regts, assisting by reconn of routes. 2d pl moved to HOSENFELD as part of TF under Div control as per Frag O 453. Rcn Co took 2 PWs. Bn CP moved to GROSSENLUEDER H286230 and took 2 PWs. Hq Co while enroute to new location at HAINZELL H246174, were ambushed by 200-300 German soldiers, dug in along sides of road. A fierce fire fight took place w/ the en using SA, MG & bazookas, but the German soldiers were driven away from the convoy. We had 1 EM killed and 2 EM wounded. 20 en were killed & 28 taken PW.

On 2 Apr, Co A 1st pl fired 34 rds HE, 1 rd APC, 350 rds 30 cal and 150 rds 50 cal destroying 1 truck, 1 motorcycle, est 5 en killed, 5 wounded and 6 en captured. The pl moved to WACHERSBACH, encountering a road block being covered by fire from 35mm SP gun. 6 rds HE were fired by pl destroying the SP gun. Co A 3d pl in mopping up GELNHAUSEN, fired 15 rds HE on en MG and sniper emplacements. 35 PW were taken. Co B moved to FULDA H375020. Co C (less 2d pl) moved to OBERROMBACH H376306, 2d pl to MICHELSTROMBACH. As per Frag O 459, Rcn Co pls reld from Inf Regts and entire Co began patrolling roads in Div rear. Rcn Co moved to FREIEN-STEINAU H183045.

On 3 Apr Co A CP moved to FULDA H377185; 1st pl to ISTERGIESEL. Co B CP, 1st & 2d pls moved to BOCKELSH432190; 3d pl to KUNZELL. Co C CP & 1st pl moved to HUNFELD H438324; 2d pl to GEISA, 3d pl to SCHLIED. Rcn Co patrolling and clearing Div rear and moved to HOSENFELD H234131. Hq Co took 1 PW.

On 4 Apr Co A w/ 104 Inf went into Div res. 3d pl moved to PFIGERZELL. 3d pl fired 40 rds HE at en E of KERZELL w/ unknown results. 2d pl attached to 26 Rcn Tr moved to FULDA. Co B CP & 2d pl moved to HUMPFERSHAUSEN H760330; 1st pl to TANN; 3d pl to VIERNAU. Co took 1 PW. Co C CP moved to ROSSDORF H750368; 1st pl to HELMERS; 3d pl to WERNSHAUSEN; 3d pl to H830440. As per Frag O 470, 26 Rcn Tr attached to 818 TD Bn & Bn (less Cos A, B, & C given mission of patrolling area from Regt rear to Div rear & patrolling MSR. 26 Rcn Tr picked up 54 PW & destroyed 1 SP gun, not manned. Rcn Co took 4 PWs. Hq Co moved to MACKENZELL & captured 1 Ger O and 8 EM. Bn CP moved to MOTZLAR.

On 5 Apr, Co A moved with 104 Inf in Div Res; Co CP to HUMPFERSHAUSEN H762326; 1st pl to SCHWARZBACH; 3d pl to SCHWARZBACH. 2d pl, attached to 26 Rcn Tr, moved to SCHLITZENHAUSEN. Co B moved to VIERNAU H994337. Co C moved to SCHMALKALDEN. As per Frag O 476, one pl Co D 778 Tk Bn attached to 818 TD Bn and is being held in readiness position vic ROSSDORF. Hq Co captured 1 Ger soldier.

On 6 Apr Bn CP moved to WASUNGEN H863361. Co A 1st pl moved to KALTENNORDHEIM; 3d pl to UNTERMASSFELD. 2d pl moved to HUMPFERSHAUSEN. Co B CP moved to DILLSTADT H982242; 1st pl to MEININGEN; 3d pl to THEMAR. Co C 1st & 3d pls moved to SUHL J090270. As per Frag O 482, 26 Rcn Tr reld fr attachmt to 818 TD Bn. Rcn Co patrolling and clearing Div rear, captured 6 Ger soldiers. Co moved to FRIEDEL-SHAUSEN H768318. Hq Co moved to ECKHARDTS H777354.

On 7 Apr, Co A CP moved with 104 Regt to KUHNDORF H950268. 3d pl fired 75 rds 50 cal at en soldiers in UNTERMASSFELD, killed an estimated 8 German soldiers. 2d pl, attached to 26 Rcn Tr moved to KUHNDORF. Co B 1st pl moved to vic GRIMMENTHAL. Co C 2d pl moved to ALBRECHTS. Rcn Co took 15 Ger PWs in patrolling and clearing Div rear. Bn CP took 2 PW. On 8 Apr 45 Co A moved in spt of 104 Inf; Co CP moved to DILLSTADT H982242; 1st pl to SCHMIDHEIM. 3d pl fired 5 rds HE destroying ammo dump at H399182 & moved on to SUHL. Co B moved in spt of 101 Regt; Co CP & 2d pl to SCHLEUSINGEN J140175. 1st pl fired 200 rds 50 cal and 400 rds 30 cal at en troops in spt of 1st Bn 104 Inf and then moved to GETHIES. 3d pl fired 4 rds HE and 800 rds 50 cal at en trps vic RAPPELDORF and took 19 PW. Pl moved to SCHLEUSINGEN.

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Co C 1st & 2d pls moved to SCHMIEDEFELD; 3d pl to BREITERBÄLM. Rcn Co in patrolling Div rear, captured 4 Germans. As per Frag O 487, 26 Rcn Tr (less 2 pls) atchd to 818 TD Bn and moved to WASUNGEN to guard Div trains. Bn CP moved to SUHL J091267; Hq Co moved to WASUNGEN H863321.

On 9 Apr, Co A & B no change. Co C moved (CP) to SCHMIEDEFELD J179277, 1st pl to FRAUENWALD; 3d pl to SCHLEUSINGERNEUNDORF. Rcn Co & 26 Rcn Tr (less 2 pls) patrolling and clearing Div rear and patrolling MSR. As per Frag O 489, one pl Co D 778 tk Bn reld fr atchmt to 818 TD Bn. On 10 Apr Co A CP enroute to SCHLEUSINGEN J137167 was attacked by en aircraft and Hq group assisted in destroying one plane. Co A 1st pl moved to GIESENHOHN; 3d pl to RATSCHER. 2d pl atchd to 26 Rcn Tr, moved with Tr to SUHL. Co B moved in spt of 101 Inf; 1st pl fired 600 rds 50 cal at en ground troops and aircraft and moved to WIEDERSBACH; 3d pl fired 58 rds HE at en troops in WIEDERSBACH and 500 rds 30 cal at en aircraft. One ME 109 was destroyed by the pl. Co C moved w/ 328 Inf; CP moved to GIESSUBEL J256200; 1st pl at J260214; 2d pl to MASSERBERG; 3d pl at J293146. Co C captured 1 German O. Rcn Co moved to KUHDORF H950268. 26 Rcn Tr moved to SUHL. Hq Co moved to SUHL.

On 11 Apr Co A no change. Co B 1st pl moved to J283084; 3d pl to J285065. Co B picked up 2 PW. Co C 1st pl moved to J390170; 2d pl to STEINHEID; 3d pl to SIEGMUNDSBURG. Co C took 3 PW. Rcn Co & 26 Rcn Tr (less 2 pls) continued patrolling and clearing Div rear. On 12 Apr 45, Co A CP moved to SCHWARZENBRUNN J278100, 1st pl to MASSETHAL; 3d pl to KATZBURG. Co B sptd Bns of 101 Inf. 1st pl fired 14 rds HE and 100 rds 50 cal on en troops. Results unknown. Pl moved to FORSCHENGEREUTH, 2d pl to MENGERSGEREUTH, 3d pl to WILDENHEID, Co CP to SONNBERG J445013. Co C sptd atk of 328 Inf Regt in clearing sector. Rcn Co and 26 Rcn Tr (less 2 pls) continued on defense of Div rear areas. Rcn Co took 13 PW. Bn CP moved to SCHALKAU J328045. On 13 Apr 45, Co A w/ 104 Inf took over part of sector. Co CP moved to MASCHENBACH J355073; 1st pl at EFFELDER; 3d pl at KATZBERG, 2d pl moved with 26 Rcn Tr to STEINACH. Co B CP moved to KRONACK 0562881; 1st pl to ZHEVERN; 2d pl to MARIENROTH; 3d pl to SEIBELSDORF. Co C CP moved to vic HIRSCHFELD J558077; 1st pl fr pos at J338136 fired 6 rds HE into woods at J390128 at en troops; result unknown; pl continued on to TEUSCHONITZ; 2d pl from pos at J361132 fired 13 rds HE into two houses containing en personnel in STEINHEID. Houses destroyed but casualties inflicted unknown. Pl continued on to FORSCHENIE. 3d pl to TEUSCHNITZ. Rcn Co moved to SCHALKAU J322042 & w/ 26 Rcn Tr continued on present mission. Hq Co moved to SCHALKAU J325048.

On 14 Apr 45, Co A CP moved to WALLENFELS O 665919. Pls no change. Co B CP moved to STADT STEINACH O 690805 and pls were moving with Inf Bns in sector. Co C CP moved to NORDHALBEN J685040; pls moving w/ Inf Bns in sector. Rcn Co picked up 13 German soldiers and killed one who resisted arrest. On 15 Apr 45, Co A moved in spt of 104 Inf; Co to SCHODLAS O 837837; 1st pl moved to ZELL & assisted in capturing one en O and 20 EM, 3d pl to MUNCHBERG. As per Frag O 508, 2d pl reld fr atchmt to 26 Rcn Tr and moved to SCHODLAS w/ Co CP. Co B 1st pl moved to MODLENREUTH; 2d pl to GEFREES. Co C CP & 1st pl moved to LEUPOLDSGRUN O 892958. 2d pl fr pos at O 025820 fired 34 rds HE, 500 rds 50 cal and 1000 rds 30 cal into en trps at O 015821 destroying 3 MG nests and 2 20mm guns. No of casualties inflicted unknown. The pl moved to LEUPOLDSGRUN. 3d pl fr pos at O 900899 fired 30 rds HE, 1800 rds 50 cal and 2000 rds 30 cal into woods at O920870, destroying 3 en motorcycles with drivers, 1 truck, 1 MG nest, 1 German soldier known to be killed, several wounded, and 3 PW taken. Rcn Co picked up 2 German soldiers during patrol mission. Bn CP & Hq Co moved to HELMBRECHTS O 838897.

On 16 Apr Co A no change in positions. 3d pl fired 13 rds HE destroying enemy OP. Remainder of Co no change. Co C 1st pl 1st sec moved to O 911983; 2d sec at LEUPOLDSGRUN; 2d pl at KONRODSREUTH; 3d pl at WEISSLEWETH. Rcn Co and 26 Rcn Tr (less 2 pls) patrolling and clearing Div rear. Rcn Co apprehended 9 German soldiers in civilian clothes. Hq Co & Bn CP moved to HELMBRECHTS. Hq Co took 1 PW. On 17 Apr 45, as per Frag O 515, Co's A, B & C reld fr atchmt to 104 Inf, 101 Inf, and 328 Inf Regts respectively and reverted to Bn control; one pl fr each Co placed in D/S of the 3 Inf Regts. Gun Cos remained in same locations, except for Co A 2d pl which moved to WUSTENSELBITZ O 825872. As per Frag O 514, 2 pls of 26 Rcn Tr reld fr atchmt to Inf Regts and reverted to Tr control, now atchd to 818 TD Bn. Rcn Co captured 32 German soldiers. On 18 Apr Co A (less 2d pl), Co B, & Co C atchd to 101 Inf, 104 Inf & 328 Inf Regts respectively. Co A CP moved to GEFREES O 860738; 1st pl enroute to vic WEIHERHOFEN had one destroyer knocked out by en bazooka on entering town of WEISSENSTADT O 966750. One O and 2 EM lightly wounded; 3d pl to WITZLESHOFEN. Co A 2d pl atchd to 26 Rcn Tr and moved to BAYREUTH. Co B CP moved to SPARNECK O 933817. 1st pl in spt of 3d Bn 104 Inf fired 53 rds HE, 2000 rds 50 cal and 500 rds of 30 cal on en trps in buildings in VOITSUMRA O 940740, destroying 8 buildings. Number of casualties inflicted, unknown.

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The pl moved on to KIRCHENLAMITZ. 2d pl moved to WEISSENSTADT; 3d pl at SPARNECK. Co C moved to BERNECK O 816680; enroute 3d pl fr pos at O 891850 fired 23 rds HE and 1 rd APC into dug in en troops in vic O 861915. 4 en killed and unknown number wounded. As per Frag O 519, 26 Rcn Tr reld fr atchmt to 818 TD Bn. Rcn Co continued patrolling and clearing Div rear and patrolling MSR. Co took 25 German soldiers.

On 19 Apr Co A CP moved to BIRSCHOFSGRUN O 905692; pls last reported moving SE from the town. 2d pl reld fr 26 Rcn Tr & returned to Co CP. Co B CP & 3d pl moved to WEISSENSTADT O 967751; 1st pl to BRUB; 2d pl to O 940713. Co C CP moved to WEIDENBERG O 859565; 1st pl to KIRCHENLAIBACH; 2d pl to FROBITZ; 3d pl to BIRK. Rcn Co patrolling MSR and clearing Div rear area, captured 22 Ger soldiers. On 20 Apr Co A atchd to 101 Inf was sptng atk of Bns and moving S from KASTL O 990451. Co B CP moved to SCHONREUTH PO13492; 1st pl to ZINST; 2d pl in spt of 2d Bn 104 Inf fired 7 rds HE on en personnel w/ unknown results. Pl moved to WALDECK. 3d pl moved to ERBENDORF. Co C CP moved to ESCHENBACH O 950365; 1st pl took 20 PW at ESCHENBACH & then moved to NEUZART; 2d pl to PAPPENBERG; 3d pl to STEGENTHUMBACH. Rcn Co moved to MART LEUGAST O782820. 20 German soldiers apprehended during period. Billeting party of Bn CP moved in and took town of WALDECK PO349 and 3 German soldiers were picked up.

On 21 Apr Co A no change. Co B CP moved to TASCHELHAMMER PO43358; 1st pl to FRIEDERSRUETH;; 2d pl to SCHWARZENBACH; 3d pl to PARKSTEIN. Co B took total 45 German soldiers during day. Co C 1st pl moved to THANSUSS; 2d pl to FREIHUNG; 3d pl to LAGENBRUCK. Rcn Co moved to vic KASTL O 991450 and continued patrolling, picking up total of 47 German soldiers. Bn CP & Hq Co moved to KEMNATH O 983499. On 22 Apr Co A moved to GRAFENWOHR PO08318 with 101 Inf in Div res. Co B atchd to 104 Inf, moving w/ Regt SE in sector from TROSCHELHAMMER. Co C CP & 1st pl moved to HIRSCHAU PO45131; 2d pl to GEBENBACH; 3d pl to WUTSCHDORF. Rcn Co continued patrolling and clearing Div rear and patrolling MSR. 37 German soldiers taken during day.

On 23 Apr Co A moved w/ 101 Inf to WERNBERG P20140 P200140. Co B atchd to 104 Inf moved in spt of Inf Bns and pls were moving SE fr PFREIMD P216089 in sector. Co C atchd to 328 Inf moved in spt of Bns. Co was in process of moving SE fr SCHWARZENFELD U193973 in Regt'l sector. 1st pl fr pos at U211828 fired 8 rds APC and 5 rds HE into en locomotive and 3 cars moving SE at U198882, range 2000 yds. Locomotive exploded and was completely destroyed. Rcn Co patrolling and clearing Div rear and patrolling MSR, took 39 Germans prisoner.

24 Apr Co A (less 2d pl) atchd 101 Inf, moved with Regt into Div Res. Co CP moved to BRUCK U325825; 1st pl to NEUBAU; 3d pl to KELTENBRUNN. 2d pl atchd to 26 Rcn Tr moved w/ Tr SE from RODING, screening advance of Div. Co B CP moved to RODING U481771; 1st pl to OBERDORF; 2d pl to LOSSENIED; 3d pl to MICHISNEBKIRCHEN, Co C CP moved to BRUCK U327825; st pl to U335771; 2d pl to U334797; 3d pl to BLEICK. Rcn Co took 33 PW during day while patrolling and clearing Div rear.

25 Apr Co A CP moved to WILTING U577747; 1st pl to MILTACH & pl fired 9 rds HE at en soldiers in the town with unknow results; 2d pl to Wilting; 3d pl to UNT TRAUENBACH. 2d pl fired 10 rds HE at en personnel vic GSCHWENDT U582536 with unknown results. The pl was reld fr 26 Rcn Tr and returned to Co. Co B with the 104 Inf was moving SE of HERRNFELDBURG. 3d pl in spt of 1st Bn 104 Inf fired 2 rds HE on enemy personnel with unknown results. Co CP picked up 7 PWs. Co C CP & 1st pl moved to FALKENFELS U550650. 2d & 3d pls were moving SE from FALKENFELS in spt of Inf Bns. 1st pl fr pos at U295786 fired 4 rds HE and 3 rds APC at en 75mm AT gun, range of 1800 yds and completely destroyed gun. Bn CP, Hq & Rcn Co moved to STALLWANG U592619. Hq Co captured 133 German soldiers while patrolling Div rear.

26 Apr Co A w/ 101 Inf Regt in Div res. Co CP, 1st & 3ds pls moved to HUNDERDORF U650504. 2d pl, atchd to 26 Rcn Tr, moved S to join Tr at PARSTETTEN. Co B CP moved to ST HERMAN U912494 and pls are sptng Inf Bns moving SE in 104 Inf sector. 1st pl fired 500 rds 50 cal and 750 rds 30 cal on en troops with unknown results. 3d pl captured 8 german soldiers vic RITZMAIS. Co C CP moved to EGG U800445 and pls are supporting Inf Bns moving SE in 328 Inf sector. Rcn Co moved to MITTERFELS and pls continued patrolling Div rear, taking a total of 70 German soldiers prisoner. Bn CP moved to HASSELBACH U622570 and personnel of CP picked up 26 German soldiers enroute. Hq Co moved to WOLFERSZELL U580528 & captured 1 German soldier.

27 Apr Co A CP, 1st & 3d pls moved to NIED-WINKLING U707444. 2d pl moving SE along DANUBE R w/ 26 Rcn Tr and pl fired 28 rds HE at en troops. Results unknown. Co B atchd to 104 Inf, was moving with Regt SE in sector from ST HERMAN. No action. Co C moved with 328 Regt; Co CP to METTEN U797415 and pls in spt of Inf Bns were moving SE in sector. Rcn Co picked up total of 98 German soldier during patrolling Div rear. One 2 1/2 ton 6x6 vehicle of Hq Co destroyed at U663440 by en MG fire coming from across DANUBE R. Driver was seriously wounded. Hq Co took one PW. Bn CP moved to MITTERFELS U615538.

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28 Apr Co A 1st pl at STEINBERG; 3d pl at METTEN. 2d pl atchd to 26 Rcn Co moved to ANERBACH. Rcn Co captured 94 en soldiers during patrolling Div rear. Hq Co captured 13 German soldiers.

29 Apr Co A with 101 Inf in Div res moved to vic DEGGENDORF U835395. 2d pl with 26 Rcn Tr moved to SCHWANENKIRCHEN. Co B moved in support of 104 Inf; Co CP to ENTSCHENREUTH Q097356 and pls moved w/ Inf Bns SE in sector. Co C moved in spt of 328 Inf Co CP to SCHWANENKIRCHEN U938299 and pls were moving with Inf Bns SE in sector. Rcn Co, Hq Co and Bn CP moved to FURSTENSTEIN Q110285. Rcn Co took 47 prisoners.

On 30 Apr Co A atchd to 101 Inf, moved with Regt to RATHSMANDORF Q056214. 2d pl atchd to 26 Rcn Tr, moved to UNT-EGING w/ Tr which is now atchd to 101 Inf. Co B atchd to 104 Inf, moved in spt of Inf Bns against very light resistance. Co CP moved to HAUZENBERG Q331226; 1st pl to GERMANNSDORF; 2d pl to KRAMERSDORF; 3d pl to KRINNING. Co C atchd to 328 Inf, moved in spt of Inf Bns against very light resistance. Co CP moved to UNT-HASELBACH Q159208; 1st pl to GASTORF; 2d pl to REISS; 3d pl to STRASSKIRCHEN. Rcn Co continued patrolling and clearing Div rear and patrolling MSR. 61 German soldiers taken by patrols during day. Bn Hq took 9 Hungarian troops today.

d. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: At the close of the period the 26 Inf Div with 818th TD Bn atchd, was driving towards the Austrian border, clearing the sector against light resistance behind the 11th Armd Div, which had elements on or near the border. This was a coordinated attack with the 5th Div, XII Corps on our left flank, and the 13th Armored Div, XX Corps, on our right flank, driving SE on the south side of the DANUBE RIVER. During the month the gun companies accounted for the destruction of 2 enemy trucks, 2 OPs, 3 SP guns, 5 MGs, 3 motorcycles, 2 ammo dumps, 2 20mm AA guns, 1 75mm AT gun, 1 steam locomotive, and 1 ME 109 aircraft 10 enemy known killed and 179 enemy taken prisoner. Rcn Co through their patrolling of Div rear, captured a total of 832 enemy soldiers. Hq Co accounted for 20 en killed and 102 taken prisoner.

4. Supply and Evacuation:

a. Summary of supply activity during period and factors affecting flow of supply. The period covered by this report, the Bn was attached to the 26th Inf Div. The various supply agencies of the Div supplied the Bn with the exception of class V and Ordnance class II which were obtained from the nearest Corps or Army installations. Ordnance requisitions, repair and replacements were handled by the 501st Heavy Tank Ordnance Company. Bogie wheels and rear idlers for the M36 Tank Destroyer still remain a very critical item.

b. Rations for the month consisted of 100% operational rations with a variety of "10-1", "C", and "K" rations being consumed to the greatest advantage, all of which were delivered to the companies daily. Companies requisitioned on the Bn for all supplies, which are secured as rapidly as possible from the proper supply agencies. Motor maintenance and parts supply was handled by the Bn Motor Officer. The 501st Heavy Tank Ordnance Company provided Third Echelon maintenance in all instances except the emergency cases which we were authorized to take to the 47th Medium Maintenance Company. First and second echelon maintenance was performed by the Battalion Motor Maintenance Platoon and Company Motor Sections.

c. Ammunition: Basic load maintained by replacement as expended.

d. Status of Supply and Evacuation at close of period:

BRANCH	ON HAND
Ordnance	75%
Quartermaster	100%
Medical	100%
Chemical Warfare	100%
Engineer	100%
Signal	90%



e. Major critical items short are: 1 ea Destroyer M36; 1 ea 1 1/2 ton truck 6x6; 1 ea 1/2 ton truck; 1 ea Car, Armored light M8; 1 ea GMC 2 1/2 ton truck; 1 ea Tank, Recovery vehicle M32; 1 ea Light Tank; 1 ea 3/4 T Weapon Carrier.

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