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Beginning of June found the regiment training at reduced capacity in contemplation of the move to new area south of NURN-BERG to relieve elements of the 5th Inf Div there. The move took place effective 9 June, at which time regt, was relieved by the 10th Med Arty Regt (BRITISH). Movement was made by motor. (M.O. 7 June 45; Ing Memo 2 June 45)

Hovement to new area was completed and the 2nd Inf Regt relieved by 1600 11 June 45. A total of 17 installatioms were taken over by the regt for security. (Nemo 10 June 45; Memo 16 June 45) Through week ending 16 June, training in tactics and technics was maintained at a minimum with the continuation of diciplinary training and organization and exercise of MG in the area. A rigid policy was institued within the regiment to check movement of all DPs and PWs etc., expepting only US army personnel. This bold policy was made necessary by the permiscous use of this area as a dumping ground for such DPs and PWs, doubling the problem of caring for the many homeless persons caught here on V-E Day and the mny PWs requiring CIC attention and subsequent processing and discharge. (Memo 13 June 45). (Memo 15 June 45)

Dispositions of CPs at this time were: Regt at GREISBACH, 1st En at SIMBACH, 2nd En at POCKING, 3rd En at PFARRKIRCHEN, SV Co at BIRNBACH, AT Co at MALCHING, and CN Co at ASENHOUSEN.

Week of 18 June found Regt well established in new area. undergoing disciplinary training and marksmanship in preparation for range firing to start on 27 June. Much work was necessary to construct rifle ranges of known distance and transition ranges. The widel; dispersed units required independent ranges. In addition, combat firing ranges were located and organized for small unit tactics. The Batter training was scheduled to start in early July. Familiarization firing was completed before the one of June. This training was conducted while engaged in the orientgamination, recuing, housing, clothing and administering some 27000 HUNGARIAN DPs, 14000 or which were soldiers; the organ-Ization and processing of some 6000 PWs many of which were Ss esoldiers; the duties of security continued in the form of check coints, roadblocks, installation guards, curfue patrols, etc. The 27000 HUNGARIANS were not by all means the only DPs. Many PUSSIANS, POLES, AUSTRIANS, ITALIANS, SLAVE, GERMANS, and estern UPs needed much attention. (Ltr. ly June 45, frg Memo zz June, Meno 20 June 45, Meno 24 June 45).

Training in tactics and technics was onhanced by the official announcement, June 21, 45, that the Eord Div was listed as
a Category II unitto be redeployed to the Us in strategic reserve (Ltr 21 June 45). Status of training was once more a mandatory function at Co and Bn level. Accurate records were mainteined in detail on all personnel in organization. (Mono 26 June
45). The mission of the division and thus that of the regiment
was definitely established: Propers the unit for employment

against a common enemy.

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relieved. All other units have			Installation in Salvatore is a supply	
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From: 0001 31 May 1945 (Time and Date)

Place: Seesen, Germany
(Town and Country)

TO: 2400 5 June 1945

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Seesen, Germany NEGATIVE Seesen Germany Your movement is postphoned till some time between 6 & 10. Corps does not
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Your movement is postphoned till some time between 6 & 10. Corps does not
want us in the new rea till after the Quartering Parties as to what to do. Orders have been changed again. We will move on the 5th of June.
Quartering parties consisting of 1 Officer per Bn and i NCO per Co and 1 Officer and i NCO per Spec Unit will be alerted to leave here around 0900, 4 June to go forward and select bivouac area for troops for night of 5-6 June. More details later.
Seesen, Germany
Quartering Parties to be at Regt at 1030 to leave at 1045. Have enough rations to last till the Regt catches up with you. It Barnes will be in charge and is to be at Regt at 1000 to receive instructions.
Will not move tomorrow, do not know when we will move. When Div gets word they will send word down. Adv parties will remain in new area. Trng will cont as previously instructed by Div to include Close order drill, Mil Court, Phys Tng, Fam firing, I-E etc.
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British completed relief of 1st Bn

: 0001 12 June 45 (Time and Date)

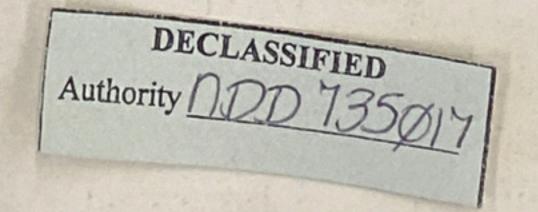
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Day :

2400 30 June 45

Time Action In Out To From synopsis of hag, Incident etc. 12 June 45 to 2400, 12 June 45, Tuesday. 0001 1255 BB-3 BS-3 There will be no fishing in the rivers or streams with handgrenades, dynamite, or any other explosives. Those caught will be turned over to the proper authorities. 0001 13% June 45 to 2400, 13 June 45, Wednesday. 1700 BB-3 BS-6 Recon will be made of areas for possible PW and DP camp locations giving coords and capacity. Attn is called to memo no 10, TUSA which reads, "the Assignment of manufacturing plants or any elements thereof in the 3d US Army occupation area as accomodations for military units is prohibited. 14 June 45 to 2400, 14 June 45 Thursday 0001 1500 BB-3 BS-2 Passwords: 151200-161200 TIME DAY WHIP HORSE 18-19 TWELVE HOURS 19-20 DWARD SHORT 20-21 SIP TEA, 21-22 WIPE DUST 15 June 45 to 2400 19 June 45 (incl) NEGATIVE 0001 20 June 1945 to 2400, 20 June 1945, Wednesday 0845 Blue BB-3 K Co has permission to move into AIDENBACH for billets only. Coord, with unit in that area. 2 bldgs are earmarked for 2d Plt, 7 Engrs and 737th Tk Bn. BB-3 1500 Blue After a recon of the area of AIDENBACH K Co has decided to stay where they are. 21 June 45 to 2400 21 June 45 Thursday. 0001 1500 Passwords - 221200-231200 SPARE TIRE BB-2 BS-2 23-24 WELD STEEL 24-25 CHESS BOARD, 25-26 CHICK HEN 26-28 THIRST DRINK 27-28 THROB HEART 28-29 WIG BALD 0001 22 June 45 to 2400 28 June 1945 Passwords - 29-30 SHAPE FORM 30-01 1500 BS-2 BB-3 WIFE*CHILD 01-02 STEAM-CHOP 02-03 THUG-COP 03-04 STALE BREAD 04-05 WITCH BROOM 05-06 THORN ROSE AT and CN cos are now given full res-1530 AT & BB-5 Cn Cos ponsibility of the areas now assigned to them and will not be under Bn control any longer. 29 June 45 to 2400 30 June 45 - NEGATIVE 0001



TRAINING MEMORANDUM:

TO

Bn and Spec Unit Commanders.

Training program for all elements of this Regt. will be reduced during week 4-9 June due to contemplated move from this area.

General schedule will be :

Monday, 4 June: Preparation for move.
Tuesday, Wednesday, 56 June: Movement to new area.
Thursday, 7 June: Relief in new area.

Friday, Saturday, 8, 9 June: Continue training in:
Dismounted drill for units of platoon and larger size.
Physical Conditioning.

Information - Education Program:

Distribution has been made to companies of
Ninth U S. Army Fact Sheet No, 14, "What Next in the
Far East"; of a topo map titled "The Far East"; and
and of a Phase Map titled "Your War in the Pacific". Discussion Groups will utilize this material.

I-E Officers will initiate surveys in accordance with instructions, utilizing printed forms issued by this hq.

Commanders will utilize troops and time available for thaining on Monday and Thursday, 4 and 7 June 1945.

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Hq. 331st Inf. Regt.,
A. P. O. 83 U. S. A.,
7 June, 1945.

MOVEMENT ORDER:

TO : All unit Commanders.

1. 331st Inf Regt. (plus) moves by motor beginning 9 June 45 to Area (overlay) to relieve elements of the 5th Inf. Div. This Regt. will

bivouse the night of 9 June in vicinity of Berneck-Bay-routh (Stripmap)

and complete move 10 June 1945.

2. For IP, route of march, bivouac area, and destination - see overlay and strip-map.

3. For "M" Hour, order of march, rate of march, interval, breakssee Annex No. 1.

Administrative details.

a. Meals:

(1) Hot breakfast served prior to move on 9 June.

(2) K rations for noon meal

(3) Hot supper served late in bivouac area.

(4) Hot breakfast served prior to move on 10 June.

(5) K rations for noon meal. Hot supper served late in final area.

(6) Truck commanders will see that K ration boxes are collected and burned at the first halt after they have been emptied.

(7) Kitchens will move under battalion contr ol.

b. Guides:

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(1) Routes from IP to Regen will be posted by Division

MPs and marked with signs.

(2) Quartering parties will meet column at Regen and guide units into final areas. The route from Regen will also be posted by Regtl MPs.

(3) Bivouac quartering parties will meet column on Autobahn north of bivouac area and guide units into overnight bivouac areas.

(4) Water points will be established in bivouac area and

marked by signs.

c. Overnight Stop:

(1) Units will occupy non-tactical bivouacs.

(2) Trucks will be parked and troops bivouaced in areas as designated by quartering parties.

(3) All towns in bivous area will be off limits to troops during the overnight stop.

d. Communications:

(1) Regimental command net will open at M - 15.

(2) Radio communication within battalion and special units ps optional.

e. March Discipline:

(1) Each battalion and special unit will designate a

trail officer who will be charged with making a complete investigation of any accidents which may occur and to convoy straggler vehicles. (2) Each driver will be furnished a stripmap.

(3) An officer or senior NCO in each vehicle is charged with the maintenance of discipline of men in his vehicle. At halts, men will detruck and remain on the right Bhand side of the road only. He will see that men do not ride with feet and legs over sides or rear of trucks.

(4) Helmet liners will be worn and gas masks will be carried on the truck with the men.

(5) All weapons will be carried unloaded.

(6) All duffel bags will be carried in trucks in which men ride in order to economize on transportation.

(7) Vehicle loads will be properly secured and distributed. No baggage will be tied to the sides, bumpers etc, except that packs or musette bags may be suspended from the sides of 2-1 ton trucks.

> (8) Men will wear fatigues, over suit of ODs.

(9(Maximum load for a 1 ton truck is four (4) men.

(10) All troops will carry full conteens of water.

(11) The lead vehicle of each march unit will be a heavy type vehicle in order to maintain a uniform rate of speed.

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march serials will be so marked.



Hq. 331st Inf. Regt.,
A. P. O. 83 U. S. A.,
10 June 1945.

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Bn Comdrs and C. O. A. T. Co & Cn. Co.

- 1. Relief of elements of the 2nd Inf. Regt. will be completed by 1600 ll June 1945.
- 2. Following is the corrected list of installations to be relieved by the respective Bns:

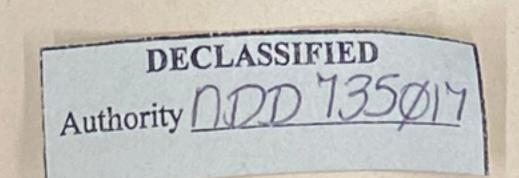
Туре	No. of men	Location	Unit
Dam Site	4	0181	1st bn
Radio Station	7	z996857	lst Bn
DP camp	6	Z9177	1st Bn
Grain warehouse	6	Z9177	1st Bn
RR roundhouse	6	Z9177	1st Bn
RR yard	6	Z9177	1st Bn
Ferry crossing (Inn R)	21	Z8273	1st Bn
Ferry crossing (Inn R)	(21)	Z8472	1st Bn.
Dam site	12 Em 1 -Off.	V114946	2nd Bn
DP camp	12	V1295	2nd Bn
Airolane Factory	7	V115945	2nd Bn
Rada inst.	6	V114942	2nd Bn
Dam-River traffic control	18 Em 1-Off	V133841	2nd Bn
Dental Stores	6	V045880	2nd Bn
Airport, (Do camp)	50 Em 3-Off	V123907	2nd Bn
Lumber Pile	6	z840946	3rd Bn
Tire Stores	7	V030042	3rd In

Bns will report when responsibility for their respective areas is assumed.

3. Anti Tank Co. - atchd to 2nd Bn. Cannon Co. - atchd to 1st Bn.

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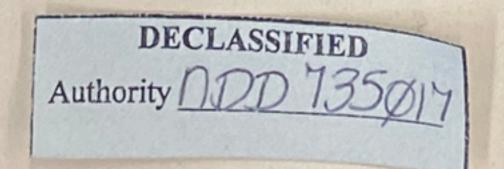
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- TO : C.O's all Bns, Hq Co, and Sv Co.
 - 1. A training memorandum will be published the latter part of this week to take effect beginning 18 June 1945.
 - 2. During the remainder of this week the following directive will govern activities for all troops:
 - A. One half (1/2) hour per day will be spent on calisthenics for all troops.
 - B. One half (1/2) hour per day will be spent on military courtesy, stressing correct military bearing, posture, saluting of all officers (including those riding Jeeps and command cars), and proper uniform and dress.
 - C. Three hours during the remainder of the week will be spent on close order drill, at company level if possible. Utulize mass commands and stress review and parade formations.
 - D. Continue organization of military government control of area with a view to keeping troops consolidated as much as possible.
 - E. Stress motor maintenance and cleaning up of all vehicles.
 - F. Continue work on improvement of status of supply.
 - G. Utilize to ma ximum all available athletic facilities.

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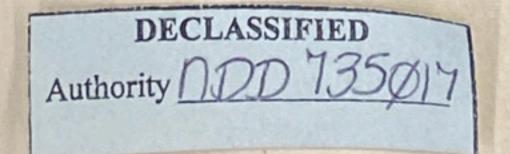


TO : Battalion Commanders.

- 1. All previous instructions regarding establishment and construction of road blocks is rescinded and the following substituted:
- a. No DP's, PW's, or civilians will be allowed entrance into the regimental area at any point without clearance from this headquarters. This restriction applies to DP's, PW's, or civilians being conveyed by military personnel and those with military government passes.
- b. Each battalion will be held responsible to see that this regulation is complied with on all portions of the regimental boundary within the respective battalion area.
- c. All roads and railroads entering the regimental area will be either physically blocked by troops, or in case of secondary entrances, posted by signs. The system used will be left to the discretion of the battalion concerned. Roads which are not physically blocked by troops will be checked daily by patrols.
 - d. Signs will be issued for the purpose of blocking the roads as soon as they are made available by Division.
 - e. All persons with MGO passes will be allowed to leave the regimental area but will not be allowed to return by the same pass. They must have clearance to get back in the area.
- f. The only personnel allowed free passage across boundaries is American military personnel.
- g. Battalions will make effort to contact and coordinate road blocks with adjacent units.
- h. Battalions with boundaries on the German frontier will be particularly careful to demand strict compliance with this order. If necessary actual barricades will be constructed on the frontier.
 - 1. Any change in present locations of road blocks established will be reported to this Hq's (Attn: S-3) by 161200.

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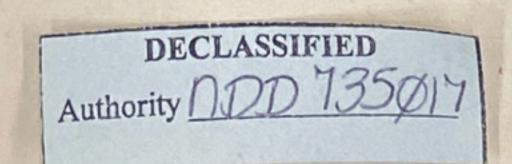


TO : C.O's all Bns, Hq Co and Sv Co.

1. The following target installations will be checked, corrected and a report of any changes submitted to this Hq (Attn: S-3) by 171200. Negative reports will be submitted.

Warehouse - DP Camp Z918760 Hq Co - 16 men Dam Control Point V021801 Co B - 30 men Radio Station Z983852 Co B - 12 men Pand Bn Dental Stores V043880 Co H - 6 men Dam Traffic Control V133840 AT Co - 19 men Airport and DP Camp V123908 Hq Co - 53 men DP Camp V136930 Co E - 12 men DD Camp V136930 Co E - 12 men The Dam Site V115946 Hq Co - 7 men Airplane Factory V115946 Hq Co - 7 men Radar Instruments V005942 Co G - 7 men Dam Site Radar Instruments V005942 Co G - 7 men Dam Site Radar Instruments V005942 Co G - 7 men Dam Site Radar Instruments V005942 Co G - 7 men Dam Site Radar Instruments V005942 Co G - 7 men Dam Site Radar Instruments V005942 Co G - 7 men Dam Site Radar Instruments V005942 Co G - 7 men	1st Bn	Ferry Site Ferry Site PW Camp DP Camp DP Camp	Z821741 Z842895 Z821816 Z905755 Z923763	Co D - 9 men Co D - 9 men Co A - 44 men Hq Co - 8 men Hq Co - 4 men (from 2200 to 0100)
Z848940 Hq Co - 2 men(when necessary)	Wand Bn To " To	Warehouse - DP Camp Dam Control Point Radio Station Dental Stores Dam Traffic Control Airport and DP Camp DP Camp Dam Site Airplane Factory Radar Instruments Tire and Grain Warehouse Lumber Yard and Sawmil	Z918760 V021801 Z983852 V043880 V133840 V123908 V136930 V115946 V115946 V105942 Q031041 1Z841945	Co B - 30 men Co B - 12 men Co H - 6 men AT Co - 19 men Hq Co - 53 men Co E - 12 men Hq Co - 7 men Hq Co - 7 men Co G - 7 men

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Hq. 331st Inf. Regt., A. P. O. 83 U. S. A. 17 June, 1945. SUBJECT: Ranges and Ammunition Requests. C. O's All Bns. 1. Due to reported inability of battalions to locate sufficient ground space available for use as combat firing ranges for platoon and company problems the following policy will apply: a. It is desired that each battalion have a combat range of sufficient size to conduct platoon firing problems. b. If sufficient area connot be found for ranges of this size then it is desired that ranges b of at least sufficient size to conduct squad firing problems. c. Each battalion will also locate areas for known distance ranges up to 300 yrards. Several well constructed ranges thro ghout the battalion area may be sufficient. if necessary because of great distances to move for such training, each company will have a known distance range. d. In all cases ranges must be constructed according to provisions of AR 750-10 (see ref.). Battalions will report difficulties encountered in locating such ranges. a. can you locate desired type of terrain? b. Will it be nece sary to remove farmers from range areas and prevent use of land for agricultural purposes? To what extent? 3. Location of ranges will be submitted in duplicate in accurate sketch form (to scale) to be submitted to Corps for approval. It is suggested that actual construction of ranges be held up until final approval of areas is made. 4. Submit requisitions for esti ated amounts of material required for construction of ranges to this Hq (att: S-3) by 191600. Lumber, cloth, paper markers, discs, glue, etc. In requistioning ammunition for the training period 18 June to 14 July 195 the following should be considered: a. Actual firing will probably not start until after the 27th June. b. Only familiarization firing of small arms and mortar ammunition will be required. c. Requests for trg ammunition to reach this hq by 1200 20 June 1945. NEILSON BILLER S - 3DECLASSIFIED Authority NDD

Hq, 331st Infantry 21 June 1945

SUBJECT: Category of Units.

TO : All Unit Commanders.

The following is extracted from Station List No. 91, Hq XII Corps, 17 June 1945 for your information:

83d Infantry Division
803d TD Bn (SP)
736th Tk Bn
737th Tk Bn
Category II

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Category IV

This information will be disseminated to all troops immediately.

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Hq. 331st Inf. Regt., A. P. O. 83 U. S, A., 22 June 1945. TRAINING MIMORANDUM: All1 Unit commanders 331st Inf. TO RANGE FIRING: 1. Beginning immediately all Battalions will give maximum priority to construction of ranges and preparation for firing which will begin Wednesday 27 June 1915. Maximum use will be made of PWs for range comstruction, 2. The tentative shcedule for range firing will be as follows: 00 27, 28, 29 June - Complete all familiarization firing. Week of 2 July - Transition firing for all ungts. (See atchd annex for W transition firing). Week of 9 July - Begin squad combat firing problems and progress to thru remainder platoon firing problems of trg. period. 3. XII Corps has authorized Division to approve all ranges as submitted. Bns will be responsible for psoting necessary range guards and complying with safety regulations. NEILSON MILLER S-3

fraining Memorandum: IRING 1. Transition firing ranges for M1 rifle and carbine will be constructed by The purpose of transition firing is to give the rifleman stalions. ice in field firing and requiring him to change sights and direction of fire. 2. Units desiring use of bulldozer for help in construction of ranges will contact Regtl S-3. TRANSITION RANGE Targets are staggered rather than in For men armed with Ml rifle NOTE. straight line. Targets at 1. Silhoue te Tgts will be used. 300 yards. 2. Pits will be dug and all tgts raised from pits as firing begins. 3. Bach man will have one minute to complete Targets at 200 yards at the six targets

Scoring;

firing of one clip of ammunition When a tgt is hit it will be lowered

by operator in the pit e. (1) Two points for each tgt hit

at 100 yards.

(2) Four points for each tgt hit at 200 yards.

(3) Six points for each tgt hit at 300 yards.

(4) One point for each round left over.

(5) Perfect score is 26 points.

Targets at 100 yards

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Firing Point

(Number Governed by size of range)

TRANSITION RANGE

For men armed with Carbine.

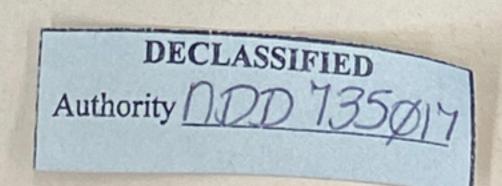
Same as above except targets will be at Ranges of :

50 yards 100 yards

200 yards

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Hq, 331st Infantry 24 June 1945 MEMORANDUM: : All Bns, Reg Hq's Co and Service Co. 1. The advance party of the 102nd Division will arrive in this area 25, 26, or 27 June. They will eventually relieve this regiment of all military govt duty, road block responsibility and so on in this area. 2. It is expected that they will relieve us battalion for battalion and separate unit for separate unit. They will occupy billets so it will be to your advantage to absorb the billets you desire immediately. 3. When the advance party arrives they will be sent to the respective units which they will relieve and will be billeted there until the main body arrives.

4. It is not expected that the main body will actually

5. All units will continue stress on training with

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complete the relief for two or three weeks.

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particular emphasis on completion of transition and combat firing ranges.

TO

: All Bns, Hq Co, and Serv. Co. TO

Status of Training Records:

1. In accordance with previous training directives all units are again reminded that exact records of the status of training of all individuals in every subject in which he has been instructed must be kept. It is suggested that company charts be maintained to show amount of training accomplished by each individual in each subject. Priority in training should be given to all low point men and qualified understudies assigned for all high point men in key positions.

Squad Combat Problems:

1. In preparation for field firing problems, all Bns will submit written firing problems to be conducted by squads on the battalion Ocombat range. Problems must:

a. Be suited to the terrain of the battalion combat range. b. Have at least three different tactical situations so that a "school solution" will not be reached before completion of squad tests.

2. Problems will be so written as to bring out basic principles a rifle squad in the attack with particular stress on:

a. Fire distribution.

b. Fire orders, control, and a scipline.

c. Control by squad leader and assistant squad leader. d. Use of maximum available fire power within the squad to

include marching fire in the final phase. d. Logical solution to the problem.

3. Ranges for squad problems will be constructed so that: a. Silhouette targets are completely camouflaged and tactically located on the squad objective, thus requiring fire distribution on likely targets in the target area rather than just

on the observed targets. b. Machine guns will be fired into pits from covered positions on the objective. Absolute safety of men firing the machine guns must be assured by use of deep pits and use of sufficient

overhead cover.

4. Written squad problems will be submitted in accordance with the above information by 5 July 1945.

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