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G-4 AFTER ACTION REPORT

From: 312400 Mar 45
To : 302400 Apr 45
83d Inf Div
APO 83, U S ARMY



1. SUPPLY

a. General

Continuous movement characterized the operations of this period. The supply points were unable to keep up with the movement, necessitating extremely long hauls. In order to relieve the organic transportation of the units from administrative duties, the burden of this hauling fell on the 83d Quartermaster Company. In many instances the ration and fuel trips required two (2) days. Attached transportation was available only for short periods. The operation of small enemy units, employing guerrilla tactics, caused the loss of both transportation, personnel and equipment, and necessitated the reduction of night travel by convoys and the establishment of a main supply route well out of the HART MOUNTAIN area which was the scene of these hostile actions.

b. Cl I

(1) Rations issued during April 1945:

A	506,930
C	312
K	95,018
10-in-one	5,380

(2) The Division continued to consume "A" rations despite the added distances and the additional weight of this ration. "A" rations were not available for issue 16 April and 19 April, although transportation had been sent for them. The conditions was remedied by the addition of captured German Class I supplies to the operational rations. Operational rations were reduced from a five (5) day to a three (3) day reserve level during the middle of the month. None of these rations was turned in; reduction taking place through attrition.

c. Cl II

(1) Status of all Class II supplies: Annex #1.

(2) Due to the shortage of transportation, no Quartermaster Class II supplies were received by the Division until 15 April.

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- (3) The other technical services were not affected appreciably during this period.

d. CI III

- (1) quantities drawn during April 1945:

Gasoline	431,925	Gals
Oil SAE #10	1,115	"
Oil SAE #30	11,585	"
Oil SAE #50	1,545	"
Oil SAE #90	745	"
Diesel Oil	1,690	"
Kerosene	100	"
Grease #1	3,170	Ibs
Grease #2	1,685	"



- (2) The gasoline consumption was extremely high during this period, and the shortage of gasoline cans became acute; however the choice between returning empty gasoline cans and evacuating German prisoners of war resulted in allowing the empty gasoline cans to remain in dumps which were reported to the Army Quartermaster. During this period SAE #30 lubricating oil was in short supply for one week during the middle of the month.

e. CI V

- (1) Basic loads were intact.
- (2) The extreme distances necessitated the sending of 66 trucks over 200 miles, to the RHINE RIVER, to draw artillery ammunition from a depot.
- (3) Expenditures: Annex #3.

2. EVACUATION

a. Casualties

- (1) Casualties were light, but some difficulty was experienced in evacuating to the Evacuation Hospitals because of their inability to keep up with the operation.

b. Burial

- (1) Record of evacuation in G-1 After Action Report.

c. Salvage

- (1) Annex #4.

d. Captured Material

- (1) Annex #5.

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- (2) Captured material ranged from small arms ammunition to airfields and underground airplane factories. The guarding of these installations placed an extreme burden on the Military Police Platoon. In order to cover this, additional troops were attached to the Military Police Platoon.



3. TRAFFIC

- a. During the month of April, the Traffic Control Office cleared sixty (60) convoys, or a total of twelve thousand three hundred ninety four (12,394) vehicles, through Division, Corps, and Army zones. Four river crossings were made during the period. March discipline of convoys was excellent. Military Police control of Bridges and Traffic was excellent.
- b. The railroads were reconnoitered for operation by German crews. Condition of the roads was satisfactory for limited operation. XIX Corps contemplates the operation of trains over the BLUMSBURG - EGGEN - STASSFURT - FORDERSTEDT - EICHENSTADEN loop.

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Annex #1.

STATUS OF CLASS II EQUIPMENT

Item	Shortages		Received (Replacements and Initial Issue)
	1 Apr	30 Apr	
CHEMICAL WARFARE	0	0	0
ENGINEER:			
Demolition Equipment set #4	6	6	0
Demolition Equipment set #5	5	5	0
Compass, lensatic luminous dial	110	130	0
Marker, luminous radio active type 2.	540	540	0
Net, camouflage ctn twine, 15' x 15'	0	8	0
29' x 29'	6	18	6
36' x 44'	6	14	6
Glass, magnifying self illuminating	4	4	0
Polarimeter, British M1	5	5	0
Protractor, range deflection fan grad in miles and yards 1/25,000 scale 26,000 yd range.	6	0	6
Protractor, range deflection fan grad in miles and yards 1/30,000 scale 35,000 yd.	12	12	0
Protractor, semi circular M3 10"	12	12	0
Stereoscope magnifying pocket w/case	11	11	0
Generator, set 1 1/2 KW on hand (1)	8	8	0
MEDICAL	0	0	0
ORDNANCE:			
Mount, truck ped M31	0	3	0
Mount, truck M36	0	2	0
Mount, truck ped M24A1	1	0	0
Launcher, grenade M7	86	0	254
Pistol, auto Cal .45, M1911A1	0	1	54
Binoculars, M13	44	0	84
Post, aiming M1	18	0	0
Post, aiming M7	12	0	0
Rule, slide M1	8	7	0
Telescope, obsn M48	1	0	1
Watch, wrist	50	0	156
Motorcycle, solo	6	6	0
Truck, 1 1/4-ton	0	5	36
Truck, 3 1/4-ton WC 12-volt	115	113	2
Trailer, 1 1/4-ton	6	11	0
Tool set, Gen mech	0	8	0
Tool set, 2nd Ech #5	1	0	1
Cabinet spare parts	1	2	0
Chain, tow 20 ft	0	20	0
Chest, cleaning material	1	1	0

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Item	Shortages		Received (Replacements and Initial Issue)
	1 Apr	30 Apr	
ORDNANCE (Cont'd)			
Grinder, bench hand	8	0	0
Hitch, tandem	12	0	0
Hoop, tow 20 ft	246	255	0
Mount, MG AA M63	0	4	26
Clinometer MG M1917	0	0	8

QUARTERMASTER:

Axe, chopping, SB, 4-lbs	183	132	52
Belt, BAR	150	0	175
Bag, canvas, water sterilizing	16	0	18
Carrier, wire cutter, M-38	599	0	393
Can, water, 5-gallon	477	0	623
Can, corrugated, galv w/cover, 2 1/2 gal	115	0	156
" " " " 32 gal	20	12	12
Clipper Hair, f/kit, barber	0	49	0
Cutter, wire	233	0	280
Heater, water, immersion type	13	0	54
Kit, barber, w/case	49	0	4
Mattock, handled, pick type	60	0	60
Outfit, cooking, 1-burner	731	226	576
Picks, RM type	166	0	97
Whistles, Thunderer	510	0	221
Drawers, cotton	12,848	16,449	6,877
Handkerchiefs	8,128	0	24,091
Jackets, field	2,538	2,523	5,012
Jackets, HBT	1,514	0	5,024
Liners, helmet	767	0	2,004
Shirt, wool	2,418	798	8,389
Trousers, wool	2,700	3,837	6,514
Undershirts, cotton	7,627	1,776	17,168
Towels	4,192	1,118	5,836

SIGNAL:

Alignment Equipment MB-73	0	0	1
Belt LC-23	0	0	4
Chest CH-112	2	2	0
Chest CH-203	4	4	0
Climbers LC-5	0	0	2
Coil C-161	0	0	8
Crystal Kit MC535	1	1	0
Facsimile Equip RC-120	1	1	0
Emergency Switchboard SB-18/GT	20	20	0
Flashlight TL-122	0	0	167
Freq. Conversion Kit MC-518	3	3	0
Holder H-167	0	0	5
Installation Kit MC-538	1	1	0
Interphone Communication Set PA-8	12	12	0
Lineman's Equipment TB-21	0	0	1
Maint. Equipment MB-34	0	0	1

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Item	Shortages		Received (Replacements and Initial Issue)
	1 Apr	30 Apr	
SIGNAL (Cont'd)			
Message Bag BG-121	20	20	0
Multimeter T-239	7	7	0
Panel AI-1140	0	0	48
Panel AI-1141	0	0	48
Photo. Equip. PH-383	1	1	0
Pliers TI-103	0	5	0
Pliers TI-126	0	0	1
Power Unit PE-210	20	20	0
Radio Kit MX-49	1	1	0
Radio Set SCR-284	0	0	1
Radio Set SCR-300	0	0	10
Radio Set SCR-536	0	0	30
Radio Set SCR-543	0	1	0
Radio Set SCR-608	0	0	1
Radio Set SCR-610	0	0	8
Rectifier Power Unit PF-34	1	1	0
Reel Frame RM-81	4	4	0
Reel Unit RL-31	0	0	9
Reel RL-39	0	0	30
Remote Control Equip. RC-289	10	10	0
" " " RC-290	31	31	0
" " " RC-261	110	110	0
Strut Thermometer MI-353	1	1	0
Switchboard BD-71	0	0	1
Tailgate Step MX-134	4	4	0
Telephone ES-8	0	0	36
Telephone TP-3	10	10	0
Test Equipment TE-29	1	1	0
Test Unit T-176	0	0	1
Test Set TS-27	0	0	1
Tool Equipment TR-33	0	0	150
Tool Equipment TR-41	0	0	1
Tool Set TS-16	1	1	0
Vibrator Pack PP-68	19	19	0
Voltammeter I-166	0	0	1
Wire W-110 Miles	0	0	1126
Wire W-130 Miles	0	0	109
Wire Pike MC-123	0	0	22
Gloves LG-10 Pr	0	0	12

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Annex #2.

Recapitulation of admissions and transfers (to Army Hospitals) at the clearing company, 308th Medical Battalion, for the month of April, U.S. Army patients, only.

Date	Remaining 0001, Hours	Admitted	Transferred	Remaining 2400 Hours
1	18	43	47	9
2	9	58	50	14
3	14	56	55	11
4	11	39	36	11
5	11	58	55	12
6	12	67	65	10
7	10	63	53	19
8	19	71	67	18
9	18	36	40	13
10	13	57	49	14
11	14	63	58	12
12	12	171	101	79
13	79	105	119	31
14	21	87	76	30
15	30	108	105	23
16	23	97	83	33
17	33	45	32	39
18	39	66	65	33
19	33	52	48	31
20	31	47	34	34
21	34	37	29	34
22	34	27	20	36
23	36	38	27	35
24	35	48	33	44
25	44	41	27	45
26	45	34	25	45
27	45	51	34	53
28	53	31	25	48
29	48	45	32	49
30	49	24	15	48

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Annex #2 (Cont'd)

Admissions and Dispositions by the Clearing Station, 308th Medical Battalion for the month of April 1945.

1. Total Admissions.....	2470
a. Admissions from 83d Inf Div.....	1145
b. Admissions from other army units.....	620
c. Allies.....	102
d. Civilians.....	157
e. Enemy.....	446
2. Total disease admitted.....	654
a. Neuropsychiatric.....	67
b. Other disease.....	587
(1) Communicable.....	145
(2) Venereal.....	47
3. Total Injury Admitted Army.....	324
a. Battle injuries.....	70
b. Non battle injuries.....	254
4. Total Wounded Admitted Army.....	787
a. Lightly wounded.....	579
b. Seriously wounded.....	208
5. Total Army to Duty.....	195
a. Neuropsychiatric to duty.....	10
b. Other army to duty.....	185
6. Average Daily Admission Rate.....	82

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Annex #3.

Ammunition Expended during period 20 March 1945 to 20 April 1945.

<u>Nomenclature of Item</u>	<u>Expended</u>
Cal .30 Ball	935,706
Cal .30 Carbine	118,624
Cal .45 Ball	77,200
Cal .50 AP - I - Tr	34,350
37mm HE M63 w/BDF M58	1,260
Canister M2	80
APC M51 w/Tr 2900 f/s MV	100
57mm HE	565
APC M86	535
60mm Mortar HE M49A2 w/PDF M56	4,841
241mm M83 w/Tr M65	558
81mm Mortar HE M43A1 w/PDF M52 (Lt)	19,973
HE M56 w/PDF M54 (Invy)	2,149
Smoke WP M57 w/PDF M52	2,011
105mm How M2 HE M1 w/PDF M54	3,388
HE M1 w/PDF M48A1	23,724
Sak WP M60 w/PDF M57	1,296
Sak HC BE M84 w/PDF M54	163
105mm How M3 HE M1 w/PDF M54	314
HE M1 w/PDF M48	171
HE M1 w/PDF M48A1	4,015
Smoke WP M60	107
155mm How M17 - 18 M102 HE	72
Charge Prop M2 WB	307
155mm How M1 M107 HE	6,417
Smoke WP M110	121
Smoke HC BE M116	102
Charge Prop M3 GB	1,260
Charge Prop M4A1 WB	6,250
Rocket AT M6A1 2.36	790
WP 2.36	80
Grenade Hand Frag MK II	2,475
Rifle HE AT M9A1	690
Rifle Sak WP T5	80
Mine Ground HE AT M1A1	45
Fuze PD M51	6,535
M54	76
M55	102
M55A1	60
Fuze T76	241
T80	1,549
Fuze CP M105	497
Flare Trip Para M49	150
Pot Smoke HC	12



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Annex #3 (cont'd)

Ammunition Expended during period 20 March 1945 to 20 April 1945 by
Units attached to the Division.

<u>Nomenclature of Item</u>	<u>Expended</u>
Cal .30 AP - Tr	283,581
.30 Ball	54,293
Cal .45 Ball	6,000
Cal .50 AP - I - Tr	69,490
37mm HE M63 w/BDF M50	644
APC M51	20
Cannister M2	420
40mm HE-T (SD) Mk II	4,065
57mm HE	212
APC M66	76
75mm HE M48 w/PDF M48A1 nc	1,041
HE M48 w/PDF M48 sc	1,053
HE M48 w/PDF M48A1 sc	245
APC M61 w/TR sc	198
Smoke WP M64	173
76mm HE M42A1	1,452
APC M62	564
60mm Mortar HE M49A2	1,102
ILLUM M63	66
81mm Mortar HE M43A1 (Lt)	2,388
HE M56 (Hvy)	718
Snk WP M57	837
75mm How HE M48	977
Snk WP M64	65
105mm How M2 HE AT M67	159
HE M1	5,391
Snk WP M60	210
Snk HC BE M64	4
Snk Red BE M64	16
Flare Troop Recog Yellow (Br)	880
Rocket AT M6A1 2.36	20
Grenade smoke HC M8	50
Grenade Hand Frag Mk II	25
Fuze T76	299
T80	97
Fuze PD M51A3 Sq & Delay	4,205
PD M55A1	53
M67 TM	81

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Annex #4.

Equipment evacuated to higher echelons for month of April 1945.



1. ORDNANCE

Circle, aiming M1	3
Watch, wrist	157
Watch, pocket	4
Telescope, pan	2
Telescope, BC M65	1
Quadrant range M4	2
Binoculars	10
Sight, mortar	2
Clock, message center	1
Tripod, M17	1
quadrant range M8	1
Mount, telescope M18	1
Truck, 1/4-ton lxd	52
Truck, 3/4-ton lxd	23
Truck, 1 1/2-ton cxd	5
Truck, 2 1/2-ton cxd	43

2. QUARTERMASTERS

Fire units	86
Typewriters	11
Outfits, cooking, 1-burner	14
Outfits, cooking, 2-burner	8
Lantern, gasoline	12

3. Quartermaster CI II Equipment salvaged during month of April.

Belt, web, waist	330
Cap, garrison, od	224
Cap, HBT	95
Cap, wool, knit	724
Drawers, cotton	1052
Drawers, wool	2195
Gloves, leather	284
Gloves, wool, od	653
Hankchiefs, cotton	137
Helmets, steel	113
Jackets, field	1164
Jackets, HBT	1339
Leggings	612
Liner, helmet	226
Neckties	79
Overcoats	1940
Shirts, wool, od	1973
Raincoats	347
Shoes	1165
Socks, wool	3975
Trousers, HBT	1726
Trousers, wool	2074
Undershirts, cotton	400
Undershirts, wool	1393

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Axe, intr trenching	25
Bag, canvas, field	77
Bag, carrying, ammunition	87
Bag, duffel	379
Belt, cartridge	219
Belt, BAR	28
Belt, pistol	103
Blanket, wool	1346
Can, meat	47
Canteen	80
Carrier, axe	13
Carrier, pack	108
Carrier, pickmattock	21
Carrier, shovel	142
Cover, canteen	135
Cup, canteen	29
Haversack	217
Pickmattock, intr trenching	32
Pins, tent, shelter-half	341
Pocket, magazine, carbine	67
Pocket, magazine, DW, M	30
Pole, tent, shelter-half	41
Pouch, first aid	71
Rolls, bedding	12
Shovel, intr trenching	152
Strap, bag, field	41
Suspenders	91
Tent, shelter-half	213
Bucket, canvas, water	10
Can, corrugated, galv 10-gal	1
" " " 16-gal	20
" " " 24-gal	47
" " " 32-gal	5
Can, water, 5-gallon	71
Case, canvas, dispatch	11
Container, round, insulated	17
Drum, inflammable	1
Fly, tent, wall, large	11
Heater, immersion type	32
Lantern, gasoline	34
Outfit, cooking, 1-burner	26
Outfit, cooking, 2-burner	16
Screen, latrine	5
Stove, tent	132
Tent, GP	6
Tent, small wall	9
Typewriter, portable	1
Typewriter, non-portable	2
Overshoes, arctic	1789
Shoe Pass	39
Socks, ski	53
Socks, arctic	69
Ponchos	92
Sleeping bags	677



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Mittens, trigger finger	91
Tents, pyramidal	75
Mufflers	37
Caps, comforter	23
Trousers, cotton, winter	259
Suspenders	40
Field Range Cabinets	8
Tent, hospital ward	13



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