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HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
83d Infantry Division
APO 83, U. S. Army

1 May 1945

SUBJECT: Action Against Enemy, Reports After/ After Action Reports.

TO : The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C. (THRU: Channels)

1. ORIGINAL UNIT: Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 83d Infantry Division, APO 83, U. S. Army.

2. CHANGES IN ORGANIZATION: No Change

3. STRENGTH: 2359 31 March 1945- 2359 30 April 1945-Changes

Officers	51	53	+ 2
W. O.	7	6	- 1
EM	262	257	- 5
Civilians	0	0	

4. STATIONS:	Date of Arrival	Date of Departure
Horstgen, Germany	28 March 1945	4 April 1945
Beckum, Germany	4 April 1945	9 April 1945
Delligsen, Germany	10 April 1945	15 April 1945
Calbe, Germany	15 April	

5. NARRATIVE: The Defense Platoon of Headquarters Company was engaged with the Enemy along the Saale River at Calbe, Germany on 13 April 1945. This Platoon was under command of 1st Lt Mansel A. Slack, O-1287079.

During this engagement, which reduced a pocket of enemy resistance, Technician Fifth Grade Robert A. Wess, 33254644, was fatally wounded and died of wounds 15 April 1945. Entered service from Pennsylvania.

Members of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, during the period of 30 March 1945 and 30 April 1945, took a total of one hundred fifty (150) Prisoners of War.

Members of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Rear Echelon during the period of 31 March and 30 April 1945 took a total of one hundred forty one (141) Prisoners of War, including one (1) Colonel and two (2) Lieutenants of VOLKSTURM.

The following OFFICERS and ENLISTED MEN of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 83d Infantry Division were awarded the following Decorations during the period of 31 March 1945 and 30 April 1945:

Lt Colonel John D. Smith O-915645 Judge Advocate
Bronze Star Award for Meritorius Service

Major Raymond Stevens O-367023 Air Corps
Bronze Star Award for Meritorius Service

Staff Sergeant Richard W. Winther 31101707 AG Section
Bronze Star Award for Meritorius Service

Technician Fourth Grade Aloysius F. Rock 33083006
Headquarters Company
Bronze Star Award for Meritorius Service

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Captain Malcomb A. Venig O-2894392 Military Government
Bronze Star Award for Meritorius Service

Corporal Mieczyslaw Makuc 31224245 Headquarters Company
Bronze Star Award for Meritorius Service

6. Captain Robert F. McGonagle, O-1287038, is Commanding
Officer of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 83d Infantry
Division.

Robert F. McGonagle
ROBERT F. MCGONAGLE,
Captain, Infantry,
Commanding.



2 Incls:

- 1 - Journal for Hq & Hq Co for month of April/45.
- 1 - Journal for Hq Special Troops for month of April/45.

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HEADQUARTERS 83D INFANTRY DIVISION, APO 83, U. S. Army, 16 May 1945.

TO: Commanding General, XIX Corps, APO 270, U. S. Army.
(Attention: Adjutant General)

Forwarded.

For the Commanding General:

Incls: n/c

N. P. CORDEN,
Major, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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