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In	Out	Berial Number	Time Dated	Incidenta, Messages, Ordera, etc.	
				(Day and date)	1
		-		Tue 1 May 45	
			0001	The following two missions were H & I's from Highpo	5
			to 0600	H119 (579-191) was fired by "B" on Oepping. 12 H	U
		-	-	H120 (5453-4273) " " "A" on town, 12 HE	
			0600	The battalion is given March Order at this time.	- -
			0730	Btry "C" is the advance battery follows 490th.	-
			0940	CS for the remainder of the battalion is given and	ŀ
				the order of march is A, B, remainder of C & Hq.	- -
			1240	The battalion closed at Kollerschla; the firing	ŀ
				batteries at following coordinates: "A" 4943-1953,	┢
				"B" 4944-1916 & "C" 4946-1930	r
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			1340	Survey party leaves to work at advance position near Peilstein.	-
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			1400	919 (5723-1926) was observed by AOP while Baker	r
			& 1430	and Charlie expended 53 HE.	-
			1430	920 (6060-1625) was fired by "A" and observed	r
				by the AOP. 76 HE and 11 WP	_
			1430	Bn S-2 and advance battery prepare to move forward.	-
			1600	CSMO for the remainder of the battalion is received.	-
			1700	The battalion closed in at Peilstein. "A" 5345-	-
				2090, "B" 5367-2050, "C" 5350-2072.	_
			1730	BP (5932-1790) was conducted by AOP and "C"	_
				expended 10 HE on this registration.	
			1815	922 (595-182) was fired on a hill in a town and AOP	_
			1830	observed "C" expend 1 HE.	_
				H121 (6068-1615), H & I from Highpost, was fired by Charlie and 10 HE were expended,	
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-			1900	921 (605-162) was a TOT from Highpost and "C"	
- 1		· 1	ŀ	expended 12 HE.	

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	-			Tue 1 May 45	
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	-			Total rounds: 186 HE, 11 WP	-
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				Wed 2 May 45
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		 -	0001 t	The state of the s
-		1	0600	Charlie expended 13 HE on the ridge.
		-	0730	Dis do
				Bn CO, survey and reconnaissance goes forward.
			0745	H121 (606-161) was fired by "A" & "C" and on this
	···			Highpost assignment 16 HE were expended.
			0745	Btry "A", lead battery, follows the 490th on march.
			0750	923 (604-173), Highpost mission on infantry in a
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			woods was fired by "A" & "C". 16 HE
				V is a V i TO HE
			0900	CSMO
			0930	Daws
			<u> </u>	Remainder of the battalion goes onto the road and follows 255th FA.
				and lollows 255th PA.
			1135	Able, who has gone into position at 6108-1232
-				near Hogling, fires conc 924 (6224-0648) on a
		_		town at Highpost's command. 8 HE
			1000	
			1200	The battalion is in position in the vicinity of
				OT HOSTING. "A" 6108-1232. "B" 6007 1254
				"C" 6076-1262.
			1430	The battalion commander
				The battalion commander again moves forward on a reconnaissance for night position.
				Total night position.
			1510	60 German radios which were taken are turned
				over to CC"A".
			500	Btry Cots and market
				in the vicinity of Unt Feuchtenbach.
				reachtenbach,
_			1530	Advance battery. Able, again moves forward.
				and a season moves forward.
		1	1555	CS for Baker Battery

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		-		Wed 2 May 45	
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		-	_1610_	CS is given to Charlie Battery	
		 			
			1630	The remainder of the battalion receives CSMO.	_ _
			4500		_ _
			1700	The battalion closed into position at Unt	
				Feuchtenbach, Austria. "A" 6130-0762, "B" 6140-	
				0770, "0" 0115-0776.	
			1715	BP (6668-0595) registration was observed by	
				AOP and "A" & "B" expended 16 HE.	
			1730	BP (6517-0983) registration was fired by "C"	- -
		-		and observed by AOP. 12 HE	
				ALVA I In IAI	
	· 	-		Total rounds: 71 HE	-
				8 WP	-
				2 Snoke	-
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				20 replacements received today.	
				Sky clears some, but rain and snow continue,	
			2400	Journal closed	
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				(Day and date)	-
				Thu 3 May 45	-
			0005 t		
		-	0500	H122 (6935-0545) was fired by Boker on a town. 10	HE
		_		H123 (.7235-0100) " " " " " 10	HE
		-	0750	Mac Du GO 1	
	,		0150	The Bn CO leaves on a reconnaissance to check river crossing.	-
				Tiver orossing.	
			0830	Btry "B" is lead battery today and at 0830	-
				they move onto road following 496th (Type).	
					<u> </u>
			0930	March order for the remainder of the battalion is	
		-		is given and the column falls in behind Grog (492d).	
		-		when orders are received at 1100 hours.	
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		 	1245 t	TEST TEST TIES THE TEST TO THE TOTAL TOTAL TEST TO THE	
		-	1400	Baker on a bridge, while AOP observed. 19 HE	
			1320	BP (7152-9800) registration by Buker was con-	
	~			ducted by AOP, 7 HE	
			1330	The battalion closed into position with the firing	
				batteries in the following positions: "A" 6658-	
				0286, "B" 6671-0295, "C" 6654-0325.	
		<u> </u>	1440	926 (7270-9463) was fired by Baker and observed by	
				AOP. 10 HE	
		 	1500	927 (6908-9476) was observed by AOP while Able	
			4500	expended 41 IIB.	
		-	1500	928 (7462-9320) expended 61 HE and Charlie	
				did this firing as observed by AOP.	
		-	1508	Birry Bols and surmor and last a	
	/		1,700	Btry BC's and survey called forward on reconnaissan	ce.
			1530	March order given to "A" & "C" Battories.	
				OANNA BAYON NO A" M. "U" BRETORIAS.	
			1610	Remainder of the battalion moves forward.	
				134.4.5	
			1800	BP (7473-9236) registration was fired by "A" and	
- 1			1	"C" and observed by AOP. 9 HE	

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	*******			Thu 3 May 45							
7000 704			1810	The battalion closed in at Moring, Austria.							
				"A" 6890-9676, "B" 6888-9696, "O" 6895-9656							
			2015	. 929 (7756-9543) was fired by "A" and observed by							
				AOP. 33 HE							
-:,			_2200_t	o H124 (738-924), Highpost mission, was fired by	<u>'</u>						
			2400	Oharlie. 2 HE							
			_2200 t	o H125 (755-935), Highpost H & I, was fired by							
			2400	Able. 4 HE							
				Total rounds: 206 HE							
				Rain, snow and cool weather continue.							
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			2400	Journal closed.							
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		-	0600	H124 (736-924) was fired by Charlie. 4 HE	1
		<u> </u>		H125 (755-935) " " Able. 12 HE	1
				H126 (7620-9825)" " Baker. 10 HE	-
				H127 (7940-9672)" " " 10 HE	
				H128 (7970-9863)" " " 10 HE	
			0745	CSMO	
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6,0			1125	The battalion fired on Ling. Conc No. 930	
				(855-875) was observed by AOP on Linz. 65 HE	
		 			
			1140	Bn closed into position at Gramastetten, Austria.	
				"A" 7718-9560, "B" 7684-9561, "C" 7696-9576	
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		-	1330 t	PER TOTOGRAPHICATION OF THE	
			1430	931-2 (8435-8918) Y " " " 1 HE	
				931-3 (8454-9045) ¥ " " " 2 HE	
			1530 t	THE PARTY OF THE P	
		-	1730	Charlie Battery suffers the most. It is estimated	
				that 22 rounds fell.	
				KIA	
		·		Holliday, Robert J, 37681126, Btry "C"	
				Miller, Harvey R, 34090467, Btry "C"	
			, -	VIA	
<u></u>				Krick, Russel A, 33118017, Hodnett, William	
	·			J. 20444470; Brown, Thomas C. 35121703;	
				Morris, Cecil E, 0-1169661; Gusselin, William	
				J, 31471941. One EM from AAA slightly	
<u> </u>				injured.	
	·		1600		
			1600	932 (8294-9075) was fired by the Bn on an enemy	4
		-	4600	battery. AOP observed 8 HE being expended.	
		-	1600	933 (799-932) expended 64 HE. Able fired while	
 -			15.5	AOP was active.	
			1615	934 (8220-9399)was fired by Able on an enemy	
		-		88 and ACP observed while 82 rounds were expended.	
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			1634	935 (8215-9369) was fired on an enemy battery of	
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			·	Cont Chaffend in second at Party To July with it	
				Capt Stafford is recalled from Im duty with the	ļ
42. 4				276th and assumes command of Btry "C", because Capt	<u> </u>
[Morris is evacuated after having been wounded.	<u> </u>
	· 			final David	<u> </u>
				Canak Boun becomes: Bu Hork.	ļ
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				Lt Rice acts as Ex O of Baker while Lt Shea is	
				shaent for physical examination.	-
				Sgt Manca takes over the duties of Bn Survey O.	
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			1800	936 (8245-9375) was fired by Able when Highpost	<u> </u>
				assigned mission. 8 HE	
		<u> </u>			
			2130	More, approximately 10 rounds, of enemy artillery	
				shell falls in the firing battery areas. No injuries.	
	<u> </u>				<u>.</u>
			2245	937 (844-905), Highpost mission, was fired by	
				Able and Haker. 13 HE	
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			0042	938 (866-911); Highpost mission, was fired on an				
	***************************************	-		ammunition dump by Able. 12 HE				
		- 	0730	Diame Hall and he had been been been been been been been bee				
			0/30	Btry "A", under the control of 490th, letves as the advance firing battery.				
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				Six men are liven pas es to Paris, France.				
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		-	0900 t	- Trong Hillings Chi				
			1000	939 (832-908), fired by Baker, expended 5 HB				
		-		940 (829-901) " " Ch/Irlie " 3 HB				
	<del></del> -			941 (860-907) " "Baker " 5 HE				
			1000	Group Commander visits CP.				
				group commender. Alarta Ch.				
			1100	Harausing fires in the vicinity of Linz ends as				
				negotetions for surrender of the city are carried on.				
				Start				
-			1420	Billeting party, Bn CO and survey prepare for movement				
		-  -		to the south of Linz.				
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	····	-	1445	The battation is ordered to et ad by for USMO:				
		1		the novement is to be to the northwest instead of				
		1		to the south as previously announced.				
			1510	Btry CO are called to Bn CP for instructions on	ï			
				movement to 58-24 grid square, vicinity of Aigen, Aust.				
			1520	CSMO CSMO				
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		-	1550	The battalion is relieved from the 11th Armd Div and				
		<del> </del>		assigned to reinforce the fire of 26th Div Arty. Btry				
		-		"A" reverts to battalion control. All FO's and In O				
_		-		are recarried				
			1600	Reconnaisuance ourte laures and the table at				
				Reconnaisuance parts leaves and the battalion follows				
			1915	Radio cast over 192, from Group, says all hostilities				
1		1		will cease at 1200 hours on 6th May.				

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				Sat 5 May 45	-				
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				Eugene Martchek, 33117566, Cpl, Btry "C", is	-				
	ļ	<b>.</b>		injured and weapons, carrier badly damaged when	-				
		ļ		25th Division land mine explodes.	-				
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		- <del></del>	2010	The battalion closed into position northeast of	1				
	<del> </del>			Aigen, Austria. "A" 5930-2476, "B" 5982-2504.					
		-		"C" 5942-2523.	1				
		ļ	2200	Btry "A" reports that it will remain in old position					
		<del> </del>		until the 6th.					
				Cloudy sky and rain,	_				
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				Total rounds: 25 HE	<u> </u>				
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			0850	Billeting party goes to Aigen to look for quarters.	-
			0960	Service Battery closed into position	
			1000 &	Protestant and Catholic services are attended by	-
		-	1100	the men.	
				Personnel Section which had been located with	_
				at Service Battery now takes its place with Hq Btry.	
		-	1400	Btry "A" closed into position.	
			1425	Group CO, Col Bartlett, visits CP.	
			1430	Btry CO's are instructed to be ready on call for	
				teconnaissance.	
			1435	Bn S-3 goes forward with Col Bartley and new	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			positions are selected.	
			1450	Bn CO goes forward to meet S-3 and help in the	
				selection of new battery positions.	
			1800	The battalion closed into position at the following	
				coordinates: CP 635-283, "A" 630-2845, "B" 6283-	
				2833, "0" 6317-2848.	
			1800	Sv Btry takes over quarters vacated by Hq Btry	
				northeast of Aigen, Austria.	
				Liaison officers:	
				Capt Bean - 101st FA	
				Capt Griffin - 102d FA	
				OP established at 628-312 and manned by Lt Buck	
				Rain and overcast skies during most of the day.	
				No firing	
		1	2400	Journal closed	

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		-		(Day and date)	-	
		-		Mon 7 May 1945	-	
		-	0500	T.b. Wughan	├─	
			0,00	Lt Hughes mans OP (618-310) and relieves Lt Buok		
	-		0900	Lt Buck takes over duties as Ln O with 101st FA		
				and Capt Bean returns to duty at Bn Hq.	-	
-			1020	Bn CO brings the news from Highpost, confirmed		
				by Iceburg, that all hostilities will cease at 2400 hours on the 8th.		
				2400 hours on the 8th.		
-				The last round was fired by Baker Battery's 4th	<u> </u>	
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				since coming overseas: 33,360 since first of year.	·	
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				Capt Stafford returns to Hq as S-2.		
-				Lt Worley takes over duties as Btry "C" CO.		
				fores over duties as Bill "0" 00.		
-				Lt Shea becomes Charlie Battery Ex O.		
			1000			
			1800	Bn CO goes to Group with his Ex O and Bn S-3.		
_				Clear weather; slightly cooler.		
			2400	Journal closed.		
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		<u> </u>		Tue 8 May 1945	
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			0000	Capt Bean goes to Bamberg to pick up 58 reinforcements.	
			1000 to	Bn CO visits all batteries and gives instructions an	
	<del></del>		1100	on conduct now that the battalion is to about to take over	
				duties of occupation troops and also compliments the men	
				for the fine way in which they have worked thusfar.	
				Lt Rice reports to 183d FA Group on DS.	
				Sgt Manca is temporarily acting as Survey Officer.	
		-	_1900	Lt Col Kindred visits in CP.	
				Warm sunshine and a little rain.	
				By GO No 34, Hq XII Corps, 3 May, 1945, the following	
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				Bronze Star Medals for Meritorious Service-	
				1st Lt Leland L Rice, 0538294	
		-		WO(jg) Houston H Richardson, W2106980	
		-		M Sgt Joseph H Swamerour, 20444231	
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				8 Sgt James F Leoney, 4033554	
				Cpl Charles R Crowe, 14137332	
				Pfo Clearence R Land, 34190845	
				Pfo Paul Yuhas, 35921054	
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