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ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION - OPERATIONS IN FRANCE
(January 1945)

1. Original Unit: (Previously submitted).

2. Changes in Organization: (Previously submitted; no additional change).

3. Strength, commissioned and enlisted:

	Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
a. 1 January 1945	36	2	642
b. 31 Januray 1945	38	2	654
c. Net increase, January	2	-	12

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NARRATIVE - OPERATIONS IN FRANCE
(February 1945)

On 1 January 1945, the 443d AAA AW Bn (SP), Lt. Col. WERNER L. LARSON, commanding, assigned to Seventh Army and in support of the 36th Infantry Division, was in tactical position defending the division training area in the vicinity of Sarrebourg, France. The Second Platoon of Battery "A", protecting the 132d Field Artillery Battalion, had remained in the vicinity of Strasbourg where the field artillery was supporting Task Force "Linden".

The division G-3 report of 1 January 1945 indicated that the 141 RCT was attached to the 100th Infantry Division, and at 1910A hours the same day the First Platoon of Battery "C" advanced with this regimental combat team to an assembly area in the vicinity of MONTBRONN. This RCT was to protect the XV Corps' right flank, the 142 RCT was placed on immediate alert, and the remainder of the division was to be prepared to move on six hour notice.

Captain ROBERT F. HEAD, former Battery Commander of Battery "A", 443d AAA AW Bn (SP) returned to duty after an extended illness and again assumed command of Battery "A". Also on 1 January 1945 2nd Lt. THOMAS W. HAZEN, Medical Administrative Corps, assistant to the Battalion Surgeon, was promoted to first lieutenant.

Because of the fact that the enemy was reported to be using captured P-47 and various other types of allied aircraft, orders were issued by the Battalion Commander that any plane committing a hostile act would be engaged by all available fire units.

The Second Platoon of "A" Battery, in position defending the 132d Field Artillery at Illkirch - Graffenstaden engaged two FW 190's at 1030A hours 2 January 1945. Several rounds of 37mm and a moderate amount of 50 caliber ammunition was expended with no observed results. The planes were evidently on a routine reconnaissance flight as no damage or casualties were reported.

The First Platoon of "C" Battery later the same day engaged a P-51 committing a hostile act near Montbronn. 195 rounds of 50 caliber ammunition were expended when the P-51 dove on friendly troops. The P-51 was evidently not damaged.

On 3 January 1945 the 36th Infantry Division made preparations to move from the reserve and training area near Sarrebourg to an area near Sarre-Union where it would go into XV Corps reserve. The First Platoon of "A" Battery moved in convoy with the 142 RCT to an assembly area southwest of

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ontbronn while "A" Battery's Second Platoon convoyed from Illkirch - Graffenstaden to the same area with the 132d Field Artillery Battalion.

The remainder of the Battalion convoyed forward with various division units during the day, and by 4 January 1945 four platoons, one from each battery, were assigned the protection of the four division field artillery battalions, three platoons were defending division main supply routes and one platoon was with the division air OP.

The 141 RCT reverted to 36th Infantry Division control on 4 January and launched a limited objective attack at 1230A hours from GOETZENBRUCK. Fierce resistance was encountered and determined enemy counterattack forced a slight withdrawal.

Early on 5 January the First Platoon of "C" Battery, after observing two P-51's circling the area for twenty minutes, engaged these planes when they strafed near Montbronn. No results were observed, and it could not be determined whether these planes were allied or enemy as the markings were not distinguishable.

An enemy artillery observation plane, said to be similar to our own Piper Cub and probably a Fiesler-Storck, was reported over our lines by the Second Battalion, 142 RCT on 6 January 1945. No platoons observed this plane, however.

The 142 RCT relieved the 141 RCT and withstood a heavy enemy counterattack on 8 January. The 141 RCT assembled in reserve on the following day, and the 143 RCT continued training near Mountbronn.

On 9 January Captain WALTER W. HOWIE, Battery commander, Headquarters Battery, 443d AAA AW Bn (SP) was relieved from additional duty as motor transportation officer and 1st Lt. FRANCIS X. CALLAHAN was assigned to this duty from "A" Battery.

The division, meanwhile, was organizing a secondary defensive line extending from LORENTZEN to VOLKSBERG and building a zone of obstacles and prepared demolitions to impede any enemy attack which might penetrate our primary defensive line.

Tec 4 Julius D. Rickert, 12061518, Headquarters Battery radio operator, 443d AAA AW Bn (SP) was awarded the Bronze Star Medal on 10 January 1945, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 20 October 1944, in France. Tec 4 Rickert, landing under enemy shell-fire from the first LST to hit the beach in Southern France, hastily set up his radios and within a very few minutes had his section functioning smoothly, was on the air as net control station and was in the AAAIS net as well as laying administrative telephone lines and setting up a forward message center.

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Tec 4 Rickert, in the absence of the Communications Officer during the first eighteen hours on the beachhead was largely responsible for the complete and successful AAA coverage of the unloading operations because of his complete organization and maintenance of the Battalion Communication nets.

The 36th Infantry Division continued to consolidate its defensive positions, and to send out small patrols to contact the enemy at various points. No enemy air activity occurred until the afternoon of 13 January 1945 when "B" Battery's First Platoon engaged an ME 163 (jet-propelled) flying east to west over Montbronn at about 3000 feet. No hits were scored.

On 17 January 1945 plans were underway for a division movement to the Haguenau vicinity where it would revert to VI Corps control. The division, less the 141 RCT, the 142 RCT and the 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance, was to begin its move at 0930A hours 18 January 1945, and, upon arrival in the new area, would go into Corps reserve. Antiaircraft platoons accompanied the various division elements and by the following day the 443d AAA AW Bn (SP), less Battery "C", which remained in the Montbronn sector with the 141 RCT, was deployed in tactical positions near HAGUENAU.

Captain JOHN R. FISHER was awarded the BRONZE STAR MEDAL for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 November to 20 December 1944 in France. During this period, when the 36th Infantry Division was fighting a fanatically resisting enemy in an attempt to break through the Vosges defenses and attain the Alsatian plain, Capt FISHER provided continuous antiaircraft protection for the Division's main route of supply and the axis of advance as well as for field aritllery elements and forward dumps and installations. On one occasion, when the enemy launched a determined counter-attack against an important town, Captain FISHER rushed a platoon to the vicinity to be employed in initial antitank defense. By close contact with the Division G-3 and by personal reconnaissances in forward areas, he constantly furnished effective support, contributing materially to the success of the critical operations.

Also awarded the Bronze Star Medal were three members of the antiaircraft crew which had, near Ribeauville, helped to beat off an enemy attack on a field artillery battery. Cpl. Teddy Faircloth, Tec 5 Richard S. Bryant and Pvt Wilbur H. Richardson, all of "D" Battery, had given covering fire to Tec 5 Albert B. Wagner, also of "D" Battery, who manned an M-16 antiaircraft weapon and directed the four heavy machine guns at the enemy which was less than one hundred yards distant. Tec 5 Albert B. Wagner was later awarded the Silver Star Medal for gallantry in action. Tec 5 Wagner, when the enemy attacked the field artillery battery which his crew was assigned to protect, crawled fifty yards over exposed terrain illuminated by flares and swept by small arms fire to alert the other members of his crew. Under their covering fire, he crept back to his gun, removed the bulky canvas cover, loaded the four machine guns and delivered a devestating hail of fire at point blank range toward the enemy gun flashes. Tec 5 Wagner performed all this in the face of enemy small arms fire of every description and with knowledge that

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German bazookas could easily be brought to bear on him. Tec 5 Wagner's heroic actions undoubtedly saved many lives and a great deal of equipment from destruction.

At 1200A hours 19 January 1945 the 443d AAA AW Bn (SP) was relieved from attachment to 23d AAA Group and attached to 91st AAA Group. The Battalion's mission of supporting the 36th Infantry Division remained unchanged. The battalion forward CP was now in HAGUENAU with the Service Echelon in SCHWEIGHAUSEN. On 20 January, however, as a result of the VI Corps' plan for a withdrawal to the VOLKSBERG - WIMMENAU - HAGUENAU - BISHWILLER - WEYERSHEIM defensive line, Forward CP moved in convoy back to MOMMENHEIM while the Battalion Service Echelons convoyed back to WILLGOTTHEIM. All AA platoons moved back with their respective field artillery units and took up new positions near HAGUENAU, GUEDERTHEIM and NILDERSHCAEFFOLSHEIM.

Information received from 91st AAA Group indicated the probability of a strong enemy night air attack during the VI Corps' retrograde movement. To guard against surprise, all personnel were instructed to be fully clothed and ready to man the guns immediately upon a red alert. This special manning detail was in effect three nights, the 20-21, 21-22, and 22-23 January.

On 22 January the 141 RCT convoyed from MONTBRONN to rejoin the Division and occupy tactical positions near BRUMATH. "C" Battery, 443d AAA AW Bn (SP) protected the route of march and, upon arrival the First Platoon went into position with the 131 Field Artillery Battalion in BRUMATH and the Second Platoon was assigned the mission of protecting the 242d Field Artillery Battalion, relieving elements of "B-2", near NIEDERSCHAEFFOLSHEIM.

23 January 1945 brought the German Luftwaffe out in unusual force, and the antiaircraft crews again encountered the new enemy jet-propelled airplanes. At 0955A hours two ME 262 (JP) which bombed and strafed, were fired on by four platoons with no observed results. At 1000A hours, four ME 210's were engaged by C-1 over BRUMATH. The enemy aircraft bombed and strafed an armored column on the road northeast of town. One plane was observed smoking as it left the scene of action. Two more ME 262's (jet-propelled), circling and bombing near GUEDERTHEIM, were engaged from 1025A to 1035A by six AA platoons with no observed results. At 1105A hours C-1 again went into action when one ME 163 (jet-propelled) attempted to strafe the road east of BRUMATH. A-2, B-1, B-2, C-1, D-1 and D-2 fired on two ME 109's on a reconnaissance flight over the Division area at 1145A hours, and from 1425A hours to 1430A hours B-1, B-2, C-1, C-2, D-1 and D-2 engaged a mixed flight of one ME 109E and three ME 262 (jet-propelled) bombing near WEITBRUCHT. Hits were reported on planes in this flight by several platoons, however, there were no definite claims. At the same time the First Platoon of "D" Battery engaged one ME 262 (jet-propelled) and one ME 109 which bombed an unidentified target east of Gries. This action completed a day of intense activity for almost every platoon in the battalion. Three casualties, one seriously wounded and two lightly wounded, had been sustained by "D" Battery's First Platoon in the 1000A raid when anti-personnel bombs had been dropped by an enemy jet-propelled ME-262.

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The 36th Infantry Division, meanwhile, continued to hold the WEYERSHEIM - BISCHWILLER line while improving defensive positions and plans for counter-attacking in the event of an enemy penetration. During the night 25-26 January 1945 one section from "A" Battery and one from "B" Battery fired 35 rounds 37mm and 4800 rounds .50 caliber at enemy troop concentrations in ROHRWILLER. This mission was fired in support of the 142 RCT which sent a raiding party into OBERHOFFEN during the night. During the afternoon of 26 January a phone call from the 36th Infantry Division directed Captain FISHER, the Battalion S-3, to contact Colonel LYNCH, commanding officer, 142 RCT in regard to a "Chinese Attack" to take place the night of 26-27 January. During a "Chinese Attack", all available weapons are fired in order to divert the enemy from activity taking place elsewhere. For this mission an M-16 of "B" Battery (B-222) fired 1400 rounds of caliber .50 on enemy positions to divert the enemy and screen active patrolling in other parts of the 142 RCT sector.

On 28 January the 36th Infantry Division was making plans to attack in conjunction with other VI Corps units to clear the enemy from west of the Rhine River in the OBERHOFFEN - DRUISENHEIM vicinity. Again the night of 28-29 January 1945 an M-16 from "B" Battery (B-222) furnished diversionary fire on enemy positions to screen friendly patrol activity in 142 RCT sector. This section was relieved by a section from "C" Battery at 0700A hours, 29 January 1945.

At 1452A hours the same afternoon B-1, B-2, C-1, D-1 engaged two ME 109E's at 3000-3500 feet in passing flight. No results were reported.

On 30 January sections from "A" and "C" Batteries were relieved of their ground missions and returned to their primary AA role.

Lt. Colonel WERNER L. LARSON was appointed 36th Infantry Division Security Officer on 31 January 1945 by Operations Instrudtions Number 142, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division.

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			1 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0001	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	In bivouac with Bn. Service Echelon.
	1300	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Oper Instr. Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 RCT moves from present area to vic. WALDHAMBACH to protect XV Corps Rt flank. RCT is attached to 100th Inf. Div.
	2400	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 RCT attached to 100th Inf Div.; 1/142 RCT on immediate alert. Bal of Div on 6 hr alert - is in training.
	----	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Oper Memo, Hq 7th Army, re the use of Amer. P-47 aircraft by the enemy. Par 4 "any airplane which attacks friendly troops or installations by strafing or bombing will be engaged by appropriate ground agencies."
	----	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	SO #1, par 1 Hq 7th Army, 1 Jan. '45 - 2nd Lt. THOMAS W. HAZEN, O-1703074 - promoted to 1st Lt.
	----	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Par 21, SO #1, 3d Repl Bn., Capt. R. F. HEAD, reassigned to 443d AAA Bn.
	----	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Sect I, GO #95, Hq 36 Gen Hosp, 12 Nov. 1944 - Tec 5 John M. Lomash, 3225 9389, Btry "C", 443d AAA Bn. awarded Purple Heart.
Sv Ech	0001	443d Bn.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	In bivouac.
A CP	0001	443d Bn.	Bertrambois (V-448009)	In bivouac with Btry Serv. Ech.
A-1	0001	443d Bn.	Cirey sur Vezouse (V-418982)	In tact posns protecting Div. Trng.
A-2	0001	132 FA	Illkirch Graffen-Staden (V-985925)	In tact posns protecting 132 FA Bn. attached to T.F. "LINDEN" (42d Inf Div)
B CP	0001	443d Bn	Voyer (Q-516063)	In bivouac with Btry Serv Ech.
B-1	0001	443d Bn	Lorquin (Q-457082)	In tact posns protecting Div Training area.

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			1 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
B-2	0001	443d Bn.	Voyer (Q-516063)	In bivouac with Btry. Hqs.
C CP	0001	443d Bn.	Niederviller (Q-538127)	In bivouac with Btry Serv. Ech.
C-1	0001	131 FA	Niederviller (Q-538127)	In tact posns protecting 141 RCT trng area.
	1910	131 FA	Niederviller (Q-538127)	Protecting convoy of 141 RCT moved to tact. posns protecting RCT assy area in MONTBRONN (Q-692439). Arr 020215A hrs.
C-2	0001	443d Bn.	Niederviller (Q-538127)	In bivouac with Btry Hqs.
D CP	0001	443d Bn.	Plaine de Valsch (Q-544104)	In bivouac with Btry Serv. Ech.
D-1	0001	443d Bn.	Plaine de Valsch (Q-544104)	In bivouac with Btry Hqs.
D-2	0001	443d Bn.	Plaine de Valsch (Q-544104)	In tact posns protecting Division training area.
			2 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1600	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Oper Memo #1, Hq 443d AAA AW Bn - "Recent air attacks by captured planes piloted by enemy - Eff at once units of this Bn will engage any plane which commits a definately hostile act."
	2400	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 RCT attached to 100th Inf Div.; 142 & 143 RCTs, on immediate alert status against eny paratroop landings, continued trng.
	----	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Hq. 443d AAA Bn - roster of Bn Officers.
	----	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Ltr Hq 35 AAA Bde, 2 Jan 45: "Eff 02 1800 Jan 1945, IAZs established by night only: SAARBOURG, PHALSBOURG, SAVERNE, & MUTZIG. Areas 12000 yds radius, restricted to 10,000 ft. altitude.
A-2	1030	132 FA	Illkirch Graffen-Staden (V-985925)	Engaged (2) FW 190s flying over posns at 600 ft alt in passing flight. 11 rds 37mm and 900 rds cal. .50 expended. No observed results.

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			3 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1200	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Annex No. 2, "Plans for Movement" Hq 36th Inf. Div. Schedule for division's move from reserve & training areas to Reserve behind XV Corps - vic SARRE-UNION.
	----	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Hq 7th Army "Attachment Order", par 3: "Eff 1200A hrs 3 Jan 45, following listed units are attached to XV Corps for operations: 36th Inf Div with attached: 636 TD Bn, 443d AAA AW Bn (SP), and 12th Arm'd Div, with attached 572 AAA AW Bn (SP), 827 TD Bn."
	2400	36th Div.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	G-3 Report Hq., 36th Inf Div. - Div. on 6-hr alert against eny paratroop landing. 141 atchd 100th Inf Div. Div in training.
A CP & A-1	2025	443d Bn.	Bertrambois (V-448009) Cirey sur Vezouse (V-418982)	Assigned temporary protection of 142 RCT, moved in convoy to RCT assy area 2 mi SW MONTBRONN (Q-670420). Arrived 040415A.
A-2	1300	132 FA	Illkirch Grafen-Staten (V-985925)	Moved in convoy with 132 FA Bn (detached from VI Corps per Ltr Hq, 7A Subj: Attachment Orders" 3 Jan 1945) to join 142 RCT 2 mi SW MONTBRONN (Q-670 420).
B CP & B-2	2000	443d Bn.	Voyer (Q-516063)	Moved in convoy with elements of the Division to SARRE UNION area. B-2 took up tact posns protecting assy area & MSR CPs in RATZWILLER (Q-637400). Arrived 040430A.
B-1	2000	443d Bn.	Lorquin (Q-457082)	Moved in convoy with elements of 36 Div. to XV Corps area. Asgd upon arrival to protect 155 FA Bn. Closed in tact posns protecting FA in BUTTEN (Q-623415) at 041200 hrs.
C CP C-2	2045	443d Bn.	Niderviller (Q-538127)	Convoyed with division elements to XV Corps area. Asgd protection of Div. MSR in that area. Closed in tact posns at bridge (Q-597374) and road to (Q-633405). CP 1 mi W RATZWILLER (Q-624 440). Arrived 041400A.

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			3 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
D CP	1900	443d Bn.	Plaine de Valsch (Q-544104)	Moved with D-1 & D-2 in division convoy to RAHLING (Q-623436). Arrived 040300A.
D-1	1900	133 FA	Plaine de Valsch (Q-544104)	Moved in convoy with 143 RCT to tact posns protecting 133 FA. Closed ½ mi S ENCHENBERG (Q-708455). Arrived 041750A.
D-2	1900	443d Bn.	Plaine de Valsch (Q-544104)	Moved in convoy with 143 RCT. Asgd to protect div assy area and MSR - closed in tact posns 040300A. CP 1½ mi SW MONTBRONN (Q-678455).
			4 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0730	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Moved to 1 mi SE BUTTEN (Q-633405). Arrived 1200A.
	1130	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Oper Instr., Hq 36 Inf Div. - Div. with attachments completes assy in MONTBRONN (Q-6844) area, prepares for offensive action on sector - rt flank XV Corps - 141 RCT continues pres mission under control 100th Inf Div.; 142 RCT prepares to attack thru 141 RCT sector to restore eny penetration & to attack E in sector on order CG, 36 Div. in conj. with 143 RCT.
	2030	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	S-3 radioed A-1: "What are you protecting?"
	2050	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	A-1 radioed S-3: "Rd junct & air OP."
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	G-3 Report, Hq. 36 Inf Div. - completed motor march to MONTBRONN - assumed responsibility of sector protecting XV Corps rt. flank at 1500A today; 141 RCT reverted to control of 36 Inf Div. at 1500A. Launched limited obj. attack at 1230A from GOETZENBRUCK (Q-7442) - reached (Q-746433) against stiff SA resist., when eny counter-attack caused a slight withdrawal.
	----	36th Div.	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Intelligence Notes #1 re "Enemy behind our lines" issued by S-2, this Hq.

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			4 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
Sv Ech	1300	443d Bn.	Schneckenbush (Q-514119)	Moved to ADAMSWILLER (Q-618342). Arrived 1545.
A-CP	1230	443d Bn.	2 mi SW Montbronn (Q-670420)	Moved to 1 mi NW VOLKSBERG (Q-666 400). Arrived 1645A.
A-1	1230	Air OP	2 mi SW Montbronn (Q-670420)	Assigned to protect Div Arty Air OP strip, moved to tact posns 2 mi SW BUTTEN (Q-605408). Arrived 1430A.
A-2	1300	132 FA	2 mi SW Montbronn (Q-670420)	Protecting 132 FA Bn moved to new tact posns 2 mi SW MONTBRONN (Q-668 432). Arrived 1500A.
			5 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0850	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	C-1 protecting 131 FA engaged two P-51's which dived and straffed vic MONTBRONN after circling area for 20 minutes - 700 rds cal. .50 ammo expended.
	0915	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	S-2 radioed D-1, D-2, and C-1: "Inf. reports (2) P-51s strafed at 0850A today. Can you give any information on this? Waiting for answer."
	0950	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	S-3 radioed Capt. WILLIAMS (CO "C" Btry): "Move C-2-2 to protect bridge at (Q-598374)."
	1010	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	CO "D" Btry radioed S-2: "RED (1st pltn) saw 2 P-51s strafing at extreme range at 0850A, diving toward enemy line. BLUE neg." Capt. MASTER.
	1027	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	S-2 radioed Capt. MASTER: "Did planes have German markings?"
	1242	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Capt. MASTER radioed S-2: "Markings not distinguishable."
	1500	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Radio to S-3: "2 Amer pilots dropped near here." Sgt Wulff, "A" Btry - These airmen had jumped from a crippled B-17 as did the balance of the crew. 1430A. S-2.
	1700	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Oper Instr Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 RCT to be rel'd in posns by 142 RCT night 6/7 Jan to be complete by 052400.
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 RCT remained in defensive posn in LEMBERG GOETZENBRUCK sector. Rec'd light eny

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			5 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
				attack at 0630A but lost no gd. - 142 RCT in assy preparing to relieve 141 RCT. - 143 RCT in training in assy area.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	TELETYPE fm CG 7A to CG XV Corps: 5 parallel white & black stripes, each 24 inches wide completely around fuselage and ending 18 inches fm fwd edge of tail will continue to be used on A-26 and all A/C new to this theatre until all personnel become familiar with these A/C" - 031358A. Info copy rec'd fm 23 AAA Gp. - S-2 reproduced for all Btry & Pltn CO's today.
C-1	0850	131 FA	Montbronn (Q-692439)	Engaged (2) P-51s - see entry under Bn CP.
C-2	1300	443d Bn.	1 mi W Ratzwiller (Q-624401)	Moved Sect 2 to protect bridge (Q-598374).
			6 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1150	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Phone call from Div G-2 - Eny arty obs plane similar to Amer Piper Cub reported over our lines by 2/142 RCT vic. LEMBACH.
	1200	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	S-3 radioed D-1: "Eny obs plane reported in your area. Verify at once." Verified - probably a FEISLIER.
	2300	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Msg from G-4, 36 Div: "Panel AL-140 (Cerise A/C recognition panel size 12' by 27 will be cut in two (6'x2') sections for purposes of display on vehicles. Panel AL-140 (yellow) will not be used as substitute." Msg reproduced and sent to all btries by S-1.
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div. - Cont'd occupation of defense posn in LEMBERG sector with 142 RCT on line. Bal of div in assy in MONTBRONN sector.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Oper Memo #2 · "Code words for air support missions" issued by S-3 this Hq.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Par 3, SO #3, Hq 443d AAA Bn, 1st Lt HAROLD J. SHINE rel'd from duty as B.C. "A" Btry . Per par 4, Capt.

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			6 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
				R.F. HEAD, having been reassigned to this org is designated as BC "A" Btry.
A-1	1230	Air OP	2 mi SW Butten (Q-605408)	Moved to tact posns protecting air strip at RAHLING (Q-623435). Arr 1330.
B-1	1400	155 FA	Butten (Q-623435)	CP moved to ½ mi W MONTBRONN (Q-675 442). Arrived 1600.
			7 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0818	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	S-3 radioed BC of "A", "B", "C", "D" Btries, and S-4 "BC meeting here at 1000A"
	1000	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	BC meeting.
	1200	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Oper Instr Hq 36th Inf Div. - 141 RCT remains in training in its assy area - 143 RCT to relieve 142 RCT in the line night 9-10 Jan '45. 111 E. Bn maintains & continues improvement of defensive blocks and barriers in Div sector - continues maint of roads in the sector.
	1524	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Capt. MASTER, "D" Btry radioed S-3: "141 back in posn. 111 back from Ord. 1st Pltn 1st Section now at Q-707455."
	1930	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	S-2 radioed BC of "B""C"&"D" Btries: "One spotter to report to Lt COLE by noon tomorrow."
	1935	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	S-3 radioed all stations: "Bn CP opening at Q-682435 at 081100A."
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div. - Div. cont'd operation of defensive posns in LEMBERG Sector with one RCT (142 RCT) in line. Bal of div RCTs in assy at MONTBRONN.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	1st Lt SAMUEL D. MOODY reassigned per par 3, SO #7, 71st Repl Bn. - to "C" Btry.
			8 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0900	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	1 mi SE Butten (Q-633405)	Moved to MONTBRONN (Q-683435). Arr. 0830A.

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			8 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	1210	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	CO radioed Maj. COOK "Have liaison officer attend meeting at group 1500 today."
	1435	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed BC "B" Btry - "Send one section 2-B to protect Div supply dump at DOMFESSEL."
	1445	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-2 radioed Lt COLE - "OP 28 is at Q579349. OP 29 is to set up at pos'n we just left."
	1535	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-1 radioed Bn CO: "Lt MOODY returned today."
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 report, Hq 36 Inf Div. - 142 RCT launched an attack at 0800A to E of LEMBERG - Co A attacked N while Co C attacked E. Both reached objectives and held them. - Div Arty fired 64 mission - 131 & 132 FA Bn used POZIT FUSE in two of their missions. 141 & 143 RCT continue training in MONTBRONN.
AAA OP 28	1330	443d Bn.	Adamswiller (Q-618342)	AAA OP 28 moved to (Q-576395) E of THAL. Arrived 1400A - Corp HARTMAN in charge.
B-2	1600	443d Bn.	Ratzwiller (Q-637400)	Section 2 moved to posns protecting supply dump of div at COMFESSEL (Q-576395).
			9 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1000	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Instr Hq 36 Inf Div - 141 RCT upon relief in front line posns moves back to assy area ECHENBERG (Q-7146) - ST LOUIS (Q-7243) - LEMBERG (Q-7445) - 142 RCT motors to assy area BETWILLER ADAMSWILLER - DURSTEL by motor beginning 100800A Jan.
	1100	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Memo Hq 36 Inf Div - Zone of obstacles and prepared demolitions has been created and is being improved daily to impede adv of eny, in event of attack & penetration.
	1530	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp.	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed all btries: "Friendly P-51 flying low 1530 to 1630". Information received from 23 AAA Gp by phone.

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			9 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	2000	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Instr Hq 36 Inf Div - 36th Div continues pres missions; organizes switch positions LORENTZEN (Q-5939) - VOLKSBERG (Q-6738) without delay - for defense by 2 Regts - employing 1 Regt for work until organization is complete 141 RCT assigned mission.
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div. - 142 RCT in the line - one pltn of "B" Co over-run by heavy eny counter att (Q-749459) at 0600A. Our own counter att restores posns. 141 RCT assembled in reserve. 143 RCT cont'd training in MONTBRONN.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	SO #4, Hq 443 AAA Bn., 9 Jan '45 - Par 1: Capt. WALTER W. HOWIE, O-377657 is rel'd from add'l duty as MTO & Ord Off. Par 2: 1st Lt FRANCIS X. CALLAHAN rel'd from asgt to "A" Btry & asgd as MTO & Ord Off, this Hq.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Memo #3, Hq 443 AAA Bn re use of AAAIS Locator Chart - location of position thereon - issued by S-3.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Memo #4, Hq 443 AAA Bn re care, maint & checking of gas masks issued by S-3.
AAA OP 29	1300	443d Bn.	Adamswiller (Q-618342)	Moved to posn 1 mi SE BUTTEN (Q-633 405). Arrived 1330.
			10 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0940	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed all Btry COs: "Memo, this Hq., dtd 31 Oct 44, continues to be in effect. Rotating schedule for gun sections will be followed as directed."
	1320	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	BC "B" Btry radioed S-3 - "B" closing station 1320."
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div - 141 RCT cont'd small unit training - initiated rcn to organize secondary defense line LORENTZEN to VOLKSBERG; 142 RCT moved beginning 100800A to assy area vic. REXINGEN - ADAMSWILLER - DURSTEL & BETTWILLER. 143 RCT held defensive positions - repulsed eny attack vic (Q-746440) at 100630A January.

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			10 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Memo #5, this Hq, for immediate reporting of all aerial activity of unusual nature, issued by S-3.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Intell. Memo #2, this Hq - notes on A/C markings, issued by S-3.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	GO #6, Hq 36 Inf Div 10 Jan 45, Sect III, Par 2, Bronze Star Medal Awarded to Tec 4 Julius D. Rickert, 12061518, Hq Btry, 443d AAA Bn.
B CP	1330	443d Bn.	Ratswiller (Q-636394)	Moved to MONTBRONN (Q-693440). Arr 1400.
B-2	1435	443d Bn.	Ratzwiller (Q-637400)	Pltn CP moved ½ mi N. RATZWILLER (Q-638407). Arrived 1450.
			11 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1630	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	VOCO to CO "D" Btry. D-2 asgd protection RCT assy area and adj rd nets vic REXINGEN, ADAMSWILLER, BETTWILLER, & DURSTEL. Make recon and move 12 Jan 45.
	2030	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Instr Hq 36 Inf Div - 141 RCT to initiate rcn of fwd posn now occupied by 143 RCT - assemble vic. ST LOUIS-ENCHENBERG on 14th to relieve 143 RCT night of 14-15 Jan. 142 RCT move beginning 141000 Jan to DEMERINGEN - RATZWILLER - VOLKSBERG area to organize "switch position" (Volksberg Lorentzen) - 143 RCT to be relieved by 141 RCT night 13-14 Jan., to assemble on ST. LOUIS - MONTBRONN area.
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	G-3 Report Hq 36th Inf Div. - 143 RCT maintained defensive posns in the line "Chinese attack" by 3 Bn at 1900A. 141 RCT in reserve - cont'd organization of "switch posns" 142 conducted small unit training.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Memo #6, this Hq., on winter camouflage discipline, issued by S-3.

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			12 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0900	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Change #1, Oper Instr #124, Hq 36th Inf. Div., 112030A Jan - advances relief of 143 RCT by 141 RCT one day. Lt Col LARSON left for rest camp at BAINS LES BAINS, VOCG 36 Inf Div. Oper Instr #126, Hq 36 Inf Div. - 7th Army regrouping with VI Corps on rt and XV Corps in center and XVI Corps on left. VI & XV prepare to attack on Army order to seize remainder of MAGINOT LINE in sector. 36 Div attacks H-hour D-day - plan given for planning purposes only. Phone from G-3, 36 Div. - "142 RCT alerted to move to vic PUTTELANGE (R-4150) at 1800A tonight." G-3 Report - Hq 36 Inf Div. 141 RCT remains assembled - continues org of secondary defense line; 142 RCT conducted small unit training; 143 RCT continued to occupy defensive posns. Patrols contacted eny several times during day vic (Q-740440) and (Q-750 420). Ltr. Hq. 36 Inf Div - Warns of need for security training - Men to give name, rank & serial number only - if & when captured. Section 4 moved with QM Dump from DOMFESSEL to new position protecting dump ½ mi N. DRULINGEN (Q-594306). Arrived 1400.
	1000	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	
	1200	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	
	1325	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	
B-2	1000	443d Bn.	½ mi N Ratzwiller (Q-637401)	
D-2	1330	443d Bn.	Montbronn (Q-678455)	Asgd to protect 142 RCT assy area vic REXINGEN, ADAMSWILLER, DURSTEL & BETTWILLER, moved to new tact posns. CP at ADAMSWILLER (Q-618343). Arr. 1500A.
			13 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1644	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed A,B,C,D & Service Btries - "No cerise panels will be used after 140800A Jan."

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			13 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	1800	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Instr #125 Hq 36 Inf Div - Div continues pres mission to a) Organize & improve defensive posns (LEMBERG - SARREINSBERG) with 141 RCT; b) Continues organization & improvement of "Switch posn" (VOLKSBERG - LORENTZEN) with 143 RCT; Moves 142 RCT to FRANCALTROFF (Q-3140) to revert to control of CG XXI Corps at 141200A Jan., per VOCG XV Corps.
	2100	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-2 radioed all stations "Paratroops dropped vic MACKWILLER (Q-5937) at 1930A - alert all sites."
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div.; 141 RCT moved to fwd assy vic LEMBERG and relieved 143 RCT in posns at 2130A. 142 RCT moved to vic RATZWILLER and cont'd organization of "switch posn" - later alerted to move vic FRANCALTROFF (Q-3140) to be atchd and in res of XXI Corps.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Memo #2 Hq 443 AAA Bn, re Destruction of Ord. Mat'l in event of imminent capture in combat zone."
A-2	1800	132 FA	2 mi SW Montbronn (Q-668432)	Moved in convoy with 142 RCT to tact posns protecting RCT assy in METZING (Q-432565). 142 RCT is in XXI Corps Reserve. Arr'd 141045A Jan.
B-1	1540	155 FA	1 mi W Montbronn (Q-675442)	Pltn engaged (1) ME-163 (jet propelled) flying E to W on recon mission at 1000 yds altitude.
			14 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1230	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Radio from B Btry -"P-47 landed good distance SW of B-2-1."
	2035	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Msg, Sig O., 36 Div: "Afcode #1398 compromised. Afcode #2293 becomes effective 0101A 15 Jan 1945."
	2050	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-2 radioed all stations: "Afcode 1398 compromised. Afcode 2293 becomes eff. 0101A 15 Jan."
	2356	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Radio msg from B-1: "B-1 CP under shell fire from 2200 to 2315 hrs."
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div: 142 RCT - security patrols maintained - cont'd

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			14 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
				to improve line - limited by proximity to eny. In contact on rt with 179 RCT and on left with 399 RCT. - 142 RCT moved at 0330A to assy area in XXI Corps sector. Atchd to XXI Corps; 143 RCT rel'd by 141 RCT in "line" - removed to "switch posn".
A-CP	1100	443d Bn.	Volksberg (Q-666400)	Moved to 2 mi NW LORENTZEN (Q-605 406). Arrived 1130A.
			15 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div. 141 RCT in defensive posns in "line" - 143 RCT improving Div. "switch posns" - 142 RCT atchd to XXI Corps in Corps area.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Adm Memo #3, Hq 443d AAA Bn - Subj 1) Gas Masks 2) Salvage of used oils 3) Conservation of Signal Equip.
			16 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1000	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	B.C. meeting at CP for discussion of "Efficiency Reports".
	1300	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Col FRASER, CO 23d AAA Gp conducted inspections of some of Bn elements - accompanied by Bn Exec. O and S-3.
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div.: 141 RCT remained in defensive posns in line with 399 RCT on left and 179 on rt; 142 RCT in XXI Corps reserve. 143 RCT in res. posns in VOLKSBERG - LORENTZEN "switch" posn.
B-1	0900	155 FA	½ mi W Montbronn (Q-675442)	CP moved to MONTBRONN (Q-682492). Arr 0930.
			17 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0810	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Radio msg from BC, "B" Btry: "B-1 closed station - 0300 - eny art fire."
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div. 141 RCT remained in LEMBERG - SORREINSBERG defensive sector. 142 RCT in XXI Corps res. 143 RCT continued work on "switch" posns.

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			17 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	2400	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Oper Instr 127, Hq 36 Inf Div. - Div. (less 141 RCT, 142 RCT & 36 Cav. Recon) moves by motor from pres area beginning 180930A Jan 45 to vic HAGUENAU (R-0324) passes to control of CG, VI Corps on arrival, initially in Corps reserve. 141 RCT - remains in pres defensive posns under control of CG, 100 Inf Div. eff 172400A Jan 45. - 142 RCT moves from CHAPEL (Q-3553) area to vic HAGUENAU (R-0324) under control CG XXI Corp,; reverts to CG 36 Div on arrival in HAGUENAU area. 143 RCT moves by motor 180930A to vic HAGUENAU. March table from other elements given.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	GO #9, Hq 36 Inf Div., 17 Jan. Bronze Star Medal awarded to following EM of "D" Btry 443 AAA Bn: Cpl Teddy Faircloth, 34194443, Tec 5 Richard S. Bryant, 32211451, and Pvt. Wilbur H. Richardson, 31333447.
			18 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0055	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed BC, "D" Btry -"Move 1-D, 2-D with 143 RCT to vic HAGUENAU. RCT passes IP vic (Q-6038) at 180845A."
	0115	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed BC, "B" Btry - Move 2-B vic HAGUENAU in Div Arty Hq column, passing IP vic Q-6038 at 181330A. 1-B moves with 155 FA."
	0125	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed Maj. COOK, Serv. Ech., "CP moving vic HAGUENAU today. More information later."
	0700	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed all stations: "After move remain on stand by, but Radio Silence will be in effect until we call. Radio silence also while moving."
	0735	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed Maj Cook: "Send Officer here immediately for movement instr. You move after 1400A today."

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			18 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	0812	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed D-1 "Pick up overlay here immediately.
	0815	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed A,B,C Btries "Send officer here at once."
	0857	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp.	Montbronn (Q-683435)	S-3 radioed CO "C" Btry "C" Btry not moving."
	1130	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	CP moved to DEMERINGEN (Q-597386) Arrived 1530A.
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Montbronn (Q-683435)	Change to Annex #2, Oper Instr #127, Hq, 36th Inf Div. 172400.
	1600	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Demeringen (Q-597386)	During move of CP msg rec'd to call at G-3 - Div. for change in orders. Only 143 RCT to move. S-3 stopped at G-3 again at 1645 - move to be executed as ordered under new schedule . which was given him. March of Division to be resumed. S-2 & S-3 moved to HAGUENAU to reconnoiter an advance — CP remained in DEMERINGEN with Bn Ex O and is to move at 190900 to HAGUENAU
	1615	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Demeringen (Q-597386)	S-3 radioed Maj COOK - Serv Ech - "You will move today."
	1617	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Demeringen (Q-597386)	S-3 radioed Maj. COOK "Send officer here for time of movement."
	1630	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Demeringen (Q-597386)	S-3 radioed Capt FRIEDMAN, BC, "B" Btry. "Move with assigned units as scheduled."
	----	36th Div. 23 AAA Gp	Demeringen (Q-597386)	GO #10, Hq 36 Inf Div., 18 Jan 1945 Bronze Star Medal awarded to Capt. JOHN R. FISHER, 443d AAA, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operation.
Sv Ech	2345	443d Bn.	Adamswiller (Q-618342)	Moved to SCHWEIGHAUSEN (Q-995244). Arrived 190320A.
A-2	1210	132 FA	Metzing (Q-432565)	Moved in convoy with 142 RCT to new tact posns protecting 132 FA at CAMP d' OBERHOFFEN (R-087219). Arrived 190815A
D-CP	0645	443d Bn.	Rahling (Q-623436)	Moved to NIEDERSCHAEFFOLSHEIM (R-004195). Arrived 1615A.
D-1	0645	133 FA	½ mi S Euchenberg	Protecting convoy of 143 RCT moved to new tact posns defending FA at NIEDERSCHAEFFOLSHEIM (R-004195). Arrived 1615.

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			18 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
D-2	1200	443d Bn.	Adamswiller (Q-618343)	Protecting element of 143 RCT convoy moved to new tact posns at WINTERHOUSE (Q-977215).
			19 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0900	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Demeringen (Q-597386)	Moved to HAGUENAU (R-043233). Arr. 1130A. Opened station at 1400 upon release of radio silence.
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	Par 3, Ltr Hq. 35 AAA Bde 19 Jan. '45, subj: "Troop Attachment" - "Effective 191200A Jan., 443d AAA AW Bn (SP) is atchd to 91 AAA Gp. and will support 36th Inf. Div."
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	G-3 Report - Hq 36 Inf Div. 141 RCT attached to 100 Inf Div (XV Corps) 172300A Jan '44. (our "C" Btry atchd to 141 RCT). 142 RCT - atchd to XXI Corps moved to DEMERINGEN on 18th then to HAGUENAU on 19th and reverted to control of CG 36 Div. Remained in assy. - 143 RCT moved to assy posns in NIEDERSCHAEFFOLSHEIM - WITTERSHEIM BATZENDORF area closing at 181900 Jan at 182400 2 Bn began taking defensive posns E of BISCHWILLER.
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	Oper Instr #16, Hq VI Corps 191200A Jan 1945 - Par 3 - "443d AAA AW Bn. (Btry C) atchd 35th AAA Bde and will support 36th Inf Div. (-)."
	1500	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	Lt Col W.L. LARSON returned from Div. Rest Center at BAINS les BAINS.
	1600	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	Oper Instr Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 continues under control of CG 100th Inf Div - 142 RCT remains in assy - begins organization of "switch" posn. 143 RCT occupies MLR, presently held by 12 AD.
	2022	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	S-3 radioed all btries "Stand to hrs are now 0700-0800 and 1730 to 1830 daily. Be especially alert fm dawn & dusk attacks."
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	Ltr., Hq 7 Army subj: "Signal security".

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			19 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
A-CP	1300	443d Bn.	2 mi NW Lorentzen (Q-605406)	Moved to SCHWEIGHAUSEN (Q-994243). Arrived 1500.
B-CP	0700	443d Bn.	Montbronn (Q-693440)	Moved to SCHWEIGHAUSEN (R-006243). Arrived 1000.
B-1	0630	155 FA	Montbronn (Q-682492)	Protecting FA moved to new tact posns ½ mi E HAGUENAU (R-057245). Arrived 1230.
B-2	0600	443d Bn.	½ mi N Ratzwiller (Q-638407)	Moved to new tact posns protecting Div MSR & supply dumps at SCHWEIGHAUSEN (Q-994244). Arrived 1000.
D-1	0830	133 FA	Niederschaeffolsheim (R-004195)	Moved to new tact posns protecting 133 FA at WEITBRUCHT (R-030170). Arr. 0900.
D-2	1400	443d Bn.	Winterhouse (Q-977215)	Moved to new tact posns protecting Div. MSR & vic BATZENDORF and WEITBRUCHT - CP in MARIENTHAL (R-059194). Arrived 1630.
			20 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1113	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	S-2 radioed BC "B" Btry. "Alert 3 sections of B-2 to move 1500 today. Send officer here at 1300."
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 RCT attached to 100th Inf Div; 142 RCT moved from assy area - prepared to counterattack and restore any loss in event of easy breakthrough. 143 RCT in ROHRWILLER - WEYERSHEIM def posns repulsed attack at 200400A hrs, inflicting heavy causalties on eny force of 150 men - 27 dead counted. Rt flank corps sector passed to control of CG 36Div 192130A VOCG VI Corps.
	1355	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	S-2 radioed Maj COOK & Lt COLE "Rear will move today."
	1400	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Haguenau (R-043233)	CP moved to MOMMENHEIM (Q-933177). Arrived 1630A.
	1630	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Msg 91 AAA Gp "This CP will close pres location 211500A and open same time SAVERNE vic Q-731154" - Hafer.
	1600	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #129 Hq 36 Inf Div. "VI Corps withdraws 20-21 Jan 45 to HAGUENAU posn along VOLKSBERG - WIMMENAU

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			20 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
				HAGUENAU - BISCHWILLER - WEYERSHEIM line. 36 Div to maintain contact with II Fr Corps on rt and 79 Inf Div on left. 141 RCT remains atchd to 100 Inf Div. 142 RCT on div left fl in MLR vic BISCHWILLER - 143 RCT to withdraw from MLR vic ROHRWILLER to res posn vic GRIES (R-0617)
	1800	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Comm Off radioed all sta "Radio silence is now in effect until you hear from us."
	2145	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 radioed Comm Off. "Radio silence is lifted by Div."
Bn CP	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Confirmation, Ltr #9, Hq 91 AAA Gp. Par 2 "Confirming VOCO 91 AAA Gp to CO 443 AAA, Btry "B", 2nd pltn to relieve Btry B-2 572 AAA Bn in defense of 59 AFA Bn and 242 FA Bn vic SCHIRRHEIN (R-1222).
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Ltr Hq 35 AAA Bde 20 Jan 45, subj: "Troop Atchmts" amends Par 2 of ltr Hq 35 AAA Bde 19 Jan 45 subj: "Troop Attachments" to read 443d AAA AW Bn (SP)(-Btry "C").
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	GCMO #20 Hq 36 Inf Div on Pvt Roy J. Suttles, 34174941, C Btry 443d Bn., sentenced to DD and 10 years for AWOL.
Sv Ech	1800	443d Bn.	Schweighausen (Q-995244)	Moved to WILLGOTTHEIM (Q-835080). Arrived 2130A.
A	1800	443d Bn.	Schweighausen (Q-994243)	Moved to WILLGOTTHEIM (Q-835080). Arrived 1630A.
A-1	1400	Div Air O.P.	Rahling (Q-623435)	Moved to new posns protecting Div. Air OP strip at ODERMODERN (Q-853272) 210930A.
A-2	1630	132 FA	Camp d' Oberhoffen (R-087219)	Protecting FA, moved to new tact. posns protecting 132 FA at GEUDERTHEIM (R-015135). Arrived 1800A.
B-CP	1700	443d Bn.	Schweighausen (R-006243)	Moved to WILLGOTTHEIM (Q-834089). Arrived 2100.
B-1	1345	155 FA	½ mi E Haguenau (R-057245)	Moved to new tact posns protecting FA at NIEDERSCHAEFFOLSHEIM (R-001192). Arrived 1500.

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			20 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
B-2	1530	443d Bn.	Schweighausen (Q-994244)	Asgd to protect 59 AFA and 242 FA Bns moved to assy area SCHIRREIN (R-115221). Arrived 1615A. Moved again at 1715A to assembly area at ½ mi N. KALTENHOUSE (R-073224). Arr. 1745A.
D-2	1530	443d Bn.	Marienthal (R-059194)	Moved to new tact posns protecting Div. MSR at ROTTELSHEIM (Q-894173). Arrived 1730A.
			21 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0355	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 radioed "D" Btry. "Man all guns at once. Be alert for paratroops. Fire tonight at any plane committing hostile act or recognized as enemy, or at all planes in range when GOR gives "Unrestricted Fire". Condition changes to normal at 210720A" - This message received from 91 AAA Gp - transmitted by msgr to "A" & "B" Btries and by radio to "D" Btry.
	0830	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-2 radioed Lt COLE "Send both OPs here 1300 hrs."
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div. 141 RCT atchd to 100 Inf Div.; 142 RCT moved from R-057173 to vic BISCHWILLER and took up new defensive posns - without contact with enemy. 143 RCT on left fl of div. withdrew to BISCHWILLER as ordered - Retrograde movement completed by dawn 21 Jan. During morning 200 eny, with armor support, atckd the 2 Bn vic (R-082152). By noon atck was beaten off and over. 100 PsW taken. A force of 60 eny atck 3/143 vic (R-076147) - it was beaten off with heavy loses to eny ÷ 27 dead, 7 PsW.
	1300	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	AAAIS OP placed in positions #3 at GEUDERTHEIM (R-022137) and #4 at (Q-980111) by S-2.
	1430	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #130 Hq 36 Inf Div. - 36 Inf Div (less 141 RCT) with atchd units effects relief within Div. to

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			21 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	provide for manning of pres def. posns in WEYERSHEIM (Q-0513) - BISCHWILLER (Q-0918) sector not to exceed (1) RCT, to continue organization & improvement of RRL posn vic WEYERSHEIM - KURTZENHAUSEN (Q-0515) BISCHWILLER (Q-0918); to occupy GRIES (Q-0617) KURTENHAUSEN (Q-0615) - BIETLENHEIM (Q-0413) to maintain contact with II Fr Corps on rt & 79 Inf Div on left. S-3 radioed all Btries "Manning details in effect last night are in effect tonight. All personnel will be fully clothed, ready to man guns immediately upon red alert. Fire at any plane committing hostile act or at any recognized enemy a/c or at all planes in range when GOR gives unrestricted fire. Be alert for paratroops. Condition reverts to normal at 220730A."
	2000	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Moved to new posns protecting air strip at BRUMATH (Q-983142). Arr. 1430A.
A-1	1100	Div Air OP	Obermodern (Q-853272)	Moved to WAHLENHEIM (Q-963181). Arrived 1645A.
B-CP	1600	443d Bn.	Willgottheim (Q-834089)	Moved to tact posns protecting two FA Bns. CP at BATZENDORF. Arr 0520A.
B-2	0340	59 AFA 242 FA	½ mi N Kaltenhouse (R-073224)	Pvt George R. Bacha, LWA (hosp) by eny arty fire.
D-1	1400	133 FA	Weitbrucht (R-030170)	
			22 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-932173)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div. 141 RCT atchd to 100 Div in MONTBRONN area. 142 RCT - Relieved 143 RCT during night. One company atkd woods (R-072148) to clear eny who had infiltrated 21 Jan. Woods cleared 220840A. 143 RCT - Eny attack supported by armor overran "L" Co posn. Counter-attack by "K" Co restored posn - continued to mop up sector taking 163 PsW and counting 60 eny dead. Regt was rel'd by 142 RCT at 220100 and assembled in Div Reserve.

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			22 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	1305	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933173)	Msgr from 91 AAA Gp. Msg from CO 91 AAA Gp "Memo this Hq dtd 20 Jan 45 in effect from period ½ hr after sunset 22 Jan to ½ hr before sunrise 23 Jan."
	1610	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933173)	S-3 radioed "A" & "B" Btries "Alert manning status of last two nights is in effect tonight ending at 230730A." Same message given verbally to COs "C" & "D" Btries.
	1734	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933173)	Lt VICTOR, B-2, radioed S-3 "We cannot rotate sections for maintenance - unless B-22 is rel'd from ration dump. Give orders."
	1923	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933173)	S-2 radioed Lt COLE "Both OPs in contact with GOR".
	2110	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933173)	S-3 radioed Exec, "B" Btry. "B-2 will be rel'd at ration dump and 242 FA Bn tomorrow."
	2120	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933173)	S-3 radioed BC, D Btry "1 section 2-D to relieve 1 section 2-B at Div. Ration Dump (Q-796038) by 231100 Jan."
A-1	1430	Air O.P.	Brumath (Q-983142)	Moved to new tact posns protecting air strip at JURINGEN (Q-875096). Arrived 1600.
C-CP	2345	141 RCT	1 mi W Ratzwiller (Q-624401)	Moved to join column of 141 RCT in movement to rejoin Div in BRUMATH area. Arr'd at WILLGOTTHEIM (Q-835 080) 0300 hrs 23 Jan. '44.
C-1	2345	131 FA	Montbronn (Q-692439)	Moved in convoy with 131 FA to new tact posns at BRUMATH (Q-983148). Arrived 0730.
C-2	2345	141 RCT	1 mi W Ratzwiller (Q-624401)	Moved in convoy with 141 RCT to rejoin 36 Div. Upon arrival pltn asgd to protect 242 FA, relieving elements of B-2. Took up tactical positions in NIEDERSCHAEFFOLSHEIM (R-002194). Arrived 1000.

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			23 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0955	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	0955A to 1000A - (2) ME 262 (jet prop) bombed and strafed in div area. They were engaged by B-1, B-2, C-1, D-1 Pltns.
	1000	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	1000A - (4) ME 210s were engaged by C-1 over BRUMATH. E/A were bombing & strafing armored column on road leading NE from the town. One plane left the scene of action smoking.
	1025	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	1025A to 1035A - (2) ME 262s (JP) were engaged by guns of A-2, B-1, B-2, C-1, D-1 and D-2 as they circled and bombed vic GUEDERTHEIM.
	1105A	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	C-1 engaged (1) ME 163 (JP) which was attempting to strafe road E of BRUMATH.
	1145A	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	A-2,B-1,B-2,C-1,D-1, and D-2 engaged (2) ME 109 Es passing over area at alt from 3000-3600 ft. E/A did not attack division installations in sector.
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div - 141 RCT moved night 22/23 Jan 45 to SAVERNE area and passed to control of CG VI Corps as Corps Res. 131 FA reverted to control CG 36 Inf Div. 142 RCT - aided 111 E Bn in laying mines in front of defensive posns - no eny contact. 143 RCT in Div Reserve cont'd organize RRL.
	1425	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	1425A to 1430A - B-1,B-2,C-1,C-2, D-1, & D-2 engaged a mixed flight, (1) ME 109E and (3) ME 262 (JP) which were bombing in vic WEITBRUCHT (R-0317). Hits were reported by several platoons on these planes - tracers were seen to glance off (1) ME 262. D-1 also engaged another flight consisting of (1) ME 262 (JP) and (1) ME 109 which bombed unknown target E of GRIES.

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			23 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	1600	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Opr Instr Hq 36 Inf Div. - 36 Inf Div effects relief within Div Sector - continues to man pres def. in WEYERSHEIM - KURTZENHAUSEN - BISCHWILLER; - continues org & impr of RRL in WEYERSHEIM - KURTZENHAUSEN - 131 SCHWILLER; occupies GRIES - KURTZENHAUSEN - GUEDERTHEIM; - to maintain contact with 79th Div on left & II Fr on left.
	1732	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 radioed BCs - "Btry CO meeting here at 240900."
	1904	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-2 radioed S-4 - "Ammo Exp as of 1800 today -"A"- 37mm HE 17, 50 cal. 2150; - "B" 37mm HE 351, cal. 50 - 9607; "C" 37mm HE 359, 50 cal. 5611; 'D" 37mm HE 350, cal. .50 5070."
	2240	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-2 radioed BC "D" Btry. "What did eny A/C bomb at 1300?"
	2325	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	BC "D" Btry radioed S-2 "East of R-060170."
A-CP	1100	443d Bn.	Willgottheim (Q-835080)	Moved to BRUMATH (Q-983149). Arr. 1230A.
D-1	1000	133 FA	Weitbrucht (R-030170)	As a result of AP bombs dropped by ME 262 during raid at 1000A: Cpl Richard A. DeCoster, 36242570 SWA to hosp. Tec 5 Homer C. Nixon, 33268294 LWA to hosp. Sgt Charles J. Nigro, 32221359 LWA to duty.
D-2	1400	443d Bn.	Rottelsheim (Q-894173)	3rd Section rel'd B-22 of mission protecting Div. Supply Dump at (Q-796038).
			24 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div.: 141 RCT VI Corps Res.; 142 RCT - holding BISCHWILLER - WEYERSHEIM line - rel'd by 143 RCT by 232120. No enemy contact in sector.

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			24 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	1500	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr Hq 36 Inf Div. - Outlines plan of withdrawal to "switch" defense positions in event of enemy penetration.
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Intell Memo #3 on "M.S. Tank M4A3 compared with the German MK V Tank" issued by S-2 this Hq.
	1645	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Msg, CO, 304th Eng. - "Request CO presence at 1800 at CP for discussion of town defense."
C-CP	1800	443d Bn.	Willgottheim (Q-835080)	Moved to BRUMATH (Q-983148). Arr. 1925A.
			25 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1000	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #132, Hq 36 Inf Div. - 143 RCT begins immediately organization of a "switch" posn "A" WEITBRUCK (R-0317) - DURTZENHAUSEN (R-0513) - 117 Cav Rcn will be prepared to screen line MOMMENHEIM - WEITBRUCK or HOERDT MITTELSCHAEFFOLSHEIM, to counterattack to restore MLR in direction of WEYERSHEIM if necessary or to occupy switch positions.
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div - on Div. left flank 79th Inf Div Sector - nite 24-25 Jan the eny penetrated MODER River defenses SW of HAGUENAU and entered SCHWEIGHAUSEN (R-0024) - 36 Div. cont'd to hold WEYERSHEIM - BISCHWILLER line. 141 in VI Corps Res.
	1445	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 radioed COs Btries "A"&"B"; "Alert (1) section for gd firing. Meet me for recon at 1530 at 142 RCT CP in GRIES. Do not bring guns."
	1500	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #133 Hq 36 Inf Div. - 142 RCT prepares to quarter one Bn in GRIES. 1/142 rel'd immediately by 1/143 moves to GRIES. Sector control passes to 143 RCT upon completion of relief. Maintains contact on rt with 143 RCT & on left with 79 Inf Div.

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			25 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
				143 RCT continues org of "switch" positions WEITBRUCK KURTZENHAUSEN - 1/143 to rel 1/142. 143 maintains contact on rt with II Fr Corps and 142 RCT on left.
	1525	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 radioed CO "C" Btry. "When unit 2-C is protecting moves, 2-C is asgd to protect Btrys "A"&"C", 36 FA Bn at (Q-967183) and (Q-003162)."
	1530	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 radioed CO "B" Btry. "When unit 2-B is protecting moves 2-B is asgd to protect Btrys "A"&"B" of 194 FA Bn at (Q-981174) & (Q-994179)."
	2100	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Par 6, Oper Instr #27 Hq VI Corps "Btry "C" 443d AAA AW Bn atchd to 35 AAA Bde for operations and will support 36 Inf. Div."
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Memo to all Bn radio operators re emphasizing AAAIS plots to be sent to GOR.
			26 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0800	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	A-22 (R-092180) and B-22 (R-094180) fired 252200A and 260100A on Eny Trp concentrations in ROHRWILLER (R-125 175) in support of 142 RCT - total ammo exp 35 rds 37mm and 4800 rds cal. .50.
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div - On Div. left flank in 79th Div sector elements of 79th and 14th AD atkd & cleared SCHWEIGHAUSEN (R-0024), broke eny atk and by this morning had restored MLR in the sector. 141 RCT - VI Corps Reserve; 142 RCT - 1/142 rel'd by 1/ 143 at 252400 - moved to GRIES (R-0617) 3/142 sent raiding party to OBERHOFFEN (R-0919) at 252400A Jan which engaged in stiff fire fight & returned at 260230A Jan. 143 RCT - 1/143 reld 1/142 by 252400A Jan. Only contact was 3 eny night patrols of which 8 PsW were taken & 2 killed.

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			26 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
	1300	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #134, Hq 36 Inf Div - Instr for local security & defense of BRUMATH and STEPHANSFELD - which is charged to CO 117 Cav Rcn Sq.
	1432	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	CO of B-2 radioed S-3 "Unit attached to moving. They are attached to 36th now. Do we have to move with them?"
	1500	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	CG 36 Inf Div phoned S-3 "Contact Col LYNCH, CO 142 RCT, prepared to fire (4) to (6) H/Ts in "Chinese attack" tonight."
	1505	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 91 AAA Gp phoned S-3 "59 AFA & 242 FA to move out of Div Sector. When move is made move 2-B and 2-C to protect 194 FA and 36 FA."
	1510	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 radioed CO "B" Btry. "Keep B-2 with present arty as long as it is in Div Area."
	2230	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Asst G-3 36 Div phoned S-3 "Contact Col. DENHOLM, CO 143 RCT in morning in respect to employment of H/Ts on ground mission."
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Ltr Hq 36 AAA Bde, subj: "Troop Attachments" par 2: "Eff on arrival in VI Corps area "C" Btry 443 AAA AW Bn SP reverts to control of parent unit, attached to 91st Gp for operation."
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Amendment No. 1 to Incl No. 2 to Oper Memo #36 - 35 AAA Bde. "SCR 543 on AAAIS OPs will transmit flash warnings to sites initially, then will switch frequencies and transmit flash to GOR."
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	GO #20, Hq 7th Army dtd 26 Jan 1945, Sect III, orders reorganization eff. 1 Feb 45, of 443d AAA AW Bn (SP) in accordance with T/O & E 44-75, dtd 17 Nov. 1944.
B-2	1730	59 AFA Bn.	Batzendorf (Q-977205)	CP moved to GEUDERTHEIM (R-013138) Arrived 1800.
D-2	1600	443d Bn.	Rottelsheim (Q-894173)	Sect D-2 is asgd defensive mission with 143 RCT at R-084154.

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			27 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0800	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	M-16 of B-2 (B-222) fired 1400 rds cal. .50 ammo on eny posns (R-098194) to (R-097197) from position at (R-093 190). A harassing and diversionary mission to screen patrol activity in other parts of 142 RCT sector. This firing was done during last night at (262100A) and (262300A) Jan 1945.
	0920	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Msg from S-2 91 AAA Gp by msgr: "Upon OP #3 going out of action tonight, abandon present posn. Place in operation tomorrow vic (R-0409). Report exact coordinates of new location and tune in action."
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 RCT remains in VI Corps reserve. 142 RCT conducted aggressive patrolling to E & NE. "Chinese" atk against suspected eny outposts & posns - Supporting fire conducted by 443 AAA Bn, "B" Btry. 143 RCT cont'd def role in sector with 2 Bns in the line.
	1730	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #135 Hq 36 Inf Div. - All Inf Regts will initiate immediately a program of vigorous night patrolling within sectors to determine enemy strength, dispositions and identifications on div. front.
	1830	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-2 phoned S-2 91st AAA Gp: "O.P. #3 moved to (R-034080) at 1700 hrs today."
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Training Memo #33 for "on site" training for week 29 Jan to 5 Feb. issued by S-3.
D-CP	1200	443d Bn.	Niederschaeffolsheim (R-004195)	Moved to WEITBRUCHT (Q-984173). Arrived 1240.
			28 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div.; 141 RCT remained in MONSWILLER (Q-7317) in Corps Res.; 142 RCT - Held def. line in sector with 3d Bn - repulsed se-

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			28 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	veral small attempts at infiltration. 143 RCT - maintained it's line using 2 Bns Reing - conducted aggressive patrols.
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #136 Hq 36 Inf Div. 2/142 RCT to relieve elements of 143 by 28 1800. 1/143 RCT relieved by 142 will assemble in GEUDERTHEIM.
	1500	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	S-3 radioed CO D Btry "Section on ground mission released at 290700 hrs Jan. 1945.
	2400	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #137 Hq 36 Inf Div. - Div attacks H-hour D-day in conj with VI Corps atk to clear eny west of RHINE River south of OBERHOFFEN - DRUISENHEIM line to gain, organize and defend line OBERHOFFEN - DRUISEN-HEIM - OFFENDORF with 2 RCT (141 & 143) and holds pres line with 141 RCT BISCHWILLER - WEYERSHEIM until new line is established.
	----	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Roster of 443 AAA Bn Officers issued by S-1.
C-1	1600	131 FA	Brumath (Q-983148)	Section 4 moved to relieve Sect 2 of B-2 on ground firing mission at R-093190.
			29 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	0800	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	B-222 (M-16) repeated mission of firing on eny positions (R-098194) to (R-097197) to screen friendly pa-trol activity in 142 RCT sector. 1500 rds cal. .50 fired from posn (R-093190) last night at 282230A and 290030A Jan. 45. Rel'd by C-2-4 at 290700, section returned to platoon.
	1100	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #138 Hq 36 Inf Div. - 141 RCT reverts to control CG 36 Inf Div. eff. 290930A. Moves by motor fr MONSWILLER to assy vic WEITBRUCK - WINGERSHEIM.
	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report Hq 36 Inf Div.; 141 RCT reverted to Div. cont'l 290930 Jan.; 142 RCT 2/142 rel'd 1/143 in line

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Unit	Time	Attached Protecting	Location	Remarks
			29 JANUARY 1945 (Cont'd)	
				BISCHWILLER - WEYERSHEIM 28/29 Jan. 143 RCT elements not rel'd by 142 RCT held def. posns conducted aggressive patrols.
	1452	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	B-1,B-2,C-1,D-1 engaged 2 ME 109Fs in passing flight, 3000 - 3500 ft alt.
	1500	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #139 Hq 36 Inf Div - Div. to attack as planned in O.T. 137, 28 2400A, Hq 36 Inf Div D day: 01 Feb., H-hr, 0500A.
A-1	1000	Air OP	Durningen (Q-875096)	Rel'd of mission protecting Air OP strip and asgd to protect 132 FA, VOCO "A" Btry, moved to tact posns at GEUDERTHEIM (R-013135). Arrived 1530.
A-2	1100	132 FA	Geudertheim (R-015135)	Rel'd by 1-A of mission to protect 132 FA and asgd to protect DIV ARTY AIR OP strip, VOCO "A" Btry. Moved to new tact posns at DURNINGEN (Q-875095). Arrived 1215A.
C-2	1010	242 FA	Niederschaeffolsheim (R-013194)	Protecting FA moved to new tact. posns WITTERSHEIM (Q-943202). Arr. 1130.
D-2	0700	143 RCT	Rottelsheim (Q-894173)	Section 4 rel'd of asgt of defensive gd mission with 143 RCT moved to protect Div Ration Dump WASSELONE (Q-796038). Arrived 1200.
			30 JANUARY 1945	
Bn CP	1200	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	G-3 Report, Hq 36 Inf Div. - Left flank 79 Div. "held" HAGUENAU line rt flank 3 DIA (Fr) held HOERDT (R-0908) Rhine River line. 141 RCT - left STEINBOURG area for BRUMATH where it was atchd to 142 RCT. - 142 RCT held def. posns with only patrol contact 143 RCT held def posns in its sector.
	1400	36th Div. 91 AAA Gp	Mommenheim (Q-933177)	Oper Instr #140 Hq 36 Inf Div - Div alerts 1 RCT per VOCG VI Corps for movement by motor on 2 hr alert.

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Battery "D"

Nigro, Charles, J.	Sgt.	32221359	23 Jan.	LWA	Brooklyn, New York
De Coster, Richard A.	Cpl.	36242570	23 Jan.	SWA	Appleton, Wisc.
Nixon, Homer C.	Tec 5	33268294	23 Jan.	LWA	Houston, Pa.
Bacha, George R.	Pvt.	35064718	21 Jan.	LWA	Cleveland, Ohio

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S-4: Capt. ANDREW J. BENNETT, JR.
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Ch: 1st Lt. ANTHONY J. ZUKAITIS

Comm: 1st Lt. GORDON T. COLE
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Asst: 2nd Lt. JAMES M. ROBINSON

2nd Platoon

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Asst: 1st Lt. MILTON J. KINNE

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1st Platoon

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2nd Platoon

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Asst: 1st Lt. CARL O. NEUMANN

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1st Platoon

CO: 1st Lt. OSCAR M. PRICE, JR.
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CO: 1st Lt. ROBERT B. MARLOTTE
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ANTIAIRCRAFT ACTION SUMMARY
(January 1945)

Unit & CP Coord.	Protecting	Date Time	No. & Type A/C	Height (feet)	E/A Mission	Ammo Exp. 37mm	Ammo Exp. .50	Fire Control	E/A Destroyed & Results
C-1 (Q-692439)	131 FA	021700	(1) P-47	1200	Passing		300	FAS	(2) stars on bottom wings in place of one. After engaged headed for eny territory where no flak was fired.
C-1 (Q-692439)	131 FA	021710	(1) P-51	1000 600	Diving		195	FAS	Plane dove on section in Montbronn. Plane did not bomb or strafe.
C-1 (Q-692441)	131 FA	050855	(2) P-51	200 300	Strafe		700	FAS	Planes had Am. markings after circling (1) dove on road E of Montbronn. Left for eny lines.
B-1 (Q-672442)	155 FA	121540	(1) ME-163	3000	Recon	2	50	FAS	Plane travelled near 300 mph in glide making no sound except a "Whoo-shing noise". Did not bomb or strafe.
B-121 (R-059245)	155 FA	191600	(2) ME-109F	3600	Passing	3	200	FAS	E/A passing from E. to W. Early warning recd.

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Bn CP (R-043233)	36th Inf. Div.	191805	(1) Unidentified twin engine.	200	Bombing Strafing				Action observed from Bn CP in the dusk. Exact location of bombing & strafing unknown. No report of damage or casualties to Div elements.
B-1 (R-001192)	155 FA	230955	(2) ME-262	3600	Bomb & Strafe	45	1045	FAS	E/A dropped AP & HE bombs on Weitbruch (R-0317). Casualties: (1) EM-SWA, (1) EM-LWA & (1) EM-LIA. Planes approached silently in a glide & then climbed abruptly at 450-500 mph when engaged.
B-2 (Q-977205)	59 AFA 242 FA		(2) ME-262	3000	Bomb & Strafe	10	1900	FAS	
C-1 (Q-983148)	131 FA		(2) ME-262	3000	Bomb & Strafe	20	250	FAS	
D-1 (R-054169)	133 FA		(2) ME-262	3000	Bomb & Strafe	7	20		
C-1 (Q-983148)	131 FA	231000	(4) ME-210	2400	Bomb & Strafe	37	150	FAS	E/A dropped number of bombs E of Brumath, & strafing. When engaged they climbed rapidly.
A-2 (R-015135)	132 FA	231025	(2) ME-262	900	Bombing	17	1950	FAS	E/A approached out of sun dropped bombs vic Hoerdt & Guedertheim causing no damage. During engagement traveled at great speed.
B-1 (R-001192)	155 FA		(2) ME-262	3000	Bombing	107	1700	FAS	
B-2 (Q-963181)	59 AFA 242 FA		(2) ME-262	3600	Bombing	94	1400	FAS	
C-1 (Q-983148)	131 FA		(2) ME-262	2400	Bombing	114	1050	FAS	
D-1 (R-054169)	133 FA		(2) ME-262	2800	Bombing	105	2400	FAS	
D-2 (Q-984173)	Div MSR		(2) ME-262	2400	Bombing	19		FAS	

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Unit & CP Coord.	Protecting	Date Time	No. & Type A/C	Height (feet)	E/A Mission	Ammo Exp. 37mm	Ammo Exp. .50	Fire Control	E/A Destroyed & Results
C-1 (Q-983148)	131 FA	231105	(1) ME-163	2500	Strafing	6	450	FAS	E/A - road ENE of Brumath. When engaged plane went in nearly vertical climb & was quickly out of range.
A-2 (R-015135)	132 FA	231145	(2) ME-109	3000	Passing		200	FAS	E/A passed over Div Sector but made no attack.
B-1 (R-001192)	155 FA		(2) ME-109	3600	Passing	97	2400	FAS	
B-2 (Q-963181)	59 AFA		(2) ME-109	3600	Passing	100	1550	FAS	
C-1 (Q-983148)	131 FA		(2) ME-109	3600	Passing	58	100	FAS	
D-1 (R-054169)	133 FA		(2) ME-109	3600	Passing	119	700	FAS	
D-2 (Q-984173)	Div MSR		(2) ME-109	3600	Passing	21	100	FAS	
D-1 (R-054169)	133 FA	231300	(1) ME-262 (1) ME-109	3000	Bombing	20	650	FAS	E/A bombed E. of Gries (R-0617).
B-1 (R-001192)	155 FA	231425	(3) ME-262 (1) ME-109E	3000	Bombing	71	2300	FAS	Bombed in vic. Weitbruch, resulting in no damage. 50 cal. tracers bounced off ME-262.
B-2 (Q-977205)	59 AFA		(3) ME-262 (1) ME-109E	1500 3000	Bombing	35	650	FAS	
C-1 (Q-983148)	131 FA		(3) ME-262 (1) ME-109E	900	Bombing	17	485	FAS	
C-2 (Q-002194)	242 FA		(3) ME-262 (1) ME-109E	1800	Bombing	140	2675	FAS	

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Unit & CP Coord.	Protecting	Date Time	No. & Type A/C	Height (feet)	E/A Mission	Ammo 37mm	Exp. .50	Fire Control	E/A Destroyed & Results
D-1 (R-054169)	133 FA		(3) ME-262 (1) ME-109E	3000	Bombing	21	400	FAS	
D-2 (R-984173)	Div MSR		(3) ME-262 (1) ME-109E	300	Bombing	18	150	FAS	
D-1 (R-054169)	133 FA	231425	(1) ME-262 (1) ME-109	3000	Bombing	20	650	FAS	Bombed E. of Gries (R-0617). No damage or casualties.
B-1 (R-001192)	155 FA	291425	(2) ME-109	3500	Passing	21	1300	FAS	Difficult to see due to sun.
B-2 (R-013138)	59 AFA		(2) ME-109	3000	Passing	37	1300	FAS	
C-1 (Q-983148)	131 FA		(2) ME-109	3200	Passing	10	50	FAS	
D-1 (R-030170)	133 FA		(2) ME-109	3200	Passing	10	600	FAS	

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AW GROUND FIRE SUMMARY
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Date & Time	Unit & Coord.	Nature of Target & Coord.	Mission	Ammo Exp. 37mm	Ammo Exp. .50	Enemy Fire Received	Casualties	Remarks & Results
25th 2200	Sect A-22 (R-092180) Sect B-22 (R-094180)	Eny troop concentration in Rohrwiller (R-125175)	Harassing	5 10	1200 1200	Lt & Med arty plus several Bingo fell in vic. Prob not result of AW firing.	None	Mission fired in support of 142 RCT. Inf OP & Arty FO & Company Comdr report fire was falling in area & looked good. Results: Unknown Weather: Snow, haze, poor visibility.
26th 0100	Sect A-22 (R-092180) Sect B-22 (R-094180)	Eny troop concentration in Rohrwiller (R-125175)	Harassing	10 10	1200 1200	None	None	
26th 1600	Sect D-24 (R-084153)		Defensive posns dug in by bulldozer. Prepared to repel eny attack on thinly held MLR.				None	Intermittent eny mortar and lt arty fire recd during 3 nights and 2 days section held posns.

Date & Time	Unit & Coord.	Nature of Target & Coord.	Mission	Ammo Exp. 37mm	Ammo Exp. .50	Enemy Fire Received	Casualties	Remarks & Results
26th 2100 & 2300	Sect B-22 (R-093190)	Eny posns. (R-098194) to (R-097197)	Harassing & diversionary fire to screen patrol activity on other parts of 142 RCT sector.		1400	None	None	Mission fired in support of 142 RCT. Target area well covered. Sweeping of a larger target was prevented by mask of buildings and short range. Position is the only one available from which eny posns along road can be covered with flat trajectory weapons because of mask. Results: Unknown.
28th 1600	Sect C-14 (R-089185)		On call to support 142 RCT with harassing & diversionary fire.			None	None	
29th 0700	Sect D-24 (R-084153)		Defensive posns supporting 143 RCT.					Reld of mission after inspection of posns determined that they were untenable under attack. Unit this section was supporting reld by stronger inf force shortly thereafter.

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Date & Time	Unit & Coord.	Nature of Target & Coord.	Mission	Ammo Exp. 37mm	Ammo Exp. .50	Enemy Fire Received	Casualties	Remarks & Results
30th 1000	Sect C-14 (R-089185)		On call to support 142 RCT with harassing & diversionary fire.					Reld of mission.

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