

1 April 1945

Allied Armies were still rolling strongly and ultimate victory for the United Nations was beginning to come within our grasp.

Overshadowing all victories was the sad news of the death of our great and good Commander-in-Chief, Franklin D Roosevelt. The news saddened our men considerably but all were resolved to fight and work as hard for our new Chief, Harry S Truman.

At the opening of the period the 100th Division was commanded by Major General Burress. The Division was part of the 6th Corps, 7th Army, 6th Army Group. Lt Col Robert M Williams was our Regimental Commander.

Weather: Cool and partly cloudy.

Visibility: Good.

CT 398th Inf opened the month with a motor movement from vic Dannstadt, Frankenthal and Shifferstadt to an assembly area in the vic Friedrichsfeld. We were now across the Rhine River. We used the bridge at Ludvigshaven and Mannheim.

Rg Hqs: Schwetzingen, Germany.

Sv Co: Friedschfeld.

AT Co: Schwetzingen.

Cn Co: Schwetzingen.

1st Bn: CP in Edingen.

2nd Bn: CP in Oftersheim.

3rd Bn: CP in Schwetzingen.

Attached Units:

357th FA Bn.

Co B 781 Tank Bn.

Co B 824 TD Bn.

Co B 325 Engr C Bn.

Co B 325 Med Bn.

PWs: 792 from 8 Nov 44 to 1 April 1945.

2 April 1945

Weather: Cool and partly cloudy.

Visibility: Good.

The Regiment remained in its present assembly area and prepared to move on orders.

3 April 1945

Weather: Cold and partly cloudy.

Visibility: Excellent.

3 April 1945

The Regiment moved from its present location to vic Bad Rappeneau to relieve elements of the 63rd Division.

1st Bn: Bad Wimpfen.

2nd Bn: Hohenstadt.

3rd Bn: Bad Rappeneau. The battalion awaited orders of attachment to elements of the 10th A D.

No contact was made with the enemy.

PWs: 807 to date.

4 April 1945

Weather: Cool and cloudy.

Visibility: Good.

The 100th Division continued to advance E and protected the right (S) flank of the VI Corps in conjunction with the 10th AD.

The Regiment relieved elements of the 63 Division.

1st Bn: Bn conducted reconnaissance for possible crossing sites of Neckar River to the E and SE (vic Bad Wimpfen.).

2nd Bn: Bn reconnoitered routes and possible crossings of river to immediate front (E and SE).

3rd Bn: Bn was attached to the 10 A D and crossed the Neckar River in assault boats vic N of Heilbronn. The enemy counter-attacked at 0900. The attack was repulsed at 1000. At the close of the period the bn was attached to the 397th Inf.

PWs: From 8 Nov to date—832.

5 April 1945

Weather: Cold and partly cloudy.

Visibility: Good.

The 398th Inf (-) prepared to cross the Neckar River.

1st Bn: The 1st Bn remained in position vic Bad Wimpfen during the period. Strong patrols reinforced with S/P TDs and Tks were sent to clear Unt Eisensheim of enemy then to Obr Eisensheim. S/P TDs and Tks went into position vic Obr Eisensheim along W bank of Neckar River to bring fire upon Neckarsulm. Combat patrols were sent to Neckar River W of Jagsfeld to observe enemy activity East of river. S/A, A/W and mortar fire were received towards close of period.

6 April 1945

Weather: Rain and cool.

Visibility: Fair to good.

The VI Corps continues to advance to the SE. The 398th Inf (-) continued present mission of crossing the Neckar River to establish bridgehead.

1st Bn: Bn remained in present position vic Wimpfen, Bad Wimpfen, Unt Eisesheim, Obr Eisesheim and Hohenstadt. One platoon Co. C remained in Unt Eisesheim, one plat Co C in Obr Eisesheim, one plat in Obr Eisesheim and one platoon in Hohenstadt. Cos A and B remained in position vic Bad Wimpfen and Wimpfen and prepared to cross river. During period enemy fired A/W, S/P, and artillery into Ober Eisesheim.

2nd Bn: Foot elements of the Bn crossed Neckar River vic Offenau at 1700 5 April. Co G plus one platoon S/P TDs, Tks, and organic motors crossed bridge and moved south to Offenau. At 0600 Cos E and F crossed Jagst River SW of Duttenberg. Co G with one platoon S/P TDs and tanks crossed Jagst River vic Unt Griesheim. Co G received A/W, S/A at 1035.

3rd Bn: Bn attached to 397th Inf remained in position; repulsed two counterattacks on flanks. Heavy arty, A/W and S/A were received by troops.

7 April 1945

Weather: Cloudy and cool.

Visibility: Good.

The Regimental CP moved from Bad Happeneau to Bad Wimpfen, Germany.

Sv Co: Babstadt.

AT Co: Bad Wimpfen.

Cn Co: Bad Wimpfen.

Hq 1 Bn: Obergresheim.

Co A: Obergresheim.

Co B: Bad Wimpfen.

Co C: Untergresheim.

Co D: Obergresheim.

Hq 2nd Bn: CP in Duttenberg.

Co E: Heuchlinger.

Co F: Jagstfeld.

Co G: Duttenberg.

Co H: Duttenberg.

Hq 3rd Bn: Entire Bn in Neckargaritsch.

7 April 1945

The 398th Inf attached to the 397th Inf continued atk on Jagstfeld and Odheim.

The 1st Bn moved from vic Bad Wimpfen across Neckar and Jagst River into assembly area vic Unter Griesheim. Foot elements crossed Neckar River via Offenau and Jagst River vic Unter Griesheim. Organic mtrs, tks, and TDs crossed Neckar vic Neckarels and across Jagst River vic Unter Griesheim. Cos B and C atkd at 1000 from Unter Griesheim, Co B on left and C on right. Co A followed Co C. At 1029 Co B and C were pinned down by S/A, A/W and S/P AT fire from woods (S090733) and flanks vic (S085735). At close of period Co A was located vic (S082754), Co B vic (087747), Co C vic (S093743).

The 2nd Bn atkd Jagstfeld and captured the north half of the town. Co F on right atkd S then SE from vic (S049720) and reached a point vic RR bridge (S061714). Co G on left reached a point vic S063715. Co E remained in vic Heuchlingen.

The 3rd Bn atchd to 397th Inf remained in present position vic Heilbronn. During period troops received arty and mortar fire.

Attached Units:

- 375th FA Bn
- Co B 781st Tk Bn
- Co B 824th TD (S/P)
- Co B 325th Engr Bn
- Co B 325th Med Bn

PWs: 8 Nov 44 to date: 968.

8 April 1945

Weather: Cloudy and cold.

Visibility: Good.

The 398th Inf (-3rd Bn atchd to 397th Inf) continued atk at 080545 April 1945.

1st Bn continued atk at 0545. Co A passed thru Co C and advanced to vic S086732 and was pinned down by direct fire of S/P weapons, S/A and A/W. Co B advanced to hill vic 3094738. Co C advanced to vic S090735. During period troops received heavy concentration of mortar and arty fire.

2nd Bn continued atk vic Jagstfeld. Co E continued to clear buildings and factories in zone. Co G continued adv to vic S067712. Co E continued to clear woods E of Jagstfeld. At close of period Co E vic S068716, Co F vic S066711, Co G vic S065715. During period A/W, arty, and S/P fires were encountered.

8 April 1945

3rd Bn (atcd to 397th Inf) remained in vic N edge of Heilbronn.
PWs: 992 prisoners of war from 8 Nov 44 to date.

9 April 1945

Weather: Clear and cool.

Visibility: Poor to fair.

The 398th (-3rd Bn atcd 397th Inf) readjusted positions and continued to advance.

1st Bn: Bn extended positions along a line from vic S080738 NE to vic S099753. At end of period Co A in vic S060738 to S088738; Co C vic S088738 to S092742; Co B vic S092742 to S095745; AT platoon 1st Bn and 3rd platoon Co B 325th Engr Bn vic S095745 to S098752.

2nd Bn: Bn adjusted positions by extending lines from vic Jagstfeld to S065710 to S060723 to S077735. Co E maintained strong points vic S063718, S060722, S066728, and S076738. Co F advanced to vic S065710, Co G to vic S066714.

3rd Bn: Atcd to 397th vic S076658 to S078641.

During period 3rd Bn repulsed C/A. Forward elements received S/P Arty, S/A and A/W fire. There was a demonstration of close coordination of air Corps fighter-bombers, arty, and infantry weapons. Fighter-bombers bombed and strafed Waldau adjusted by arty and inf OP. Arty, cn, mortar and S/P fire were directed on vic Kochendorf simultaneously.

Co B 83rd Cml Bn was attached to the Combat Team.

PWs: The Regiment passed the "1000 mark" and now has 1007 accredited since 8 Nov 44.

10 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Poor to good.

The Regiment (-3rd Bn atcd to 397th Inf) continued present mission.

1st Bn: The Bn atkd enemy positions at 101030 April 45 by fire. Patrols were sent to Buchof during period and were fired upon by snipers, a/w and s/p 88's; the patrol returned fire and accounted for one sniper in church steeple. Fire fights accounted for an estimated 10 enemy. Mortar fire directed at entrenched enemy positions produced good results.

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2nd Bn: Bn continued to clear buildings in Jagstfeld; several buildings including a factory were set on fire by WP. Mortar and rifle grenade fire were thrown into them. Enemy attempted to infiltrate thru Co G and were repulsed. During the night the enemy attempted to dig in positions in front of Co G and Co E.

3rd Bn: Bn attached to 397th Inf repulsed c/a at 100516.

Co B 63rd Cml Bn closed into position vic Wimpfen at 1930, firing 16 missions

PWs: To date 1015.

11 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Good.

The regiment continued atk at 1050.

1st Bn: Bn patrolled to Willembach, and cleared vic of snipers. 1st Bn continued atk at 1050; at 1230 Co A reached position vic S094730 after clearing wooded area of snipers. Co B advanced to vic S102734, received s/a, a/w and S/P fire from E of Oddheim and S bank of Kocher. Co C advanced to vic N of Oddheim and encountered AP mines during advance in area vic S1075. [S1073?]

2nd Bn: Bn continued atk at 1050 preceded by heavy patrolling. Co E patrol sent into Kagenbach which was cleared by elms of Co E as they advanced thru the town. Co F continued on thru Jagstfeld clearing the remainder of the town by 1230 and advanced on the town of Waldau. Co G cleared wooded area vic S070710. At close of period Co E in position vic S076711 to S088715 to S087723. Co F vic from S071760 to S076762. Co G vic S072715.

3rd Bn: Atchd to 397th Inf.

Cn Co: displaced by echelon to position vic Duttenberg to support 1st and 2nd Bns.

During period almost all elements of 1st and 2nd Bns encountered a/p mines, shu-mines, heavy concentrations of arty, s/a and a/w fire. Air mission on southern bank of river vic Oddheim was very successful. Bomb and strafing caused two large fires, neutralized s/p guns and inflicted an unknown number of enemy casualties.

PWs: 1043 to date.

12 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Good.

The 100th Division continued the attack to clear Heilbronn, Bitzfeld and Lowenstein. The Regiment's mission was to seize Neckarsulm and the high ground E of Neckarsulm. Patrols were sent out to probe Kocher River banks.

1st Bn: The Bn continued to advance to the Kocher River and received heavy s/a and a/w fire from vic Odheim. Bn was relieved on position by elements of 2nd Bn. Co A relieved at 0135. Co C was relieved by Co G at 0115. The Bn closed into vic Bad Wimpfen at 0547 in Regtl reserve.

2nd Bn: Bn continued advance to Kocher River in clearing area of snipers. Heavy s/a and a/w fire was received from Kochendorf. Bn relieved 1st Bn on position by extending line to the NE. Cos E, F, and G sent patrols to Kocher River bank and attempted crossings to southern banks from vic Kochendorf to vic Odheim and N of that point. Patrols received s/a and a/w and mortar fire from S banks of Kocher River.

3rd Bn: Reverted to unit control as of 1730.

Co D 781st Tk Bn plus 3rd platoon 100th Rcn plus Rcn platoon 824th TD patrolled and outposted Neckar River vic W of Neckargartach N to vic Unter-Eifesheim. AT Co outposted Bad Wimpfen.

PWs: To date 1048.

13 April 1945

Weather: Mild, intermittent rain.

Visibility: fair.

Rg Hqs: CP in Jagstfeld.

AT Co: Bad Friedrichfeld.

Cn Co: Waldau.

The Regiment continued atk to S across Kocher River vic Kochendorf to atk Kochendorf, Neckarsulm and then to SE in Z.

1st Bn: Bn moved from vic Bad Wimpfen at 1430. Foot elements crossed the Neckar vic Offenau. Organic motors crossed the Neckar vic Neckarelz to Kochendorf. Bn was crossing bridge over Kocher River vic Kochendorf to assembly area vic Neckarsulm at close of period.

2nd Bn: Bn continued atk across Kocher River to capture Kochendorf at 0530 and continued to capture N part of Neckarsulm. Co E reached Neckarsulm then continued atk to SE to objective vic Affaltrack. Patrols were sent to Odheim to clear it. At close of period Bn was vic S160675 (Jagstfeld).

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3rd Bn: Bn continued atk to seize southern half of Neckarsulm then continued to SE in Z toward objective vic Lowenstein. At end of period 3rd Bn vic Neckarsulm.

14 April 1945

Weather: Foggy to clear.

Visibility: Poor to good.

Rg Hqs: CP in Weinsberg.

Sv Co: Neckarsulm.

The Regiment continued to atk to SE, E and NE toward Lowenstein, Weiler, Affaltrach, Wieslensdorf, Adolffurt, Rappock, Schwabbach, Bitzfeld, and Weisslenburg. Willsbach, Sulzbach, Affaltrach, Eschenau, Wimmmental, Dimbach, Schwabbach, and Bitzfeld were captured.

1st Bn: Bn moved from assembly area vic Neckarsulm and passed thru elements of 3rd Bn at Willsbach to atk SE to Lowenstein; received heavy s/a and a/w fire from flanks E and front. Arty and heavy rocket fire fell on troops from vic Lowenstein. Fighter-bombers strafed and bombed Lowenstein and high ground to S. At close of period Co A vic S179597, Co B vic S178599, and Co C vic 188603 pinned down by s/a and a/w fire.

2nd Bn: Bn continued atk to clear towns within Z. Captured towns of Affaltrach, Eschenau, Wimmmental, Dimbach, Schwabbach, Wabbach, and sent patrols into Bitzfeld to clear it. At close of period Co E vic S222643, Co F vic S228618 and Co G (-) vic S215613 with one platoon vic Bitzfeld.

3rd Bn: Bn continued atk to capture and clear Sulzbach and Willsbach, then continued to E and SE; received heavy s/a, and a/w fire from vic S of Affaltrach and Eschenau. At close of period Co I vic S215610. Co K vic S201605 and Co L vic S200608. The Bn ran into defended mined road blocks and continuous sniper fire.

Attached Units:

Co B 781st Tk Bn

Co B 824th TD (S/P)

375th FA Bn

Co B 83rd Cml Bn, atchd

Co B 325th Engr Bn

Co B 325th Med Bn

PWs: 1179 from 8 Nov to date.

15 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Good.

This Regiment continued to atk to the E and SE in Z toward Bitzfeld, Verrensberg, Pfelelbach, Eschenau, Weislendorf, Weiler, Reisach, Lichtenstein, and Lowenstein.

1st Bn: Bn patrolled during the night to maintain contact with the eny. Cos A and C jumped off at 0800 to the S toward Weiler; received heavy a/w fire from farm vic S197589. Co B moved toward Weiler and received heavy s/a and S/P fire. Co A captured Rosslinalz by 1000. 1st Bn relieved elements of 3rd Bn vic Eschenau. Co A atkd Weiler and secured it. At the end of period Co C vic Affaltrach; Co B vic Eschenau.

2nd Bn: Bn continued atk at 1000 to E and SE to capture Schappach, Adolzfurt, Windischenbach, Verrenberg, and Pfedelbach. At close of period Co E vic Windeschenbach, Co F vic Verrenberg, Co G vic Pfedelbach. The Bn maintained contact with elms 253rd Inf.

3rd Bn: Bn continued atk to E and SE. Co I atkd Eschenau and was relieved by Co C; Cos K and L were relieved by Cos A and B. Bn consolidated its position, cleared small pockets of resistance in Z. At close of period Co I vic Bitzfeld, Co L vic Bretzfeld and Co K vic Adolzfurt.

CP opened vic Rappach.

PWs: 1284 to date.

16 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Excellent.

The Regiment continued atk at 0800 and met heavy resistance and heavy arty and mortar fire.

1st Bn: Bn jumped off at 0800, Co B right. Co C center, and Co A left, Co in Z. Co B attacked from Wieler to the SE to capture Friedfuchshaf and continued to the SE. Co C atkd from Eschenau to the E and SE to capture Waldof. Co A atkd to SE to capture Wieslensdorf. Cos A, B, and C encountered intense s/a, a/w and direct fire weapons. At close of period Co A vic S245625, Co B vic S25510, and Co C vic 245595.

2nd Bn: Bn motorized prepared to adv in rear of elements of 10th Armd Div at 0800; were detrucked in Pfedelbach and atkd at 1330 to the S, Co G on left, Co E on right, Co F in reserve. Cos G and E encountered heavy s/p fire initially from S of Pfedelbach. At 1430 2nd Bn captured Heuberg. At 1745 Co E captured Buchhorn and advanced 300 yds to S and met heavy resistance from the S and SE. Co G met heavy resistance including s/p fire. At close of period Co E vic S282630, Co G vic 298633, Co F vic 272660.

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3rd Bn: Bn vic Adolzfurt prepared to follow 2nd Bn by bounds to clear all pockets of resistance bypassed by 2nd Bn. Co K met heavy resistance from s/a, a/w, and s/p arty fire E of Adolzfurt. Co L sent patrols to 263647. At close of period Co L vic Verrenberg, Co K vic Adolzfurt, Co L vic Bretzfeld.

PWs: 1332 to date.

17 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Good.

The Regiment continued atk at 0700 to the SE. At 2020 positions were consolidated and patrols sent forward to keep contact with the enemy.

1st Bn: Bn continued atk on the axis Friedrichshaf-Neubutten [Neuhutten]. Co A initially encountered s/a and a/w fire N of Hohenacker. After neutralizing the enemy fire continued atk SE toward Unter Heimbach and Over Heimbach, then marched S to assist Co C who was in fire fight. Co B vic S2357 continued atkd E then SE encountering little resistance initially, however encountered road blocks and mines, a/p and a/t. Co B maintained contact with elms 397th Inf. Co C vic Waldhof continued atk SE at 0700 and encountered s/a and a/w fire; moved to vic N of Neuhutten where heavy resistance was met.

2nd Bn: Bn coordinated it's atk with elements of 10th Armd to secure Heuberg, Buckham Gleichen, Geisselhardt, Gailsbach, Lackweiler, Zeigelbronn, and Maibach. At 0700 continued atk to SE. Co F was on left, Co E on right, Co G following Co F. Cos E and F encountered small pockets of resistance which were cleared in their rapid advance SE. At close of period Co E vic Ziegelbronn, Co F vic Maibach and C Co vic S362565.

3rd Bn: Bn continued to mop up pockets of resistance in 2nd Bn zone. Co K cleared Geddelbach; Co L cleared small pockets resistance of Adolzfurt, and reverted to regtl reserve at close of period.

PWs: 1414 to date.

18 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Good.

398th Inf continued atk S and SE at 0700.

1st Bn: Bn continued SE at 0700 from vic Ammersweiler to clear town in zone vic Neuhutten, Luxenhof, Finsterrot, Ammersweiller, Wiedhof, Hals, Hohenstrassen, Bohringsweiler, Hohengaiten, Hammerschmiede, Grab, and continued SE. At close of period Co A vic S353513, Co B vic Morbach, and Co C vic S347505.

2nd Bn: (Cont).

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2nd Bn: Bn continued atk SE in Z to assist elements of 10th Armd Div. During period 2nd Bn cleared the towns of Rottenhof, Sittenhardt, Buchhof, Weilands Wieler, Marhodt, Otenberg, Kornberg, Obermuhle, Brenehof, Ebersberg, and Oberhot. At close of period E Co vic S384495, F Co vic S398485, G Co vic S409479.

3rd Bn: Bn continued to clear pockets of resistance in 2nd Bn zone, and at close of period closed into assembly area. Co I vic Maibach, Co K Riegenhof, and Co L vic Ziegelbronn.

CP closed into new area at 1730 (Mainhardt).

PWs: To date 1539.

19 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Good.

The Regiment continued atk to S and SE until pinched out by elements of 71st Inf then on O.

1st Bn: Bn continued clearing out towns on objective. A Co cleared out Steinberg, Co B, Marbacle, and Co C, Walfenbruch. At close of period 1st Bn prepared to move on Os to the S.

2nd Bn: Bn continued atk to the S and was relieved by 3rd Bn 71st Inf when passed through at 0915. Bn regrouped and moved into assembly area vic Hutten, closing into assembly area at 1300.

3rd Bn: Bn remained in assembly area vic Lockweiler. Moved on Os to new assembly area vic Lowenstein.

20 April 1945

Weather: Clear and warm.

Visibility: Excellent.

The Regiment (-2nd Bn) reinforced continued atk to the S to establish bridgehead S of Murrhardt and seize successive objectives vic S3441, S3436, and S3435.

1st Bn: Bn continued atk to S to seize objective S3441 and S3436 by 0730. During attack 1st Bn cleared several defended road blocks and seized two bridges intact vic Murrhardt. Bn remained in vic Althutte until passed thru by 3rd Bn.

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2nd Bn: Atchd to VI Corps and moved to vic Ohringen at 0700; detailed as guard.

3rd Bn: Moved from vic Lowenstein at 0845 by motors to vic Althutte to pass thru 1st Bn at 1100. Encountered s/a and a/w fire during advance to S. At close of period located 500 yds S of Klaffenbach.

Regtl CP opened at Althutte at 1500.

21 April 1945

Weather: Clear, intermittent showers.

Visibility: Fair.

398th Inf (-2nd Bn) continued atk to the S during the night to capture final objective vic Unt Urbach at 0545.

1st Bn: In vic Althutte and continued to clear wooded areas in vic. At 1200 moved motorized to vic Winnenden. CP opened at 1350.

2nd Bn: Atchd to VI Corps.

3rd Bn: Bn continued atk S to capture and clear Klaffenbach, Clangberg, Eselshalden, Obr Steinberg, Steinbruck, Obr Urbach, and Unt Urbach. Bn passed thru and cleared 11 roadblocks, five of which were defended. A strong fire fight took place at Eselshalden which resulted in the enemy's withdrawing to the S. Urbach was entered at 0300 and cleared at 0415. Unter Urbach was entered at 0430 and cleared at 0545. The Bn reorganized with Cos K and L in Unt Urbach, and Co I in Obr Urbach. Bn moved motorized to vic Winnenden, closing into assembly area at 1830.

Regtl CP opened Winnenden at 1430.

PWs: 1631 from 8 Nov 44 to date.

22 April 1945

Weather: Cloudy and intermittent showers.

Visibility: Fair.

398th Inf (-2nd Bn) continued to reduce all by-passed enemy within zone to include the NE part of Stuttgart. The towns of Walblingen, Fellbach, Bad Cannstatt, Leutenbach, UnterUrkheim, and Hoffen were cleared of the enemy. The woods vic S2030 were cleared. Contact was made with Elms of Fr 3 DIA.

Regtl CP in Winnenden, Germany.

Sv Co: Maubach.

AT Co: Winnenden.

Cn Co: Winnenden.

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Hq 1st Bn: CP and units in Winnenden.

Hq 2nd Bn: Ohringen.

Co E: Ohringen.

Co F: Sittenhardt.

Co G: Largenbeautingen.

Co H: Kochersteinfeld.

Hq 3rd Bn: Winnenden.

Cos I, K, and M: Winnenden.

Co L: Stuttgart.

1st Bn: Bn continued to clear areas of enemy within zone. During period wooded area vic S2030 was cleared, also the towns of Leutenbach, Hoffen, and Winnenden, which was cleared thoroughly.

2nd Bn: Atchd VI Corps.

3rd Bn: Bn assembled a TF consisting of Co L, 3rd Platoon 781st Tks, and one platoon Co B 325th Engrs. The TF cleared the following places of enemy during period: Walbingen, Fellbach, Bad Cannstatt, and UnterTurkheim, and continued with mission of clearing Beinstein, Endersbach, Heppach, and Korb. Elements of the French 3 DIA were contacted in NE Stuttgart.

PWs: Total to date—1710.

Attached Units:

Arty: 375th FA Bn D/S.

Cn Co: D/S.

AT Co: D/S.

Armor: Co B 781st Tk Bn Atchd.

Co B 824th TD Bn Atchd.

Cml: Co B 83rd Cml Bn (Mortar) Atchd.

Engrs: Co B 325th Engr Bn D/S.

Med: Co B 325th Med Bn D/S.

23 April 1945

Weather: Cloudy, intermittent showers and cool.

Visibility: Good.

CT attachments reverted to control of parent units.

398th Inf (-2nd Bn) continued to clear Div Z of by-passed enemy.

1st Bn: Bn advanced S from vic S2730 to clear the woods and towns to the S to vic S2824, then moved on order to assembly area vic S7845, attached to 7th Army.

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3rd Bn: Bn continued to clear woods and towns of by-passed enemy advancing at 0700 from vic S2824 S to vic S2125. During period 3rd Bn patrolled the towns and woods in Div Zone.

117th Rcn attached to CT 398 patrolled roads NE of Stuttgart from Neckar River NE to Rems River vic Rommelshausen and S to Neckar River.

24 April 1945

Weather: Clear and cold.

Visibility: Fair to excellent.

Regtl mission of patrolling and clearing area of by-passed enemy continued.

Regtl CP opened Walbingen 0835.

AT Co: Outposted Walbingen.

Cn Co: Outposted Walbingen.

1st Bn: Attached to 7th Army closed into assembly area vic Stuttgart at 0730.

2nd Bn: Attached VI Corps and continued mission of guarding rear installations in Corps zone.

3rd Bn: Moved from vic Heppbach to assembly area vic Walbingen. Bn continued mission of patrolling in zone E and NE of Stuttgart.

PWs: Total from 8 Nov to date—1753.

25 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Good.

The Division was released from attachment to the VI Corps and reverted to Seventh Army reserve.

The Regiment assembled in its present location conducted training, maintenance, orientation, physical conditioning, and rest and recreation. A daily training schedule was initiated.

1st Bn: Guarded installations vic Stuttgart.

2nd Bn: Bn still attached to VI Corps guarded rear installations. Co E and Co G vic Blaubeurne. Co F vic Goppingen, Co H vic Schorndorf; CP Blaubeurn.

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3rd Bn: Bn continued patrolling sector from Neckar River NE of Stuttgart to Winnenden. Co K occupied Felbach. Bridges in Gros Heppach and Walbingen were guarded.

Care and cleaning of equipment, personal hygiene, and maintenance of vehicles were stressed.

26 April 1945

Weather: Clear and mild.

Visibility: Good.

The Regiment continued mission of patrolling and guarding installations in sector. Training and maintenance of vehicles were stressed. Local security was provided in assigned sector.

1st Bn: Attached to 7th Army; guarded installations in Stuttgart.

2nd Bn: Bn reverted to unit control at 1200 and moved to assembly area vic Bad Cannstatt. Elements of 2nd Bn relieved elements 3rd Bn of guarding installations vic Bad Cannstatt and Fellbach.

3rd Bn: Bn continued mission of patrolling and guarding installations in Regtl Sector. During period training was conducted. 3rd Bn elements relieved elements of 2nd Bn 399th Inf of guarding installations vic Bad Cannstatt.

27 April 1945

Weather: Cool and cloudy.

Visibility: Good.

398th Inf continued mission of patrolling and guarding installations in sector. Local security was provided in assigned sector. Training and maintenance of vehicles and equipment were stressed during period.

1st Bn: Attached to 7th Army; guarded installations in Stuttgart.

2nd Bn: Bn provided local security vic Bad Cannstatt; guarded hospitals and bridges in sector along the Neckar River from NE Stuttgart to Plochingen. Motorized patrols patrolled roads in zone. Special training was conducted during period.

3rd Bn: Bn provided local security vic Walbingen. Motorized patrols patrolled roads in sector. Training was conducted during period.

28 April 1945

Weather: Cool and cloudy.

Visibility: Good.

28 April 1945

The Regiment (-) continued mission of providing local security and motorized patrols in assigned sector. Training was conducted during period.

1st Bn: Attached to 7th Army for guarding installations.

2nd Bn: Bn guarding bridges, roads, hospitals, and towns in sector.

3rd Bn: Bn conducted training during period. Ceremonies in which the Presidential citation was awarded to the 3rd Bn and attached units was held at 1500 vic Walblingen. The citation was awarded for the capture of Forts Fruedenberg and Schiesseck vic of NW Bitche, France, 18 Dec 1944. Major General Burress presented the citation.

29 April 1945

Weather: Showers, cold.

Visibility: Good.

The 398th Inf (-) continued mission of providing local security and motorized patrols within assigned sector. Foot patrols patrolled woods vic S of Beutelsbach and vic S of Geadstettin. Bridges, hospitals and other installations were guarded during period.

1st Bn guarded installations vic Stuttgart.

30 April 1945

Weather: Showers, cold.

Visibility: Good.

The Regiment (-) continued to guard bridges, hospitals, and other installations within assigned sector. Units conducted training, physical conditioning, and maintenance of vehicles and equipment. Units continued to investigate areas for isolated enemy.

1st Bn still guarded installations vic Stuttgart under special 7th Army mission.

Regtl CP in Walblingen, Germany.

Sv Co: Bad Cannstatt.

AT Co: Walblingen.

Cn Co: Walblingen.

Hq 1st Bn: Stuttgart.

Hq 2nd Bn: Bad Cannstatt.

Hq 3rd Bn: Walblingen.

30 April 1945

Attached Units:

375th FA

Co B 325th Med Bn.