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ARMY FORM C.2118

WAR DIARY

or

Unit 305 MLBU, RAOC.

~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Month and Year Apr 45.

Commanding Officer Capt. K.M. Newman.

| Place | Date | Hour | Summary of Events and Information | References to Appendices |
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| VISSEL | 1 | 13.00 | HQ and Laundry Sec crossed RHINE and moved to new locn at VISSEL Instr recd from ADOS that Unit would move fwd on following day. | |
| RHEDE | 2 | 15.00 | Unit moved to new locn at RHEDE | |
| " | 3 | 14.00 18.00 | Laundry erected and ready for operation. Lorries sent back to collect in dirty clothing from Bath Secs. 2 Bath Secs rejoined Unit while their Bdes were moving. | |
| " | 4 | 10.00 20.00 | LT SHARPE proceeded to ADOS 15(S) Div to arrange for a fwd dump to be established for clean clothing sups for Bath Secs. 1 further Bath Sec rejoined Unit. | |
| " | 5 | 08.00 | 3 Bath Secs ordered out to sites to N. of Munster. | |
| " | 6 | | O.C. recce'd area GREVEN for new laundry site. 4 lorry loads of clean clothing sent fwd to clean clothing dump at GREVEN | |
| " | 7 | 06.00 12.00 | LT. RYE with an advance party of 6 O.Rs proceeded fwd to GREVEN O.C. ill - admitted to 23 C.C.S. | AFW.3008/9 |
| " | 8 | | Laundry packed up preparatory to moving. 4 lorry loads of clothing & stores sent fwd to GREVEN. | |
| GREVEN | 9 | 14.00 | Unit moved to site at GREVEN to harbour only. LT RYE proceeded fwd to recce a site in area MINDEN, on ADOS instr. | |
| PETERSHAGEN | 10 | 12.00 | Unit moved to a site at a brickworks S. of PETERSHAGEN. Laundry erected on bank of WESER. 1 RD Sjt replacement arrived. | |
| " | 11 | 10.00 | Laundry operating. Div Tps Bath Sec rejoined Unit | |
| " | 12 | 15.00 | Boiler Fan Motor and Starter out of order. 1 CCS Trailer only in operation. | |
| " | 13 | | Wksps attempting repair of Fan Motor. | |
| " | 14 | | Wksps unable to repair motor and in view of urgency veh sent back to BRUSSELS for replacement. | AFW.3008/9 |
| PETERSHAGEN | 16 | | O.C. rejoined Unit on discharge from 23 C.C.S. | |
| " | 17 | 08.00 22.00 | LT RYE proceeded fwd to recce site in area UELZEN Veh ret'd from BRUSSELS with re-conditioned Boiler Fan Motor. | |
| " | 18 | 09.00 | 1 Bath Sec placed under command 8 Corps for bathing duties at BELSEN concentration camp. | |

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| " | 19 | 15.00 | Boiler Fan Motor fitted and Laundry again working. | |
| " | 20 | | LT RYE carried out further recce - area UELZEN - site found at BEVENSEN | |
| " | 21 | 08.00 | Advance party sent fwd to new locn, with quantity of clean clothing. | AFW.3008/9 |
| " | 22 | | Further quantity of clean clothing and stores sent fwd to BEVENSEN | |
| " | 23 | | 2 CCS Trailers sent fwd to new locn. | |
| BEVENSEN | 24 | 12.00 | Remainder of Laundry moved fwd. Laundry erected and ready to operate. | |
| " | 25 | 07.00 | Laundry operating to supply Bath Secs with clean clothing. | |
| " | 27 | | LT. SHARPE visited Bath Sec still working at BELSEN Camp, Section working to capacity. | AFW.3008/9 |
| " | 29 | 12.00 | American Tps moved into this area. Visit by C.O., of American Laundry Unit with view to taking over site when Unit moves out. | |
| " | 30 | 10.00 | Bath Sec operating at BELSEN returned to Unit. Approx 13,000 persons bathed by the section whilst it operated at BELSEN. | |