

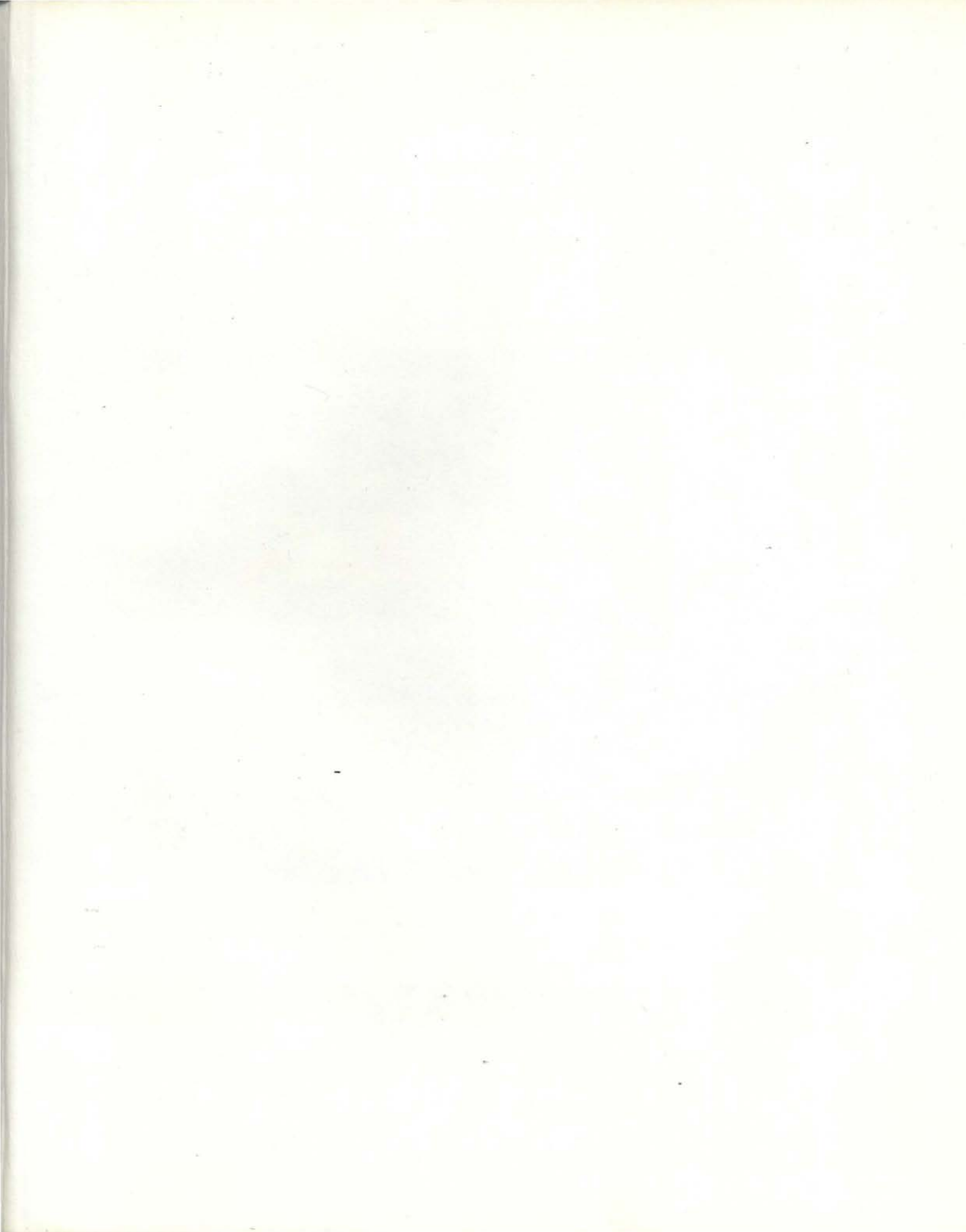
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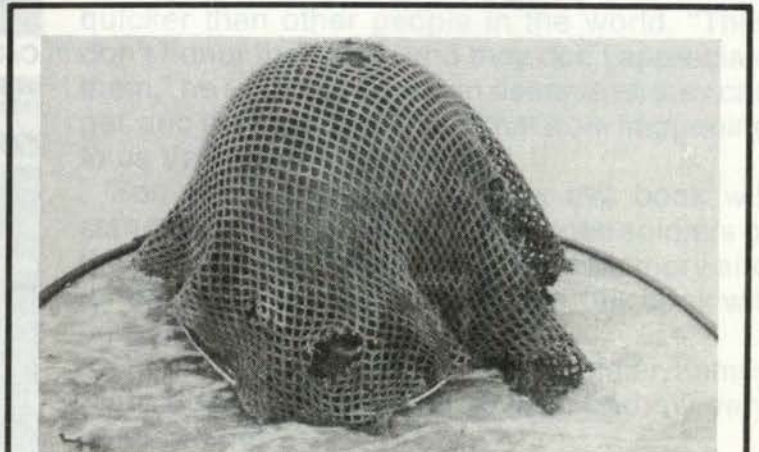
A PICTORIAL ACCOUNT
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To my old I.U. friend
Maurice K.
Bill Mohr

ABOUT THE COVER

There is nothing in front of the Infantry in battle except the enemy. The Infantry leads the way to attack and bears the brunt of the enemy's attack. The primary purpose of the Infantry is to close with the enemy in hand-to-hand fighting. On the side of a house, tommy gunners of this Infantry patrol, 1st Special Service Force Patrol, one of the many patrols that made possible the present offensive in Italy by feeling out the enemy and discovering his defensive strength, fire from the window of an adjoining building to blast Nazis out. The scene is 400 yards from the enemy lines in the Anzio area, Italy. Fifth Army, 14 April, 1944.

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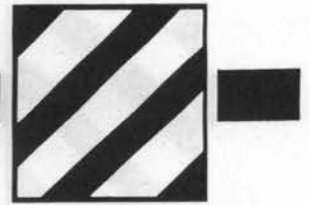
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Let the book stand as a memory to those who served, a memorial to those who gave their lives, and a piece of history to those who will serve with the 3rd Infantry Division in years to come. May they always be ready to take up arms in defense of the sacred principles we enjoy as citizens of the greatest country in the world, the United States of America.

G. William Mohr



PFC Michael S. Scherbak



Colonel Ellis H. Mist



PFC Vic (Doc) Thacker (retired) shares a moment with Frank Johnson, PFC, World War I, awarded the Silver Star and Purple Heart. Still going strong at 93 years young.

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preface

Webster defines WAR; to engage in warfare, to be in active or vigorous conflict — a contest between nations or states; A state of violent opposition or contest.

The men of the 15th Infantry, 3rd Division 7th Army, while fighting in Europe April 1944, not only knew the meaning of this definition, they knew of the price that had to be paid to promote and maintain Freedom.

Forty years have gone by since those years that yielded World War II, years that have presented to us a better understanding of Peace, its value, and what it cost not only in dollars and cents, but the taking of Human Lives. For those that paid the ultimate sacrifice, paying with their lives, we truly are indebted.

The book's Author, GEORGE W. MOHR, a native of Kokomo, Indiana, one of the many fighting men and survivor of the most devastating WAR known to mankind, while serving with the Army's 15th Infantry, 3rd division in Europe...the recipient of three Purple Hearts, Silver Star, Two Bronze Stars, The Combat Infantryman's Badge, and the French Crois de Guerre with a Gold Star and Five Battle Stars, offers to the reader of this book, a pictorial History of the Fighting Third Division and its march through France and Germany during 1944 — 1945 as witnessed by then...Captain George W. Mohr.

Retiring from Active Duty in 1947 as a Captain, a line Officer in the Infantry, George W. Mohr became an associate Professor at Indiana University, his alma mater, and became employed in various firms before entering into business with his father in the fall of 1954. He stayed with that firm, Mohr Construction Co. Inc., until he retired two years ago, today, still being actively involved in Real Estate, General Insurance and Mortgage Brokerage businesses.

World War II has faded in the memory of the participants and becomes a cloudy myth to many of the younger generation. It deserves better understanding, for the Great WAR has touched the lives of all those living today, and will con-



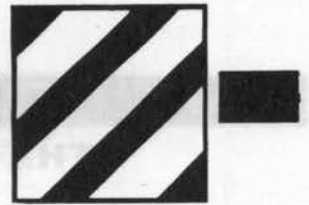
tinue to do so for the next few generations. Mohr has said that Americans forgot their Veterans quicker than other people in the world. "They don't honor their men, and they don't appreciate them," he said. "Servicemen deserve all they can get, and they are preventing that from happening to us Veterans here at home."

For the youngsters of today, this book will stand as a Book of History. For those soldiers of the 3rd Division, the book will be a Memory and for those who paid with their lives, this book will be a Shrine.

GEORGE W. MOHR — Citizen, Soldier, Family Man, Business Man...and Author, and my very good Friend.

ROBERT E. WAGENER

13 September, 1985
Kokomo, Indiana



a personal view

By
G. William Mohr

Germans captured in

I shall try to tell you about the capturing of those 33 Jerries. Now I will have to tell this in the first person for that is the regulation. My platoon and I were the point in the attack on this town. We moved out from the road block we were holding at 5:30 in the morning. After 1½ hours of walking, we approached this town and as we came to the outskirts, I spotted what I thought were three Jerry vehicles. As we came closer B Co., who was on a road parallel to the one we were on, opened up with automatic fire.

After advancing 200 more yards, I noticed men moving around these vehicles and I now could see six. I immediately put my field glasses to my eyes and I could see that these men were Germans. I reported this to the company commander over the radio, and asked for artillery fire on this point. I was refused artillery fire and was told to continue to advance. I called back and said that I would advance, but it would have to be around the left flank as this route afforded a little protection, and that advancing right down the road didn't appeal to me.

After a hasty reconnaissance, I led the first squad with the second and third, plus a light machine gun squad following around to the left. It was pretty tough going for the cover and concealment was very scarce, and we had to double time all the way.

We finally reached a point about 400 yards off the road and a mile down the road from where we started, when I spotted approximately 60 Jerries running down the road. I gave the first squad the order to open up on the Germans and signaled the other two rifle squads and the machine-gun squad to move up into position.

In a matter of a few seconds, all of my boys were in position and you should have seen them scatter those _____, for our flanking movement had been so successful that when we opened up on them, they were so taken by surprise that they didn't fire a shot, but started to withdraw down the road toward the town.

I was afraid that they might try to outflank me so I immediately called for Pvt. McEllory, first scout of the second squad to go with me on a reconnaissance patrol to check a possible route of advancement for the platoon and to keep in contact with those Germans and to make sure that they didn't out-flank us.

After advancing about 1100 yards to the Northeast of the platoon's position along a gravel road and across a cornfield to a vacant French home, we halted to catch our breath and study the terrain.

By this time the main column of the Battalion had moved several hundred yards up the main road and our tanks had moved into position and had begun firing, so I swung my field glasses into the direction of the tanks' target and just then I noticed 8 Germans sneaking out of a building the tanks had fired into.

These Jerries were using a dry stream bed for cover



G. William Mohr as a young officer in World War II

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Montelimar, France

August 28, 1944

early hours

and this route of withdrawal would lead them right by the house my scout and I were in, so I sent McEllory back to bring up the first squad, so that we could cut these Jerries off.

I stayed there keeping my eye on them as they advanced toward this position. McEllory returned in about 25 minutes with our men, and I immediately put them into position. By this time the enemy was only 600 yards away and we felt sure that they would fall into our trap.

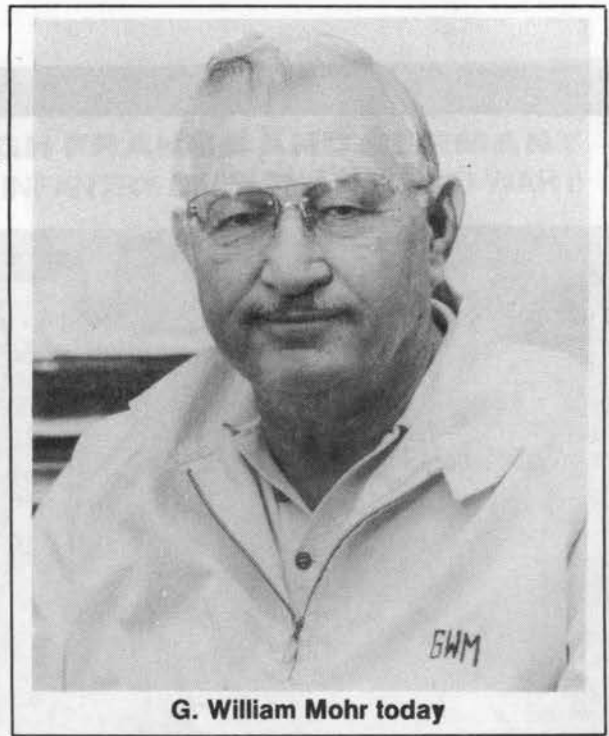
I had placed my Sgt. to the left of me where he could see down the stream bed and also on the other side of a stone wall that ran along the other side of the stream bed. We waited and waited, but no Jerries, and they should have been right in front of us by now.

I happened to glance over at the Sgt. just as he was drawing a bead on something and I looked across the stream bed and on the other side of the wall about 200 yards away, I saw three Jerries crossing the wall and several more going toward a house that was directly to our front. Just about that time the Sgt. fired. After he had fired giving away our position, I opened up on the three Jerries with my M-1.

If the Sgt. hadn't gotten excited and fired, but first warned me, we would have gotten all eight of them, but as it was, we saw six of the enemy run out from behind the house into a group of pine trees. I called for my scout to follow me and told the rest of the squad to cover us as we worked our way over to a large house 200 yards to the left front and for the Sgt. to send a runner back to bring up the rest of the platoon.

We reached the house O.K., and this put us once again on the flank of the enemy. As I looked toward the road, I could see our column moving down the road, and I was afraid these Jerries were waiting to ambush the leading elements, so I began to search out the trees and houses in front of me and, about 400 yards to my left front behind a crop of pines, I spotted the six Germans, so I picked up my M-1 and fired a full clip at them rapid fire.

Well, you should have seen them come out from behind those pines and waving the biggest white flag I have ever seen. My fire had come as a total surprise and they were so confused that they ran right toward our tanks on the road waving the flag. This was only the beginning. My scout and I returned to the platoon and by now we had regained radio communication with the C.O. (company commander). He ordered us to continue down



G. William Mohr today

a gravel road parallel to the main road and join the company at road Junction # ____ So, once more we continued in the attack. We advanced carefully down to the first group of houses where we found no one, which made us very suspicious because the French usually stay in their homes.

I then advanced down the road to the next three houses. I found nothing in the first, but as I came to the second house, I peered through the iron fence into a large courtyard and much to my surprise, I saw three Germans sitting at a table eating chow. Then two men with Tommy Guns and myself crawled up to the gate, eased it open and quickly stepped in shouting "hands up." Well three very surprised Jerries got slowly to their feet, putting their hands behind their heads.

The rest of the squad came into the courtyard and started searching out the house and the rest of the yard. We got a total of 10 prisoners at this house and the yard was full of equipment.

There were three teams of horses hitched to carts which contained a little military equipment, but mostly things these men had stolen from French homes, two large Italian trucks, and a small French car.

The French people couldn't believe that we were Americans until we showed them our flag arm bands. The man of the house told us that there were many Germans in the houses ahead, and it was not safe for us to go any farther.

We talked him into going down the street to find out what houses the enemy was in. He preceded us down the street and would ask the different Frenchmen he saw about the Jerries. Then he would point out the houses they were in and we would close in on the place.

When we had reached the point where we were to join the company, we had captured 33 prisoners. In this group of prisoners, we had real Germans, Italians, Poles, Russians and Czecks.

I know that this is poorly written, but hope you enjoy it.

Aug. 28, 1944, Montelimar, France, Silver Star.



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Tank unloading from LCT, Yellow Beach, Southern France, August 15, 1944



36th Engrs. constructing road on Yellow Beach, Southern France, August 15, 1944



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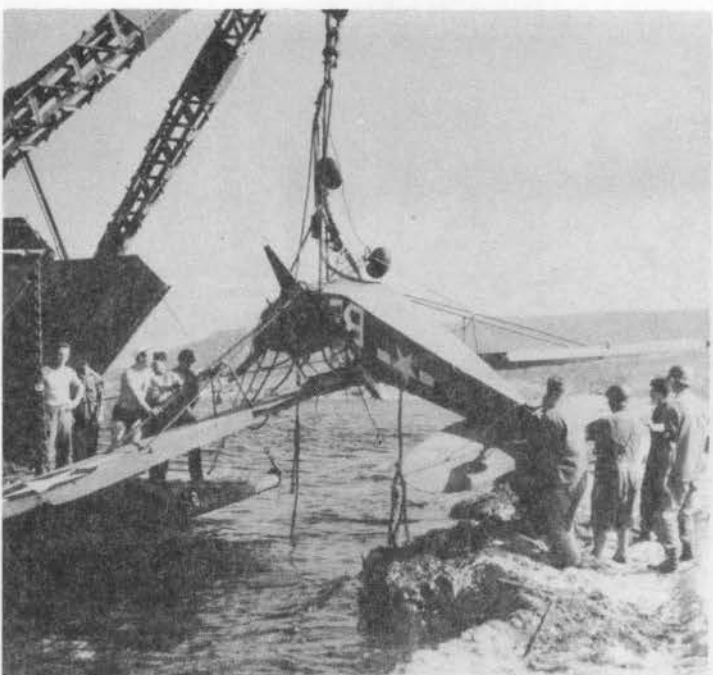
Enemy captured in Marseille, France, August 24, 1944



30th INF troops marching into Aix-En-Provence, France, August 21, 1944



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Landing wrecked cub on Yellow Beach, Southern France, August 15, 1944



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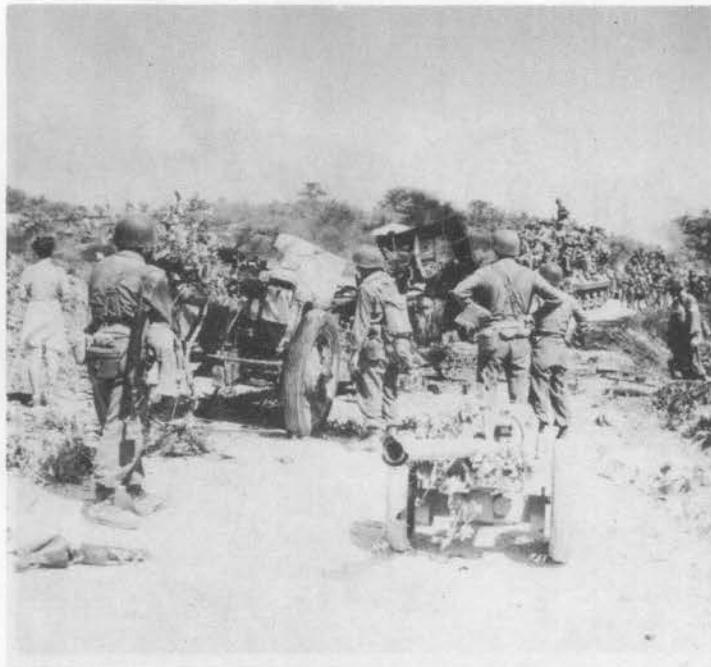
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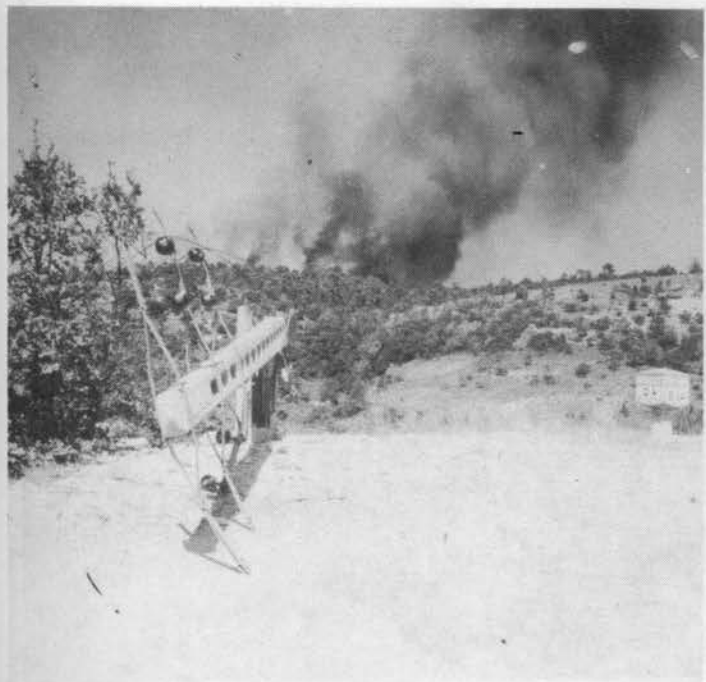
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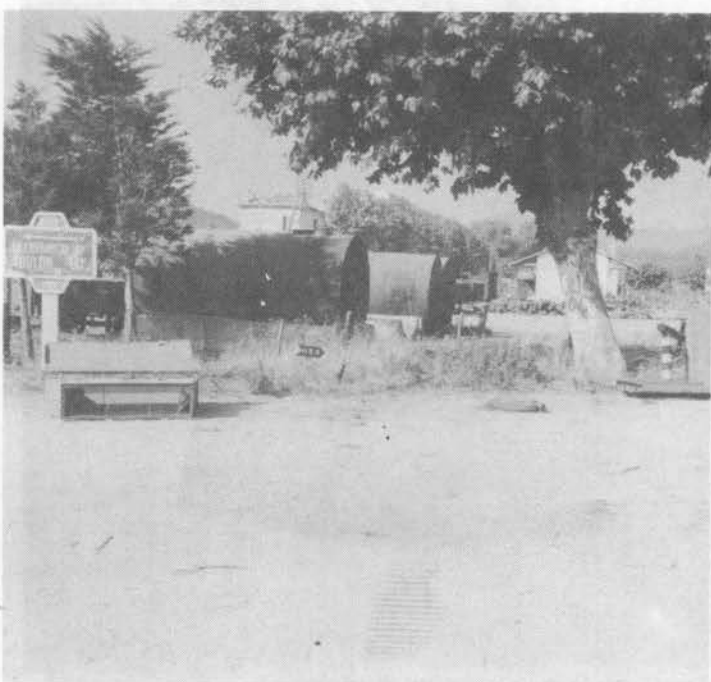
Troops clear road, South of Montelimar, France, August 28, 1944



Knocked out German field piece and rocket gun, outskirts of Montelimar, France, August 28, 1944



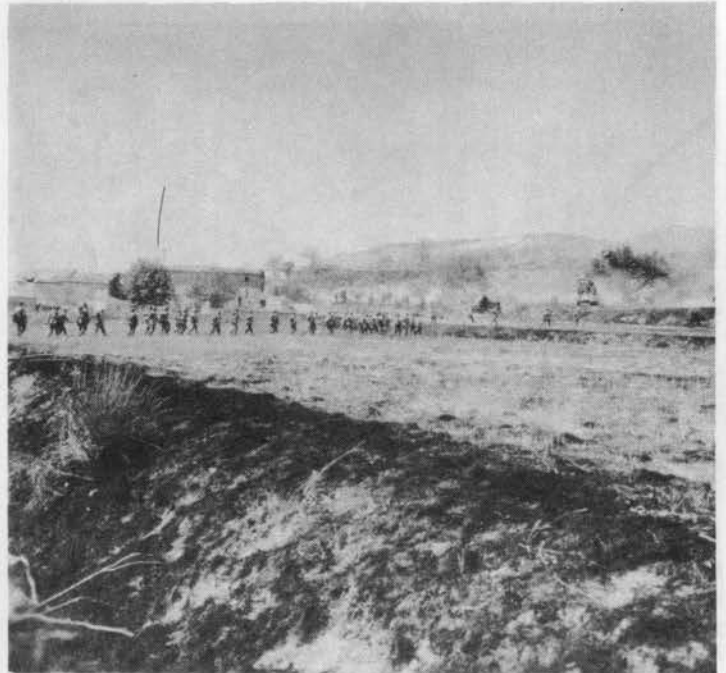
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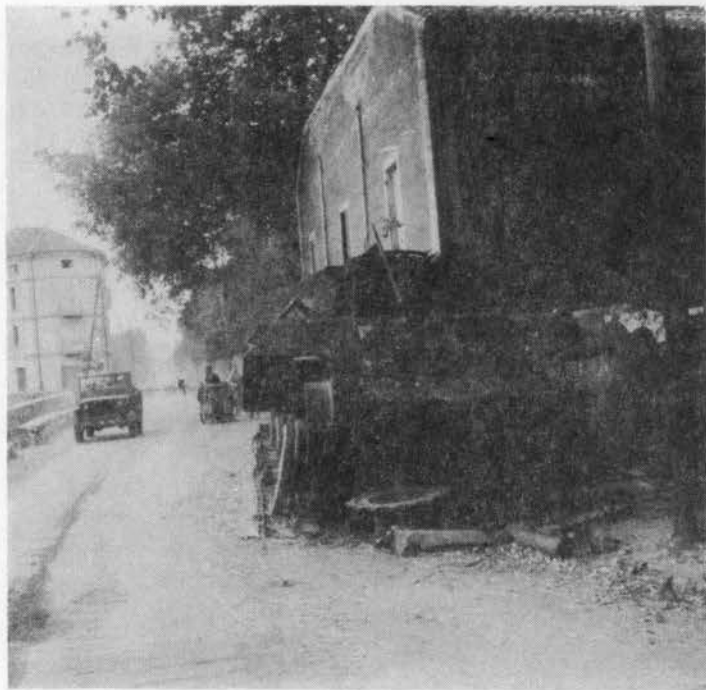
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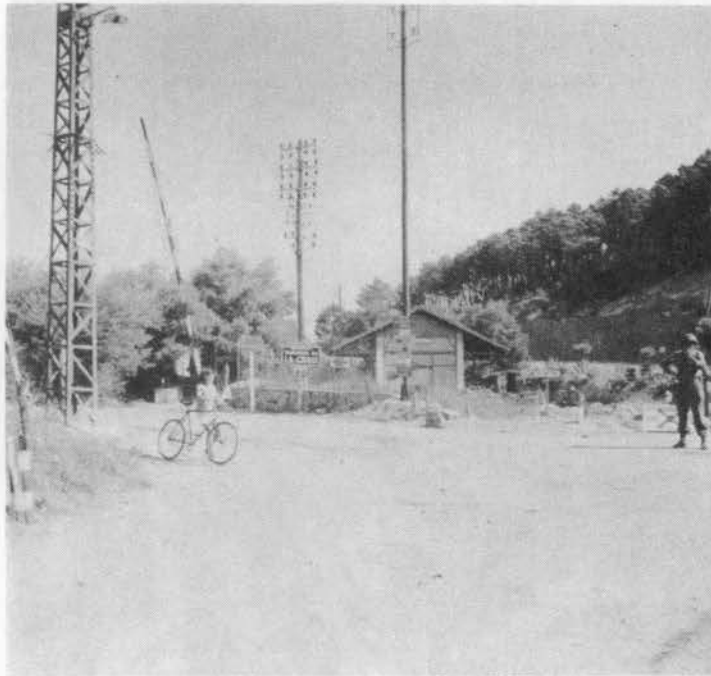
German prisoners taken north of Montelimar, France, August 30, 1944

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Knocked out German field piece, road to Flassans, France, August 19, 1944



Crossroads, La Croix, France, August 16, 1944



French greet American troops, Brignolles, France, August 19, 1944



41st field 105 Howitzer awaits order to fire upon Aix-En-Provence from outside Palette, France, August 20, 1944



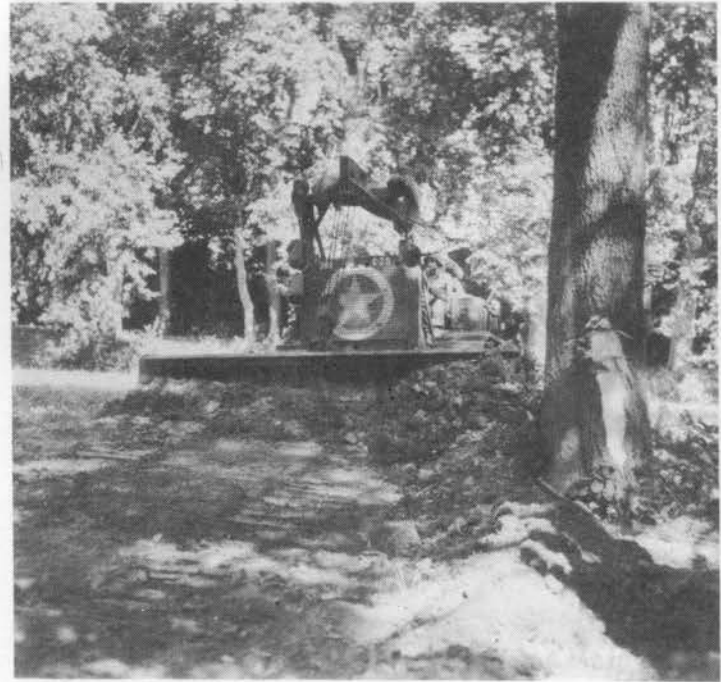
Gestapo agent is jailed in Brignolles, France, August 19, 1944



Adm. Dewy at Cogolin, France, August 16, 1944



Infantry troops ride tank toward Aix-En-Provence, France, August 20, 1944



10th Engrs. bulldozer building by-pass outside of Aix-En-Provence, France, August 20, 1944

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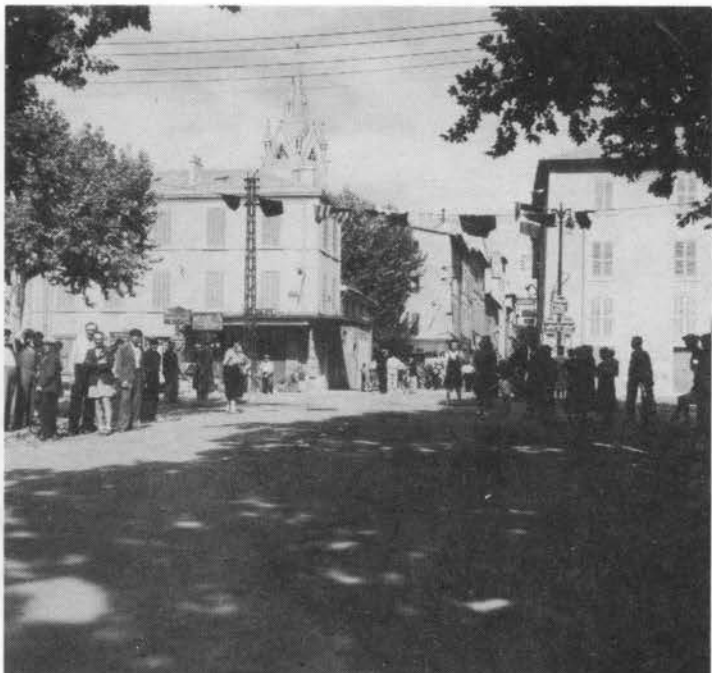
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Street scene, Apt, France, August 25, 1944



Entering Aix-En-Provence, France, August 20, 1944



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601st TD moving through Aix-En-Provence, France, August 21, 1944



Vehicles pass through center of Aix-En-Provence, France, August 20, 1944



601st TD armored car rolls through Aix-En-Provence, France, August 20, 1944



Allied flags are carried through the streets of Aix-En-Provence, France, August 20, 1944

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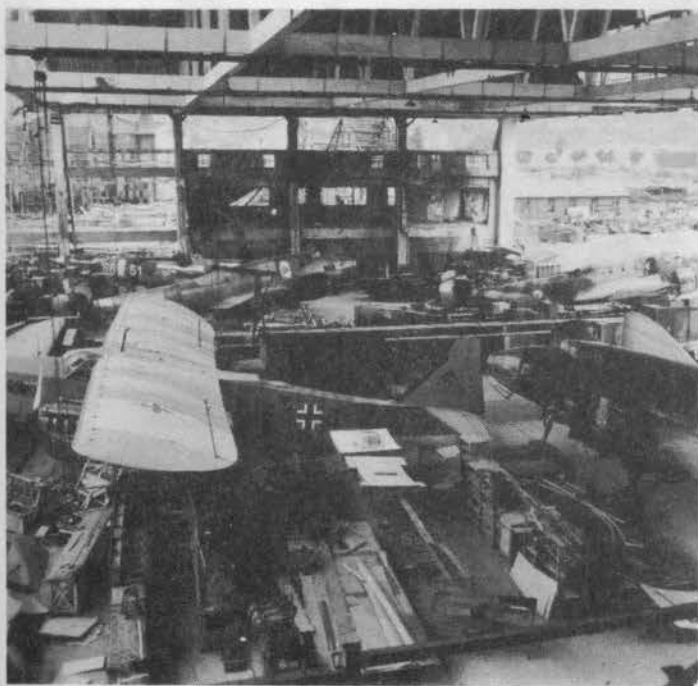
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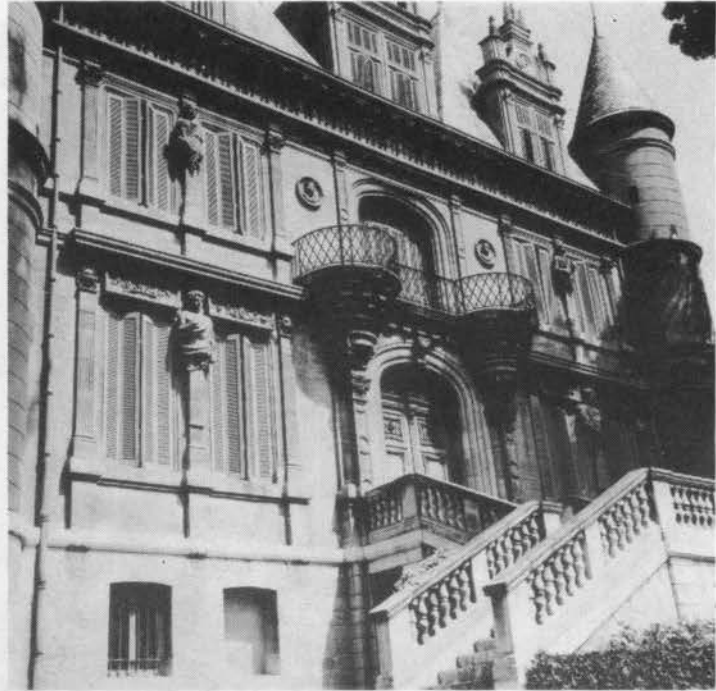
Marignana Air Field, near Marseille, France, August 23, 1944



Crowd listens to French Patriot's speech in Aix-En-Provence, France, August 20, 1944



Hitler hangs in effigy in St. Loup, near Marseille, France, August 24, 1944



Chateau in St. Loup, outside marseille, France, August 24, 1944



Happy crowd in St. Loup, near Marseille, France, August 24, 1944



French troops looking for snipers on the outskirts of Marseille, France, August 24, 1944

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French Goum guarding German prisoners, Merseille, France, August 24, 1944



Wrecked vehicles at La Coucounde, near Montelimar, France, August 30, 1944



Ammunition carrier for German 380 MM gun, north of Montelimar, France, August 30, 1944



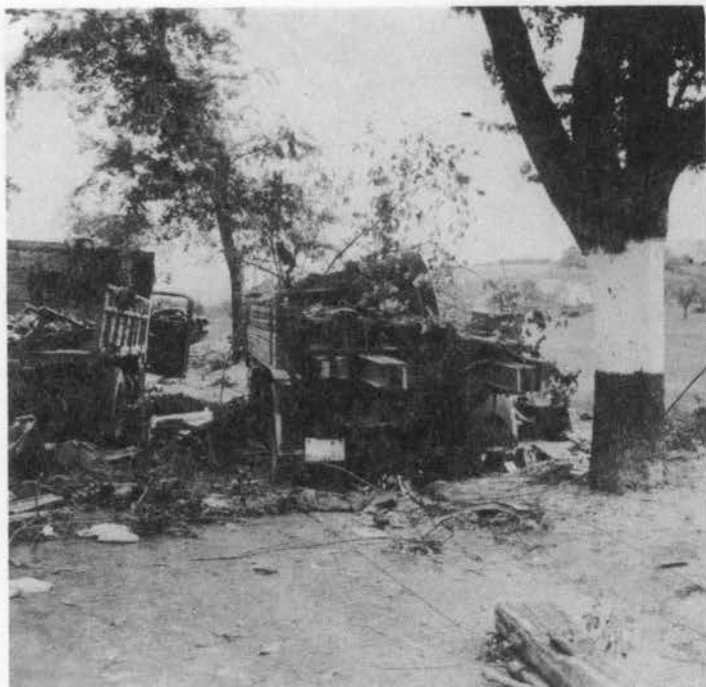
Burned German Corpse beside wrecked vehicle, north of Montelimar, France, August 30, 1944



30th INF troops rest at Derbiere, near Montelimar, France, August 30, 1944



Time out for lunch at Les Loges Neuf, near Montelimar, France, August 30, 1944



Wrecked German vehicles north of Montelimar, France, August 30, 1944



Troops unloading from trucks at Larnod-Douves for assault on Besancon, France, September 6, 1944

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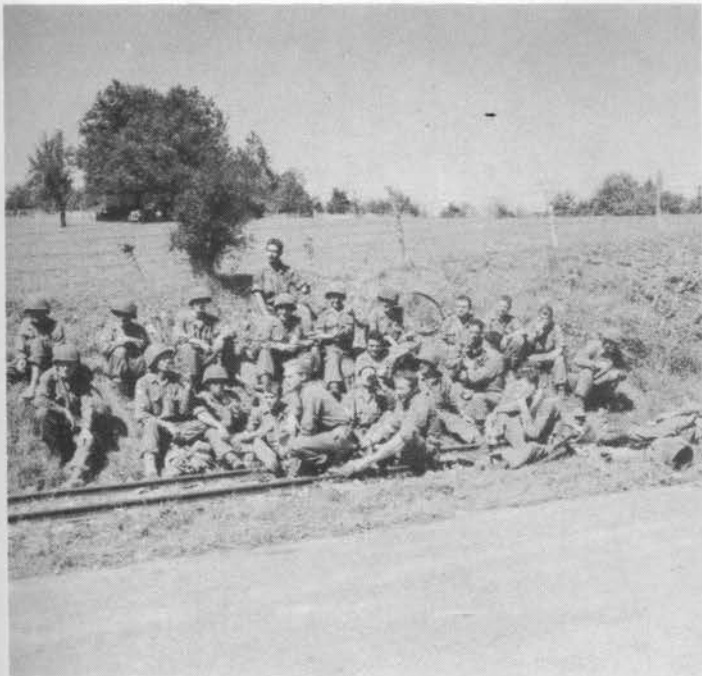
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Women with shorn heads march to jail, Lons Le Saunier, France, September 4, 1944



3rd Recon. troop passing through Lons Le Saunier, France, September 4, 1944



15th infantry troops resting after assault on Besancon, France, September 6, 1944



Moving up 81MM mortar for assault on Besancon, France, September 6, 1944



7th INF troops march through Larnod-Douves on way to Besancon, France, September 6, 1944



Putting up American flag in Besancon, France, September 8, 1944



French youth put bayonet to picture of Pierre Laval, Nazi headquarters, Besancon, France, September 8, 1944



Bridge over the Doubs River in heart of Besancon, France, wrecked by retreating Germans, September 8, 1944

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Men tear down German employment office sign, Besancon, France, September 8, 1944



Crowds celebrate liberation of Besancon, France, September 8, 1944



German prisoners captured by FFI, Besancon, France, September 8, 1944



10th Engrs. blow debris of railroad bridge wrecked by retreating Germans on the outskirts of Besancon, France, September 8, 1944



Crowds celebrate liberation of Besancon, France, September 8, 1944



Entering Besancon, France, September 8, 1944

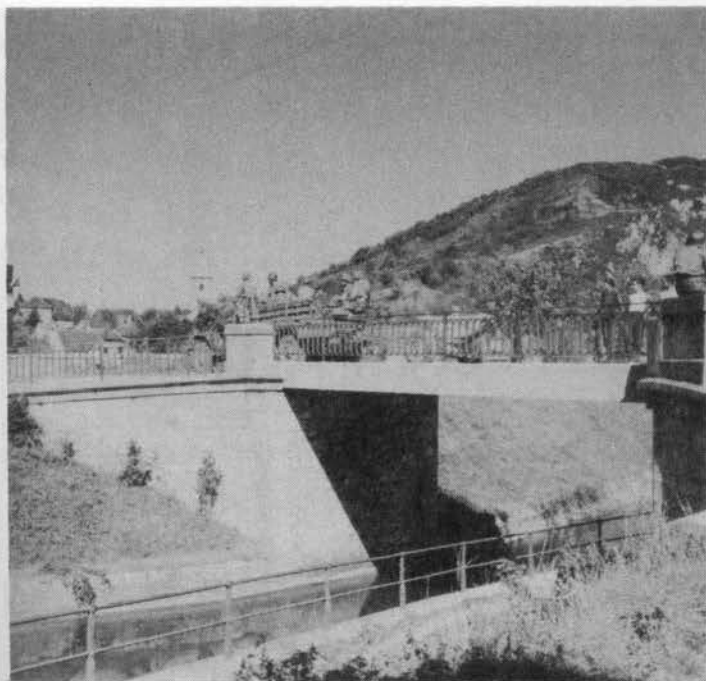


7th INF troops march on to Besancon, France, September 6, 1944



Loue River, Ornans, France, September 7, 1944

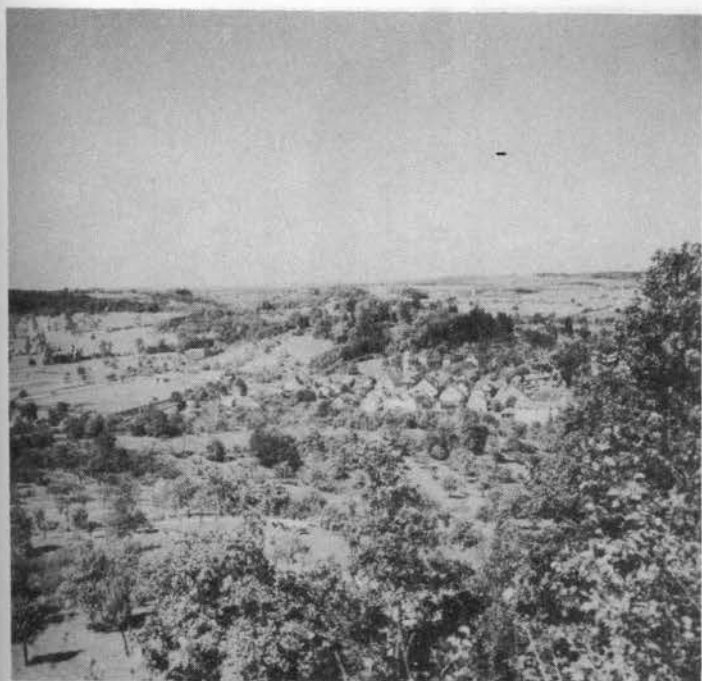
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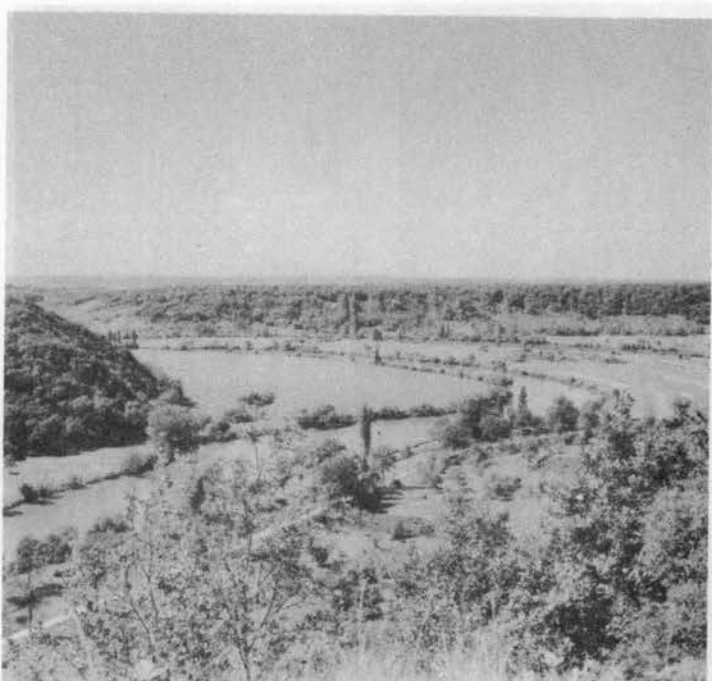
7th INF troops crossing Doubs River at Avanne, near
Besancon, France, September 6, 1944



Doubs River at Avenney, France, September 6, 1944



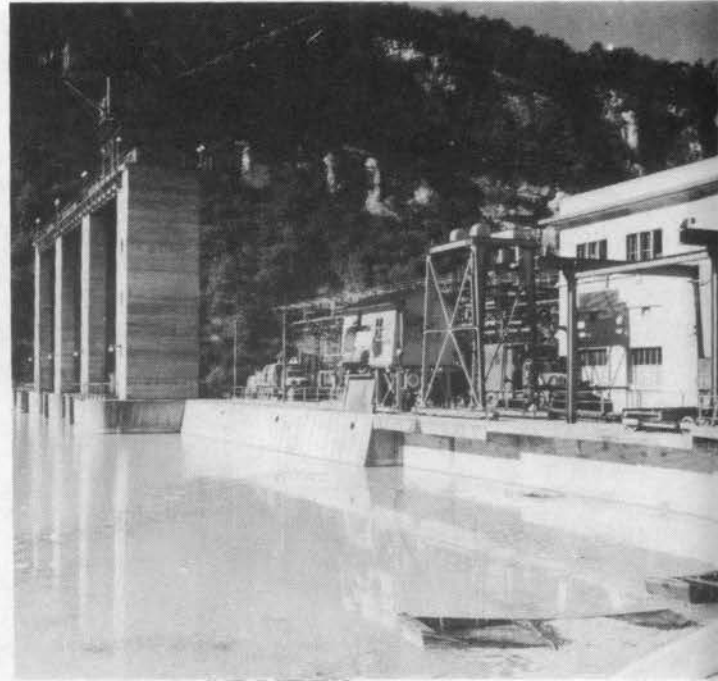
Avanne, France, as seen from the hills near Besancon,
France, September 6, 1944



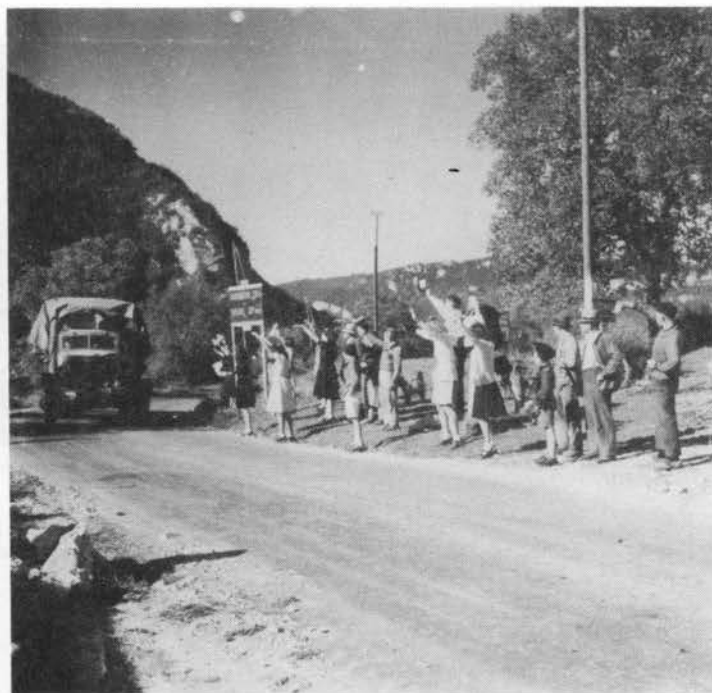
Doubs River Valley as viewed from the hills near Besancon,
France, September 6, 1944



Convoy using hydro-electric dam as bridge across Rhone River near Cize-Belozon, France, September 4, 1944



Convoy crossing hydro-electric dam across Rhone River near Cize-Belozon, France, September 4, 1944



Crowds cheer troops near Thoirette, France, September 4, 1944



Tank convoy moving through Lons Le Saunier, France, September 4, 1944

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French troops march through Lons Le Saunier, France, September 4, 1944



Gen O'Daniel's headquarters, Div. CP, near Pomoy, France, September 15, 1944



3rd Div. Hqs., Les Belles-Baroques, France, September 15, 1944



7th INF troops resting in Faucogney, France, September 20, 1944



7th INF troops resting in Faucoigny, France, September 20, 1944



Medical officer probes head wound for schrapnel, 1st BN 15th INF Aid Station, St. Ame, France, September 29, 1944



Bandaging head wound, 1st BN 15th INF Aid Station, St. Ame, France, September 29, 1944



Administering blood plasma to wounded woldier, 1st BN 15th INF. Aid Station, St. Ame, France, September 29, 1944

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Medical officer examines head wound, 1st BN, 15th INF Aid Station, St. Ame, France, September 29, 1944



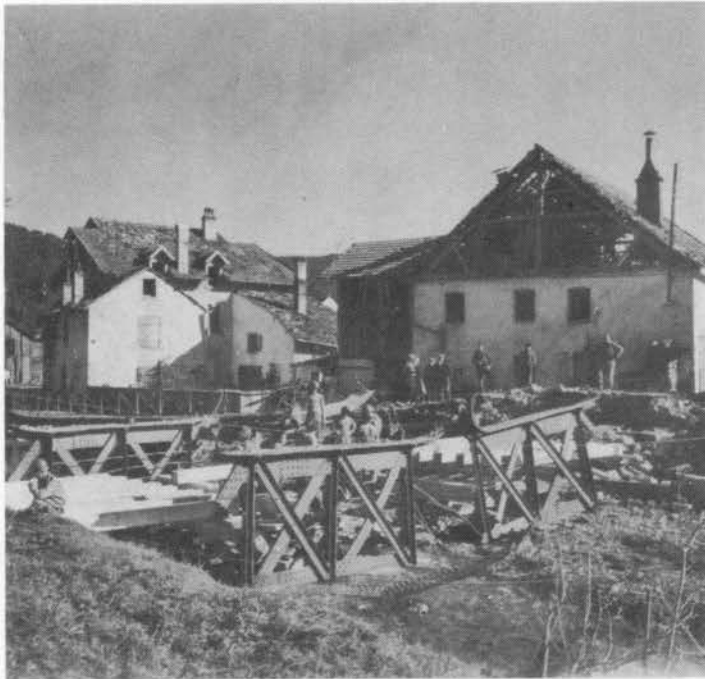
Administering blood plasma to wounded soldier, 1st BN 15th INF. Aid Station, St. Ame, France, September 29, 1944



10th Engr. combat team constructs pontoon bridge near Remiremont, France, October 2, 1944



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10th and 48th Engrs. constructing bridge at Vagney, France, October 8, 1944



Gen. Devers, Ben. Marshall and Gen. O'Daniel, 3rd Div. Hqs., Remiremont, France, October 9, 1944



Gen. Marshall addresses officers and men of the 3rd Div. Remiremont, France, October 9, 1944



Gen. Truscott and Gen O'Daniel at 3rd Div. Hqs., Grandervillers, France, October 29, 1944

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A deceptive exterior covers this pillbox on the beach at Nettuno, Italy. 9 February, 1944.



601st TD waiting for orders to move out, Brouvelieures, France, October 23, 1944



441st AAA passing through shelled Bruyeres, France, October 23, 1944



756 tank in front of whelled church, Brouvelieures, France, October 23, 1944



3rd signal company convoy passing through Epinal, France, October 21, 1944

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534th AAA in action near Brouvelieures, France, October 23, 1944



Gen. Truscott and Gen. Brooks, VI Corps Hqs., October 26, 1944



Major Gen. John W. Dahlquist, CG 36th Div; Major Gen. William Eagles, CG 45th Div; Major Gen. John W. O'Daniel, CG 3rd Div; Major Gen. Bayr, CG VI Corps Arty; Brig. Gen. and Brig. Gen Don E. Carlton, CS VI Corps. Remiremont, France, October 26, 1944



Gen. Truscott in farewell address to 3rd Div. staff officers, 3rd Div. Hqs., Grandevillers, France, October 29, 1944



Lt. Col. Frank Izenour, Exec. Off; Co. Ben Harrell, CO; and Major Jack Duncan, S-3, 7th INF Regt. November 1, 1944



9th FA, A Btry. 155 Howitzer in action at La Rouge Eaux, France, October 30, 1944



Dance at the 3rd Div. rest camp, Bourbonne, France, November 2, 1944

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3rd Div. rest camp, Bourbonne, France, November 2, 1944



Sgt. Joseph Powell, Hqs. Btry, 41st FA BN, relaxes at the 3rd Div. rest camp, Bourbonne, France, November 2, 1944



Col. William T. Sexton, CO; and Lt. Col. Walter T. Kerwin, Jr., S-3, 3rd Div. Arty., November 4, 1944



3rd Div. rest camp, Bourbonne, France, November 2, 1944



Administering blood plasma in the underground aid station of C Company, 3rd Medic BN, near St. Die, France, November 7, 1944



Camouflaged 155 Howitzer of B Battery, 9th FA BN, near Bourgoune, France, November 11, 1944



756 tank retriever pulling wrecked truck from ditch near St. Dye, France, November 8, 1944



29 survivors of the action for which CO I, 30th INF, received the presidential unit citation, Bulte, France, November 18, 1944

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Gen. O'Daniel presents presidential unit citation to 2nd BN, 30th INF, Bulte, France, November 18, 1944



Loading wounded in ambulance at the Meurthe River near Nompalitze, France, November 20, 1944



Administering blood plasma to wounded soldier at 7th INF BN Aid Station, Nompalitze, France, November 20, 1944



Burned buildings in St. Die, France, November 23, 1944



Burned buildings in St. Die, France, November 23, 1944



Bailey Bridge across Meurthe River, near Nompalitze, France, November 21, 1944



155 Howitzer passes over Bailey Bridge across Meurthe River, St. Die, France, November 23, 1944



Dead Germans in Schirmeck, France, November 25, 1944

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Dead Germans in Schirmeck, France, November 25, 1944



Public ceremony on Saale, France, marking town's gratitude to the 3rd Div. for its liberation. November 26, 1944



Gestapo Hqs. in Strasbourg, France, November 28, 1944



Struphof concentration camp near Schirmeck, France, December 1, 1944



601st TD BN Recon. patrols the streets of Strasbourg, France, November 28, 1944



Distributing PX rations to machine gunners on guard at Mutzig Fort, December 4, 1944



CO C, 10th Engr. BN loading German half-track with 3 ton of TNT, Strasbourg, France, December 4, 1944



Chief surgeon of German hospital treats wounded German in Strasbourg, France, December 3, 1944

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3rd Div. Chaplain Raymond Vint distributes Holy Communion to Catholic soldiers of the division on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception in the Strasbourg Cathedral, Strasbourg, France, December 8, 1944



Strasbourg-Kiel Canal, Strasbourg, France, December 9, 1944



Gen. Young and 3rd Div. Red Cross girls with French Gen. Swart, Strasbourg, France, December 10, 1944



3rd Div. MP directs traffic, Strasbourg, France, December 10, 1944



Entrance to 3rd Div. CP, Strasbourg, France, December 10, 1944



Sentinel guarding city hall, Strasbourg, France, December 15, 1944



Mortar shells landing in Kiel, Germany, across the Rhine River from Strasbourg, France, December 18, 1944



Lt. Col. Richard H. Neederson, CO of 30th INF. Lt. Col. McKenyie E. Porter, CO 1st BN. 30th INF, December 25, 1944

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Gen. DeGaulle at Div. Hqs. with Gen. Young, Ribeauville, France, December 25, 1944



CO M 15th INF mortar crew in action, Blenheim, France, December 31, 1944



German and American dead on the road to Colmar, France, December 27, 1944



Co L, 15th INF mopping up in Bennwihr, France, December 27, 1944



756 tank patrols the streets of Benneville, France, December 27, 1944



Infantry man seeks shelter from sniper's bullets in Benneville, France, December 27, 1944



Knocked out German Mark IV in Benneville, France, December 27, 1944



A lone soldier patrols a street in Benneville, France, December 27, 1944

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Mountain road between Le Bonhomme and Fraize, France, January 8, 1945



French Goums lead mule pack train across mountains between Le Bonhomme and Fraize, France, January 8, 1945



Aerial view of St. Die, France, January 9, 1945



Aerial view of St. Marie, France, January 9, 1945



Aerial view of St. Die, France, January 9, 1945



Ruins of St. Die, France, January 9, 1945



CO A, 10th Engr. BN constructing road block near Le Bonhomme, France, January 15, 1945



Col. Johnson, Chief of Staff, 3rd Div., Ste. Marie, France, January 13, 1945

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Staff officers party, Ste. Marie, France, January 20, 1945



Staff officers party, Ste. Marie, France, January 20, 1945



7th INF battle patrol marching into Ostheim, France, January 23, 1945



99th Chemical Mortar BN crew in action near Ostheim, France, January 23, 1945



7th INF battle patrol marching into Ostheim, France, January 23, 1945



7th INF medics loading wounded into jeep, Ostheim, France, January 23, 1945



Boats ready for river crossing loaded with machine guns and ammo, Ostheim, France, January 23, 1945



Three soldiers from 7th INF battle patrol bomb the streets of Ostheim, France, January 23, 1945

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Wreckage of Ostheim, France, with dead cow in foreground, January 24, 1945



Two blown bridges in Ostheim, France, January 24, 1945



PFC. Steven R. Lakes, 3rd BN Hqs., 7th INF, pauses to look at dead German, Ostheim, France, January 24, 1945



View of Ribeauville, France, January 24, 1945

transport wagon obliterated by German in their fight from Weisberg, Germany, March 22, 1945



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Knocked out American light tank and 1/4 ton truck between Ostheim and Riedwihr, France, January 25, 1945



Gen. O'Daniel, Ribeauville, France, January 27, 1945



Three dead French soldiers in half-track hit broadside by 88MM near Riedwihr, France, January 27, 1945



Tanks of 756 tank BN lined up in Riedwihr, France, January 27, 1945

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H-10 bridge between Ostheim and Riedwihr, France, collapsed under weight of Gen. Sherman tank, January 27, 1945



French tanks at Wickeoschwih, France, January 29, 1945



GI's looking for snipers, Wickeoschwih, France, January 29, 1945



These two stray horses munch contentedly on hay from a transport wagon abandoned by Germans in their flight from Weselberg, Germany, March 22, 1945



In the shadows of this Nazi military monument, five truckloads of German prisoners await transportation to PW enclosure, Kaiserslautern, Germany, March 22, 1945



Gen. O'Daniel, Gen. Haislip



German civilian pours water on his burning home in Lohr, Germany, April 4, 1945



CPL. Eric Barker of 3rd Div. 1 PW questions German prisoners in Lohr, Germany, April 4, 1945

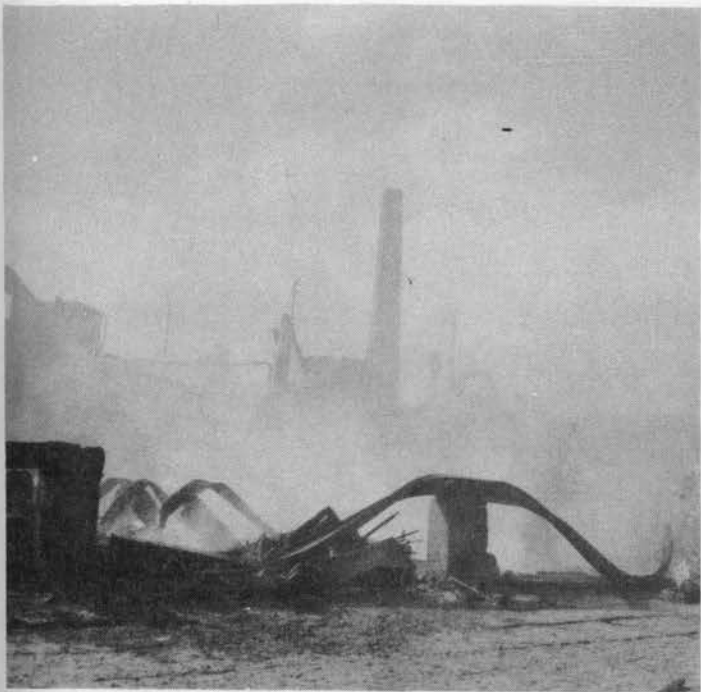
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Truckload of German prisoners passes convoy on way to front, Lohr, Germany, April 4, 1945



Gen. O'Daniel



Burning factory in Lohr, Germany, April 4, 1945



Town of Lohr, Germany, as seen from hills, April 4, 1945



Citizens of Bad-Kissingen, Germany lean from their windows of their homes to listen to orders concerning their behavior under American occupation broadcast from a 3rd Div. sound truck, April 8, 1945



This bridge in the heart of Bad-Kissingen was blown by the retreating Germans to slow up the Americans advance, April 8, 1945



601st TP haul men of the 30th INF, 2nd BN across a Bailey bridge in the heart of Bad-Kissingen, Germany, April 8, 1945



Ducks loaded with men of the 15th INF roll through the streets of Munnerstadt, Germany, April 9, 1945

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Civilians salvaging their household goods from wrecked homes in Munnerstadt, Germany, April 8, 1945



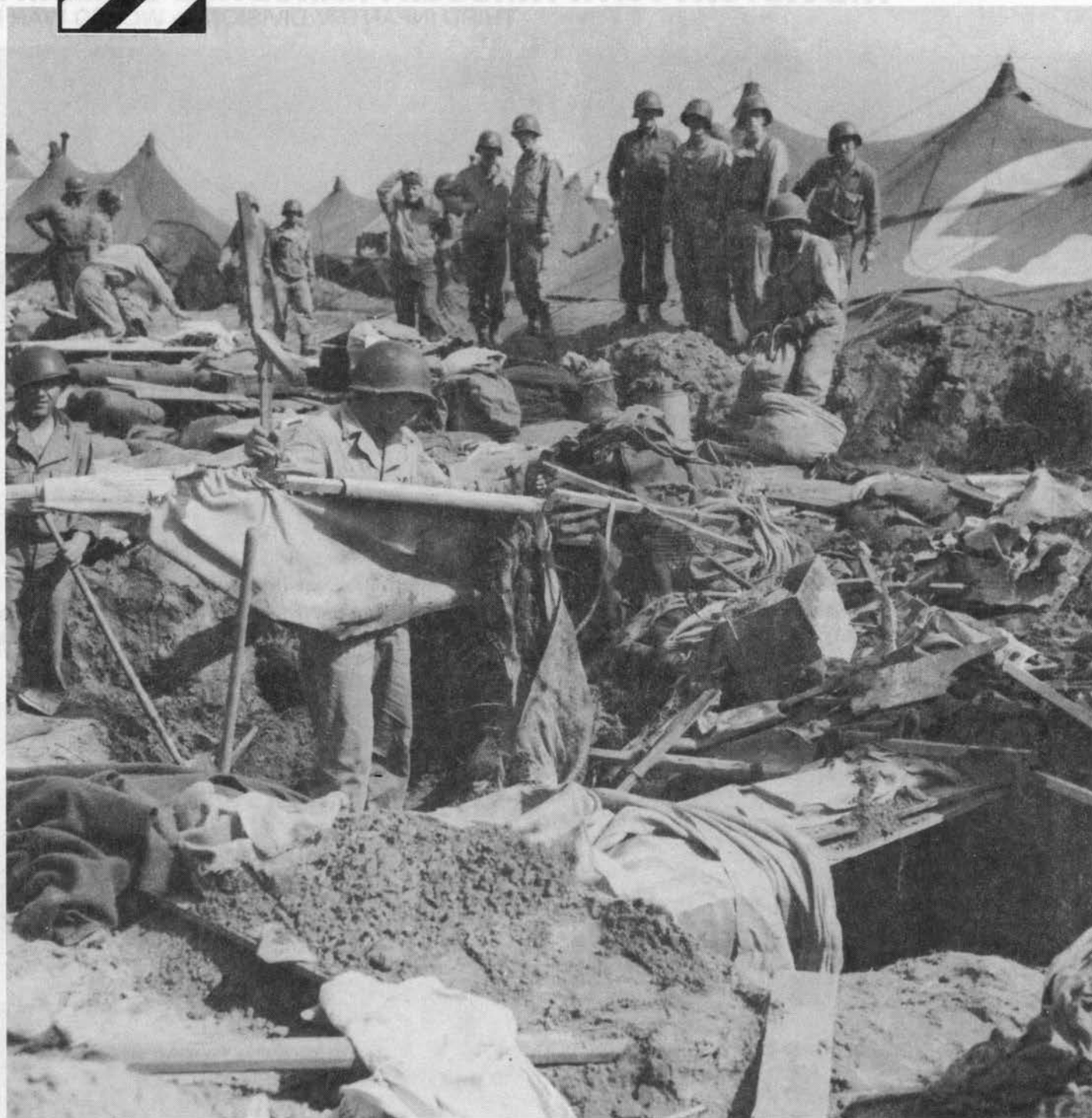
White flags of surrender flying from every building such as this scene in Poppenlauer, Germany, were familiar sights all through the campaign in Germany, April 9, 1945



Dead horses and abandoned German 10.5CM gun on outskirts of Bronn, Germany, April 10, 1945

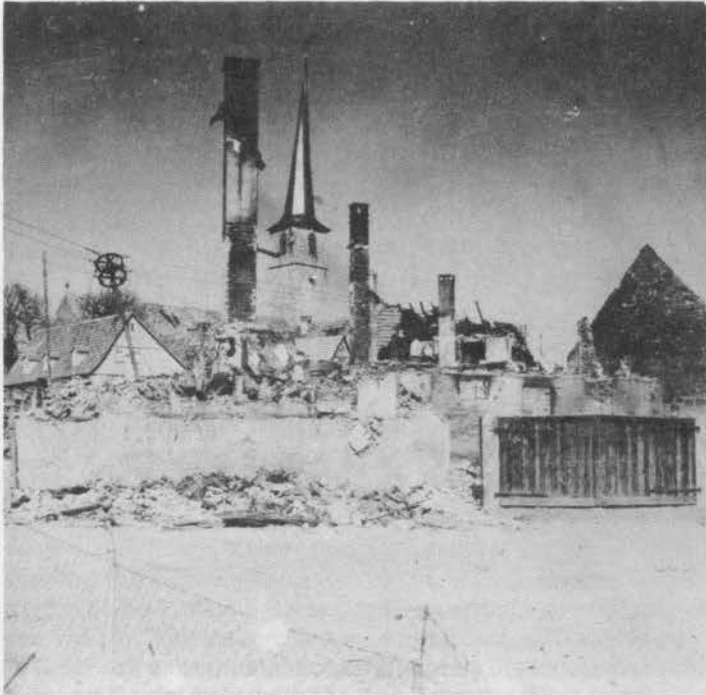


Wrecked building in Steinach, Germany, April 10, 1945



56th Evacuation Hospital. The results of German shelling of the Hospital. The Germans threw 6 shells in the Area and one direct hit on this Hospital tent. One man was wounded. He lost his legs. Here Pvt. Robt. R. Phillips, Jenks, Oklahoma, Post Office Box 365, lifts a shrapnel torn cot out of the hole. Fifth Army, Anzio Beachhead Area, Italy. April 6, 1944.

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Wrecked buildings in Steinach, Germany, April 10, 1945



Civilians dig out wreckage of their home in Steinach, Germany, April 10, 1945



American soldier manning a 50 Cal. machine gun. John D. McPhee, Altoona, Pa. 240 MM gun in the background, Beblenheim, France, January 29, 1945



Assault boats ready for the 15th INF to use for crossing canal outside of Jebnheim, France, January 30, 1945



Two dead Frenchmen strapped on the fenders of an ambulance, Jebsheim, France, January 30, 1945



Engrs. tearing down longest road block in Calman, France, February 2, 1945



PFC. Robert O. Guguen, PFC. Wm. F. Muse, PFC. Wm. H. Wamsly of Service Co. 15th INF.



Digging in 155 long tour at Guemar, France, February 2, 1945

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Pinning the French Croix de Guerre with Gold Star on the colors of the 756 tank BN is Capt. Lazarre, Liason Officer of the 3rd Div. The decoration was awarded by General Juin of C.E.F. for exceptional achievement by the battalion in the drive on Rome, Italy, with the 2nd Armored Div., Jepsheim, France



PFC. Calvin Mahler Co. D. 756 TK. BN. receiving Croix de Guerre from Capt. Lazarre, February 9, 1945



Armored cars of the 12th Armored division roll through Calman, France, February 3, 1945

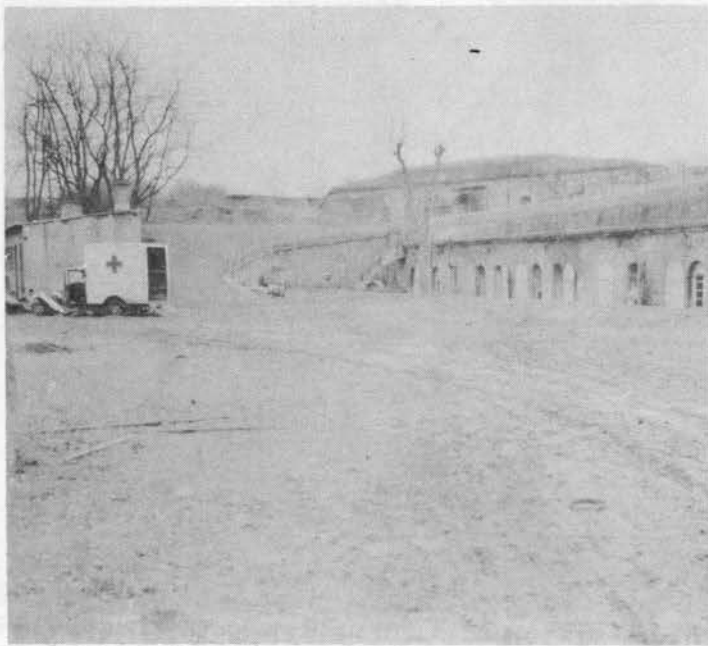




Winners of C.M.H. from left to right: Sgt. James P. Conner, Battle Patrol, 7th INF; Lt. John Tominac, Regt. Hq. Co, 15th INF; S/Sgt. Lucian Adams, Co. I, 30th INF; Lt. David G. Waybur, 3rd Rcn. Trp.



S/Sgt. Lucian Adams, Jr., I Co., 30th INF; Sgt. James P. Connor, Battle Patrol, 7th INF; and 1st Lt. John J. Tominac, Regt. Hq. Co. 15th INF, all winners of the Congressional Medal of Honor



Part of the fortifications surrounding Neuf-Brisach, France, viewed from inside the town, February 11, 1945



Bombed building in fortress city of Neuf-Brisach, France, February 11, 1945

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Gen. O'Daniel, Capt. Newell and the general kitchen crew, Riedwihr, France, February 12, 1944



Aerial view of Calman, France, February 13, 1945



Lt. Col. Hallett D. Edson, CO 15th INF. Regt; Lt. Col. John H. Heintges, CO 7th INF. Regt; Major General John W. O'Daniel, Commanding General, 3rd INF. Div; and Col. Lionel C. McGarr, CO 30th INF. Regt. Riedwihr, France, February 15, 1945



Lt. Linda Graves christens "The Campaigner", new conference trailer of Gen. O'Daniel, Riedwihr, France, February 15, 1945



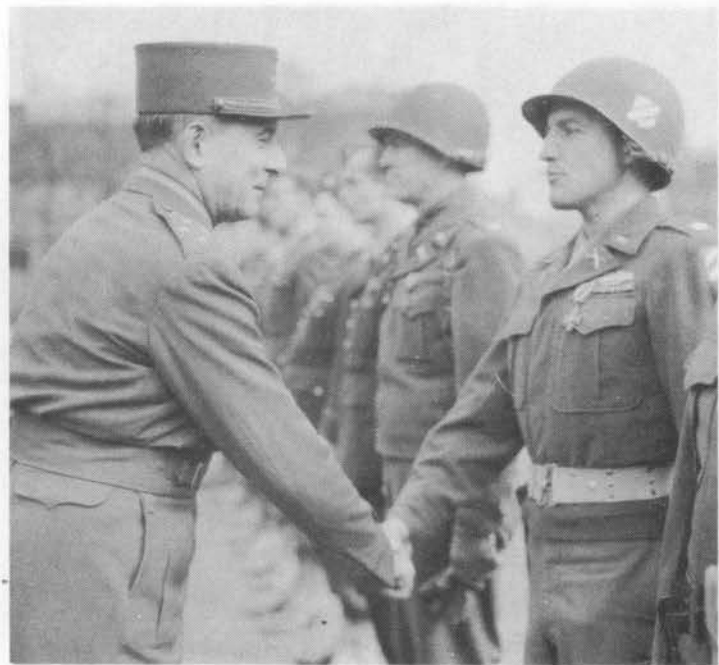
T/5 Arthur S. Wozniak of 21st Chemical Co. tending smoke pots in Algosheim, France, February 15, 1945



Large fortified pill box on Rhine, with barbed wire entanglements in foreground, Neuf Brisach area, France February 17, 1945



3rd Sig. Mag. Center & G4, Riedwihr, France, February 17, 1945



Gen. Tassiguy decorates Lt. Col. Edson with Croix de Guerre, Colmar, France, February 20, 1945

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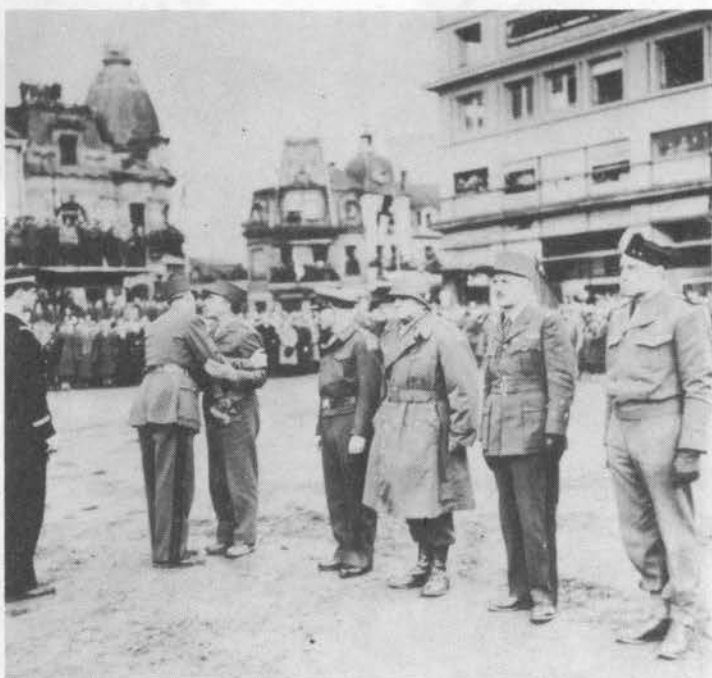
Gen. Tassiguy decorates Gen. Young, Colmar, France, February 20, 1945



Gen. Tassiguy places the Fourragere, Croix de Guerre on the 3rd Division colors, symbolizing the second award to the division of the Croix de Guerre with Palm. Colmar, France, February 20, 1945



Gen. Charles de Gaulle shakes hands with Gen De Montsabert C2II French Corps. at Colmar, France, February, 1945



Gen. Charles de Gaulle, embraces Gen. De Tattre de Tassiguy C.G. 1st French Army, after decorating him with the French Legion of Honor, Colmar, France, February, 1945



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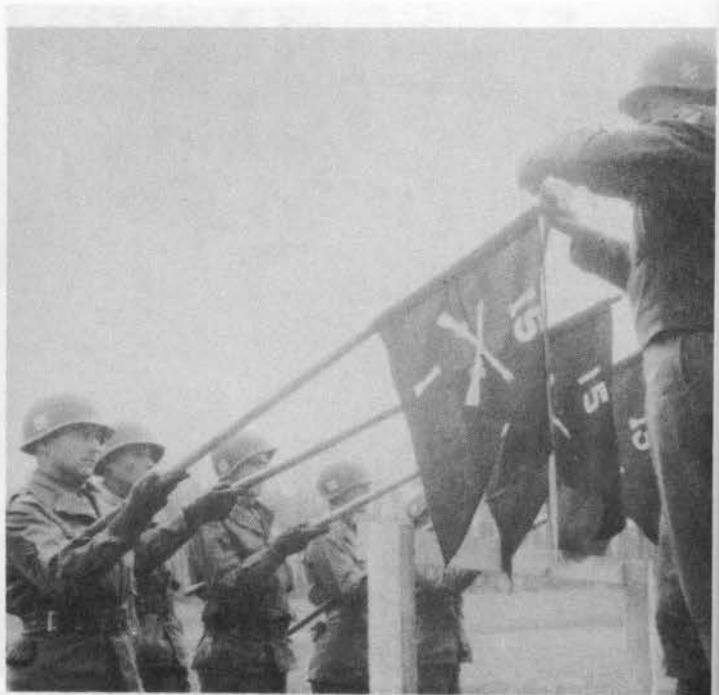
3rd Division troops at 1st French Army ceremony in Colmar, France, February 20, 1945



Stringing 12-pair cable across the Moselle River is this 3rd Signal Co. wire crew. Pvt. George W. Williams, T/Sgt. Earl H. Steiner and T/5 George W. Julian. Port a Mousson, France, February 24, 1945



Gen. O'Daniel pinning D.S.C. and Silver Star on Lt. Audie L. Murphy of 15th INF. Pompey, France, March 5, 1945



Gen. O'Daniel decorates colors of 15th INF. Pompey, France, March 5, 1945

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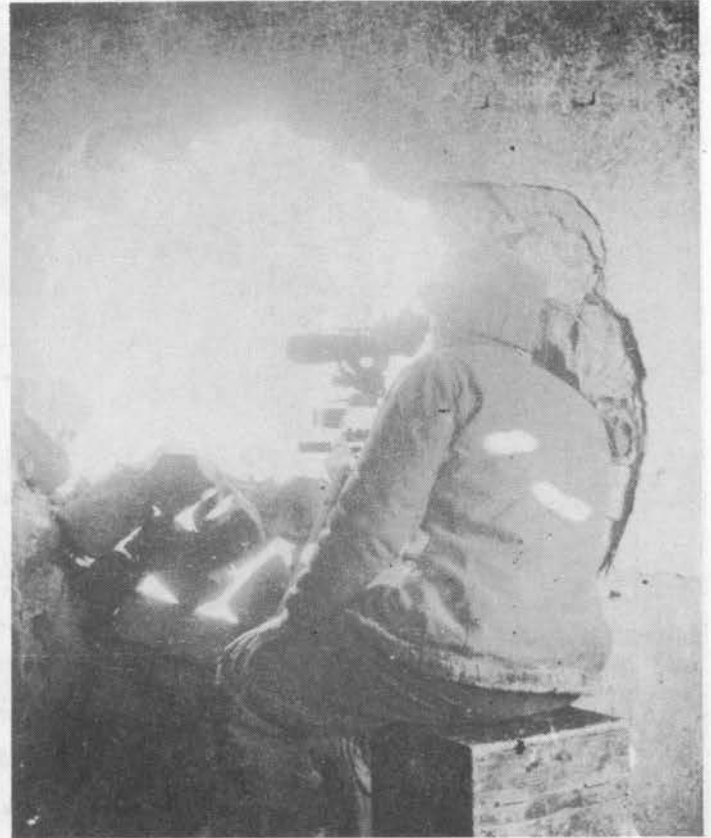
In memory of a great soldier, Captain Audie Murphy, whose B Company gave my A Company great support!



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PFC. Manfred Orbach interrogating German prisoners at 30th INF. P.W. Kapellenhoff, France, March 15, 1945



Pvt. Gerard T. McEnery of the 30th INF. is on O.P. in Kapellenhoff, France looking into Germany, March 15, 1945



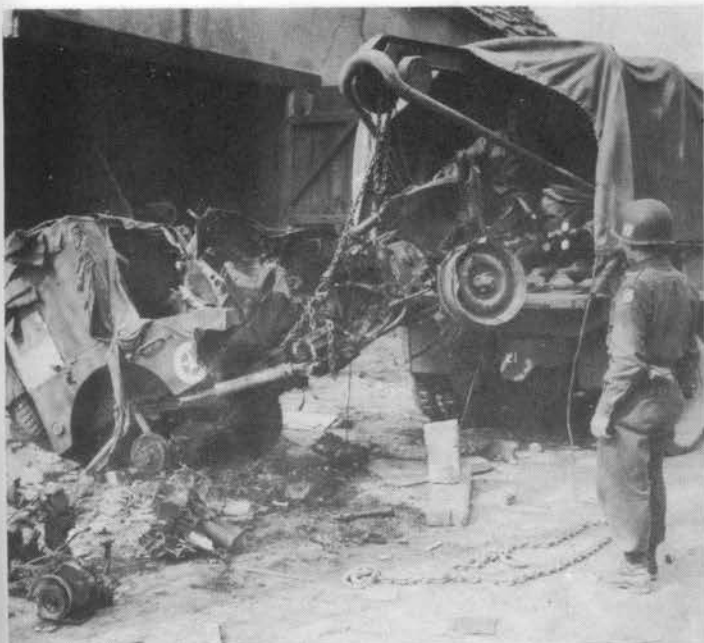
From left to right: S/Sgt. George Rebovich, Hq. Co., 7th INF; S/Sgt. Harless Hammons, B, Co, 7th INF; S/Sgt. Carl G. Bohannon, C. Co., 7th INF; Lt. Robert E. Ward, 358th fighter group and has 95 missions



Men of the 2nd BN 15th INF. crossing a blown out bridge in Mauschbach, Germany, March 18, 1945

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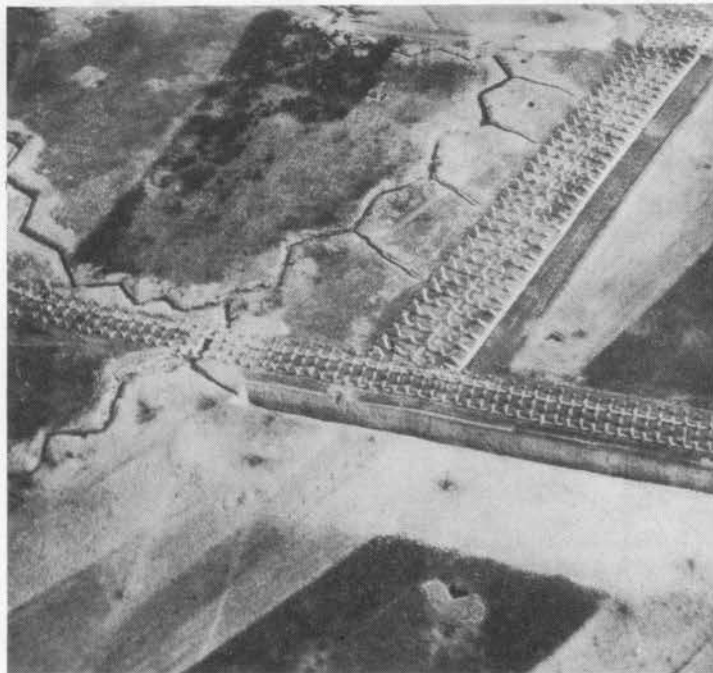
3rd. Sig. wrecking crew retrieve asst. C.G. radio jeep which was hit direct by artillery, Althornback, Germany, March 18, 1945. T/5 Lane in truck, Lt. Willingham alongside jeep



601 T.D's rumbles through the streets of Zweibrucken, Germany, March 21, 1945



441st AAA half tracks well up the roadway through the siegfried line near Zweibrucken, Germany, March 21, 1945



Dragons Teeth of Siegfried line, south of Zweibrucken, Germany, March 24, 1945



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30th INF. jeep convoy crosses Rhine River at Frankenthal, Germany, March 26, 1945



Railroad yards at Zweibrucken, Germany, March 24, 1945



Some of the prisoner patients of the German prison-of-war hospital at Heppenheim, Germany, were confined in cells such as this. Left to right are PFC Robert L. Crawford, 45th Div; Pvt. Earl K. Reed, 45th Div; PFC Charles M. Johnson, B Co., 7th INF. 3rd Div; PFC Albert Gallant, 63rd Div; and Pvt. Jolly Pickle, 45th Div. March 29, 1945



Pvt. John T. Flynn of Hdq. Co. 3rd. Div. M.P. directs bridge traffic across Main River Worth, Germany, March 31, 1945

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The lack of nutritional and medical care offered American prisoners is attested by the appearance of Pvt. Earl L. Todd, shown here writing that important letter to "Mom" telling her that he is once again in good hands, March 29, 1945



Two ferries ready to take off across the river, as Jerry's shells land close by. Between Worms and Bobenheim, Germany, March 26, 1945



Men of the 2833 and 163 Engrs. are almost through with the treading bridge, shells and air bursts continue to come in between Bobenheim and Worms, Germany, March 26, 1945



Duk ready to go across the Rhine River between Worms and Bobenheim, Germany. The Engrs. made roads to the river's edge, March 26, 1945



Men of the 2833 Engrs. and 163 Engrs. laying balk on a rubber pontoon before laying on the treadway. This rubber pontoon bridge was built between Worms and Bobenheim, Germany, March 26, 1945



This young German wonders about that Nazi superiority myth as he regards this knocked out Jerry tank in Isenach, Germany, March 23, 1945



An entire German convoy was knocked out on this stretch of road just outside Frankenstein, Germany, March 23, 1945



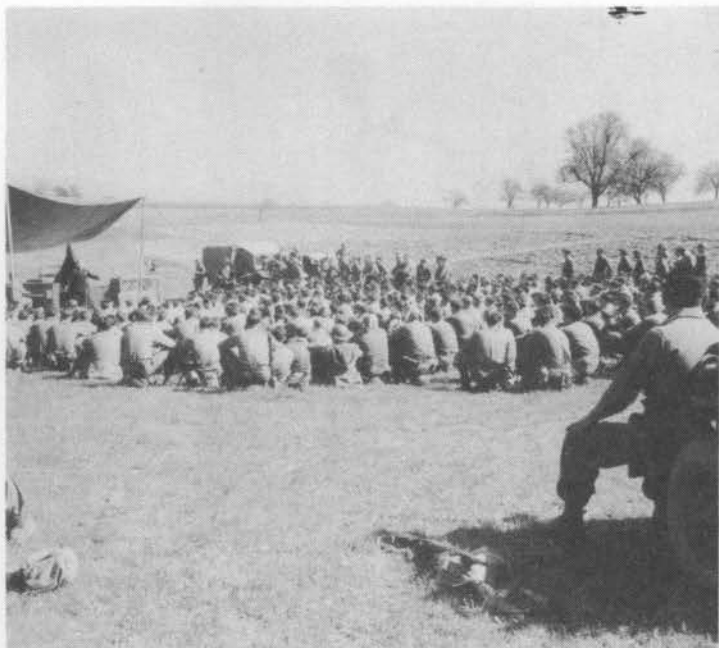
Civilians raking over the ashes of what remains of their home in Steinach, Germany, April 10, 1945

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Marlene Dietrich passes out autographed photos to the 7th INF boys at Fuchstadd, Germany, April 11, 1945



Men of the 7th INF. take time out to watch a U.S.O. show at Fuchstadd, Germany. Joe Marks is singing a popular ballad from the platform, April 11, 1945



Marlene Dietrich poses before an armored car in Fuchstadd, Germany, April 11, 1945



Marlene Dietrich sings one of her famous songs to the boys of the 7th INF. at Fuchstadd, Germany, April 11, 1945



Town folk battle flame in home hit by artillery in Neubeusen, Germany, April 13, 1945

Germany, March 26, 1945



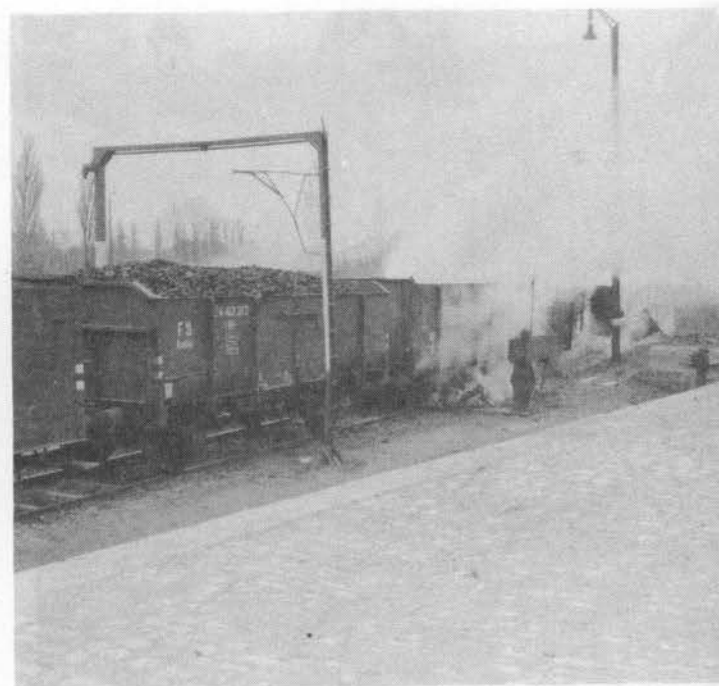
A blown out bridge across the Main River at Hassfurt, Germany, April 12, 1945

Germany, March 23, 1945



Citizens of Hassfurt, Germany gather to read proclamations of allied military government, April 12, 1945

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Burning freight cars in railroad yard at Hassfurt, Germany, April 12, 1945

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Hungarian and German in PW cage at 7th INF. Boxdorf, Germany, April 17, 1945



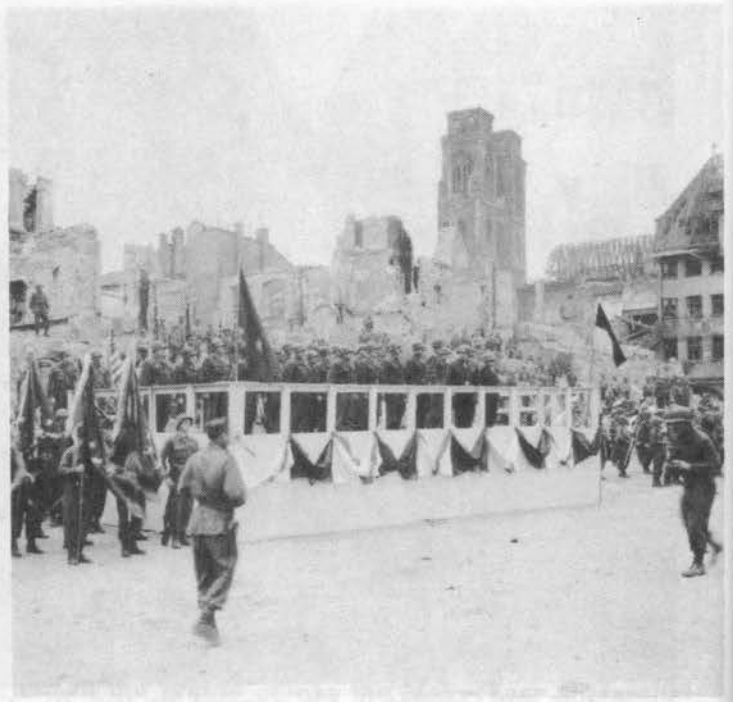
City of Furth, Germany undergoing an artillery barrage, April 18, 1945



756 tanks surround circular fort, out of which came 132 Kraut, Nurenberg, Germany, April 19, 1945



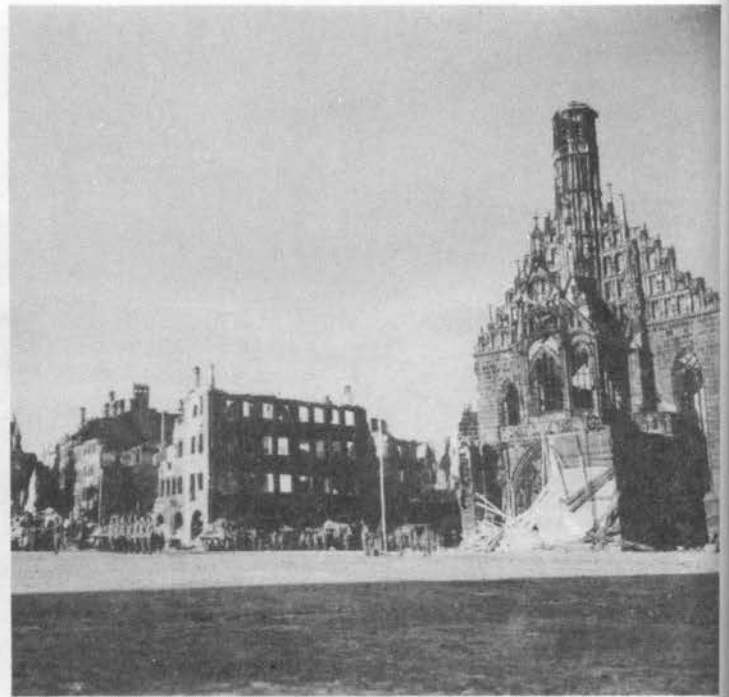
City of Nuremberg, Germany after a heavy artillery barrage, April 19, 1945



Raising of flag ceremony after taking Nuremberg, Germany in Hitler Square, April 21, 1945



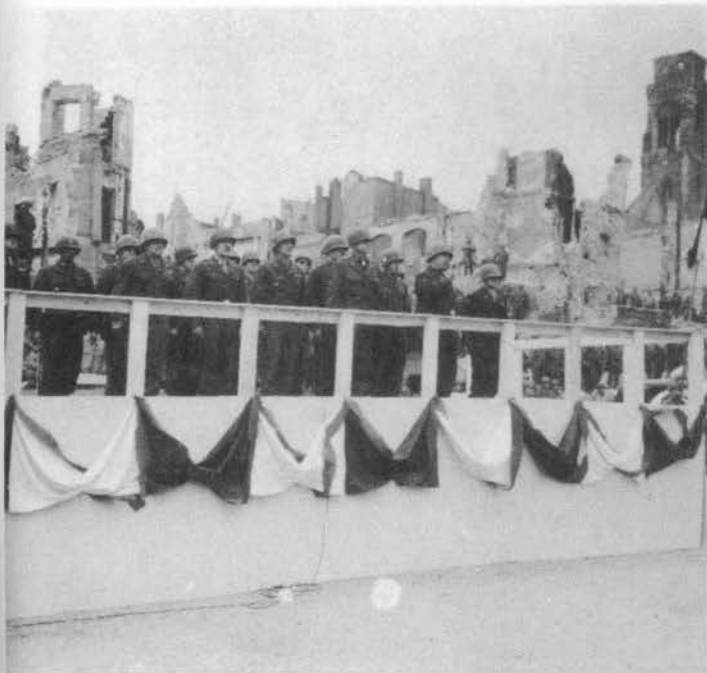
Raising American flag in Hitler Square, Nuremberg, Germany, April 21, 1945



Flag raising ceremony in Hitler Square, Nuremberg, Germany, April 21, 1945

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Reviewing stand with 15 corps staff officers, 3rd and 45 divisions at ceremony, Hitler Square, Nuremberg, Germany, April 21, 1945



White flags hanging from windows i just another scene in Augsburg, Germany, April 19, 1945



Street in Augsburg, Germany, April 29, 1945



A crowd circles around two 3rd recon. jeeps as it stopped for information, Munchen, Germany, April 29, 1945



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A part of 5000 prisoners who passed through 3rd Div. PW near Munchen, Germany, April 28, 1945



A charcoal-burning full-track armored vehicle near Salzberg, Austria, May 5, 1945



The Palace of Justice in Munchen, Germany, May 1, 1945



The empty shacks left by prisoners after evacuation to rear near Salzberg, Austria, May 7, 1945

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Tanks and TD's flank formation of 3rd Div. troops on parade, May 10, 1945



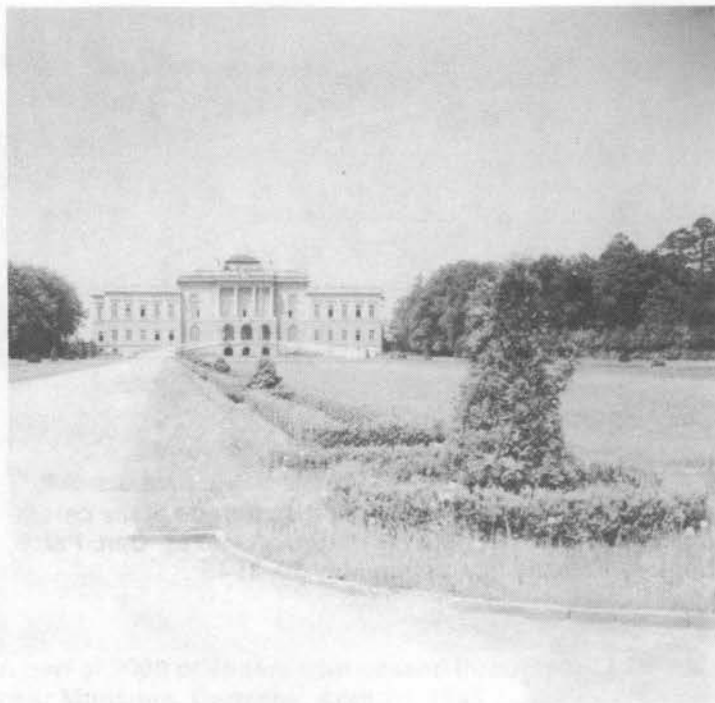
A mass formation of 3rd Div. men on parade at the ceremony held under Sec. of War Patterson and Lt. Gen. Patch, Schloss Klessheim, Austria, May 10, 1945



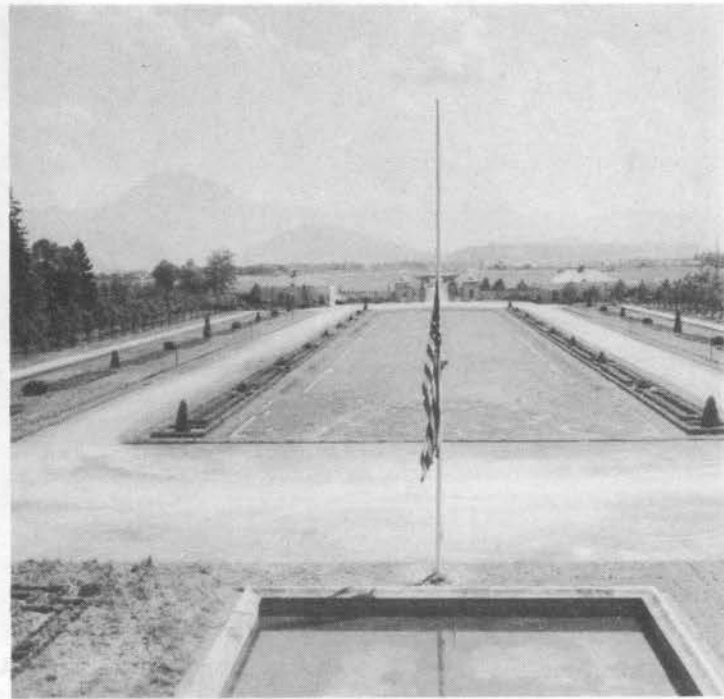
3rd Div. C.P. Hitlers Guest House, Schloss Klessheim, Austria, May 10, 1945



Under secretary of war Robert Patterson and Gen O'Daniel, Lt. Gen. Patch, Lt. Gen. Wade Haislip on reviewing stand inspecting troops on parade, Schloss Klessheim, Austria, May 1, 1945



3rd. Div. C.P., Schloss Klessheim, Austria, Hitler's Guest house, May 10, 1945



3rd Div. C.P. The garden at Hitlers Guest House, Schloss Klessheim, Austria, May 10, 1945



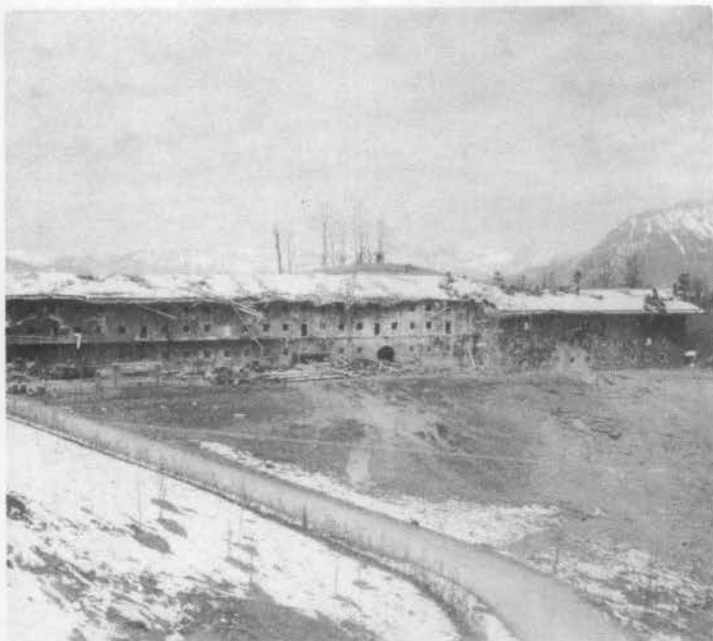
Gen. O'Daniels steps into his jeep to lead a convoy of German officials to Corps. Hdqs. May 7, 1945



A night scene of the 3rd Div. P.W. cage near Salzberg, Austria, May 6, 1945

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A well damaged building in Hitler's Berchtesgoden, Austria, May 6, 1945



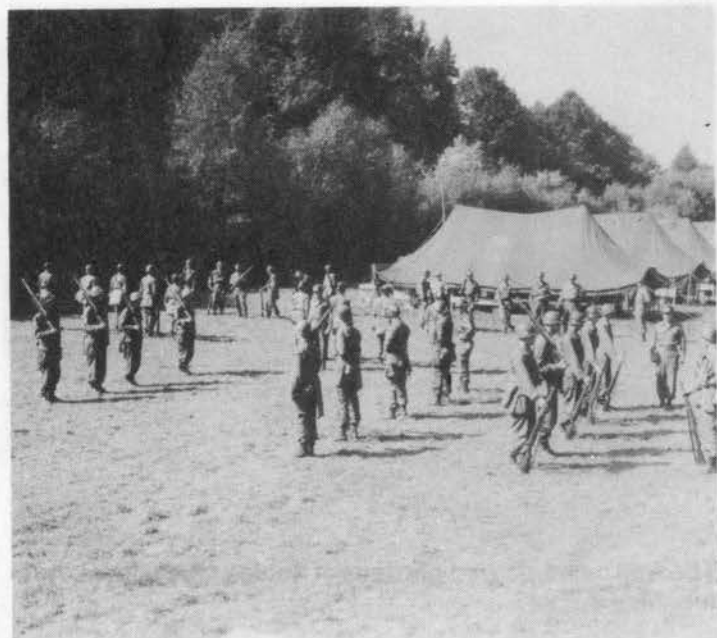
The well camouflaged gardens of Schloss Klessheim, Austria, May 8, 1945



The music room at teh 3rd. Div. C.P. in Hitler's guest house, Schloss Klessheim, Austria, May 10, 1945



The war room in Hitler's guest house. 3rd Div. Hqs. Schloss Klessheim, Austria, May 10, 1945



A class in the "voice of command" at the division NCO school, Bad Wildugen, Germany, August 28, 1945



Territorial discussions at Liaison Hq. in Wanfreid, Germany, September 17, 1945



Territorial discussion over maps, liaison Hq. at Wanfreid, Germany, September 17, 1945



Dinner member of the Russian Gen. Staff offer cigarettes to guests during informal after-dinner discussions, Wanfreid, Germany, September 17, 1945

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LEST WE FORGET



**The Roth House
Munchen, Germany
May, 1945.**





Photo shows a German anti-personnel bomb case of the type known as the "Butterfly" bomb. When the bomb is dropped, it falls a predetermined distance and the case is shot open, releasing a number of small delayed action bombs to fall in bivouac areas. They often lie for a day or two before exploding. Electrical connections, shown, activate the charge that opens the case. Anzio-Peter Beach Area, Italy, February 15, 1944.

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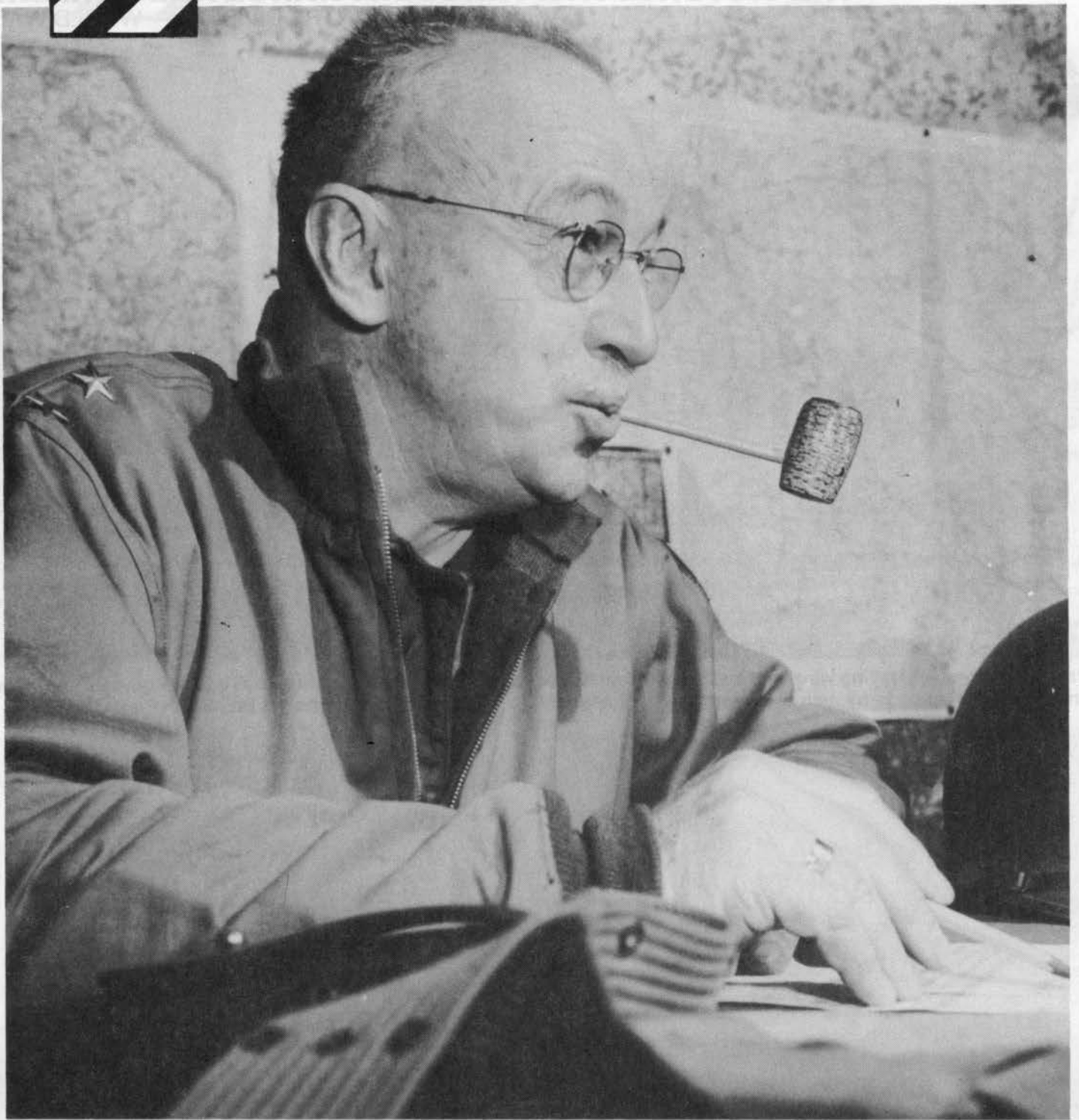
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Part of the process of laying wire road mat, on the beach near Nettuno, Italy, is driving the stays into the sand to hold the mat firm. This is being done by men of an engineer regiment. February 6, 1944. Men of the 1st Bn., 540th Engr. Regt.



View of Nettuno, Italy with destroyed German cannon and pill box in foreground. Nettuno area, 4 February, 1944.



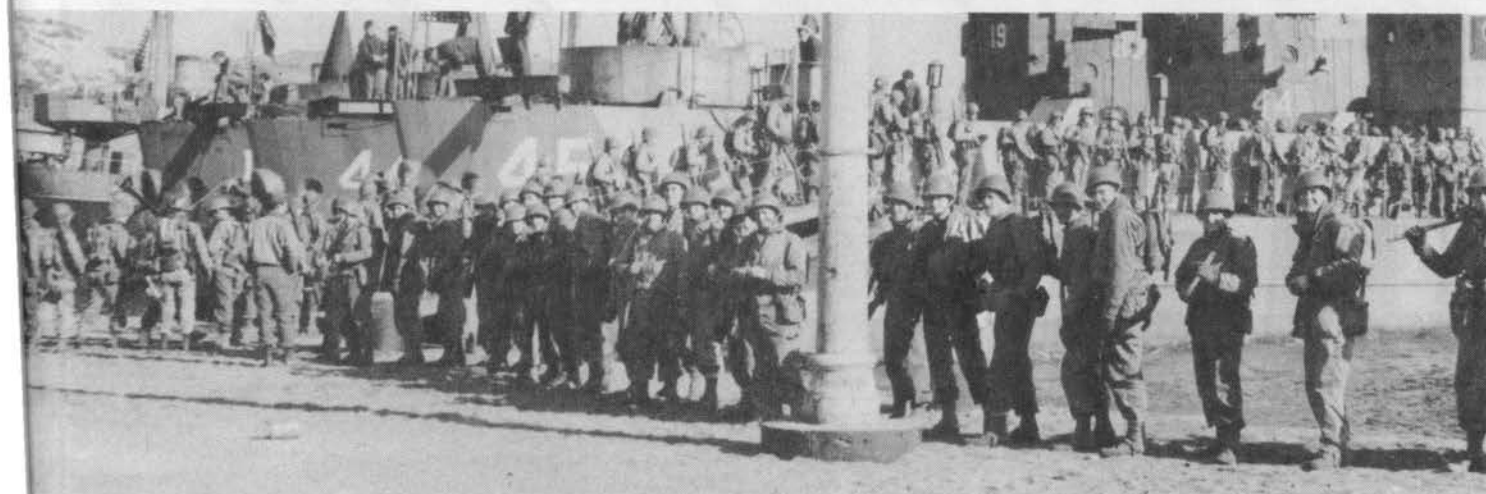
Major General John P. Lucas is pictured at his desk in Nettuno, Italy. Note his corncob pipe. February 17, 1944. C/G, VI Corps—VI Corps underground Hdqrs.

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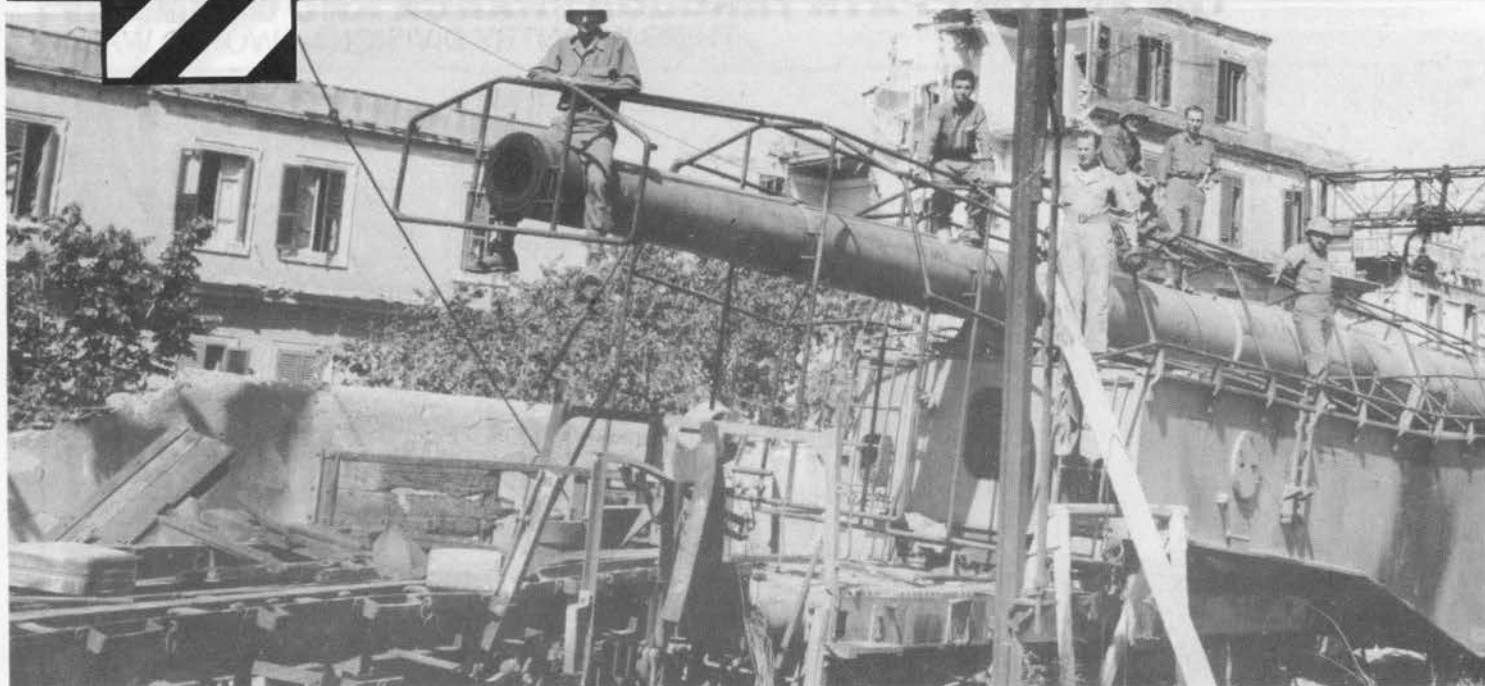
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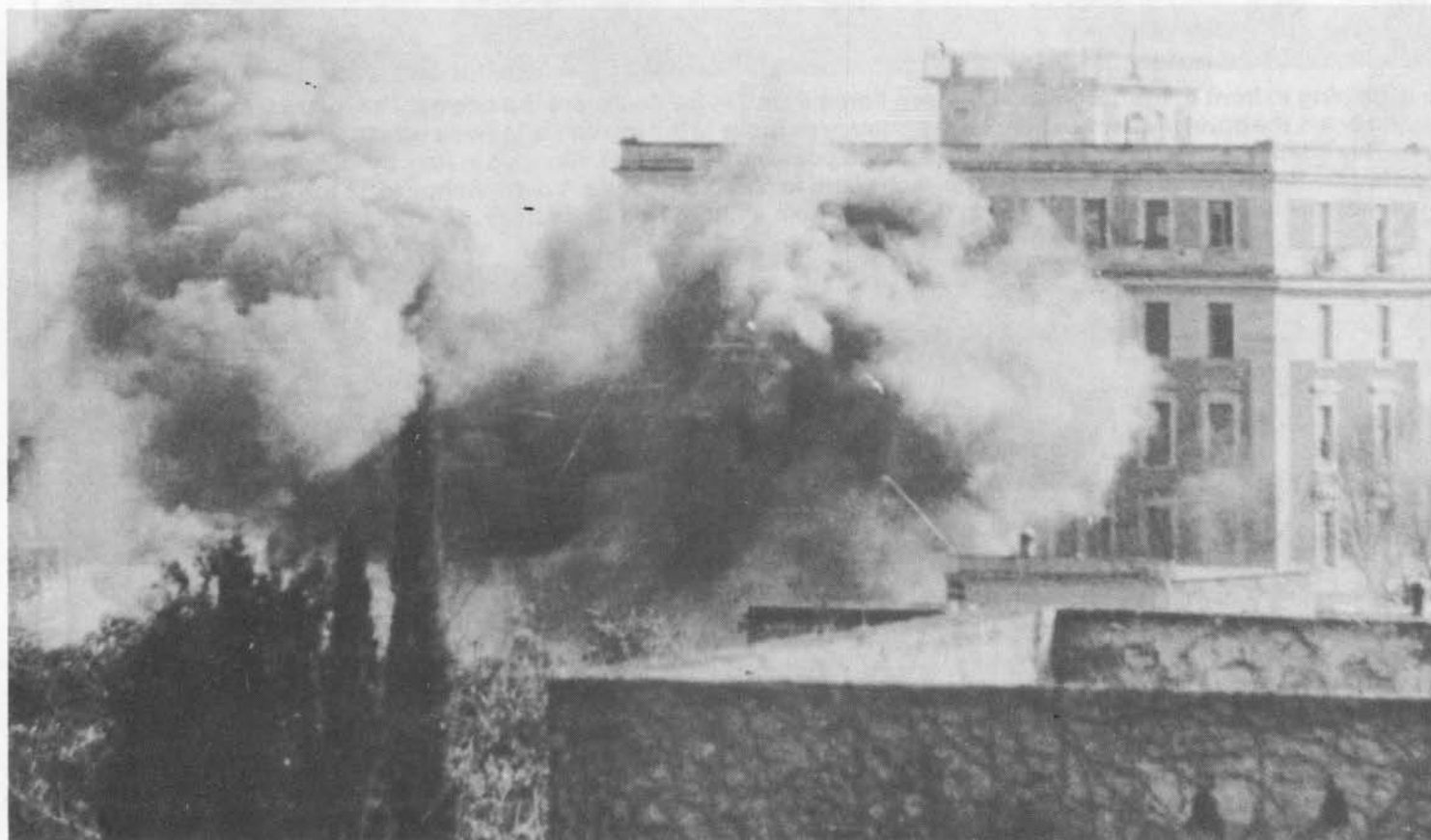
There is nothing in front of the 1st Special Service Force Patrol in battle except the enemy. The Infantry leads the way to attack and bears the brunt of enemy's attack. The primary purpose of the Infantry is to close with the enemy in hand-to-hand fighting. This Infantry patrol, one of the many that made possible the present offensive in Italy by feeling out the enemy and discovering his defensive strength, invades no-mans land to blast Germans out of a farmhouse, in the Anzio area, Italy. To blast out the enemy, the bazooka is fired into the house from a ditch. Fifth Army, Italy, 14 April, 1944.



In January 22, 1944, American and British soldiers of the Fifth Army, under Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, established a beachhead at Anzio, Italy, 30 miles south of Rome. This latest landing of Allied forces in Italy flanked the German units facing the Allies farther to the south, and placed American and British army units almost within artillery range of the Italian capital. This photo, made as operations to seize the new beachhead progressed, shows soldiers of the 3rd Ranger Battalion loading board LCIs (landing craft infantry), prior to departure. 1/16/44, Baia Area, Italy.



American Air Force, bombing railroad yards at Civitecchia Area, Italy, knocked out this 280-mm German railway gun. This type of gun was used to shell Anzio. Fifth Army, 8 June, 1944. Photo by Katz.



This photo, made during a systematic shelling of Nettuno, Italy, by Nazi long range artillery, shows shells hitting a hotel. This shelling demolished a section of the town. March 16, 1944.

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Aerial shot, taken at Fifth Army beachhead Area, Italy, shows Allied troops along Mussolini Canal dug in. February 19, 1944.



Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, Commanding General of the Fifth Army, receives the first message on the battle's progress, while traveling to the beachhead in a P.T. boat, near Anzio, Italy, January 22, 1944.

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The 56th Evacuation Hospital shows a ward tent being erected. Note construction of side walls for tent. The digging in of Hospital Tents at Beachhead is necessary as German shell fire and bombing have hit American Hospitals several times. Fifth Army, Anzio Beachhead Area, Italy, April 2, 1944.



During the allied invasion of France American medics of the 8th Inf. Regt., 4th Inf. Div., are shown administering first aid to soldiers wounded in the initial attacks at Utah Beach, France, 6 June, 1944.

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A line of captured Nazi prisoners files by the foxholes of U.S. infantrymen in the Carroceto Area, Italy, 19 February, 1944.



Gen. O'Daniel stands alone in silence and alone to look deep in thought at a row of T.D.'s, Austria, May 10, 1945



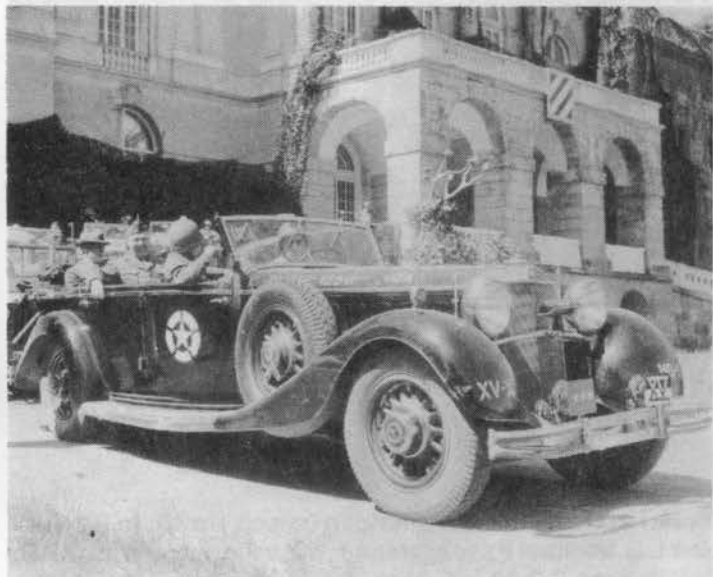
Gen. O'Daniel welcomes to more distinguished visitors of the 3rd Div. with "Iron Mike" are Lt. Gen. Wade Haislip, C.G. of IV Corps under secretary of war Robert Patterson and Lt. Gen. Alexander Patch C.G. of 7th Army. Schloss Klessheim, Austria, May 10, 1945



Congressional Medals of Honor, Zeppelin Stadium, Nuremberg, Germany, April 21, 1945/ PFC Wilburn Ross; S/sgt. Lucian Adams, Co. I 30th; T/sgt. Russell Dunham, Co. I 30th; Lt. John Tominac; Lt. Col. Keith Ware, 2nd BTN, 15th

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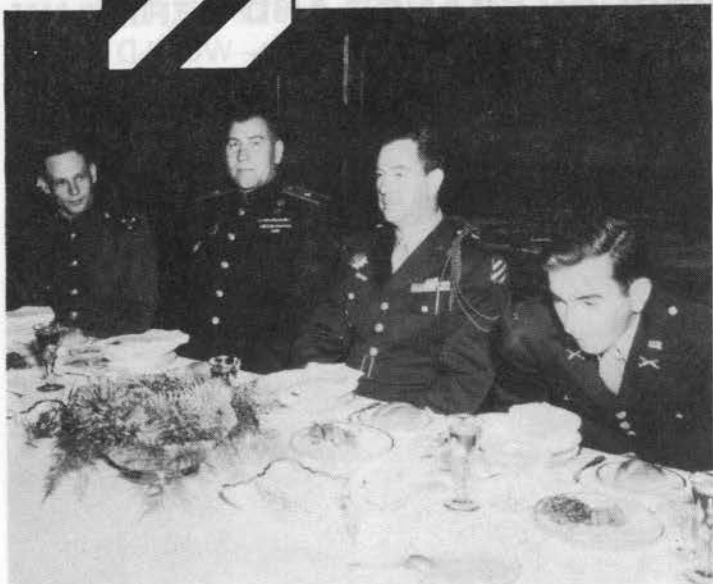
Schloss Klessheim was the scene of Gen. O'Daniels, under secretary of war Robert Patterson and Lt. Gen. Wade Haislip C.G. of XV Corps. May 10, 1945



Gen. O'Daniel and Sec. of War



Staff officers of the 3rd Div. pose with a woman correspondent, Salzburg, Austria, May 18, 1945



L to R: Russian interpreter; Russian Gen. Maj. V. Askalepov, Gen. Sexton, 3rd INF. Div., and Aid Wanfreid, Germany, September 17, 1945



Dinner at Russian and American Liaison Hq. "L to R" Russian Co. Michael Paschwenko; Miss Florence Wick ARC; Col. Rossen CO 30 INF. Reg.



Russian Gen. Maj. V. Askalepov and Gen. Sexton, 3rd INF. Div. leaving theater after Russian show. Wanfreid, Germany, September 17, 1945

THE RUSSIANS ARE COMING

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Civilians salvaging and extinguishing fire from their home in Dellern, Germany, April 14, 1945



"Papa" rakes the front yard while "Moma" cooks lunch on the kitchen stove, Steinach, Germany, April 10, 1945



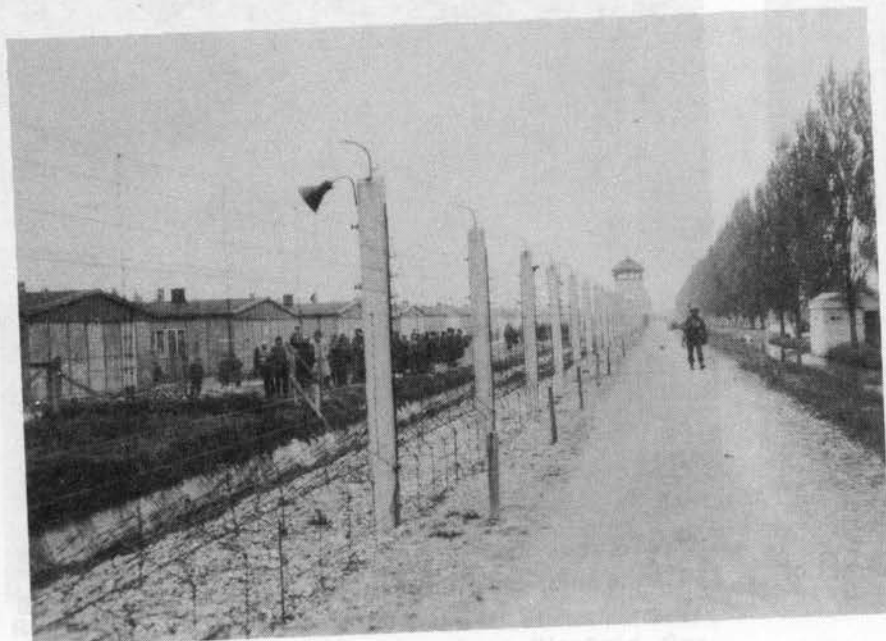
Patrol jeep of 15th INF. and 756 tank patrolling street of Nuremberg, Germany, April 19, 1945



756 tanks enter city of Nuremberg, Germany, April 19, 1945



L Co. receiving presidential citation from Gen. O'Daniels at Salzberg, Austria, May 15, 1945



Prisoners behind barbed wire in concentration camp at Dachau, Germany, April 30, 1945

Div. taking prisoner after Russian show, Weinfeld, Germany, September 17, 1945

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