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APO 262, U. S. Army

OPERATIONS IN GERMANY

11 MAY TO 31 MAY 1945

494TH ARMORED FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION

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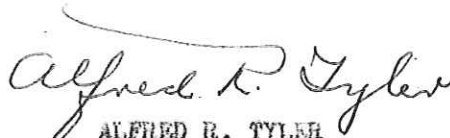
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SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, 12th Armored Division.

In accordance with Unnumbered Memorandum, Headquarters, 12th Armored Division, dated 7 January 1945 and Memorandum, Headquarters, 12th Armored Division, subject, "Unit Histories", dated 15 May 1945, the Unit History for the period 11 May to 31 May 1945 is hereby submitted.

For the Commanding Officer:


ALFRED R. TYLER
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8 June 1945

NARRATIVE

During the period 11 May to 31 May 1945 the battalion was billeted in the general vicinity of Burgau (WA 8737) with the mission of patrolling the surrounding territory and acting as security police. The batteries were also assigned the task of shipping Displaced Persons to areas more suitable for housing, and also to Ulm (WA 8731) for rail transportation to their respective countries. This group consisted of Germans, Russians, Polish, Czechoslovians, French and Yugoslavians.

Operations instruction number 47 received from Headquarters, 15th Armored Division on 18 May changed present boundaries to include all of the German Landkreise. 32nd Battery occupied billets in Seppia (WA 8236) to facilitate patrolling the new area, and Service Battery moved to Halderwang (WA 8035).

The training for the latter part of the month consisted of information and education lectures, organized athletics, and discussions on anti-subotage.

On May 12 a formal review was held for the presentation of awards to individuals who earned same since the battalion entered combat.

Memorial Day Services were conducted by Chaplain Allen G. Dixon 30 May in commemoration of the men killed in action of the three artillery battalions.

For the Commanding Officer:

Alfred R. Tyler
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