

# Unit Journal

## 328<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Battalion

### Daily Log of Activities during WW2

Period: April 1 – May 7, 1945

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#### **REPORT DETAILS**

**Header** – includes Month of report.

**Date** is in main column at top of each page and after line break.

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#### **COLUMN HEADINGS**

**TIME IN/OUT:** Time when information arrives at Battalion HQ. Or time when a report or a person left HQ.

**SERIAL NO:** Entry Number for this subject Month.

**TIME DATED:** Time of recorded event.

For example, info that is 12 hours old for day 17 will be recorded with TIME IN at 1900 but the TIME-DATE will be recorded as 161900

#### **LEGEND**

**Bn** - Battalion

**FO** - Forward Observer

**RCN** - Recon report

**BC** – Battery Commander (3 Batteries per Bn)

“From 24-1” - The Forward Observers were identified by a code name.  
This begins the entry for a report from a FO identified with code 24-1.

**Map Coordinates** -

345-874 or 34.5-87.4 different forms of grid coordinates

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TIME	SER	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	DIS
IN	OUT	NO	DATED	
			Friday 13 April 1945 cont'd	
1945		100	122400: From IV Corps: Situation Report #204.	M
1945		101	121800: From IV Corps: S-2, S-3 Report #102 Enemy Artillery Intelligence.	M
1945		102	121600: From IV Corps: G-3 Periodic Report No. 102.	M
			Saturday 14 April 1945	
0455		103	111800: From 10 Mt Div Arty: Prearranged Fire Plan.	M
0455		104	130800: From IV Corps: G-2 Periodic Report No. 310.	M
0455		105	0455: From IV Corps: Traffic Control by IV Corps (Message).	M
0455		106	0455: From 10 Mt Div: Intelligence Memorandum #15.	M
0455		107	131800: From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report	M
0455		108	111800: From II Corps: Arty Intelligence and Counterbattery Report #317.	M
0810		109	0810: Bn CO left for Charlie CP.	
0845		110	0845: Air Force started its softening of enemy front lines.	
0910		111	0910: Bn started preparation for attack.	
0940		112	0940: Infantry started attack.	
0945		113	0945: From 24-1: 5-10 enemy seen moving from their position on Mt. Raffeno to rear after barrage lifted.	M
1005		114	1005: From 24-1: Enemy troops assaulting town of Serra Sarcana (619-269).	M
1010		115	1010: From 24-1: Friendly troops moving across field -standing up (624-274)	M
1030		116	1030: From 24-1: Friendly troops at 619-271.	M
1045		117	1045: From 24-1: Friendly troops at 619-273.	M
1100		118	1100: From Div Arty: NFL: 566-250; 585-272; 600-273; 616-280; 626-280; 640-260; 610-280; 630-280; 640-260	M
1105		119	1105: From 24-1: Enemy gun firing from 69.20-34.55.	M
1110		120	1110: From Div Arty: NFL: 590-270; 60-28; 63-28.	M
1111		121	1111: From 24-2: Friendly troops in town of Calvana (631-261).	M
1120		122	1120: Friendly troops at 607-271.	M
1200		123	1200: From 24-1: Friendly troops in town of Torre Iussi (62-27 sq).	M

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			Saturday 14 April 1945 cont'd	
1220	124	1220	From Div Arty: 7 PW's taken on Hill 860 from 755 Regt, 87 Infantry captured complete order of battle. Reports that 755th Regt suffered heavy casualties from preparation and are unable to withdraw in an orderly fashion to next line which is 800 yards north of 621-272. One PW from 363rd Arty Regt says 3 105's vicinity of convent 3K north of Hill 860.	
1350	125	1350	From 24-1: Friendly troops at 633-264; our mules seen there. Two of our Inf on road at 636-262 walking east.	M
1350	126	1245	From 24-1: Elements of the 14th Inf, 1st Armored reported at 656-272 & 647-259. Patrols went to these two points, found no enemy there and stayed - will be reinforced.	
1350	127	1300	From 24-1: Friendly troops atop Hills 909 & 913 in 61-27 square.	M
1350	128	1315	From 24-1: Friendly troops moving out from Torre Iussi (621-272) - line runs along east-west road - Receiving heavy arty on town.	M
1350	129	1335	From 24-1: Torre Iussi occupied by enemy - our troops are withdrawing to enable tanks to move in and clear town.	M
1350	130	1335	From Div Arty: NFL - 600-280; 606-280; 610-283; 620-283; 630-280; 640-270.	M
1400	131	1400	From 24-1: Two enemy waving white flags from rifles at 6330-2675.	M
1440	132	1440	From 24-1: Hill 898 captured - 618-278. Mortars at 655-263.	M
1450	133	1450	From 24-1: 2 Co's of 86th have moved up gully to 630-274.	M
1450	134	1450	From 24-1: Engrs have road good up to 648-260.	M
1507	135	1507	From Div Arty: NFL - 620-283; 640-283; 644-270.	M
1610	136	1610	From 605th FA: Friendly troops on Hill 890 (628-276).	M

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Saturday 14 April 1945 cont'd						
1615		137	1615		From Div Arty: 25 PW's taken off of Hill 913. BEF at 558-244 & 560-247.	M
1615		138	1615		From 24-1: One Co. attacking Hill 847(63-27 sq) & Hill 868 in same square being attacked by another.	M
1630		139	1630		From 24-1: Hill 868 is ours; Friendly troops along trail from coordinates 648-262 to 650-262. 1st Armd has troops at 670-272.	M
1630		140	1630		From Div Arty: NFL - 540-250; 550-255; 560-260; 583-272; 610-283	M
1710		141	1640		From Div Arty: NFL - 603-280; 610-285; 620-285; 643-285; 648-274	M
1710		142	1710		Bn fired on concentration of enemy (assembly area) at S. Lucia - 1 Bn volley every min for 10 min.	
1715		143	1715		From 24-1: About 12 enemy coming down Mt. Roffeno with hands up.	M
1730		144	1730		From 24-1; Summary of type of resistance: Automatic weapons from bldgs & hilltops; mortar fire moderate; artillery light.	
1800		145	1800		To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Reports; 1295 rounds expended 36 rounds of propaganda.	
1805		146	1805		From 24-1: Hill 903(626-277) has been taken.	M
1840		147	1840		From A OP: Hill 835(630-280) has been taken.	M
1915		148	1915		Bn CO left for 605th FA Bn.	
2000		149	2000		Bn CO returned to Bn CP.	
Sunday 15 April 1945						
0735		150	0735		From 24-1: Hill 868(6345-2830) in our hands.	M
0820		151	0820		From 87 Mt Regt: Our troops half way up the slope of Mt. Pigna at 636-287.	M
0835		152	0835		From 24-1: Friendly troops at 608-279; 610-278; 635-286; 637-286.	M
0850		153	0850		From 85th Div: Intelligence Memo #71; Enemy Order of Battle.	M
0850		154	121800		From II Corps: Arty Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #318.	M

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TIME	SER :	NAME :	DISP
TIME	NO :	DATED: INCIDENTS, RE :	DISP
		Sunday 15 April 1945 cont'd	
0850	155	131800 From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report	M
0850	156	122400 From IV Corps: Situation Report #204	
0850	157	131200 From IV Corps: Situation Report #205.	M
0850	158	132400 From IV Corps: Situation Report #206.	M
0850	159	131600 From IV Corps: G-3 Periodic Report #103.	M
0850	160	131800 From IV Corpps: S-2, S-3 Report #103.	M
0850	161	0850 From II Corps: Hostile Btry List #25.	M
0850	162	132000 From IV Corps: G-2 Periodic Report #311.	M
0900	163	0900 From 24-1: 1st Armd Div, 81st Rcn : cleared Vergato and moved north : (710-261). 17 tons of mines taken: : from town & vicinity. 14th Inf at : 662-274; 11th Inf at Borsedello : 663-268. : 10th MT; A Co. 87th Inf at 631-288 : E Co. 86th Inf at 637-281 : 350 PWs taken so far; 20 more on : way in.	M
0905	164	0905 Bn CO left for <u>605th FA Bn.</u>	
0915	165	0915 From Div Arty: NFL - 590-276; 610-285; 630-292; 630-297; 660-290; 670-290.	M
0915	166	0640 Bn fired 20 minute preparation expended 800 rds.	
1000	167	1000 From Div Arty: It is possible your Bn will displace tonite depending on certain objectives. Rcn possible routes as far as possible toward Sussano(67-27 sq) - dis- placement depends on Mt. Pero.	
1000	168	1000 From Div Arty: Hill 834 occupied by our troops.	M
1030	169	1030 From Div Arty: Our troops on Hill: 802 also at Montefiascone.	M
1030	170	1030 From 24-1: 2nd Bn 86th at Amore (645-282) meeting small arms fire.	M
1030	171	1030 From G OP: Our tanks (4) on ridge south of Raffeno(651-275)-person- nel behind tanks.	M

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1040		172	1040	Sunday 15 April 1945 cont'd From Div Arty: 2nd Bn 85th moved to 606-281; 611-285.	M
				Our troops held up on forward slope of 898 by small arms fire.	
1050		173	1050	From 24-1: "E" Co. 86th at 647-286; "C" Co. 14th Inf at 668-274.	
				PW Report: 10-12 howitzers moving toward Tole area around Lamar; heavily mined. Despite bombing, supplies of the 94th Div at Tole. Supplies of 334th at Zocca (60-33) 100 mines at S. Lucia (633-286)	M
1050		174	1050	From 24-1: Friendly troops at 650-286; TDs firing from 649-271. On 12 April 3-4 guns, cal. unknown; seen at 612-313.	M
1145		175	1145	Bn CO returned to CP.	
1210		176	1210	From 24-1: 2nd Bn 86th Regt now on Hill 787 have Hills 775 & 804 (65-29; 66-29 sq) for next obj.	M
1210		177	1210	From Div Arty: NFL: 633-305; 640-303; 650-300; 660-290; 670-290; 600-280; 600-290; 610-290; 620-285; 630-300.	M
1410		178	1410	Bn CO left on a Road Ren to the north, vic. of Susano.	M
1520		179	1520	From 24-1: Our troops on Hill 760 (662-288).	M
1530		180	1530	From Div Arty: 2 platoons digging in below crest of Mt Sette Croci (648-287)	M
1540		181	1540	From 24-1: Hill 735 has been taken (662-292). Troops are moving to Mt. Mantino.	M
1730		182	1730	From Div Arty: 2nd Bn CP 86th Regt at 653-284.	M
1800		163	1800	From Div Arty: Forward elements at 645-301; 655-301; 655-293. Counterattacked in unknown strength repulsed at 655-301.	M
1855		164	1855	From Bn CO: Mt. Mantino (668-298) taken.	M
1910		165	1910	From Div Arty: NFL: 60-28; 60-29; 63-30; 64-31; 65-31; 651-316; 670-316; 680-291	M

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1930		166	1930	From Div Arty: Captured document reveals mine fields at 645-282; 646-283; 653-284; 655-284; 647-294; 650-294.	M
1930		167	1930	From Div Arty: NFL: 586-285; 586-280; 600-294; 610-293; 630-300.	M
2015	2015	168	2015	Bn CO returned to CP.	
		169	1800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report; 2208 rounds expended.	
2015		170	141600	From IV Corps: G-3 Periodic Report #104.	M
2015		171	141800	From IV Corps: S-2, S-3 Report #104.	M
2015		172	141200	From IV Corps: Situation Report #207.	M
2015		173	142400	From IV Corps: Situation Report #208	M
2015		174	150800	From IV Corps: G-2 Periodic Report #312.	M
2315		175	2315	From Div Arty: NFL: 680-291; 690-290; 700-290; 700-270.	M
Monday 16 April 1945					
0630		176	0630	From Div Arty: NFL: 650-318; 678-318; 680-291.	M
0755		177	0755	From Div Arty: NFL: 650-318; 680-330; 690-320; 690-300.	M
0900		178	0900	From 24-1: Mt. Pero has been taken	M
0915		179	131800	From II Corps: Artillery Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #319	M
0915		180	151800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report	M
0950		181	0950	From 24-1: Heavy enemy traffic - guns & vehicles pulling out of Tole.	M
1010		182	1010	Bn CO & BC parties left on Ron.	M
1010		183	1010	From 24-1: Our troops on Hill 726(678-308) & at Rodeano(68-30)	M
1310		184	1310	From 24-1: Our troops in church at Tole & on Il Poggio(693-285)	M
1315		185	1315	From Div Arty: Following are usable roads: N-bound 614-252 to RJ at 630-266. S-bound 638-262 to RJ at 635-235. N-bound 658-246 to 650-276.	M

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				Monday 16 April 1945 cont'd	
1320		186	1320	From Div Arty: Move one btry; to hit trail at Riolo at 1430. Next btries at 1530, 1630 & 1730 respectively.	
	1325	187	1325	To B Btry: CSMO; be at trail at Riolo at 1430 and pull into assembly area.	
	1345	188	1345	To A Btry: You will move out hitting IP at Riolo at 1530.	
	1410	189	1410	To C Btry: You will move out so as to hit IP at Riolo at 1630.	
1400		190	1400	From 24-1: Mt Mosca(69-30) taken; 3rd Bn 86th at 659-299; 1 Bn NE to 672-324.	M
1415		191	1415	From 24-1: Tole has been taken.	M
1435		192	1435	From 24-1: Enemy tanks at 6705-3275 & 670-329. Friendly troops at 669-319.	M
1440		193	1440	From Div Arty: NFL: 690-320; 710-320; 710-290; 750-290.	M
	1800	194	1800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report; 1653 rounds expended.	
2030		195	2030	From 5th Army: Distribution List #15.	
2030		196	2030	From IV Corps: S-2, S-3 Report #105.	M
2305		197	2305	"B" Btry closed into position at Cereglio(630-282) at 1730; Hq at 2215 & "C" at 2305 - Able still on road.	
2300		198	2300	From 24-1: 1st Bn 85th at 642-296 1st Bn 87th at 638-320 3rd Bn 87th at 680-308 2nd Bn 87th at 661-312.	M
				Tuesday 17 April 1945	
0430		199	0430	Able closed into position.	
0855		200	0855	From Div Arty: NFL-680-335; 700-320; 710-320.	M
0900		201	0900	From 24-1: Friendle troops at 7182-3395; took 40 PWs.	M
0930		202	161800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report	M
0930		203	141800	From II Corps: Arty Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #320	M
0930		204	161200	From IV Corps: Situation Report #211.	M



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Tuesday 17 April 1945 cont'd					
1030		205	1030	Bn CO left on Reconnaissance.	
1240		206	1230	From Div Arty : NFL-59-27; 65-32; 66-35; 67-36; 68-36; 69-37; 73-37; 73-35; 72-35; 73-34; 730-327.	M
1240		207	1240	From 24-1: Forward elements at 665-332.	M
1255		208	1255	From 24-1: Mt. Milano occupied - 74-30 sq.	M
1300		209	1300	From Div Arty: F Co. 87th Regt on Mt. Serra; pushing on to Prospera.	M
	1415	210	1415	To all Btries: Alert yourself for reconnaissance - vicinity of Rodiano (68-30 sq.)	M
	1530	211	1530	To all Btrys: Bn will move in following order: Able at 1630 & remainder at 1800. Able will CSMO at once.	
1638		212	1638	From Div Arty: NFL--6937-7337; ABOVE ENTRY VOID SEE BELOW	
1638		213	1638	From Div Arty: NFL-- 69-37; 73-35; 74-33; 73-37; 74-35; 78-33.	M
1638		214	1610	From Div Arty: All Ln Officers & FOs to meet CO, 337th Inf at present CP.	
2040		215	2040	Bn closed into position in the vicinity of Rodiano(682-297)	M
Wednesday 18 April 1945					
0100		216	0100	From Div Arty: Plan of Maneuver; 85th Inf Div.	M
0100		217	0100	From IV Corps: Amendment #1 to Operations Instruction #68.	M
0100		218	161800	From IV Corps: S-2. S-3 Report #106.	M
0100		219	161600	From IV Corps: G-3 Periodic Report #106.	M
0100		220	162400	From IV Corps: Situation Report #212	
	0100	221	171800	To Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report : 1506 rounds expended.	
0915		222	0915	Bn fired preparation for 337th Infantry.	
1045		223	1045	Bn CO left on Ren for forward position.	
1130		224	1130	From 24-1: Friendly troops at 749-359(Objective "Dog").	M

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			Wednesday 18 April 1945 cont'd	
1145		225	1145: From Air OP: Enemy tank knocked out at 7340-3931.	M
1220		226	1220: CG Div Arty visited CP.	
1220		227	1220: From 24: Objective "A" taken; going on to "B".	M
1330		228	1330: From 24: 1st Bn approaching obj. "H". Receiving MG & small arms fire. 3rd Bn approaching obj. "I" no resistance. 10th MT at San Pietro.	M
1330		229	1330: From Bn CO: All parties report immediately to crossroad at 678-332; "C" Btry displace at 1430, "B" at 1500 & "A" at 1600.	M
1615		230	1615: From Div Arty: Operations Memo #23. Overlay to accompany FO #1	M
1615		231	162000: From IV Corps: G-2 Periodic Report #314.	M
1615		232	151800: From II Corps: Arty Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #321.	M
1615		233	171800: From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report.	M
1615		234	1615: From IV Corps: Counter-traffic Program.	M
	1720	235	1720: Bn closed out of position vic of Rodiano.	
1745		236	1745: From 24-3: Advanced elements at 757-371.	M
1840		237	1840: From 24-2: Location of 2nd Bn at 774-378.	M
1930		238	1930: Bn closed into position in the vicinity of Borra (732-354).	M
2130		239	2130: From 24-2: Forward elements; 2nd Bn at 751-399; 753-377; 758-375.	M
			Thursday 19 April 1945	
0900		240	182200: From 337th: Overlay showing boundary changes.	M
0900		241	0900: From Div Arty: Operations Memo #23 with overlay.	M
0900		242	0600: From 24: 1st Bn jumped off - receiving fire from 760-388.	M
0900		243	0900: From Div Arty: 328 attached to 337 for combat team control.	

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				Thursday 19 April 1945 cont'd	
1045		244	1045	From 24: 10 MT Div has 85th Regt at 697-364 & 694-338; 86th Regt at 728-379, 733-378, 715-395 & 709-401; 87th Regt at 690-370. "A" Co 337th at 757-391, "B" Co at 758-390 & "C" Co at 760-387.	M
1100		245	1100	From 24: "A" & "B" have taken objective "H", "A" moving north, "B" remaining. Receiving shell fire in town.	M
1100		246	1100	Bn CO left on road ren.	M
1145		247	1145	CG Div Arty visited CP.	
1205		248	1205	BN CO returned to CP.	
1345		249	1345	From "A" OP: Enemy guns & personnel at 777-401. Enemy tank at 769-441 moved North on road & turned over in ditch.	M
1345		250	1345	CG Div Arty visited CP.	
1420		251	1420	"A" Co. in position at 761-405.	M
1600		252	181245	From Div Arty: All security restrictions have been lifted.	
1600		253	1300	From Div Arty: Report location of forward elements immediately.	
1600		254	181600	From Div Arty: Begin using 85 Div AF CODE 2742 at once.	
1600		255	171800	From IV Corps: S-2, S-3 Report #107.	M
1600		256	181800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report	M
1600		257	1600	From Div: Intelligence Memo #75	
1600		258	171800	From II Corps: Arty Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #323.	M
1600		259	180800	From IV Corps: G-2 Periodic Report #315.	M
	1600	260	181800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report; 643 rounds expended.	
2300		261	2300	From 337th: Boundaries to be changed; overlay later.	

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			Friday 20 April 1945	
0045	262	0045	From 337th: Overlay of boundary changes.	M
0600	263	0600	Bn CO left on forward run.	
0645	264	0645	From Bn CO: Have BC parties come forward.	
0800	265	0800	From 24: I&R platoon at 774-454; no opposition.	M
0800	266	0800	From Bn CO: Displace Btry C immediately.	
0800	267	0800	From 24: 1st Bn at 775-435.	M
0815	268	0815	From 24: I&R platoon at Objective "E" (787-468). 1st Bn at 777-442. 3rd Bn at 781-428.	M
1020	269	1020	Battery C in position & ready to fire; remainder of Bn closed into position at 752-413 vicinity of Bell' Aria.	M
1020	270	191800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report	
1020	271	191200	From Div: G-2 Report.	
1020	272	182000	From IV Corps: G-2 Periodic Report #316.	M
1020	273	191800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Reports; 1416 rounds expended.	
1600	274	1600	From 24: "A" Co. on Obj "E", "B" Co. on Obj "G". "C" Co. with I&R platoon. 2nd Bn all clear---going ahead; no opposition.	M
1605	275	1605	From 24: 2nd Bn moving east from 810-476; "F" Co. to 792-484.	M
1900	276	1900	Bn CO left CP & went forward.	
1900	277	1800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report; 1567 rounds expended.	
2230	278	2230	Bn CO returned.	
			Saturday 21 April 1945	
0630	279	0630	Bn CO left on reconnaissance.	
1015	280	1015	Bn left position at Bell' Aria.	
1230	281	1230	Bn arrived at new position at 768-546 vicinity of Anzola dell' Emilia (Po Valley).	M
1400	282	201200	From Div: G-2 Report	
1400	283	191800	From II Corps: Arty Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #325.	
1400	284	201800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report	M
1400	285	1400	From S-2: 338th Inf along the Samoggia river from 733 Easting to 768 Easting.	

Bell' Aria

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Anzola dell' Emilia

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UNIT 328th FA BN

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- 1-Standard distribution at CP
- 1-Troops informed

FROM 0100 1 April 1945

TO 2230 30 April 1945

TIME	DET	SER: NO	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS,	REP
Saturday 21 April 1945					
1730		286	1730	From 24: Forward elements at:	
				2nd Bn 86th Inf: 720-669	
				1st Bn 86th Inf: 743-602	
				3rd Bn 86th Inf: 738-599	
				2nd Bn 85th Inf: 753-604	
				3rd Bn 87th Inf: 710-561	
				1st Bn 87th Inf: 722-555	
				1st Bn 338th Inf: 725-600	
				3rd Bn 338th Inf: 770-594	
				351st Inf: 780-594.	M
	1800	287	1800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report;	
				1008 rounds expended.	
1900		288	1900	Bn CO left on reconnaissance	
2000		289	2000	Bn CO returned to CP.	
	2010	290	2010	To Div Arty: Our Bn will move	
				at 0600 tomorrow.	
2330		291	2330	From Div Arty: Prepare to move	
				one hour earlier; 0500.	
Sunday 22 April 1945					
0530		292	0530	Bn left position area in vicinity	
				of Anzola Dell'Emilia.	
1000		293	1000	Bn pulled into position at	
				694-766 vicinity of Voltaccio	VOLTACCIO
				because of fire mission.	
1100		294	1100	From 24: 2nd Bn at 66-855;	
				685-835; 666-815.	M
1115		295	1115	CG Div Arty visited CP	
1115	1115	296	1115	To Div Arty: Leading elements	
				1800 yards north of Phase Line	
				7 in center of sector.	M
	1240	299	1240	To Div Arty: One armd vehicle	
				knocked out at 7317-8570.	M
1300		300	1300	From 24-3: Right elements 100 yds	
				south Phase Line 7.	M
	1320	301	1320	To Div Arty: 2nd Bn at 685-835.	M
1330		302	1330	From 24: Elements on Phase Line	
				Being held up by small arms &	
				AA fire.	M
1400		303	1400	From 24-2: Leading elements 4000	
				yds north of Phase Line 7; still	
				moving north along left boundary.	
	1420	304	1420	To Div Arty: Leading elements on	
				Phase Line 8; extreme left of	
				sector.	M

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FROM 0100 1 April 1945  
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TIME	SER	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	REMARKS	
IN	OUT	NO	DATED		
			Sunday 22 April 1945 cont'd		
	1445	305	1445	To Div Arty: Right leading elements 500 yds north of Phase Line 7A meeting light scattered resistance;	M
1500		306	1500	Btry "C" went on Ren.	
1500		307	1500	From Div Arty: Operations Memo #24;	M
1500		308	211800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report;	M
	1507	309	1507	To Div Arty: Right on Phase Line 7 meeting small arms & light arty resistance.	M
1705		310	1630	From Div Arty: Elements of 10th Div-625-859 & 632-875. Elements of 88th Div-Panaro.	M
1830		311	1800	From 24-2: 2nd Bn stopping at 683-866; sending company to town 68-92 outpost.	M
2030		312	2030	Bn(-) left for forward area.	
2200		313	2200	Bn (-) arrived at new position area	
	2230	314	2230	To Div Arty: Center of new position area at 678-838; 1st Btry closed at 1940, 2nd Btry closed at 2340 Last Btry moves at 0530 to new area. CP at Staz di Staggia.	M
			Monday 23 April 1945		
0530		315	0530	B Btry left position at Voltaccio for forward position.	B-VOLTACCIO
0600		316	0600	Bn CO left on Ren.	
0600		317	221800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report; 411 rounds expended.	
0940		318	0940	Bn(-) left position at Staggia for forward position.	
1245		319	1245	Bn(-) closed into position area at 650-087 vicinity of Nuvolato.	Nuvolato
1355		320	1355	Btry B closed into position at Nuvolato.	
1405	1405	321	1405	Forward elements on bank of Po.	
		322	1405	To 24: Request location of your CP and PW Cage. (Bn had 63 PWs).	
2015		323	201800	From II Corps: Arty Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #326.	M
2015		324	211800	From II Corps: Arty Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #327.	M
2015		325	221800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report;	M
2015		326	221200	From Div: G-2 Report.	M
	2015	327	1800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Reports; 526 rounds expended.	

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 Posted on Situation Map  
 Standard distribution at CP  
 Troops informed

FROM 0100 1 April 1945  
 TO 2230 30 April 1945

TIME	SER	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	DISP
IN	CUT	KC	DATED	
			Tuesday, 24 April 1945	
0200		328	0200 From 337th: Overlay showing river crossing plan.	M
0830		329	0830 Bn began a 15 minute preparation for crossing of the Po River.	
0850		330	0850 From 24: "L" Co. & 2 Cos of the 1st Bn across the Po; preparation very good.	M
0855		331	0855 From 24: First wave, 3rd Bn almost on Phase Line #1; no opposition.	M
0900		332	0900 From 24: 1st Bn across; approaching First Phase Line; no opposition.	M
0920		333	0920 From Div Arty: 10th Mt Div has troops at 567-144, 578-165, 555-158, 566-171, 564-175, 566-173, 577-177, 585-164, 589-159, 599-165, 604-154, 603-149, 606-147, 610-147; 617-140, 615-144. 88th Div not reported to river as yet.	M
0950		334	0950 From 24-3: 3rd Bn crossed 2nd Phase Line; meeting no opposition - still advancing.	M
1000		335	1000 BC meeting at Bn CP.	
1420		336	1420 From Div: Partisans report enemy tanks at 4901-5205 (Bn fired upon tanks).	M
1420		337	1420 Bn fired on enemy strongpoint at 6965-1235.	M
1420		338	1420 From Div Arty: 10th Mt has troops at: 550-120; 550-135; 535-145; 535-165; 550-175; 563-173; 576-175; 578-164; 595-157; 605-165; 620-170; 630-162; 647-153.	M
1420		339	1420 From 24-3: Troops at F19.5-L8.3	M
1430		340	1430 From 24-2: Troops beyond Phase Line #3 & well on way to Phase "A".	M
1515		341	1515 From 24: 2nd Bn on Phase "A" & moving to "B". 3rd Bn on road to Casale; to enter town. "I" Co. 300 yards south of road from Governalo & Casale. one Bn(1st)	
1550		342	1550 occupy Phase "2".	M
			From 24-2: Unit on Phase Line "B".	M
	1800	343	1800 To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Reports; 876 rounds expended.	

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Under disposition use the following:

M-Posted on Situation Map

S-Standard distribution at CP

T-Troops informed

FROM 0100 1 April 1945

TO 2230 30 April 1945

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	TIME DATED	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	TSP
2100		344	2100	Tuesday 24 April 1945 cont'd From Div Arty: Operations Instructions #25 with overlay.	M
2100		345	2100	From 24: Two nurses came in from Ronco Ferraro (608-205); 20 Jerries & one tank have left; a large hospital with many sick and wounded being hit, Request our fires be lifted.	M
0830		346	0830	Wednesday 25 April 1945 From Div Arty: 338th on Phase Line "C"; 339th moving to Phase Line "B". Both regiments to move forward at 1200.	M
0900		347	0900	From 24: 85th Regt, 10th Mt Div at 522-283 & 534-278.	M
0925		348	0925	From 24: 10th Mt Div has troops at 534-279 & 522-283.	M
1240		349	1240	From Hook: Have all 18 Howitzers at Red Beach to cross river.	
	1243	350	1243	To All Btrys: CSMO; all howitzers to meet at "A" Btry as soon as possible. Send only enough men to load and unload howitzers.	
1530		351	241200	From Div: G-2 Report.	
1530		352	241800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report.	M
1730		353	1730	Bn left position at Nuvolato to cross Po River.	M
2045		354	2045	After crossing Po River Bn pulled into an assembly area.	
2200		355	2200	Bn left assembly area.	
0130		356	0130	Thursday 26 April 1945 Bn closed into new position area at Zera (573-325)	M
0900	0920	357	0900	CG Div Arty visited CP.	
		358	0920	To All Btries: Have EC parties at CP at 1015.	
1030		359	1030	Bn CO & BC Parties left for Rcn.	
1200		360	1200	Bn left position at Zera.	
1400		361	1400	Bn pulled into an assembly area.	
1415		362	1415	Bn left assembly area.	
1430		363	1430	Bn arrived at new position area outside Verona at Bassa (627-518)	M
	1500	364	251800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report; 12 rounds expended.	M
1500		365	1500	From Div Arty: Overlay of Defense Line.	M

Crossed  
at  
Nuvolato

VERONA



For disposition use the following:  
 based on Situation Map  
 and distribution at CP  
 troops in area.

FROM 0100 1 April 1945  
 TO 2230 30 April 1945

TIME	OFF	SER. NO.	TIME	DATE	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES	DISP
				Thursday 26 April 1945 cont'd		
1630		366	1630	CG Div Arty visited CP.		
1720		367	1720	Btry "A" displaced.		
1730		368	1730	From Div Arty: IV Corps reports that 4 full effective German Divisions left in Italy; all others are disorganized & depleted. Light 42nd Div: Destroyed. Panzer 29th Div: 2/3 effective. Panzer 94th Div: Destroyed. Panzer 278 Div: 1/4 effective. Grenadier 90th Div: 1/3 effective. 1st & 4th Para Div: 2000 killed & 5000 PWs. 5th Army captured 52,000 PWs.		
1800	1800	369	1800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Reports; 44 rounds expended.		
1815		370	1815	Btry "A" closed into new position at 63.632-53.397; 2000 yds forward.	M	
1945		371	1945	From Div Arty: Co. G of 338th at 672-592, "E" at 664-595. 88th Div a task force south of Adige River - location doubtful.	M	
2030		372	2030	Btry "C" displaced to 63709-53473	M	
2045		373	2045	Btry "B" displaced to 63562-53635	M	
2100		374	2100	From Div Arty: Division boundary may be as follows: Left-58 Easting. Right: 61-41, 727-560, 861-541, 970-613. Phase Line north-637-620, 673-620.	M	
				Friday 27 April 1945		
1000		375	1000	From Div Arty: 88th Div locations: 349th Inf: along Adige River 81 to 86 Easting. 351st Inf: across 7648. 350th Inf: Vic. 7252. Division Mission E & NE along Hwy 11. Mission of 10th Mt Div to seize Brenner Pass.	M	
1100		376	1100	From Div Arty: NFL-67 Northing across entire sector.	M	
1130		377	1130	From Div Arty: Move no installations until further orders.		
2030		378	261200	From Div: G-2 Report.	M	
2030		379	261800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report.	M	
2030		380	251800	From II Corps: Arty Intelligence & Counterbattery Report #328.	M	

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UNIT 328th FA Bn

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 S-Standard distribution a  
 I-Troop

FROM 0100 1 April 1945

TO 2230 30 April 1945

IN	OUT	NO	TIME	INCID	MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC
	2030	381	1800		Friday 27 April 1945 cont'd To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report - no rounds expended.
0620		382	0620		Saturday 28 April 1945 From Div Arty: Forward elements: 10th Mt Div at 70 Northing. 34th & BEF having hard fight with 3 Divisions (Jerry & Italians) at Piacenza. 1st Armd at Alps near Bergamo SE of Como.
1000		383	1000		From 337th: Liaison Report.
1200		384	1200		From Div Arty: Location of forward elements of 88th & 91st: 1st Bn 351st Inf - 792-511 2nd Bn 351st Inf - 802-509 3rd Bn 351st Inf - 805-509 1st Bn 350th Inf - 871-496 2nd Bn 350th Inf - 882-498 Above Bns make up Task Force Fry which was 12 miles from Vicenza as of this morning. 3rd Bn 350th Inf - 900-505 1st Bn 349th Inf - 920-487 2nd Bn 349th Inf - 899-473 3rd Bn 349th Inf - 910-490 1st & 3rd Bn 361st Inf at Allonta in the 99-44 square. 2nd Bn 361st Inf - 960-476 3rd Bn 362nd Inf - fire fight at 052-425 as of 0200. 363rd is at assembly area NW of fire fight.
1615		385	1615		From Div Arty: 100th Regt, 5th Mt Div (German) surrendered to a patrol of the 339th Inf after refusing to surrender to Partisan.
1900		386	271200		From Div: G-2 Report.
1900		387	1900		From Div Arty: Liaison Report.
1900		388	271800		From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report:
	1900	389	1800		To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report; no rounds fired.

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UNIT 328th F. A. Bn

Disposition use the following:  
 - started on situation map  
 - standard distribution at CP  
 - Troops informed

FROM 0100 1 April 1945

2230 30 April 1945

TIME	OUT	SER. NO	TIME	EVENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	
				Sunday 29 April 1945	
0300		390	0300	From Div Arty: 34th Inf to go to Bergamo today. Take over from BEF which let 1000 Krauts escape. BEF take over 34th Div sector along Po; 1st Armd captured the remnants of the 232nd Inf Div; also elements (50 WACS) and equipment of the 90th Panzer Grenadier. "A" Combat (E136-015) took Lake Como (Fishing is prohibited). "B" Combat K (430-755).	M
0845		391	280800	85th Division detached from IV Corps and reverts to Fifth Army control.	
1125		392	1125	From Div Arty: Torino (00-30) held. Novara (80-65) held. Genoa held; 7000 PWs from 473rd Inf. Milano held by Partisans. CCA west of Como (15-00). Howsey at 49-44. CCB K44-77. 1000 enemy overrun Berano. BEF to hold south of Po. 88th Div G24-71 advancing against stiff enemy opposition; 1st & 4th Para Div. 91st Div at Vicenza & G14-62. 6th South Africans behind 91st. 8th Army in Padova G34-49; elements in Choggia 65-27.	M
1230		393	1230	Hq Btry & CP left Bassa.	
1330		394	1330	CP closed into new position in Verona (637-537).	M
1635		395	1635	From Div Arty: 5th Mtn, 34th Inf. & 3 Italian Divisions surrendered to CO IV Corps. Surrender signed by Graziano's C of S.	M
2000		396	281200	From Div: G-2 Report.	M
2000		397	281800	From Div Arty: S-3 Periodic Report.	
	2000	398	1800	To Div Arty: S-3 & S-4 Report; no rounds expended.	
				Monday 30 April 1945	
0130		399	0130	From Div Arty: 88th Div at 23-89; 228-732; 275-755. 91st Div at 218-623; 112-597. British in Venice (unconfirmed).	M
0530		400	0530	From Div Arty: 148th (German) Div surrendered to 92nd Div.	

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TO 2230 30 April 1945

TIME	SER:	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.
OUT	NO	DATED	
			Monday 30 April 1945 contd
0920	401	0920	From Div Arty: At 0110 10th Mtn Div repulsed strong counterattack reinforced by arty and tanks at 577-024 & Nago(588-003). Amphibious landing on Lake Garda was unoppos- ed(4082-2030). II Corps reports increased resistance at Bassano (24-89). PW states 1st Para Div got orders to withdraw thru Brenner Pass; 4th Para Div assemb- ling at Schio(94-83)-ordered to withdraw thru Pass. 65th Div has orders to reach Germany by any route or means. No enemy contact at Brenta(6372).
1020	402	1020	CG Div Arty visited CP.
1045	403	1045	From Div Arty: 148th & 232nd Div. surrendered complete Ligurian Army. Resistance broken in west; rear-guard action only in east.
1345	404	1345	From Div Arty: 351st Inf at Bassano, 350th at Tanbrigo. 1000 Germans over-ran a Cannon Co of the 88th Div - 100 killed, 600 captured(Germans). 91st Div Arty CP at 228-730 - their foremost elements at 472-793.
1440	405	1440	From Div Arty: Your Bn on a three hour alert and placed under Combat Team control upon displace- ment.
1800	406	1800	Bn left position area at Verona.
2230	407	2230	Bn closed into assembly area at Creazzo(050-650) vicinity of Vicenza.
			Journal Closed.

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Vicenza

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UNIT 328th F. A. Bn.

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FROM 0100 1 May 1945  
TO 0950 9 May 1945

TIME IN	CUT	REF	TIME DATED	EVENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	DISP
Tuesday 1 May 1945					
1200		1	1200	Bn left assembly area at Creazzo, in vicinity of Vicenza.	M
1630		2	1630	Bn arrived in position area in vicinity of Pederobba (440-980)	M
1830		3	1830	BC parties left on Recon.	
2300		4	2300	Bn CO returned from meeting at CT-7 Hq.	
Wednesday 2 May 1945					
0400		5	0400	From Div Arty: Situation overlay. 608 & 284 Radios will operate 24 hours. Report situation hourly.	M
0530		6	0530	Bn left position area at Pederobba.	
0630		7	0630	Bn arrived into position area at Anzu (404-147).	M
0905		8	0905	From 337th: CSMO	
1000		9	1000	Bn left position at Anzu.	
1215		10	1215	Bn arrived into position at 537-301 vicinity of Gron.	M
2000		11	2000	From Div: Adm Order # 18.	M
2000		12	011200	From Div: G-2 Report.	M
2200		13	2200	From 337th: Your Bn under control of 2nd Bn CO.	
Thursday 3 May 1945					
1000		14	1000	CG Div Arty visited CP.	
1800		15	1800	BC Call at CP.	
2000		16	2000	From 337th: Have guns in position ready to fire; may have trouble with 29th Panzer Grenadier Div regarding surrender.	
Friday 4 May 1945					
0915		17	0915	From Div Arty: Remain in firing position prepared for action at any time. CA fire 6400 - 500 mils spread on batteries.	
0930		18	0930	CG Div Arty visited CP.	
1000		19	1000	Bn CO left for 2nd Bn CP.	
1030		20	1030	From 24-2: As far as we know everything is operating smoothly.	
1030		21	1030	Bn CO returned to CP.	
1100		22	1100	From 337th: 8th Army elements at Plazzo 06650 & on outskirts of Venoni 3349. Resistance from enemy with few tanks. Previous two efforts to negotiate have failed. One officer shot. Further efforts are under way. 700 PWs taken.	Venoni ? Yanoni ?
				339th Inf reached point H at 0005.	

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FROM 0100 1 May 1945

TO 0950 9 May 1945

TIME	NO	DATE	INCIDENTAL MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ISP
		Friday 4 May 1945 cont'd		
	22 (cont'd)		Task force (Bn /) has started for Brenner. Rest of column at 0045 were nearing their objective; border of Austria.	M
1200	23	1200	From 24-2: Column (enemy) moving south - everything apparently under control.	M
1830	24	1830	From Div Arty: 1st Bn 339th at 1330 at Vipiteno (W0515).	M
1845	25	1845	From 24: Stay laid and ready to fire until sometime tomorrow.	
1945	26	1945	From Div Arty: Extracts from OI #51, Hq. 85th Inf Div.	M
		Saturday 5 May 1945		
0900	27	031200	From Div: G-2 Reports Nos. 211-212.	
1600	28	1600	From 337th: You may revert firing position into Bivouac area.	
2000	29	041200	From Div: G-2 Report #213.	M
		Sunday 6 May 1945		
2000	30	051200	From Div: G-2 Report #214.	M
		Monday 7 May 1945		
1230	31	1230	From Div Arty: Area assignment overlay & Operational Instructions No. 53.	M
2015	32	2015	From Div Arty: Operations Memo #26.	M
		Tuesday 8 May 1945		
0800	33	0800	BC Parties left for assigned area.	
		Wednesday 9 May 1945		
0950	34	0950	From 337th: Your Bn released from CT-7 control.	

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