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Unit 305 ML & BU, RAOC

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Month and Year JUNE 1944

Commanding Officer CAPT K.M. NEWMAN

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
A.P.O.	1		Infm by DDOS 8 Corps that Bath Units must be prepared to move independently from Ldy.	KMN
A.P.O.	3		Bath U working as usual during past week - nos bathed 3445 Route march.	KMN KMN Appx A 3008 & 3009
APO	4		Church parade in morning. Route march in afternoon.	KMN
APO	5		OC visited Corps HQ re important deficiencies	KMN
APO	6		Visit to Unit and talk to men by DDOS 8 Corps "D-Day" - no special activity in this area.	KMN KMN
APO	7		Notified re OC 8 Corps ORD residues.	KMN
APO	8		Visit by ADOS 15 (S) Div. Collected distribution box from DIDCOT	KMN
APO	9		Notified by DDOS 8 Corps approx date of move to theatre of ops. Collected overseas maps.	KMN
APO	10		Unit engaged on painting vehs during past week Bath U working as usual - nos bathed 2670	KMN Appx B 3008 & 3009
A.P.O.	13		Collect Bath U burners from DIDCOT. Read message from CinC 21 A Gp	KMN
11	15		First raids by pilotless planes intermittently throughout the night. Purchased stores for DME Mod 672 on ORD EXFOR authy.	KMN
11	16		Visit from Sp Cashier. Raids again during night.	KMN
11	17		Visit from OC 8 Corps Residues. Raids during night. Unit completed veh painting during past week. Bath U programme restricted - nos bathed 320 - and revised	KMN KMN KMN Appx C 3008 & 3009
"	19	1130	Recd instrs from 21 A Gp via 110 MLBU to provide tpt to take laundry trailers from 110 MLBU to 101 MLBU. Lt RYE took convoy and trailers were delivered by 2100 hrs	KMN
"	20		OC attended conference at Corps Adm Post when it was agreed that MLBUs should NOT waterproof until notified Collected new 15 cwt truck in exchange for old one condemned by Wksps	KMN
11	22		Phone call from War Office to collect technical stores from Didcot.	
APO			January completed.	KMN
	24		Unit engaged on regt trg for entire week.	KMN

			Bath U bathing Div residues.	KMN
			Instrs from OC 8 Corps Tps Residues to waterproof forthwith	Appx D 3008
				3009 KMN
"	25		All vehs cleaned preparatory to waterproofing	KMN
WORTHING	26	1100	Notified by W. SUSSEX SUB DISTRICT and confirmed by 8 CORPS ADM	
			POST to use open address w.e.f. forthwith	KMN
APO	27		Instrs received from 8 CORPS ADM POST cancelled use of open	
			address. Started waterproofing.	KMN
"	30		Reft of 1 Sjt ST/LD arrived. Unit now at full str	KMN

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APO	1		Modifications to water trailers completed.	KMN
			Unit engaged on regt trg during week, also dvrs on waterproofing.	KMN APPX A. 3008 & 3009
11	2		Church parade	KMN
"	3/4/5		Dvrs on waterproofing, remdr of Unit on loading, also regt trg	KMN
II .	6	1500		
			that move for them at short notice should be anticipated	KMN
		1800	TPM from ORD EXFOR to collect from FELTHAM stores for Mod B733 to	
			ldy there.	KMN
	7	0600	Sent to FELTHAM for stores	KMN
		0900	Contacted Comd Wksps re the mod, who said could be completed by 15	
			Jul.	KMN
		1500	Notified by 8 C Tps Res that Bath Sec now at 6 hrs notice	KMN
APO		1600		KMN
II .	8		REME insp waterproofing of vehs - all OK.	KMN Appx B - 3008 & 9
II .	9		Waterproofing & loading completed.	KMN
"	11	1700	TPM from SECO to contact CASTLE DONINGTON to collect 1 medium	
			tractor in exchange for 1 3-ton lorry under authy IOWO/MOB/1638.	KMN
		1800	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
			they would contact CHILWELL for infm. Notified SECO of sit.	KMN
п	12	1200	Infm by CHILWELL that tractor was available at CASTLE DONINGTON and	
			waterproofing kit for same at CHILWELL	KMN
		1500		
		1600	5	
			Sent offr to explain about tractor also that 4 ldy trlrs were still	
			in wksps for modification	KMN
			OC 8 C Tps Res said he would contact BUCO & phone later.	KMN
APO		1630		
			13 JUL.	KMN
II .	13		OC 8 C Tps Res phoned to know posn - gave details	KMN
			Fourth trlr retd from wksps.	KMN
		1400	Special Cashier advised	KMN

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		1600	NCO coll tractor phoned to say broken down near STREATHAM & infm 8	KMN
			C Tps Res of sit & was instr to report sit direct to BUCO	KMN
		1630		
			them when ready to be called fwd	KMN
		2000	Fifth trailer retd from wksps	KMN
"	14	0100	Tractor arrived	KMN
		1000	Infm ADOS SUSDIT of deficiencies on tractor & was told that these	
			were NOT available	KMN
		1200	Last trlr retd from wksps	KMN
APO		1200	Notified BUCO that Unit would be ready to move by midnight	KMN
		2100	Loading and waterproofing of tractor completed	KMN
"	15	2300	Collected movement order from SUSDIS	APPX C 3008 & 3009 KMN
11	16	1100	Unit moved to marshalling area - no incidents - Unit split between	KMN
			three craft.	
Camp A19	17	2330	HQ party under comd OC ordered to move to port of embarkation.	KMN
P of E	18	0330	Arrived port of embkn.	KMN
II .	19	1530	Embarked on LST.	
COURSEULLES	20	1600	Disembarked & proceeded to 8 Corps residues camp.	KMN
PIERREPONT	22		Moved from residue camp to PIERREPONT	KMN KMN
			Remainder of Unit embarked	KMN APPX D 3008 & 3009
II .	24		" " disembarked & joined HQ	
11	25		2 Bath sub-secs ordered to 4 Armd Bde. Disinfector to 7 Armd Div	KMN
PIERREPONT		1300	Ordered to recce site for laundry sec SE of CAEN and to set up to	
			wash for 7 Armd Div temporarily on 27th Jul.	KMN
II .	27	0500	Moved ldy sec to new site at MONDEVILLE.	KMN
		1900	Recd instrs from DDOS 8 Corps to evacuate ldy immediately	KMN
		2130	Ldy evacuated. Saw ADOS 7 Armd Div who infm that a mistake had been	
			made in sending ldy so far fwd, and that new site should be recced	
			near THAON. Disinfector & 2 bath secs returned.	KMN
II	28		Recced site on R. MUC in THAON and moved Unit to it. 1 bath sub sec	
			sent out to 13/18 HUSSARS	KMN
THAON	30		Unit ready to work but infm by DDOS 8 Corps that move to 15 Div	APPX E 3008 & 9
			area was imminent.	KMN
11	31		Recced site in BALLEROY with ADOS 15 (S) Div.	KMN

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
BALLEROY	2		Unit moved to site at BALLEROY	KMN
11	3		Visited by ADOS 15 (S) Div who infm that Div was soon moving to new sector, and suggested ldy site in DAMPIERRE.	KMN
11	5		Recced site in DAMPIERRE & reported to ADOS	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN (APPX. 'A')
11	7		New proposed site not near enough to Div's new location, recced another at CATHEOLLES.	KMN
11	8		Visited ADOS who approved new site, but infm that ldy could not move there for a few days.	KMN
CATHEOLLES	9		Unit HQ & Bath sec moved to CATHEOLLES (7243) ldy still working at BALLEROY	KMN
11	10		Shuttle service for clean clothing now operating between ldy & bath secs.	KMN
11	12		Infm that Div moving to new sector, recced sites in MALTOT	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN (APPX. 'B')
BALLEROY	13		HQ retd to BALLEROY, Bath sec moved under Div comd to MALTOT	KMN
II	15		Recced several sites in area BULLY	KMN
11	16		HQ moved to BULLY also 2 Bath sub secs.	KMN
BULLY	17		Ldy site found at GRIMBOSQ reported to ADOS & DDOS 8 Corps. Moved HQ to GRIMBOSQ. REs started mine clearing of site.	KMN
GRIMBOSQ	18		REs finished mine clearing - 6 "S" mines located	KMN
11	19		Ldy & Bath secs moved to GRIMBOSQ	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN (APPX. 'C')
11	23		Sites recced for Bath sec nr FALAISE. ADOS arranged for dump to be located at ldy site.	KMN
11	24		ADOS dump recalled. Bath sec joined Div OFP at USSY nr FALAISE.	KMN
п	25		Ldy sec came under comd DDOS 12 Corps. Bath sec went fwd under comd 15 (S) Div	KMN
GRIMBOSQ	26		Notification recd of probable move of ldy	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN (APPX. 'D')

II .	28	DDOS 12 Corps infm that Unit would move in conjunction with 107 &	
		307 MLBUs on 2 Sep	KMN
11	29	Moved to THURY HARCOURT with other Corps ldys.	KMN
THURY	30	Moved to EPINAY (Q8267)	KMN
HARCOURT			

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
EPINAY	2		Moved to ST CYR VAUDREUIL (R2595) on R. EURE	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN APPX 'A'
ST CYR	3		Moved to ANDE (R2198) across R. SEINE	KMN
ANDE	4		Moved to SARNOIS (M8136) to harbour with other Corps ldys	KMN
SARNOIS	7		Moved to SERVINS (N3813)	KMN
SERVINS	9		Moved to ST SAUVEUR (J0842) crossing FRENCH-BELGIAN frontier	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN APPX 'B'
ST SAUVEUR	10		Recced site for working ldy at ST AMAND	KMN
П	11		Moved to ST AMAND (J5279) on R. SCHELDE	KMN
ST AMAND	12		Ldy in operation and clothing exchange with bath sec at LONDERZEEL	
			working	KMN
II .	13/16		Ldy in operation.	KMN
11	16		Visited ADOS 15 (S) Div and recced site in area AERSCHOT - SICHEM	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN APPX 'C'
ST AMAND	17	1340 1600		KMN
II .	18	1800 2300	RAF inspected glider & guard dismounted Instrs from DDOS to move to SICHEM on 19th	KMN
п	19	1200	Unit moved to SICHEM (K0871)	KMN
SICHEM	20	0800 1600	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	KMN KMN
II II	21	1100		KMN
II .	22	0800	Bath sec moved fwd with Div OFP	KMN
П	23	2330	Instrs from DDOS to move to WEZEL on 24th	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN APPX 'D'
II .	24	1200	Moved to WEZEL (K2591) unsuitable site. Visited 15 (S) Div & 12 Corps and recd permission to move Unit to site previously recced at EINDHOVEN	KMN
WEZEL	25	0700	Moved Unit to EINDHOVEN (E4017) crossing BELGIAN-DUTCH frontier	KMN

EINDHOVEN	26	0900	Unit in operation on clothing exchange with bath sec (also at	
			EINDHOVEN) and on washing Div blankets. Visited by ADOS & AQ Div.	KMN
II .		0800	107 ML&BU moved to same site.	KMN
II .	27		Unit in operation	KMN
II .	28	1030	Posting order arrived for LT LEVIN to be cross-posted with LT	
			SHARPE of 106 ML&BU.	KMN
II .	29	1600	Visited by DDOS 12 Corps	KMN
II .	30	0630	OC went to 2nd Army on instrs from DDOS to see about release of	
			tractors in lieu of lorries for ML&BUs	KMN AFG 3008 & 9
				APPX 'E'

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
EINDHOVEN	1	1800	Unit came under comd 15 (S) Div	KMN
			LT SHARPE taken on str as Bath Sec Offr. 2 Bath sub-secs sent out	
			to GEMERT.	KMN
11	2	1000	Instr by DDOS 12 Corps to contact 8 Corps re tractors for ldy.	KMN
		1430	Visited by ADOS 15 (S) Div & ADOS 51 Highland Div.	KMN
11	3	0900	Recced area HELMOND - GEMERT for ldy site	KMN
II .	6	1630	Attended address by Div Comdr.	KMN
II	7	-	New site for ldy found at HELMOND	KMN AFG 3008 & 9
				APPX 'A'
GEMERT	9	1030	Moved laundry to GEMERT (E571324)	KMN
II .	11	1000	Collected new tractors from 8 Corps Veh Pk	KMN
			Present site flooded from exceptionally hy rain but ldy still	
			working	KMN
II	12	1700	ADOS agreed to ldy moving to site originally recced in GELDROP	KMN
GEMERT		1900	Very hy arty activity due North	KMN AFG 3008 & 9 APPX 'B'
GELDROP	15	1200	Moved unit to GELDROP (E4816)	KMN
11	16	0900	Unit working - visited by ADOS (15 (S) Div)	KMN
п	19		Wrote to ADOS asking whether anything can be done on manpower sit.	
			as with this unit being mobilized on a Type B WE and holding Type A	
			eqpt. The shortage is acute	KMN
II	20		Plant now badly in need of complete overhaul, have applied for	
			permission to close down for 4 days for this	KMN
II .	21		Great difficulty in getting spares for laundry. ADOS has agreed to	KMN AFG 3008/9
			"White Hot."	KMN APPX 'C'
II	22		Lt RYE sent to Laundry Automaint Depot in BRUSSELS to try for	KMN
			certain laundry spares - no success Indents white-hotted	KMN
II	25	0900	Bath section withdrawn to Unit on change of location of Division	KMN
GELDROP	26	0900	ADOS has agreed to laundry closing from 29 Oct - 3 Nov	KMN
"	28	1000	Bath sec offr recced site at TILBURG	KMN 3008 & 9
				APPX 'D'.

11	29	1800	Enemy air activity in direction of HELMOND	KMN
		2200		
		2315	Ordered by 15 (S) Div HQ to pack up laundry immediately owing to	
			operational necessity and be ready to move at short notice, and to	
			recce site HELMOND at first light.	KMN
II .	30	0500	Having worked by moonlight all night, laundry ready to move apart	
			from one trailer which has been stripped	KMN
II .		0630	Recced several sites in HELMOND - more suitable, but after finding	
			out Town Major's commitments, site eventually found.	KMN
п		1700	Reported to Div HQ & was told to move laundry at first light.	KMN
HELMOND	31	0700	Moved Unit to HELMOND (E557217)	KMN

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
HELMOND	1	0830	2 Bath sub-secs ordered to ASTEN (M.R. 6113)	KMN
11	4/6	1400	Conference of ldy offrs called by DDOS. Arranged that OsC Units	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN
			should submit proposals for revised WE.	
"	7	0700	OC to TILBURG with a view to arranging laundry contract for Div	
			Rest Centre	KMN
		1200	Notification from Town Major to recce new site as existing one reqd	
			by 2nd Army Railhead	KMN
		1400	Previous message confirmed by Div HQ.	KMN
"	8	0900	Several sites recced. Agreed with Town Maj on occupation of De	
			Wit's factory.	KMN
II	10	1400	Moved Unit to new site (557213)	KMN
"	11	0800	Visited DDOS 8 Corps to try to get urgent spares question settled -	
			position most unsatisfactory as apparently spare parts for	
			generators are not available in this theatre.	KMN AFG 3008/9
HELMOND	14		Gave up occupation of town bath-house	KMN
"	16	0800	Started new system of blanket exchange with IC 4 BHL at Brussels	KMN
"	19			AFG 3008 & 9 KMN
"	20	0800	Bath section moved from HELMOND to ASTEN (MR 6113)	KMN
11	22	1400	Collected new 15 cwt truck on 2nd Army authy	KMN
II .	25			
	26	0900	2 bath sub-secs moved from ASTEN to HORST	KMN AFG 3008 & 9
11	28	0730	Vehs sent to MALINES on ADOS authy for collection of blankets for	
			Division	KMN
11	30	0730	Generator (condemned as U/S) taken to Raoc wksps at BRUSSELS where	
			a few laundry spares were available	KMN

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
HELMOND	1		Recced site at BERINGEN on ADOS instructions - no use	KMN
"	2		Further areas for site - unsuccessful	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN
II.	9			AFG 3008 & 9 KMN
II .	12		OC to BRUSSELS to collect new generator on instrs DADOS(L) 21 A Gp	KMN
"	16			AFG 3008 & 9 KMN
"	17	0830	Slight enemy air activity - two bombs dropped.	KMN
"	18		Closed 2 Bath sub-secs at ASTEN	KMN
"	23			AFG 3008 & 9 KMN
"	25		Unit not working today	KMN
"	28		OC unable to attend Laundry Conference at MOLL owing to ice & fog	
			on roads	KMN
11	30		ADOS arranged laundry discussion for Bde QMs.	AFG 3008 & 9 KMN

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
HELMOND	1	0845		
	_		ground targets. Saw 3 hit by AA fire.	KMN
"	3	1000	Recd warning order to move to ASTEN	KMN
"	4	1100	Div Comd visited unit. Site recced at ASTEN	KMN
ASTEN	6	1600	Move completed and ORD was established (ADOS OFP & selves)	KMN
TI .	8		Difficulties with water supply - pump not strong enough	KMN
II .	9	2200	Unit now working - introduced 3 shifts	KMN
"	13		Notified that Unit to supply 14 men for compulsory transfer to Inf	
			- only 9 men eligible	KMN
"	15		Continual breakdowns on laundry - spares situation so farcical as	
			items such as boiler feed pumps are just not available	KMN
11	16		Borrowed odd spares from other units in attempt to get laundry	
			operating. Six ST/LD attached for duty from No 3 BHL	KMN
ASTEN	17	0200	Improvisations have now put half unit in working order	KMN
11	18		9 ORs posted to Inf 5 replacements arrived	KMN
II .	19	0300	Generator broken down - no spares available	KMN
II .	21	1800	Generator patched up & 1 wing working. Contacted 307 MLBU to	
			exchange 1 wing type A eqpt for 2 CCS trailers under authy 21 A Gp	KMN
11	23		1 wing handed over to 307 MLBU. 4 GD men arrived to complete	
			reinforcements	KMN
"	24	1800	Site near TILBURG recced under Div instrs.	KMN
П	25	0800	Advance party sent to new site - closed laundry	KMN
п	27	0830	Unit moved to GOIRLE	KMN
11	28		Laundry operating. Bath secs sent to Bdes. Lt Sharpe on course	KMN
"	30	1500		
			laundry spares on instrs from ORD EXFOR	KMN

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
GOIRLE	4	0845	Corps Comd address to Offrs re forthcoming ops - 1 bath sec to NIJMEGEN	
п	7		CCS trailer recd end of Jan out of action, engine not timed correctly.	
II	9		Laundry completely out of action owing to lack of spares.	
П	12		Laundry operating again - Automaint contacted re urgent spares reqd Notification from 307 MLBU that 2nd CCS trailer now available	
"	14		CCS trailer recd.	
п	19		Indents to automaint, several of them met and the balance noted. Arrangements have also been made for local manufacture. Hy "V1" activity in ANTWERP direction.	
II .	22		Ordered to recce site for laundry in HELMOND - recced and found suitable site	
II .	24		Move to HELMOND cancelled	
II II	27		Reverted to system of clothing exchange with both secs. Both secs all out to new locations.	

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GOIRLE	1	0930	Made arrangements with Civ Affairs for employment of 12 civs.	
11	4	1500	Div church parade, unit represented with 4 ORs	
11	5	1500	Parade and insp by GOC.	
11	7	0100	3 Refts arrived. 1 Cpl & 1 OR under close arrest	
11	8		Summaries of evidence being prepared	
п	11	0900	OC to ADOS re Bath secs - posn of secs being semi-permanently att	
			to Bdes is unsatisfactory	
MOLL	12	0800	HQ moved to MOLL. Laundry remains at GOIRLE	
11	15		OC recced area KAPELLEN (Germany) for laundry site	
11	16	0700		
II	17	2000	Warning order for unit move on 19th	
GOIRLE	18	1400	HQ retd to GOIRLE	
KAPELLEN	19	0630	Unit moved to new site at KAPELLEN (A 0530) crossing DUTCH-GERMAN	
			frontier	
11	20		9 Civs employed through Mily Govt.	
KAPELLEN	21	1700	1 1	
11	24	10-	Airborne ops seen with RHINE crossing	
		1200		
11	25	2130	1 5 7 5 5 6 7 5 6 7 5 6 7 5 6 7 5 6 7 6 7	
11	26	1400	10 Rfts posted	
11	28		OC fwd over R. RHINE to recce new site in VISSEL	
II	29	2200	OC to ADOS re proposed move.	
II	30	0800		
11	31	2300	Laundry packed ready to move.	

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

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

WAR DIARY

Unit 305 MLBU, RAOC.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Month and Year May 45.

Commanding Officer Capt. K.M. Newman.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
BEVENSEN	1	08.00	One Bath Sec sent forward across ELBE to join DIV.	AFC
S.9102	2		O.C. proceeded fwd to area SCHWARZENBEK to recce laundry site.	AFC
II .	4	15.00	Laundry ceased work preparatory to closing up for move fwd.	AFC
II .	5		Laundry packed up and stores loaded for move to new site.	AFC
GROSSENSEE	6	14.00	Laundry sec and HQ moved to site by GROSSENSEE	AFC
S.7362	7		O.C. proceeded on recce of the area for a more suitable site.	AFC
п	8		Further recces carried out - no suitable vacant site available. 1 Bath sec fwd with 46 Bde to KIEL	AFC
II	9		Laundry erected on site at GROSSENSEE	AFC
11	10	07.00	-	AFC
II	12	14.00	Notification rec'd FGCsM provisionally fixed for 17 May 45 for 3 O.Rs.	AFC
"	14		On instr from ADOS, 15(S) Div, 2 IC carried out investigation of	AFC
			laundry facilities at LUBECK. Result :- Plants available too small for requirements and lack fuel.	AFC AFC
11	15		Investigation made of Civilian laundry facilities at HAMBURG. Only	111 0
			suitable plants are in operation for HAMBURG garrison.	AFC
II	17		FGCs.M. postponed. Instr from ADOS to recce area LUBECK for suitable site	AFC
11	19		Civilian laundries in areas BAD ODESLOE and BAD SEGEBERG	AFC
			investigated as to suitability for Div work. Results :- All plants	AFC
			seen, too small.	AFC
II .	21	07.00	One U/S CCS Mk III Laundry Trailer sent back to No 2 (Ldy) Sub	
			depot for replacement.	AFC
"	22	10.00	Posting order received for Capt K.M. Newman to proceed to 54 R.H.U.	
			under Pickfords IV - RAOC Offrs. Advance party sent fwd to prepare	
			new site at LUBECK.	AFC
"	23	09.00	Lt SHARPE proceeded to AHRENSBURG to arrange for employment of 30	
			German Civ women on Sock Repairing. Quantities of Woollen Vests &	
			Drawers returned to S.C.U. after washing.	AFC

GROSSENSEE	24	08.00	Three loads of stores and clothing sent fwd to new locn.	AFC
S.7362	26	17.00	Laundry ceased work in preparation for closing down. Laundry &	
			stores packed.	AFC
LUBECK.	27	12.00	Unit HQ and Laundry Sec moved to new locn near LUBECK.	AFC
S.9594				
"	28	12.00	Laundry erected and ready for operation.	AFC
11	29	15.00	Capt. A.F. CHASEMORE arrived to take over command of Unit on	
			posting of Capt. K.M. NEWMAN.	AFC
		16.00	Replacement CCS Mk III Trailer arrived from BRUSSELS (No 2 (Ldy)	
			Sub Depot).	AFC
II .	30		New CCS Trailer in operation	AFC
11	31	12.00	Notification rec'd, FGCs.M. for 3 O.Rs fixed for 4 June at 227 Bde	
			HQ.	